Barbour County Commission Meeting September 16, 2022 9:00am

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

Dylan Harper, Kim Lewis, Brett Carpenter, Derick A. Spencer, Vicki Scott, Melissa Hollen, Corey Brandon, Chasity McGill

Susie Cvechko called the meeting to order at 9:00am and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Susie Cvechko, meeting minutes from August 26, 2022 was approved. 2/0

Exonerations were presented.

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jamie Carpenter, eight (8) final settlements were approved. 3/0

DOROTHY LEE GRIFFITH, ROBERT HOMER UHLER, EDDIE SAMUEL CANTERBURY, JR., MILDRED LARUE KEENER, ENOCH RICKY KENNEDY, FRANK MARTIN, REBECCA JEAN VINSON PUCKETT, SCOTT D. DUNLOP

A budget adjustment was presented to reflect grants, Sheriff estate settlements and passthrough funding from the State Legislature to Tacy and Mt. Liberty Community Centers. On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jamie Carpenter, the revision was approved. 3/0

Invoices were presented.

County Clerk, Connie Kaufman, presented the poll worker list for the 2022 General Election for approval. On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait, the list was approved as presented. 3/0

Kaufman also requested an increase in poll worker compensation to include the following: General poll worker-\$200.00

Poll worker who picks up supplies-\$205.00

Poll worker who picks up and returns supplies-\$210.00

Alternates who enroll in poll worker training, but not required to work will be compensated \$35.00.

Derick Spencer noted that on behalf of the Republican Executive Committee, he appreciates the Commission taking this request into consideration.

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jamie Carpenter, the poll worker compensation was increased as requested. 3/0

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Upon request from Central Barbour PSD, James Poling is reappointed to the Central Barbour PSD Board on a motion by Susie Cvechko, seconded by Jamie Carpenter. 3/0

Commissioner Cvechko commented that Central Barbour PSD reported their staff has installed over half of their water meters that were purchased with ARP funds.

Upon request of the Assessor, consent was provided to appoint Vickie Scott as a Deputy Assessor on a motion by Susie Cvechko, seconded by Jamie Carpenter. 3/0

He also introduced new hire Melissa Hollen.

Barbour County Economic Development Authority submitted a participation and cooperation resolution for their 2022-2023 LED grant program, requesting a commitment of \$24,000 from the County Commission. On a motion by Jamie Carpenter and seconded David Strait, this request was approved. 3/0

Practical Preservation submitted a response to the RFQ for preparation of the National Register of Historical Places nomination for Valley Furnace- Old Iron Furnace in the amount of \$5,000.00. On a motion by Jamie Carpenter, seconded by David Strait, the quote from Practical Preservation was approved. The project was awarded \$3,600.00 in grant funds. 3/0

Nothing to report for the Barbour County Sheriff's Department.

Barbour OEM/911 reported on recent and upcoming conferences/training. Corey Brandon commented on a successful Barbour County Fair and he felt planning efforts prior to the fair was beneficial. They have key communication improvements to work on for next year.

They discussed table top exercises and mock drills. A Code Walker drill was held at Broaddus Hospital. During the after-action review, input from first responder agencies and communication improvements were discussed and will be evaluated.

A tour was taken underground at Leer South. They are planning a tour for dispatchers so they can see the environment and have a better understanding if they receive emergency calls.

The Animal Control report was reviewed as presented.

Commissioner Cvechko reported that Delegate Chris Phillips requested funds from the State Legislature for Tacy, Mt. Liberty and Union Community Centers for building improvements; each were awarded \$3,000.00. Funds for Tacy and Mt. Liberty were passed through the County Commission while Union Community was direct. The three checks will be delivered by Commissioner Cvechko.

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A question arose with the list of poll workers presented by the County Clerk's office. Derick Spencer pointed out that the Republican Executive Committee submitted nominations that were not included on the initial list by the Clerk's office. Discussion was held. After review of both the County Clerk poll worker and alternate list and the Republican Executive Committee nominations, appointments were made and approved on a motion by David Strait, seconded by Susie Cvechko. 3/0

Commissioner Cvechko discussed the Region VI Workforce meeting she attended and shared a list of local business participating in the Region VI training programs. She commented that Tracey Kennedy has been invited to several meetings and more businesses are participating.

The status of the Barbour County Recycling Center was discussed and it seems to be going well.

Amendment 2 was discussed. The amendment will be on the ballot in November and if passed, will give the WV State Legislature authority over property taxes which are currently protected in the constitution for local ad public services. The West Virginia Center on Budget and Policy has offered to prepare county specific presentations. Discussion was held and decided to reach out to get this scheduled.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2022 at 5:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:44am on a motion by Susie Cvechko seconded by Jamie Carpenter. 3/0

Susie Cvechko, President

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