UPSHUR COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
February 06, 2014

The County Commission of Upshur County West Virginia, held their regular meeting at the Courthouse Annex on Thursday, February 06, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. JC Raffety called the meeting to order. There were present JC Raffety, Commissioner; Donnie R. Tenney, Commissioner; Troy A. Brady, Commissioner; Megan Pomeroy, County Administrator and Jacqueline Dinklocker, Secretary. The meeting began with a moment of silent meditation and prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. All motions passed unanimously unless otherwise stated.

After reading of the minutes, on motion by Troy A. Brady, seconded by Donnie R. Tenney, the Commission approved the regular meeting minutes of January 30, 2014 as submitted.

Bennie Nazelrod, Chief of Adrian Volunteer Fire Department; Mitch Tacy, Chief of Buckhannon Fire Department and other members of the Upshur County Firefighter’s Association appeared before the Commission and provided an update/status report on concerns about radio communication inadequacies and concerns for the safety of firemen. Mr. Tacy made a request on behalf of the Firefighter’s Association for the Commission to fund the purchase of 42 hand held radios in the amount of $38,000. The radios would allow for firefighters to communicate directly with each other during a fire event and would facilitate communication from inside of structures where they do not currently have that capability. After discussion, JC Raffety advised that the Commission would look at the item during budget sessions for this very worthwhile project.

Gary Bonnet, Chief of Banks District Volunteer Fire Department announced the upcoming Citizens Fire Academy, which will begin on March 4, 2014. The program will run for 10 weeks and is free of charge to Upshur County residents.

Jacob Reger, Prosecuting Attorney, appeared before the Commission, and requested the correction of an erroneous assessment for Carter Roag Coal Company. Mr. Reger advised that the subject parcel was previously assessed in Randolph County but should have been assessed in Upshur County (copy included). After discussion, on motion by Donnie R. Tenney, seconded by Troy A. Brady, the Commission approved the request.

Micah Harris, Director of the Lewis-Upshur-Braxton Community Corrections provided a status report. Ms. Harris advised that the Community Corrections Board is considering dropping Braxton County due to ongoing lack of participation and financial issues. Braxton County has provided very few referrals and has not met its financial obligations and has indicated that they intend to separate in the future. Ms. Harris recommended making the separation at the end of the fiscal year. After discussion, the Commission unanimously agreed with Ms. Harris’s recommendation. Ms. Harris advised that the Board will discuss the separation at this evenings’ meeting.

Megan Pomeroy provided an update/review of recommendations for appointees to the Buckhannon-Upshur Airport Authority. After discussion, on motion by Donnie R. Tenney, seconded by JC Raffety, the Commission approved the appointments of Bill Thomas and JC Raffety. Both terms will expire on June 30, 2016.

JC Raffety reviewed the following “For Your Information” items: (copies included).

1. Correspondence from State Auditor and Chief Inspector Division—Corrected Page for Audit of Upshur-Buckhannon Board of Health—Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013
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2. Correspondence from West Virginia Division of Culture and History—Approval of $10,000 Grant for Circuit Clerk—Records Management and Preservation
4. Upshur County Road Name Index as of February 3, 2014
5. Upshur County Sheriff’s Department—Financial Statements for September, October, November and December 2013
6. Correspondence from Potesta Engineers and Environmental Consultants—Services Available for Review of Water Systems
7. Agendas and/or Notice of Meetings:
   • Elkins Road Public Service District —February 4, 2014
   • Lewis-Upshur-Braxton Community Corrections — February 6, 2014
   • Upshur County Family Resource Network— February 10, 2014
8. Meeting Minutes and/or Financial Reports:
   • Lewis-Upshur-Braxton Community Corrections — January 27, 2014
9. Board of Equalization and Review
   • January 30, 2014-1:00 pm-Thursday-Review Property Books-No Appointments
   • February 3, 2014-9:00 am-Monday
   • February 6, 2014-1:00 pm-Thursday
   • February 7, 2014-9:00 am-Friday
   • February 12, 2014-9:00 am-Wednesday
   • February 18, 2014-9:00 am-Tuesday-Mineral Hearings
   • February 19, 2014-9:00 am-Wednesday
   • February 20, 2014-1:00 pm-Thursday-Adjourn
10. Meetings:
    • 02/03/2014-6:00 p.m.-Buckhannon-Upshur Watershed Association
    • 02/04/2014-4:00 p.m. -Upshur County Public Library Board
    • 02/04/2014-6:00 p.m.-Hodgesville PSD
    • 02/04/2014-6:00 p.m.-Elkins Road PSD
    • 02/06/2014-7:00 p.m.-Banks District VFD
    • 02/06/2014-7:00 p.m.-Selbyville VFD
    • 02/10/2014-12:00 p.m.-Upshur County Family Resource Network
    • 02/10/2014-4:30 p.m.-Upshur County Solid Waste Authority
    • 02/10/2014-6:00 p.m.-Buckhannon-Upshur Recreational Park Advisory Board
    • 02/10/2014-6:00 p.m.-Lewis-Upshur-Braxton Community Corrections Board
    • 02/11/2014-1:00 p.m.-Adrian VFD
    • 02/11/2014-7:00 p.m.-Ellamore VFD
    • 02/12/2014-7:00 a.m. -Upshur County Development Authority – Exec. Board
    • 02/12/2014-12:00 p.m.-Upshur County Senior Center Board
    • 02/12/2014-1:30 p.m.-Upshur County Conventions & Visitors Bureau
    • 02/12/2014-6:00 p.m.-Upshur County Citizens Corp - CERT
    • 02/12/2014-7:30 p.m.-Warren District VFD
    • 02/13/2014-7:00 p.m.-Adrian PSD
The Commission approved all invoices for payment (copies included).
The Commission approved all Vacation Orders.
The Commission approved the following Settlements:
- Marie Chapman - Final Settlement

The Commission approved the following “Exonerations and/or Refunds”:
- J B Marsh - #3330 - $1,421.23
- J B Marsh - #3331 - $1,619.26
- Thomas T. Jr. or Michelle Morris - #3332 - $91.60
- Thomas T. Jr. or Michelle Morris - #3333 - $81.47
- Allison Spears - #3334 - $36.36
- Elbert W. Robinson - #3335 - $57.42
- Anna Rice - #3336 - $102.80
- Donna Hershberger - #3337 - $7.61
- Garrett Jankowski - #3338 - $2.08
- Carter Roag Coal Pleasant Hill Mine - #3339 - $83,364.80

The Commission approved the following “Request for Time Out of Office” for Commission employees: (copies included)
- Terri Jo Bennett — February 28, 2014 and March 3, 2014

The Commission recessed at 11:15 a.m.
The Commission reconvened at 1:00 p.m. as the Board of Review and Equalization (BORE) for review of property books.

The Commission recessed as the Board of Review and Equalization (BORE) at 4:30 p.m.

The Commission reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

With no further business, on motion by Troy A. Brady, seconded by Donnie R. Tenney, the Commission meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.