

Barbour County Commission Meeting

January 3, 2022

5:00 pm

SUSIE CVECHKO COMMISSION PRESIDENT, JAMIE CARPENTER COMMISSIONER, DAVID STRAIT COMMISSIONER, CONNIE KAUFMAN COUNTY CLERK, SHANA FREY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Shane Whitehair, Kim Lewis, Thomas Hoxie, Dylan Harper, Corey Brandon, April Sinsel

Susie Cvechko called the meeting to order at 5:00pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The commission meeting was also held via conference call.

The election of Commission President was held. Jamie Carpenter nominated Susie Cvechko as president for the 2022 term. David Strait seconded the nomination and Susie Cvechko accepted. Passing unanimously, Susie Cvechko is the Barbour County Commission President for the 2022 term.

Commissioner Cvechko thanked Commissioner Carpenter and Commissioner Strait for their trust in her leadership and appreciates their willingness to work together, express views and follow through with decisions.

All agreed to remain serving on appointed boards and authorities.

Jamie Carpenter made a motion to allow Commissioners to teleconference in the event they are unavailable to attend in person, David Strait seconded and passed unanimously.

On a motion by Susie Cvechko, seconded by David Strait and passed unanimously, holidays, as defined by the State of West Virginia, and any additional proclamations made by the West Virginia Governor, as outlined in WV Code 2-2-1, will be observed by the Barbour County Courthouse.

On a motion by Susie Cvechko and seconded by David Strait, regular commission meetings will be held on the 1st Monday of each month at 5:00pm and the 3rd Friday of each month at 9:00am. Meetings are held in the County Commission Chambers at the Barbour County Courthouse.

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jamie Carpenter, the December 17, 2021 meeting minutes were approved. 3/0

On a motion by David Strait and seconded by Jamie Carpenter, twelve (12) final settlements were approved. 3/0

BARBARA ANN SAMS, NANCY MCEWAN WILKINS, GEORGE RUSSELL SUMMERFIELD, JR., MARIE ALENA NUSUM, CAROL ANN SINSEL, PATRICIA ELLEN SNODGRASS, BETTY JEAN BOOTH, DAVID LEE BIBEY, JOE LEE BEYMER, VACHEL VANCE CROSS, LUCIUS GIBSON LATHAM, ELEANOR BENNETT

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by Susie Cvechko, a letter will be submitted to the WV State Tax Department allowing the Barbour County Assessor and the WV State Tax Department to make changes to the property assessments through the month of February 2022. 3/0

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Board of Review and Equalization dates were determined as the following.

Tuesday, February 1- 3pm-4pm

Friday, February 4- 9am-10am

Wednesday, February 9- 3pm-4pm

Monday, February 14- 10am (Minerals)

Thursday, February 17- 3pm-4pm

Prosecutor Hoxie did not have an update regarding the Intergovernmental Agreement negotiations with the City of Philippi regarding the sewer extension to Arch Coal facilities.

Shane Whitehair, Region VII Planning and Development Council discussed their involvement the City of Philippi's Sewer line extension project and EDA grant funding. Region VII's role is to ensure the City of Philippi remains in compliance of the grant terms. He expressed concerns of nearing project deadlines and rising costs of materials.

Approval on the Intergovernmental Agreement was tabled until further communication.

On a motion by Susie Cvechko and seconded by David Strait, the yearly IT Support Contract with Global Science Technology (GST) was approved at \$1,702.00 per month, an increase of \$110.00 with added Cybersecurity V-Scan service, for the period of 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022.

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait a resolution was approved to submit an application to the Department of Agriculture for grant funds to offer vouchers toward spay and neuter services. If awarded, the County Commission program should begin around May.

Shana Frey discussed the Transitional Training Program through Region VI Workforce Development Council. If approved, the County Commission can employ an individual under this program and get reimbursed for their salary. Additional programs are available and will be reviewed with the program director. On a motion by Susie Cvechko, seconded by Jamie Carpenter, the County Commission will participate in the program and sign the required documents to get the program started. 3/0

Prosecutor Hoxie submitted a request for a budget revision in the amount of \$11,050.00 for FY 2021-2022 and consent to hire a Kelsey Grose as an Assistant Prosecutor. He also explained that his VOCA position became vacant and Jennifer Baylor-Nine is transferring to the VOCA position. On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jamie Carpenter, the budget revision and consent to hire was approved. 3/0

Discussion was held regarding the Barbour County Solid Waste Authority and Recycling Center. Information is still being gathered.

Dylan Harper, 911 Director provided a report on the 911 Center.

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Corey Brandon, OEM Director reported on the recent rain/flooding. Revised CDC guidelines regarding COVID quarantine were discussed.

April Sinsel, Fairgrounds Event Coordinator, provided an update for the Fairgrounds. A committee for the 2022 Christmas Light Show will begin meeting in March on the third Thursday of each month. She expressed concern of not having a full Park and Recreation board or meeting quorums to review and update the Bylaws.

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait, the purchase of a pole bending set was approved up to a cost of \$400.00. 3/0

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait, Susan Anglin is appointed to the Park and Recreation Board. 3/0

ARP meeting dates were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm on a motion by Susie Cvechko, seconded by David Strait. 3/0

Susie Cvechko, President

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