

REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA, HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2018

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia met in regular adjourned session this 27th day of November, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at the Courthouse.

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Present: Tim Ennis, President
Jim Andreozzi and Stacey Wise, Commissioner
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 Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the meeting held on November 27, 2018.

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A copy of the following correspondence was given to each of the Commissioner's for their review:

A letter was received from Comcast letting us know that there will be an increase in certain fees for cable service beginning December 20, 2018.

An e-mail from the Secretary of State's Office letting us know that they are launching a new website which offers one-click access to information, services and resources at <https://sos.wv.gov>

An e-mail was received from John McGarrity of the Governor's Office letting us know that he is preparing contract documents for FY2018 on the Land & Water Conservation Fund as the new Park Grant has to go through the Commission.

A letter of information received from the Secretary of State's Office updating us on how to start a business in West Virginia and letting us know that within a block of the Capitol they have put a "One Stop Business Center" where four government agencies help in the ease and access of starting a business.

The above correspondence was ordered filed in the County Clerk's Office.

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Norman Schwertfeger, Extension Agent was present and indicated his pleasure that the voters of Brooke County were supportive of the Ambulance/Excess Levy of which the Extension Service is a part.

He apprised the Commission that the Economic Development Authority has a number of things going on and will keep the commission updated as they move forward.

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Commissioner Andreozzi has been seeking bids on repairing or replacing the roof at the Brooke County Animal Shelter which has been leaking. Four bids were obtained one for, \$13,000, one for \$60,800, \$65,800 and one for \$125,000. The Commission had Lombardi Development look over the \$13,000 bid to see if they felt the Commission should consider it. The Company that bid \$13,000 is known as Flex Star and they have a different method to do roofs. Lombardi Development even though they were a bidder felt the low bid was a good system. Lombardi Development indicated they would have to put down new sheeting, however; Flex Star will not. After discussion a motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to approve the bid of Flex Star, contingent upon the warranty.

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Bob Fowler, EMA/Ambulance Director was present and let the Commission know that the Command Bus for the EMA Center was sent to Steubenville, Ohio for repairs and while parked was vandalized with major damage being done to the vehicle and equipment was stole from it. He explained that there was over \$180,000 worth of equipment in the vehicle and felt the insurance company of the repair center should take care of the costs. The vandalism is being investigated by the Steubenville Police Department. The vehicle had a fuel problem and was taken in for repair. Sheriff Palmer expressed the importance of this vehicle during emergency power outages, flooding, etc. The vehicle could be placed anywhere to help in emergency situations. The vehicle benefits all First Responders in our County. Mr. Fowler indicated that they have talked about using a tag along trailer when questioned by Chief Richard Ferguson.

Mr. Fowler also let the Commission know that the two new ambulances are on the road and ready for usage.

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Commissioner Ennis stated that the Commission has received two Court Orders which state that the existing court facilities are not up to court standards. He felt the Commission has to act now to get our Courthouse up to date. The Commission has looked at off site places for a Courthouse Annex, however; they kept coming back to the lot next to the Courthouse for an annex. Commissioner Ennis discussed what he called Phase II and Phase III which he considered Phase II to be either moving the 911 Center or relocating it to another place in the Courthouse. He felt Phase III would be a centralized location for the Ambulance Service. He indicated that the Commission will be working on these issues which will take time but looks forward to having a nice facility for our county. Commissioner Ennis stated that the County rents a lot of off-site buildings and pay for those sites at more than \$100,000. Sheriff Palmer stated that the Commission has been working diligently on a number of projects and he appreciates their efforts and looks forward to working with them.

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

General County Fund - Check Nos. 21876 through 21892 for \$21,726.94
Payroll withholding - Check Nos. 21893 through 21904 for \$3,189.78
Polling Sites - Check Nos. 21863 through 21875 for \$2,265.62
E-911 - Check Nos. 2059 through 2060 for \$399.88
Ambulance Fund - Check Nos. 4022 through 4035 for \$11,305.75
Shelter Levy - Check Nos. 775 through 778 for \$1,519.96

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No further business to come before the Commission a motion was made by Stacey Wise, seconded by Tim Ennis and unanimously passed to adjourn.

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Timothy R. Ennis, President

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Sylvia J. Benzo, Clerk

