

BARBOUR COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2017
5:00 pm

**TIM MCDANIEL COMMISSION PRESIDENT, PHIL HART COMMISSIONER, SUSIE CVECHKO
COMMISSIONER, BEN PROPST COORDINATOR, SHANA FREY ADMINISTRATOR**

Sam Rittenhouse, John Cutright, Kim Stemple, Debbie Schoonover, Tammy Narog, Kelly Holbert, Karen Lamb, Betty Daugherty, Nancy Marsh, Willodine Godwin, Kara Hardway, Helen Jones, Kimberly Summers, Iva Jones, Jessicah Cross, Phil Bowers, Marija Ilic, Thomas Hoxie, Ron Skidmore

Tim McDaniel called the meeting to order and led the pledge.

The Commission requested a moment of silence for the victims in Las Vegas.

On a motion by Susie Cvechko and seconded by Phil Hart, the meeting minutes from September 11, 2017 were approved.

John Cutright presented exonerations.

Connie Kaufman presented seven (7) final settlements. On a motion by Phil Hart and seconded by Susie Cvechko, the final settlements were approved.

The chief tax deputy submitted a request for a cancelled order for check number 7562 to the Barbour County Board of Education presuming the check is lost. On a motion by Tim McDaniel and seconded by Phil Hart, the stop payment request was approved.

Shana Frey presented a budget adjustment to include the Court Security Grant Program award for Duress alarms and a minor adjustment to the Sheriff Tax Office budget. On a motion by Phil Hart and seconded by Susie Cvechko, the adjustment and resolution was approved.

Sam Rittenhouse read a proclamation to name October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Barbour County. President McDaniel signed the proclamation.

Debbie Schoonover read a proclamation to also name October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. President McDaniel signed the proclamation.

The Commission reviewed the request for funds application that was tabled in September from the Philippi Christmas Committee. On a motion by Phil Hart and seconded by Susie Cvechko, a \$1,500.00 contribution was approved.

Barbour County Economic Development Authority submitted a request for an increase in funding from \$24,000 to \$30,000 to help offset their decrease in LED grant funds. Commissioner McDaniel reported on an email received from the WV Association of Counties regarding Senate Joint Resolution 8. This resolution, if passed, could decrease county percentages on property tax from 27% to 15%. Commissioner McDaniel suggested to use caution because of this senate joint resolution and to table this request for now. On a motion by Tim McDaniel and seconded by Phil Hart, this request has been tabled for further research.

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Tammy Narog provided an update on the Community Corrections program. The new officer started work on September 5 and is doing very well. Several large community service projects have been successful including the Gun Bash, Save the Tygart, Union Community litter clean up, Belington Fall Fest.

Mrs. Narog reported their office will be closed for SCRAM training on October 5 from 9-12.

She also reported that the Nineteenth Circuit Community Corrections Program is hosting its annual Ruby Memorial Children's Hospital Toy Drive.

ADA ramp renovation bids were opened at 11:00 am on October 2. Huffman Corporation was the sole bidder and submitted a bid in the amount of \$120,000 with a \$10,000 contingency. On a motion by Phil Hart and seconded by Susie Cvechko, the bid from Huffman Corporation was accepted.

The Fiscal Year ending 2017 Financial Statement was presented and approved on a motion by Susie Cvechko and seconded by Phil Hart. A signed copy gets submitted to the State Auditor.

A quote from Budget Blinds was presented for three blinds in the record room and one for the Court room. Maintenance is to attempt to modify an existing blind to work in the Court room to save cost in a new one. On a motion by Tim McDaniel and seconded by Phil Hart, the Budget Blind quote for three blinds in the record room was approved. If maintenance cannot modify the old blind for the court room, the forth blind is approved as well.

Tim McDaniel read the Animal Control Report. There are currently 31 dogs in the shelter with 20 being held in animal cruelty cases. The commission thanked Animal Friends for taking some smaller dogs to free up space.

Ron Skidmore gave a report on 911/OEM operations and staffing. A THIRA meeting is being held on October 17. Commissioner Hart mentioned adding a backup generator for the court house to the needs assessment.

ICS-402 training will be held on November 9 from 8-1. The elected officials, Shana Frey and Ben Propst will be attending this training.

EMPG grant program has awarded \$45,897.00 for year 2016. 2015 grant funds is still outstanding.

Mr. Skidmore plans to revamp the 911 Council meeting in Barbour. A meeting is set for November 1 at 6:00.

Nixle is now programmed to call land lines with emergency notifications.

The next regular meeting will be held on November 6 at 5:00pm.

Barbour County will be hosting Wes-Mon-Ty RC&D meeting on October 23 at the Barbour County Fairgrounds.

The Commission received a letter from the Tucker Community Foundation thanking for this year's contribution for the Run For It event. Susie Cvechko participated in the race for the Philippi Library. All three Commissioners attended the award ceremony and gave out numerous awards for Barbour County teams.

Susie Cvechko requested to have a letter written for the Barbour County Health Department in support of the Needle Exchange Program. This grant program allows for users to exchange dirty needles with clean needles to reduce diseases associated with this activity.

At a recent Senior Center meeting, Brushy Fork reported that they have not received their generator. Plans are in place to make this delivery. Galloway reported that they need assistance with installing and hooking up their generator.

A gentleman contacted Commissioner Cvechko regarding a tax issue/concern. He attempted to pay all of his tax tickets in March and thought he did so, however his name appeared in the newspaper for unpaid taxes. The Commissioners reviewed the gentleman's tax tickets and will follow up with some additional questions to the tax payer.

On a motion by Tim McDaniel and seconded by Phil Hart executive session was entered at 6:32 pm.

On a motion by Tim McDaniel and seconded by Susie Cvechko, regular session resumed at 6:47 pm.

The following final settlements were approved on a motion by Phil Hart and seconded by Susie Cvechko.

RITCHIE ALLEN GEORGE, NANCY BARGERON, DONALD RAY CHANNEL, SAMUEL A. MOORE, DAKOTA JAMES MITCHELL, ROBERT BRANDON PRICE, OLIN JACOB CAMPBELL.

On a motion by Tim McDaniel and second by Phil Hart, the meeting was adjourned at 6:48pm.

Tim McDaniel