

Barbour County Commission Meeting
August 30, 2024
9:00 am

JAMIE CARPENTER COMMISSION PRESIDENT (absent), DAVID STRAIT COMMISSIONER, JEDD SCHOLA COMMISSIONER, LAURIE AUSTIN COUNTY CLERK (absent), SHANA FREY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

H. David Talbott, Bernard S. Gillis, Jeff Walters, Drew Phillips, Kim Lewis, Chasity McGill, Cherri Sturm, Bob Richardson, Brett Carpenter, Derick A. Spencer

David Strait called the meeting to order at 9:00am and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prosecutor Phillips requested consent to hire Dennis Kittle as part time Assistant Prosecutor. The request was approved on a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola. 2/0

On a motion by Jedd Schola, seconded by David Strait, the August 5, 2024 regular meeting minutes were approved. 2/0

Exonerations were presented.

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, six (6) final settlements were approved. 2/0

PHYLLIS MAY PHILLIPS, ADELIN FRANCES REGISTER, ANITA CARMEN CORLEY, JANET LYNN CHENOWETH, GENE EMMETT BAKER, MATHEW BACK III

A cancelled order was presented for a presumed lost check in the amount of \$4,000.00 to the Arden Area Community Association and approved on a motion by David Strait and Jedd Schola. 2/0

Invoices were presented.

A list of poll workers for the General Election was presented and approved on a motion by Jedd Schola, seconded by David Strait. 2/0

Assessor Derick Spencer requested Maci Satterfield to be appointed as a Deputy Assessor. David Strait noted a correction on the agenda from Deputy Clerk to Deputy Assessor. On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, the appointment was approved. 2/0

Sheriff Carpenter submitted a consent to hire for Cody Curkendall as a full time Deputy. On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, the request was approved. 2/0
A discussion was held to hire an additional officer, however tabled at this time.

Chief Jeff Walters, PBHS Prevention Resource Officer, was recognized for being recipient of the Chuck Donovan Rookie of the Year and his service and dedication to the youth of Barbour County.

The approval of the Sheriff Settlement was tabled.

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Cheri Sturm discussed the use of Batter's Knob Stadium for Middle School and High School Soccer to allow athletes ample practice and game opportunities. The stadium was planned to be closed at the end of August, however will remain operating through soccer season. A funding request was submitted to help offset the utility expense of \$1,920.00. The request will be considered, however tabled at this time.

On a motion by Jedd Schola, seconded by David Strait, a new road, Logan's Drive, was approved. 2/0

Dylan Harper submitted a consent to hire for Austin Waybright as a full-time dispatcher to fill a vacancy. On a motion by Jedd Schola, seconded by David Strait, the request was approved. 2/0

On motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, it was approved for the Commission President to sign a Deed Restriction Instrument to comply with requirements to accept grant funding awarded from the United States Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant (LWCF). The deed restrictions must specify that the Barbour County Park shall comply with section 6(f)(3). 2/0

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, a Resolution was passed accepting and authorizing matching funds of \$37,440.00 from the Coal Severance Fund to the Land and Water Conservation Fund grant project 54-00586. 2/0

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, a HAVA grant in the amount of \$7,657.55 was accepted for the purpose of purchasing voting equipment and accessories. 2/0

Dana Booth, Mayor of Belington, sends his absence regrets, however interested in a future discussion regarding ways to train and retain specialized workers.

David Strait gave an update that the Barbour County Ambulance Authority board voted in support of joining surrounding counties in Crisis Response efforts, more discussion will be held.

Dr. Jesus Lemus accepted a position with WVU Medicine and submitted his resignation with the Barbour County Ambulance Authority Board. On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, the resignation was accepted. 2/0

David Strait also discussed that the Barbour County Ambulance Authority board is working with Bob Wilkins for Chaplain Services.

Jedd Schola reported that four AEDs have been placed at the Barbour County Fairgrounds along with first aid and stop the bleed kits; one AED was donated to Feed My Sheep. David Strait added that the AEDs were stored at the Barbour EMS Squad and were refurbished and donated.

The floor was open for public comment in order of the meeting sign-up sheet.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2024 at 9:00am.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55am on a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola. 2/0

Jamie Carpenter, President

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