

**REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA, HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015**

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia met in regular adjourned session this 10th day of March, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at the Courthouse.

**Present: Tim Ennis, President
Jim Andreozzi and Stacey Wise, Commissioners
Sylvia J. Benzo, County Clerk**

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The Commission held their preliminaries before the meeting including a prayer and pledge of allegiance.

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A motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2015 meeting.

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A copy of the following correspondence was given to each of the Commissioner's for their review:

An invitation was received from Weirton Transit Corporation to attend their 25th Anniversary on Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Millsop Community Center, Weirton Room.

A Memorandum from Sheriff Jackson promoting Doug Mills to Sergeant and Kyler Ferguson to Corporal was received with a request for adjustment in their pay retroactive to February, 2015.

A letter was received from Michael Nogay, Attorney requesting that the property of Kevin Ray and John H. Proellochs, Jr. be set for the Board of Equalization appeals in October, 2015.

A letter was received from Advanced Alarm Technologies expressing an interest in bidding on any Security Systems the County may be looking at as a result of the Court Security Fund.

A letter was received from Congressman David McKinley asking the Commission to choose a list of three priorities they would like him to review and he will help try and resolve these issues.

A Budget Amendment Request #4 and drawdowns for the Phase II Mahan Lane/Eldersville Road/Bruin Drive/Louise Sewer Project was received. A motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to approve the draw down request of \$5,529.82 for legal work associated with easements for land acquisitions and to move \$8,500 from the PSC to legal fees.

A copy of the executed grant for the Museum was received from the West Virginia Development Office in the amount of \$4,000. (Drawdown's can now begin).

A part-time contract needs signed for Tia Moore as EMT. A motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to authorize Commissioner Ennis to sign the contract.

The above correspondence was ordered filed in the County Clerk's Office.

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Steve Tennant of the Animal Welfare League was present to update the Commission on the Animal Breeder Law. He stated that only nine counties in the state have adopted an ordinance to regulate commercial breeders and passed an ordinance to set fees for them. Currently, there are not any breeders in our county. He discussed the law passed last year and presented forms to the commission to pass an ordinance. After discussing the issue on breeders Commissioner Ennis indicated that they would have the prosecutor look at the ordinance.

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A motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to approve the road closing as requested in the Order prepared by Jason Cuomo, Attorney. A request and hearing was held several weeks ago and Attorney Cuomo along with the applicant Paul Lombardi of P&K, Inc. requested the Commission close and vacate portions of Lee Boulevard (0.1453 acres) and a 20 foot alleyway (0.0689 acres) contained in the Archer Heights Subdivision. A copy will be given to the Assessor's Office.

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A motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey wise and unanimously passed to approve the EMPG Grant of \$57,097 signed by Commissioner Ennis on February 24, 2015.

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Butch Rotellini was present and let the Commission know that there will be a Dilapidated Building Commission meeting on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse.

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Steve Martino was present and asked to meet with the Commission to present information on county insurance.

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Assessor Tom Oughton presented to the Commission figures and indicated that the county has had an increase of assessments for about two hundred twenty four million dollars due to the oil and gas wells. Commissioner Ennis stated that the Commission has discussed rolling back county levy rates because of the increase in assessments and are ready to move forward to start the process of being fiscally responsible in the county. Commissioner Andreozzi wanted to make it clear that the possibility of two power plants coming to our area had no bearing on the decision to roll back levy rates. He made a motion, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to roll back the current rate of 14.3% to 13.9% for Class I, etc. He indicated the commission had to set the rates before they can move forward with our budget preparation.

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Invoices and vouchers were approved and the following checks were ordered written:

General County Fund – Check Nos. 14842 through 14875 for \$53,816.79
Ambulance Fund – Check Nos. 2303 through 2309 for \$4,212.78
Ambulance Fund II – Check Nos. 979 through 983 for \$5,609.66
E-911 Communications – Check Nos. 1455 through 1459 for \$6,474.26
SCBG – Check Nos. 107 through 109 for \$4,838.70
State Government Grants – Check Nos. 1044 for \$35,000
Dog Fund – Check No. 1043 for \$1,177.17

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No further business to come before the Commission a motion was made by Stacey Wise seconded by Jim Andreozzi and unanimously passed to adjourn.

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Timothy R. Ennis, President

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Sylvia J. Benzo, County Clerk