

REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,

WEST VIRGINIA, HELD FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2015

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia met in regular adjourned session this 14th day of August, 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 Stacey Wise seconded by Jim Andreozzi and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the meeting held on August 14, 2015.

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

A copy of the minutes for the Brooke County Historical Museum & Culture Center were received for their meeting of July 18, 2015.

Information was received from the WVU Extension Service of a seminar at Lakeview Resort in Morgantown, WV September 30, 2015 through October 2, 2015 dealing with community economic strategy, government, leadership, etc.

A letter of request from Joel Sizemore for \$200.00 for the daily operation of Brooke County Project Lifesaver was received.

A copy of the minutes of the Brooke County Public Service District meetings of June 11, 2015 and July 9, 2015 were received.

An invitation was received from the Association of WV Solid Waste Authorities to attend their 2015 WV Educational Conference on Litter control & Solid Waste Management taking place October 25-27, 2015 at the Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center in Davis, WV. A copy will be forwarded to the Solid Waste Authority.

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

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Rosemary Guida, Executive Director of NPWDB, Inc. presented to the Commission information on their year-end reports and participation levels. Brooke County had a total of twenty-two which included thirteen (13) from the Adult ITA and nine (9) from the dislocated workers, ITA. She felt the Summer Youth Program was a success with nineteen (19) children being served. Commissioner Andreozzi indicated that the City of Follansbee will be participating next year. Ms. Guida explained that additional funds were received to get people back to school. She reported that the Rapid Response is a process that provides information and services to employees in the region who experience job loss. When a lay-off is announced, their Rapid Response Coordinator links partner and community services to affected employees to assist them in securing new jobs. She also reported that the Individual Training Account (ITA) had zero residents waiting to enroll into a training program. Classes and certificates have been obtained through the Bridging the Gap Program with about sixty-eight (68) participants still to be referred.

Ms. Guida explained that they are transitioning from the former name of Workforce Investment Board to the new name of NPWDB, Inc. with new rules being put in place. They received national recognition as noted in the Best Practices information.

Norman Schwertfeger, Extension Agent asked if funding was available for someone trying to start a new business and she indicated that currently there is not.

The Commission commended her for all their hard work.

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Norman Schwertfeger, Extension Agent was present and reported that he attended a seminar entitled "What's Next WV". Several areas have used this information such as the Buchanan area and Huntington area. He is willing to discuss this further with the Commission.

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Wayne Buxton let the Commission know that he will be taking some dogs to the Highlands this week-end for their adoption program. Commissioner Andreozzi reported that there may be a Beagle Dog ready to go out for adoption.

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Commissioner Andreozzi thanked the State Road for improvements being made to Coss Lane and McCord's Hill. He also indicated that Southwest Energy will be spraying to keep the dust down.

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A motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to send a drawdown in to the State for \$7,000 for the Brooke County Museum Grant.

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

General County Fund - Check Nos. 15682 through 15699 for \$45,247.22
E-911 Communications - Check Nos. 1517 through 1519 for \$416.60
Ambulance Fund - Check Nos. 2484 through 2494 for \$78,610.18

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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