

REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA, HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia met in regular adjourned session this 13th day of March, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at the Courthouse.

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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 March 6, 2018.

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

A notice was received from the WV Department of Environmental Protection letting us know that the REAP Litter Control Grant Program offers up to \$5,000 to be used in local litter control projects. Applications are due by May 31, 2018.

A letter was received from the Brooke County Deputy Sheriffs' Association letting us know that Robert Bone will remain their Civil Service representative.

A letter was received from Andrew Nickerson, Assistant EMS/EMA Director requesting the moving of Jeff Cline from part-time Paramedic to full time beginning April 1, 2018. Bob Fowler was present and stated that he has several openings for full-time employees. After discussion a motion was made by Stacey Wise, seconded by Jim Andreozzi and unanimously passed to approve the request.

A notice from the Brooke County Solid Waste Authority letting us know that they will be conducting a public hearing on April 17, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. at their office and discuss the five-year update of the Comprehensive Litter and Solid Waste Control and the Commercial Solid Waste Facility Siting Plan.

A letter was received from Sheriff Palmer requesting to purchase a 2018 Ford Explorer on the State bid from Stephens Auto. Jim Andreozzi made a motion to table the request, seconded by Stacey Wise and unanimously passed to table until they have a chance to review the House Arrest fees which is the fund where the Sheriff wants to purchase the vehicle.

A letter was received from the Weirton Christian Center asking for financial assistance with the Building Project that has been in the works for eight years which affects close to 300 children annually. The building site sits close to the Hancock/Brooke County line off of Three Springs Drive, Weirton.

An e-mail was received from the West Virginia Association of Counties providing information on PERS rate to be 10% starting July 1, 2018 and letting us know that mileage will be 54.5 cents per mile, beginning on January 1, 2018.

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

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Joy Reese from Change, Inc. was present to conduct a public hearing as the administrator of the Northern Panhandle HOME Consortium for the City of Weirton, Brooke County and Hancock County. The HOME Program currently

provides down payment and closing cost assistance to income eligible First Time Home Buyers who are purchasing a house in Brooke County. They are soliciting in-put as a result of this public hearing to solicit public comments regarding how the up-coming fiscal years HOME funds should be expended. Ms. Reese explained that in 2017 the HOME Program was able to provide assistance to four families and so far in 2018 one family is eligible for assistance. As administrator they are required each year to submit verification of continued residency. They try to help the home owner if they fall behind in their mortgage payments to determine a resolution. Currently the amount of funding due to the Consortium in 2018 has not been determined but last year it was \$181,977. No outside parties were present to offer any new ideas for the HOME Program.

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Tim Hooper from the Treasurer's Office was present and let the Commission know that the Treasurer Perdue spoke recently at the Rotary Club and updated them on happenings within the Treasurer's Office.

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

General County Fund - Check Nos. 20417 through 20439 for \$23,579.97
Checks 20289, Void, RI Ck. 20439, Void, Ck. 20166 returned closed

Payroll withholding - Check Nos. 20409 through 20416 for \$2,479.79
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Dog Fund - Check Nos. 1310 through 1311 for \$1,882.85

E-911 - Check Nos. 1912 through 1915 for \$53,784.13

Home Confinement - Check No. 1309 for 45,657.50

Ambulance Fund - Check Nos. 3714 through 3728 for \$5,322.67

Fire Levy - Check Nos. 1455 through 1465 for \$93,278.10

Shelter Levy - Check Nos. 635 through 639 for \$17,726.14

Valuation Fund - Check Nos. 1252 through 1255 for \$16,967.79

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

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Timothy R. Ennis, President

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Sylvia J. Benzo, Clerk