

Barbour County Commission Meeting
January 3, 2023
4:30 pm

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

Dylan Harper, Corey Brandon, Kim Lewis

Jamie Carpenter called the meeting to order at 4:30pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The election of Commission President was held. David Strait nominated Jamie Carpenter as president for the 2023 term. Jedd Schola seconded the nomination and Jamie Carpenter accepted. Passing unanimously, Jamie Carpenter is the Barbour County Commission President for the 2023 term.

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

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, 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 Jamie Carpenter 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 Jedd Schola, the December 12, 2022 meeting minutes were approved. 3/0

Exonerations were presented.

On a motion by David Strait and seconded by Jedd Schola, nine (9) final settlements were approved. 3/0

FRANCIS BUCHANAN, DYLAN JAMES MARSH, GAIL ELIZABETH HALL, MARGARET ANN TENNEY, GENEVIEVE WANDA BALL, GARY LANE CROSS, JANET IRENE UPTON, EDWARD ALFRED DEWOLF JR., EDWIN WILLIAMS

The following appointments were approved on a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait. 3/0

Park & Recreation, Philippi Professional Building, 4-H Extension- Jedd Schola
Corridor H Authority, Philippi/Barbour County Airport Authority- David Strait
Barbour/Taylor Community Corrections, Region VI Workforce, Region VII Planning and Development Council, Barbour County Development Authority- Jamie Carpenter

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by Jedd Schola, cancelled order requests were approved. Three checks are presumed lost in the mail in the amount of \$200.00 for poll worker payments and will be reissued; one check in the amount of \$35.00 was written in error and cancelled. 3/0

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The following bank account updates were approved on a motion by Jamie Carpenter and seconded by David Strait. 3/0

BC Bank

- Remove Susie Cvechko and Connie Kaufman as signers
- Add Jedd Schola and Laurie Austin as signers

Freedom Bank

- Remove Susie Cvechko and Connie Kaufman as signers
- Add Jedd Schola and Laurie Austin as signers

Premier Bank

- Remove Susie Cvechko and Connie Kaufman as signers
- Add Jedd Schola and Laurie Austin as signers

County Clerk Laurie Austin requested the Commission to freeze her leave time earned as the Chief Deputy Clerk. Her balance as of December 31, 2022 was 10 days of vacation leave and 36.125 days of sick leave. On a motion by David Strait and seconded by Jedd Schola, this request was approved. 3/0

The consent to hire Heather Perkins as the 4H Extension Program Assistant was approved on a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jamie Carpenter. 3/0

County Clerk Laurie Austin presented appointment of her employees:

Judy Marsh- Chief Deputy, Donna Jones, Chasity McGill, Lesa Coontz.

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola, the resignation of William Eugene Righman, Trustee to the Scott Phillips estate was approved. By recommendation of Dorothy Freeman and Gloria McLean, Trustees, the appointment of Greg Nestor as Trustee was approved. 3/0

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter and seconded by Jedd Schola, the yearly IT Support Contract with Global Science Technology (GST) was approved at \$1,941.00 per month, an increase of \$239.00, for the period of 1/1/2023 to 12/31/2023. 3/0

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by Jedd Schola 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. 3/0

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait, 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 2023. 3/0

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

Wednesday, February 1- 4pm

Monday, February 6- 4pm

Thursday, February 9- 4pm

Tuesday, February 14- 3pm

Friday, February 17- 10am

Thursday, February 23- 3pm Minerals

On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait, Executive Session was entered at 5:17pm to discuss Opioid Litigations. 3/0

Regular Session was resumed at 5:23pm on a motion by Jedd Schola, seconded by David Strait. 3/0

Corey Brandon and Dylan Harper discussed county emergency shelters and generators. Plans are to establish criteria for an emergency shelter and review existing sites and determine their eligibility.

The next regular meeting is January 20, 2023 at 9am.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:42pm on a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait. 3/0

Jamie Carpenter, President

Barbour County
Laurie L. Austin, Clerk
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