

REGULAR ADJOURNED SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BROOKE COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA, HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

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The County Commission of Brooke County, West Virginia met in regular adjourned session this 11th day of September, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at the Courthouse.

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Present: Jim Andreozzi, President Pro-Tem
Stacey Wise, Commissioner
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 September 4, 2018.

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

A copy of the Brooke County Public Service District minutes of their July 25, 2018 meeting was received.

A letter was received from Tom Oughton, Assessor asking to move Roberta Underwood from the Assessor's Valuation Fund to General County Fund, effective September 15, 2018.

A letter was received from Donna DeJaro, Shelter Director asking that we remove Chuck Moore from payroll at the Brooke County Animal Shelter as of September 4, 2018.

A letter was received from the State Property Tax Division asking for information on the Basic Aid Formula we use for Public Schools or if we provide Payment in Lieu of Taxes to entities that may affect our schools proportion made for said payment. The Clerk will provide a list to them.

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 reappoint Bobbi Elliott, Gary Steve and Vicki Gallagher to another term on the Museum Board.

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Brian Ferguson member of the Board of Education and as an individual was present to let the Commission know of the recent school cancellations because of road slips in the area and the condition of the roads. He expressed concerns because some school busses can no longer travel on certain roads because of their condition and the children have to walk a mile to catch a bus. He stated that Ron Staffileno, Transportation Director contacted the State because of road conditions and because of faulty guard rail in some areas. Mr. Ferguson felt between the cities, state and commission some moving action needs to take place to get our roads fixed. He discussed 11th Street to DiCarlos Pizza to see if it was to be paved. The Commission thought that 10th Street was going to be paved but was not sure where the actual paving would begin and end. Mr. Ferguson felt that Washington Pike would soon be in need of repair because of the heavy traffic. He felt that our DOH does a good job with the equipment and resources they have on hand. He wanted to know what the Road Bond Amendment, that was recently passed allotted in funding for our County. Commissioner Wise stated that the Amendment did not have anything to do with paving but those funds would free up other monies for paving and repairs. The Commission was aware of some

slips and roads and realizes that our DOH can only do so much, they are in need of additional employees. Commissioner Andreozzi asked that the Board of Education put something in writing to the County Commission and to District 6. Commissioner Andreozzi questioned if our county was getting enough total dollars in the total budget. The Commission stated that they sent letters and met with the DOH previously on road issues. Once the Commission receives a formal letter from the Board of Education they will send a copy to the local DOH with a copy to BHJ and our legislators.

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Norman Schwertfeger, Extension Agent was present and thanked the Commission for all their endeavors with the Brooke County Fair including the Tug-of-War Trophy. Commissioner Wise felt that if we didn't have that event along with the Mud Bog it would have been really quiet. She also encouraged others to take over the Chili Cook-Off Contest.

There will be a regional tourism meeting on October 24, 2018 in Wetzel County. The previous meeting had eleven counties and three states participating. This meeting seems to be growing.

Mr. Schwertfeger also reported that there will be a Meet and Greet at the Brooke County Library for agencies on the Ambulance/Excess Levy coming up in November.

He wanted to know the status of the request of the Economic Development Authority on their request for funding. Commissioner Andreozzi stated that the Commission is in the process of determining out much we will need for major projects, including the E-911 Center which has to be done before any decisions are made for outside agencies. Mr. Schwertfeger stated that the EDA is making application for a Vista Worker which some funding will be a grant and some will require a match. Commissioner Wise stated that the Commission does not want to duplicate services.

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Barb Zimmox of BHJ was present to request a loan on behalf of the Brooke County Public Service District to begin Phase II of the Mahan Lane Project in the amount of \$50,000. She stated that the easement acquisitions is a slow process and they would like to begin soon on these. The money will be returned when the BCPSD closes on the construction loan. The Commission indicated they had talked with bookkeeping on this issue. Commissioner Andreozzi stated that they have a firm commitment to have this loan repaid. A motion was made by Stacey Wise, seconded by Jim Andreozzi and unanimously passed to approve the loan.

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Barb Zimmox - Brooke County PSD Funding
Mark Henne - Public Meeting on Broadband

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

General County Fund - Check Nos. 21246 through 21264 for \$12,685.44
Payroll withholding - Check Nos. 21241 through 21245 for \$114,887.49
ACH - \$39,082.63
E-911 - Check Nos. 1991 through 1995 for \$3,107.34
Ambulance Fund - Check Nos. 3892 through 3898 for \$1,871.35
Dog Fund - Check No. 13508 for \$55.00
Shelter Levy - Check Nos. 716 through 719 for \$1,264.92
Valuation Fund - Check Nos. 1306 through 1307 for \$286.97

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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