

REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA, HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2018

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia met in regular adjourned session this 28th day of August 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 August 21, 2018.

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

A copy of the Economic Development Authority agenda for August 29, 2018 and a copy of the minutes of their May 15, 2018 meeting was received.

An invitation was received from Macro Energy to attend a workshop on LED lighting on August 30, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the WesBanco Arena in Wheeling.

A notice was received from the Secretary of State, Mac Warner announcing the official list of candidates for the Supreme Court of Appeals Election to be held at the General Election in November, 2018.

A copy of the Mutual Assistance Agreement was received between the Brooke County Sheriff's Department and the West Liberty University Police Department. Jim Andreozzi made a motion, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to approve the Agreement.

A request was received from Andy Nickerson, Assistant Director of Brooke County EMA/EMS to hire Rachel Roller and Michela Marchese as part-time EMT's and Jessica Reinacher as a part-time paramedic. Jim Andreozzi made a motion, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to approve the request.

A letter was received from Lucas Diserio requesting to be appointed to the Brooke County Economic Development Board. Stacey Wise made a motion, seconded by Jim Andreozzi and unanimously passed to approve the appointment of Lucas Diserio and Mary Fran Kowalo to the Economic Development Board.

A letter was received from Mary Fran Kowalo asking to be appointed to the Brooke County Economic Development Board.

An e-mail was received from the Brooke County Economic Development Authority requesting funding in the amount of \$45,000.

A notice was received from the Secretary of State's Office letting us know that postcards are going out to unregistered but eligible residents providing information to them on how to register to vote, if they wish to do so.

A copy of the November 6, 2018 candidates for public office who are running on the Brooke County Ballot was received from the Secretary of State's Office, except local candidates.

A Request for Revision to the Approved Budget was received in the amount of \$7,062 and increasing Rapid Response by \$2,000, Home Confinement by \$4,862 and Courthouse Security by \$640, Sheriff Law by \$200 and decreasing the Commission by \$640.

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

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The Commission announced that the Solid Waste Authority needs three board members. One appointment will come from the County Commission, one from the Public Service Commission and one from the DEP, however; we have been asked to solicit names and make recommendations.

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Commissioner Wise let those present know that the Commissioner will be putting out an "Invitation to Bid" for the Courthouse Lighting and Ceiling Replacement Project. The advertisement will run on August 31, 2018 and September 7, 2018 with a pre-bid meeting scheduled for September 12, 2018, and bids received by September 17, 2018 and opened on September 18, 2018 at the County Commission regular meeting. Jim Andreozzi made a motion, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to proceed with the bid invitation.

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The terms of three board members for the Museum Board have expired and the Commission will allow two weeks for others interested in submitting a letter of interest. The terms are for Bobbi Elliott, Gary Steven and Vicki Gallagher who all have expressed an interested in being reappointed, according to Ruby Greathouse who was present.

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Mark Henne was present on behalf of BHJ to request that the Brooke County Commission be the lead agency in the regional broadband initiative. He asked the Commission to enter into a "Memorandum of Understanding" concerning the Regional Broadband Feasibility Study and Business Plan to serve both Brooke and Hancock County. He stated that a committee will be formed and stressed that someone that is familiar with the telecommunications field would be best to serve on the committee. Mr. Henne stated that Hancock County is working with a West Virginia IT person to deal with broadband issues and they deal with problems where businesses need a boost in there IT problems. He will be a part of the application. Mr. Henne also reached out to Region 10 and they agreed to collaborate with us since broadband has no boundaries. They will be working with small providers which would be less costly. Commissioner Andreozzi stated that the broadband was attempted years ago but providers were a major problem. Mr. Henne stated that this is to identify the areas in need of broadband and felt this technology is now and will continue in the future. Commissioner Wise asked if there was a match and there is not. After a lengthy discussion a motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to sign the Memorandum of Understanding concerning the Regional Broadband Feasibility Study and for Brooke County to be the lead agent.

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Bob Fowler, Ambulance Director was present and let the Commission know that he will be meeting with FEMA representatives today.

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Wayne Buxton was present and let the Commission know that the Brooke County Fair activities and Brooke Hills Park are ready for the Fair next week. They are still shopping for more vendors to participate if anyone is interested.

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Commissioner Andreozzi reported that West Virginia Route 2 improvements are underway and did not know if the start had anything to do with recent comments the Commission made at their recent meetings concerning the lack of road improvements in the Northern Panhandle.

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Commissioner Ennis reported that the Three-Way Water Tie-In is finally complete and the Commission appreciated all involved in the process. The Tie-In has already been used for an emergency.

He also reported that the Solid Waste Authority will no longer be accepting tires due to a problem with the State DEP. The Commission will keep everyone apprised of the situation.

Commissioner Ennis stated that there will be a meeting at the Brooke County Library on September 12, 2018 for entities on the Ambulance/Excess Levy and anyone that may have questions about the Levy. The meeting will be at noon.

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The Commission thanked Butch Rotellini and Kent Tharp for their help in picking up an old mattress that was dumped on the highway and disposing of it properly.

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

General County Fund - Check Nos. 21344 through 21369 for \$38,137.58
Payroll withholding - Check Nos. 21370 through 21381 for \$2,947.77
ACH - \$39,082.63
E-911 - Check No. 2006 for \$113.55
Ambulance Fund - Check Nos. 3921 through 3927 for \$3,079.72
Dog Fund - Check No. 13508 for \$55.00
Shelter Levy - Check Nos. 731 \$400.00
Enhanced 911 Equipment - Check No. 2005 for \$1,358.16

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

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Timothy R. Ennis, President

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Sylvia J. Benzo, Clerk