The County Commission of Upshur County West Virginia, held their regular meeting at the Courthouse Annex on Thursday, January 8, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Donnie R. Tenney called the meeting to order. There were present Donnie R. Tenney, Commissioner; Eugene C. Suder, Commissioner; Creed G. Pletcher, Commissioner; William A. Parker, Administrator and Terri Jo Bennett, Administrative Assistant. The meeting began with a moment of silent meditation and prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. All motions passed unanimously unless otherwise stated.

On motion by Creed G. Pletcher, seconded by Eugene C. Suder, the Commission approved the recommendation for Donnie R. Tenney to serve as the Commission President for the 2009 calendar year.

After discussion, on motion by Creed G. Pletcher, seconded by Eugene C. Suder, the Commission approved the hours of operation for the Courthouse as Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (NOTE: Elected Officials are to make certain that all full-time employees work a 40 hour work week.)

The following exceptions will apply:

- Friday-April 10, 2009-Closed all day
- Friday-May 15, 2009-Close at 12:00 p.m.
- Wednesday-December 23, 2009-Close at 12:00 p.m.

After discussion, the Commission approved the appointments to the various boards to remain the same as the 2008 calendar year.

After reading of the minutes, on motion by Creed G. Pletcher, seconded by Eugene C. Suder, the Commission approved the regular meeting minutes of December 18, 2008 as submitted.

After discussion, on motion by Eugene C. Suder, seconded by Creed G. Pletcher, the Commission approved the hiring of two positions for the 26th Judicial Circuit Community Corrections Board, Stacy Truman as temporary/part-time Assistant Case Manager and James Wilson as part-time Counselor. Effective date of employment for both positions is January 19, 2009. The temporary/part-time Assistant Case Manager Position is at a rate of $8.00 per hour and the part-time Counselor position is at a rate of $25 per hour. (copy included)

After discussion, on motion by Creed G. Pletcher, seconded by Eugene C. Suder, the Commission approved the hiring of Jacqueline R. Dinklocker as temporary/part-time Addressing and Mapping Office Assistant. Effective date of employment is January 9, 2009 at a rate of $6.80 per hour. (copy included)

After discussion, on motion by Creed G. Pletcher, seconded by Eugene C. Suder, the Commission approved the hiring of Annette Young for the full time benefitted position of Law Enforcement Secretary for the Upshur County Sheriff's
Department. Effective date of employment is December 28, 2008 at a rate of $7.25 per hour. (copy included)

After discussion, on motion by Creed G. Pletcher, seconded by Eugene C. Suder, the Commission approved the advertisement for the Board of Review and Equalization schedule to review tax assessments. (copy included)

After discussion, on motion by Eugene C. Suder, seconded by Creed G. Pletcher, the Commission approved to advertisement for an Architectural/Engineering Firm for the E911 Communication Center addition and renovation Project. (copy included)

The Commission received and reviewed the proposed Valuation Fund Budget for FY2009-2010. (copies included)

The Commission approved the following purchase orders: (copies included)

- Crites Electric Inc.—#09000284—$595.00
- Quill Corporation—#09000285—$1,000.00
- Ralston Press Inc.—#09000286—$500.00
- Southern States Co-op, Inc.—#09000287—$450.00
- WVPAA—#09000288—$800.00
- Stephanie J. Milliron—#09000289—$100.00
- Embassy Suites Charleston—#09000290—$1,200.00
- Bryan Hinkle—#09000291—$150.00

The Commission approved the following “time out of the office” for Commission employees: (copy included)

- Eva C. Smith—January 8, 2009—approved
- Eva C. Smith—January 13, 2009—approved
- Eva C. Smith—January 16, 2009—approved
- Eva C. Smith—January 20, 2009—approved

The Commission approved the following exoneration and/or refunds: (copies included)

- State of WV—#2438—$4.30
- Reed A J et al. Trsts M E Church—#2437—$4.30
- State of WV—#2436—$4.30
- State of WV—#2435—$4.30
- State of WV—#2434—$4.30
- State of WV—#2433—$4.30
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• State of WV—#2397—$4.30
• State of WV—#2396—$4.30
• State of WV—#2395—$4.30
The Commission approved the following Final Settlements:

- Ethelene Bennett-Final Settlement
- Donald Lee Draper-Final Settlement
- Jean Edmonds Fraser-Final Settlement
- Lillian Mae Pigott-Final Settlement
- Dencil J. Strader-Final Settlement
- Mary B. Cunningham-Final Settlement
- Paula V. Goodwin-Final Settlement
- Audrey Lee Johnston-Final Settlement
- Maxine M. Hauser-Final Settlement
- Frances L. Lynch-Final Settlement
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- Ethel N. Davidson-Final Settlement
- Glenn William Samples-Amended First Annual Settlement

The Commission received and reviewed the following information: (copies included)

Correspondence from SuddenLink concerning Rate Increase
1. Recap of Cost for the 2008 Brooks Hill Community Fair
2. Correspondence from the West Virginia Counties Risk Pool
   Concerning the valuation for certain county structures
6. Meetings Minutes and/or Financial reports:
   - Upshur County Development Authority – December 10, 2008
   - Upshur County Solid Waste Authority - January 12, 2009

Notice of Meetings
- 01/06/09-6:00 p.m.-Elkins Road Public Service District
- 01/06/09-7:00 p.m.-Hodgesville Public Service District
- 01/07/09-6:00 p.m.-26th Judicial Circuit Community Corrections Board
- 01/08/09-6:30 p.m.-Upshur County Safe Sites & Structures Ordinance Board
- 01/09/09-1:00 p.m. -Buckhannon River Watershed Association
- 01/14/09-7:00 p.m.-Upshur County Litter Control Committee
- 01/15/09-6:30 p.m.-Upshur County Fire Board
- 01/15/09-6:30 p.m.-Upshur County Youth Camp Board
- 01/19/09-7:00 p.m.-Upshur County Fair Association
- 01/20/09-10:00 a.m.-Wes-Mon-Ty RCD
- 01/20/09-5:00 p.m.-UC Enhanced Emergency Telephone Advisory Board
- 01/21/09-10:00 a.m.-James W. Curry Advisory Board
- 01/21/09-4:00 p.m.-Upshur County Public Library Board
- 01/21/09-7:00 p.m.-Lewis Upshur LEPC
- TBA-6:00 p.m.-Region VII Planning & Development Council
- 01/28/09-7:00 a.m.- Upshur County Development Authority Board
9. Appointments Needed or Upcoming:
   • James W. Curry Advisory Board-(Lonnie Sanders 12/31/08)-County
   • James W. Curry Advisory Board-(Tom Brown 12/31/08)-County
   • Region VII Planning & Development Council-(William A. Parker 12/31/08)-County
   • Region VII Planning & Development Council-(Connie Tenney 12/31/08)-County
   • Region VII Planning & Development Council-(Commissioner 12/31/08)-County
   • Region VII Planning & Development Council-(French Armstrong 12/31/08)-County
   • Region VII Planning & Development Council-(Dr. Pamela Balch 12/31/08)-County
   • Region VII Planning & Development Council-(Andy Duncan 12/31/08)-County
   • Upshur County Building Commission- (AG Trusler 11/10/08)-County
   • Upshur County Civil Service Board- (Terry D. Reed 12/31/08-Bar Association
   • Upshur County Development Authority- (Vacant Position 06/30/11)-County
   • UC Enhanced Emergency Telephone Ad. Bd.- (Vacant Position 06/30/11)-EMS
   • UC Safe Structures & Sites Ordinance Bd. (G Bonnett 06/30/08)-Fire Chief-County

Rodney Rolenson, Deputy Sheriff for Home Confinement & Court Security, provided a 2008 End of the Year Report on Home Confinement to the Commission. (NOTE: item not on the agenda, report only)

After discussion, on motion by Eugene C. Suder, seconded by Creed G. Pletcher the Commission agreed to send a letter of support to the West Virginia Association of Counties regarding the case of Mountain America, LLC et al. vs. the Honorable Donna Huffman, Assessor of Monroe County, et al.

The Commission recessed at 10:00 a.m.

The Commission reconvened at 2:30 p.m. to attend the Upshur County Policy Board Meeting. The Policy Board meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Brian P. Gaudet, Circuit Clerk appeared before the Commission to discuss personnel staffing levels. No decisions were made at this time and the Commission will follow-up during budget time.
With no further business the Commission meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.