## Barbour County Commission Meeting Special Meeting March 26, 2024 4:30 PM

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

Kim Lewis, Dylan Harper, Corey Brandon

David Strait called the special meeting to order at 4:30pm.

The proposed 2024-2025 Levy Estimate was presented with General County Revenues totaling \$5,130,595 and Coal Severance Revenues totaling \$365,500.00. Barbour County moved from Class IV to Class III. The Budget estimate includes additional funds allocated to elected official's budgets for the purpose of employee pay increases as well as an increased insurance stipend to offset PEIA premium increases. Budgeted allocations to Volunteer Fire Departments, Libraries, Animal Friends, Barbour County Economic Development, Extension Service, Community Corrections grant match, Tucker Community Foundation Run For It program, Save the Tygart, Barbour County Recycling Center and Hero's Haven were also included. The Levy Rate remains at 12.86 for the 2024-25 proposed budget. The commission met with Elected Officials and organizations and took requests into consideration. Commissioner Strait pointed out that while the Barbour County Ambulance Authority was not specifically included on the presented estimate, it is recognized that there is a potential need for additional funds to be allocated beyond the ARP allocation and budget revisions may be required. With no further questions or comments, Jamie Carpenter made a motion, Jedd Schola seconded, to approve the Levy Estimate as presented. The Levy Estimate will be forwarded to the WV State Auditor's Office for review. 3/0

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43pm on a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jaime Carpenter. 3/0

Jamie Carpenter, President

Laurie L. Austin, Cle Instrument 278893 04/02/2024 @ 09:50:05 COUNTY CONMISSION MIN Book 28 @ Page 525