

REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA, HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia met in regular adjourned session this 19th day of April, 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 Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the meeting held on April 12, 2016.

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Ed Zatta and Jim Holden were present to express concerns about the condition of Coss Lane. Mr. Zatta stated that this year the road was scraped and during the winter the DOH came and plowed it and now the road is all powder. He thought the gas company was going to help fix it but nothing has been done and the road is in such deplorable condition that the school bus will not travel it. The Commission will contact the Department of Highways to see if anything can be done.

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

Notices were received from the West Virginia DEP announcing grants for FY2017 Litter Control, due by May 31, 2016, Recycling Grant Applications due by July 1, 2016 and Electronic Devices Recycling due by August 31, 2016. Richard Ferguson was present and questioned about the litter grant. The Clerk will provide him the information.

A letter from Senator Blair, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Government Organization letting us know that Senate Bill 648 becomes effective, June 6, 2016 which allows local authorities to permit traffic signals to flash during low traffic times.

A copy of the minutes of the Brooke County Public Service District meeting of March 9, 2016 was received.

A letter from Change, Inc. letting us know that the next HOME Counseling class will be on April 23, 2016 at the Mary H. Weir Library in Weirton at 10:00 a.m.

A letter was received from Daniel P. Taylor, Attorney who represents the Estate of William F. Johnson and was assigned Wayne Mielke as a Fiduciary Commissioner. He contends that Mr. Mielke had a hearing on April 21, 2015 and has not made a ruling and he asks that Mr. Mielke be removed as the Fiduciary Commissioner. The Commission will discuss this issue with the Prosecutor to see what needs to be done.

A request was received from John Cook asking to be reappointed to the Washington Pike Public Service District Board. His term expires on June 30, 2016. The Commission will wait two weeks to allow others that may be interested a chance to submit their resume.

A notice from Change, Inc. who has partnered with eHome America, an online home ownership education program offering ownership education programs offering access to quality education for first time homebuyers. The owner has up to one year to complete the program.

A letter was received from Helen Mayle of Brilliant, Ohio letting us know that she has been on the board for the new bridge site for many years and feels that the County seat should be where the bridge should go and wishing the county good luck in our annexation proposals.

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Les McGowan stated that he had an incident recently where he felt the police were right on his bumper and tailgating him. Also expressed concerns about vehicles with debris in the back not having a tarp cover and litter blowing everywhere.

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Bud Billiard was present and reported that he contacted the Boy Scouts and next year two troops will be in Brooke County around the middle of July to help with projects.

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Margaret Ferrari reported that the sign that was missing from Brady's Ridge is now back in place. She also expressed concerns about her aunts that live at 190 Brady's Ridge and the fact that an ambulance cannot get down their road due to its deplorable condition.

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Ruby Greathouse reported that Agriculture Day will be held for the fifth graders at Follansbee Middle School on May 25th and the Wellsburg Middle School on May 26, 2016.

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Bud Billiard let the commission know that he has been thinking about a guard rail for the top of the steps at the Veterans Memorial.

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A motion was made by Stacey Wise, seconded by Jim Andreozzi and unanimously passed to set the following Levy Rates for 2016-2017:

Regular Current Expense Levy - Class I - 13.90, Class II - 27.80
Class III - 55.60, Class IV - 55.60

Fire Levy - Class I - 1.38, Class II - 2.76, Class III & IV - 5.52
Ambulance Excess - Class I - 2.97, Class II - 5.94, Class III & Class IV
11.88

Animal Shelter - Class I - 1.26, Class II - 2.40 & Class III and IV - 4.80

The Levy Order and Rate Sheets will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for approval.

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A motion was made by Jim Andreozzi, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to adopt a Resolution in support of the Business Development Corporation being the lead economic development agency for the county. A copy will be sent to the BDC.

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

General County Fund - Check Nos. 16822 through 16843 for \$36,035.02
Fire Levy - Check Nos. 1174 through 1184 for \$49,981.52
Ambulance Fund - Check Nos. 2837 through 2846 for \$3,358.27
Dog Fund - Check Nos. 1153 through 1154 for \$274.00
E-911 Communications - Check Nos. 1611 through 1613 for \$3,666.82
Shelter Levy - Check Nos. 249 through 255 for \$1,294.35
Valuation Fund - Check Nos. 996 through 998 for \$1,052.43

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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.

Timothy R. Ennis, President

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Sylvia J. Benzo, County Clerk