## Barbour County Commission Meeting August 18, 2023 9:02am

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

Robert W. Guthrie, Robert Jones, Kris M. jones, Bob Richardson, Kim Lewis, Dylan Harper, Corey Brandon, Derek Hart, Derick A. Spencer

Jamie Carpenter called the meeting to order at 9:02am and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The second reading was held for the Barbour County Enhanced 911 Ordinance amendments. The amendment is to update fees imposed on local exchange service lines to finance the projected costs of capital improvement and maintenance costs of the Enhanced Emergency Telephone System and associated Emergency Dispatch Equipment - Residential from \$3.15 to \$3.64; Business from \$4.00 to \$4.25; Centrix from \$0.25 to \$0.50. The proposed amendment would be effective January 1, 2024.

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, the August 7, 2023 meeting minutes were approved. 3/0

Exonerations were presented.

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait, five (5) final settlements were approved. 3/0

ERIC DAVID HUNT, EUGENE HUBERT DOLLY, CHRISY JO ROBINSON, PHILIP D. WAGNER, JO ANN HALLER

Mountaineer Trail Network / appointment was tabled.

A discussion was held regarding Community Centers. The funding request for Mt. Liberty was tabled until the final list of emergency Shelters is available from OEM. The Commission plans to look at a more regular funding option to take into consideration for Emergency Shelter centers.

Sheriff Carpenter provided a report on cruisers.

Further discussion was held on vehicle purchases. The Dog Warden truck will be replaced with a retired cruiser and will utilize the transport box donated by Tucker County Animal Control.

The maintenance vehicle was tabled due to the truck no longer being available.

Dylan Harper demonstrated the Active 911 app. Fire Departments already utilize this app; discussion was held to implement the app with the EMS agencies. On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, the County Commission will purchase a one-year subscription of Active 911 in the amount of \$2,630.00 to cover all Barbour County Emergency Services/First Responders. 3/0

OEM discussed meeting with the Barbour County Fair Board to final safety plans. They also discussed Alderson Broaddus University's closure.

A discussion was held regarding the closure of Alderson Broaddus University. The County Commission explained that a meeting was held with ABU school administration and was informed all was well and operations were continuing. Commissioner Schola expressed that a letter was sent to Marshall University encouraging the use of the campus.

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On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by Jedd Schola, a resolution to submit a Courthouse Facility Improvement Authority grant was approved. The grant will request up to \$100,000 for an outdoor heating/cooling unit renovation. 3/0

Further discussion was held on ambulance service.

The next regular meeting will be held on September 15, 2023 at 9:00am. No meeting will be held on September 4 due to the Labor Day holiday.

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30am. 3/0

Jamie Carpenter, President