

**REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA, HELD TUESDAY AUGUST 2, 2011**

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia, met in regular adjourned session this 2nd day of August, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. at the Courthouse.

**Present: Bernard L. Kazienko, President
Norma Tarr and Marty Bartz, Commissioners
Sylvia J. Benzo, County Clerk**

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The Commission held their preliminaries before the meeting including a prayer and pledge of allegiance.

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A motion was made by Marty Bartz, seconded by Norma Tarr, and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2011 meeting.

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A Resolution was drafted honoring Bobbie Taylor, an Ambulance employee who will be retiring. Commissioner Kazienko read the resolution and a motion was made by Norma Tarr, seconded by Marty Bartz, and unanimously passed to adopt the Resolution.

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This being the first meeting of the month of August, 2011, fiduciary matters were presented to the Commission for approval after having been cared for in the absence of the Commission by the County Clerk. The fiduciary meeting will remain open until the end of the regular meeting and if no objections are filed will be adjourned at the same time as the regular meeting.

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A copy of the following correspondence was given to each of the Commissioners for their review:

A notice from the U. S. Census Bureau letting us know that sometime in October we will receive the 2011 Governments Units Survey and asking for our help in completing the form.

An e-mail from Norman Schwertfeger, Extension Agent letting us know that he will be meeting with the contractor next week on the Tollhouse Project and inviting the Commission to participate.

A request from John Schwertfeger, Ambulance Director asking to hire John Morgan, Chuck Shreve, Jacob Howard, Matthew Nguyen and Stacy Cronin, and Rodney Smal, effective August 8th. A motion was made by Norma Tarr, seconded by Marty Bartz, and unanimously passed to approve the hirings.

A Press Release from Brooke Hills Park letting us know that August 7th is National Kids Day at the Park and inviting us to participate.

A check in the amount of \$44,167.40 as reimbursement under the Courthouse Facilities Improvement Grant for the courtroom.

A letter from the Division of Criminal Justice Services letting us know we have been approved for \$20,000 to help provide a PRO Officer. The Contract needs signed and a Resolution needs adopted if approved. A motion was made by Norma Tarr, seconded by Marty Bartz, and unanimously passed to authorize the signing of the agreement and to submit a resolution. Sheriff Ferguson was present and indicated that funding was cut, however; he is working to try and secure additional funding. Commissioner Bartz would like a letter sent to the State explaining what happened and asking why they are not supporting the PRO Program.

A copy of the BHJ Weekly Report for July 31, 2011 through August 6, 2011 was received. The above correspondence was ordered filed in the County Clerk's Office.

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A motion was made by Norma Tarr, seconded by Marty Bartz, and unanimously passed to hire Tonya Pose as a part-time employee at the animal shelter.

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Marty Bartz made a motion, seconded by Norma Tarr, and unanimously passed to hire Donna DeJaro as the Brooke County Animal Shelter Director.

Norma Tarr made a motion, seconded by Marty Bartz, and unanimously passed to hire Charles Shreves as the Brooke County Dog Warden.

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Bob Fowler, EMA Director presented to the Commission a Mutual Aid Agreement between the Brooke County Office of Emergency Management, Brooke County Emergency Medical Services and all fire departments serving the Brooke county area which he asked the Commission to approve. Marty Bartz made a motion, seconded by Norma Tarr, and unanimously passed to approve him sending this to all fire departments.

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Jay Eisenhower, Mayor of Bethany, Pat Sutherland, Councilman and Professor Luke Hart from Bethany were present to update the Commission on happenings within Bethany. They invited the commission to their up-coming picnic. They will be having a new student welcome at the college and will be having a country market. One of their concerns, with school soon to start, is the traffic from the Marcellus Shale drilling and additional heavy vehicles on roads in Bethany. The DOH has been keeping them informed about the progress of Chesapeake and their drilling for gas, however; they are concerned. They are looking for help to add additional officers to patrol. They have been in contact with Amy Duggan of Chesapeake and she said they are working with the traffic concerns. Mayor Eisenhower expressed concerns since there is no set policy. Ron Ujcich, who is in charge of school busses for the County was present and indicated that has also had dialogue with Amy Duggan and have not had any problems with traffic patterns. He has given her their bus schedule and have been told that they will try and check the school busses through as quickly as possible. Mr. Ujcich's bus drivers are to report directly to him if there is a problem.

Sheriff Ferguson was present and indicated that he has made contact with the contractors for the gas drilling project and indicated that Chesapeake has been very cooperative.

Councilman Sutherland reported they have some very positive things happening in Bethany including their Main Street Revitalization project, met with Valley Ventures to get some retail activity in their area and improved signage. Commissioner Kazienko encouraged them to make contact with Pat Ford of the Business Development Corporation. Professor Hart indicated that they are trying to make people aware of positive things in their City and trying to promote it. Ruby Greathouse was present and encouraged them to get events, etc. to her for the Scenic Byway route which also can be put in a flyer. The Commission also stated that they and the Sheriff are working on dilapidated structures in our county, including Bethany.

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Wayne Buxton indicated that Steve Tennant will be going to Pet Smart this weekend. He is also working with Tractor Supply for participation this weekend. Commissioner Kazienko thanked them for their help as currently we have more than eighty (80) dogs. Commissioner Kazienko asked for Sheriff Ferguson to meet with the new Dog Warden.

There is still a problem with the phones at the shelter. Commissioner Bartz called John Riesbeck and talked to him concerning this issue and he explained what he felt was happening and will try and resolve this issue.

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Bob Fowler reported that he received one price quote to clean up the Otto Berger property in Colliers for about \$300.00. The Clerk reminded the Commission that we need to get insurance and workers compensation information before any work is done.

Mr. Fowler also obtained a quote of \$6,400 to clean the pit located at the new animal shelter location and he will get two more quotes. He indicated that the DEP wants this to go to the landfill.

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Sheriff Ferguson expressed concerns about the possibility of Brooke County losing a delegate during the redistricting process. He feels if we lose a delegate there are numerous ramifications. Commissioner Kazienko indicated that Brooke County had the least loss of population in the Second Delegate District compared to Hancock County in Delegate District 1 which had more of a loss. Ruby Greathouse was present and indicated that Janice McFadden has a petition for individuals to sign opposing the redistricting. Commissioner Bartz indicated that Hancock County has to expand to Brooke County to keep their two delegates, which is not right.

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Commissioner Bartz met with the Brooke County Public Service District concerning loose ends at Brooke High School concerning the sewer lines, etc. He felt it was a very productive meeting. He indicated that the Chalfants will be including in Phase I of the Project but are waiting on an Order from the PSC.

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Invoices and vouchers were approved, and the following checks were ordered written:

General County Fund – Check Nos. 7173 through 7200 for \$17,176.71
Ambulance Fund – Check No. 1241 through 1244 for \$1,080.27
Check 1238 Void - \$344.25 & 1240 Not Used
Ambulance Fund II – Check Nos. 482 through 487 for \$1,351.88
E-911 Fund – Check Nos. 707 through 718 for \$17,409.11
Dog Fund – Check No. 604 for \$419.07
State Government Grants – Check No. 605 for \$545.58
Void Check No. 598 for \$545.58

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No further business to come before the commission a motion was made by Norma Tarr, seconded by Marty Bartz, and unanimously passed to adjourn.

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Bernard L. Kazienko, President

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Sylvia J. Benzo, County Clerk