

REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,  
WEST VIRGINIA, HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2016

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia met in regular adjourned session this 20th day of December, 2016 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 December 13, 2016.

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

A copy of a letter from the State Tax Department was received letting us know that the Assessor's Office is in compliance with all areas that they reviewed for the Property Valuation Fund.

A letter was received from the West Virginia Association of Counties letting us know they have a self-funded Dental & Vision Benefit Plan as an option for our consideration. Commissioner Wise will invite Kathy Yates of the West Virginia Association of Counties to participate in another meeting to discuss this issue.

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

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A motion was made by Stacey Wise, seconded by Jim Andreozzi and unanimously passed to appoint Larry Palmer, Sheriff-Elect as a board member to the Northern Panhandle Community Criminal Justice Board, effective January 1, 2017.

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The Commission discussed the Board of Equalization hearings for 2017 and set February 1, 2017 through February 14, 2017 to hear appeals on tax assessments.

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Jim Andreozzi made a motion, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to reappoint Jeff VanCamp, Wayne Buxton, Jason Ferguson and David Klick to another term as members of the Brooke County Parks & Recreation Commission Board.

Bud Billiard was present and wanted to know if there was a way the park director could have input into the selection process for board members. Commissioner Andreozzi stated that the commission has always looked at recommendations but the final decision of the appointment belongs to the commission. He did not want the board to be a good old board and Mr. Billiard agreed. Mr. Billiard commended the energy of the people on the board. He indicated that he voices his opinion and felt this is the way to get things done. Commissioner Wise stated that the members appointed were the only ones to submit their letter of interest, no others were received. Commissioner Ennis stated that the board could send in recommendations. The Commission discussed this issue at length and thanked Mr. Billiard and the board for all their hard work. Commissioner Andreozzi indicated that they have to follow WV Code but are willing to work with the board.

Mr. Billiard thanked the Commission for all their hard work and felt this was the best commission and looks forward to working with them next year.

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Commissioner Ennis stated that the Governor gave the State employees a half a day off on Friday, December 23, 2016 and indicated that Brooke County will do the same, close Friday December 23, 2016 at noon and re-open on Tuesday, December 27, 2016. Christmas Day is on Sunday, December 25, 2016 with the holiday closing on Monday, December 26, 2016. Commissioner Andreozzi stated that the Animal Shelter will be open on Friday but will close at noon on Saturday, December 24, 2016.

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Margaret Ferrari was present and expressed sympathy to the Frank Cuomo, Jr. Family. Commissioner Andreozzi stated that the county is thankful for the help Mr. Cuomo provided to the City of Follansbee in securing UDAG money and the help he bestowed to Brooke County.

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

General County Fund - Check Nos. 18247 through 18270 for \$39,420.64  
Dog Fund - Check Nos. 1217 through 1218 for \$616.02  
E-911 Communications - Check No. 1707 for \$85.00  
Ambulance Fund - Check Nos. 3143 through 3147 for \$2,413.09  
Shelter Levy - Check Nos. 385 through 391 for \$1,477.83  
Valuation Fund - Check Nos. 1092 through 1093 for \$4,157.54

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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