

AT A COUNTY COMMISSION HELD FOR PENDLETON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, AT THE COURTHOUSE, ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2021 AT 9:00 A.M.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: GENE MCCONNELL, PRESIDENT, CARL HEVENER AND CAROLE HARTMAN

OTHERS PRESENT: KAREN PITSENBARGER, ADMINISTRATOR; ELISE WHITE, COUNTY CLERK; DIANA MITCHELL, 911 DIRECTOR; BRUCE MINOR, EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR; APRIL MALLOW, PROSECUTING ATTORNEY; CHAD BOWERS, SHERIFF; SHAWN STINSON, THE PENDLETON TIMES

Minutes of the July 20, 2021 meeting of the County Commission, on motion of Carole Hartman, were unanimously approved.

Maintenance:

Black Brothers Painting, Inc. submitted a quote for painting of the bell tower on the Courthouse and for repairing and painting the front steps. The amounts were \$12,150 for the bell tower and \$6,800 for the steps. The Commission tabled this matter to obtain further information.

The old stove at the Pendleton County Community Building has been removed. A new stove will be installed once the exhaust fan is working.

Diana Mitchell, 911 Director, discussed with the Commission the numerous rescue calls that have been occurring the last couple of weeks. She stated that on one day they had eleven rescue calls. She has advertised again for two part-time dispatchers but has not received any response as of yet.

Shentel phone numbers and addresses have been updated. There were only a couple of minor errors. Shentel had called everyone to verify addresses before submitting to Diana. Frontier's list is being reviewed by Diana again. She said there is a drastic improvement with the addresses.

Bruce Minor, Emergency Services Director, updated the Commission on the storm that had hit on the South Fork on July 17, 2021. Bruce said there are a lot of downed trees in the river and on private property. It is mainly debris removal. Ed Martin with the Conservation District had visited and viewed the damage. Bruce has not received a response from him yet. Bruce said if the Governor declares the area as a disaster there may be some state money available to assist with the cleanup.

The Commission met with Omni Associate Architects on July 23, 2021. They are in the preliminary stage at this time. They will be getting a conceptual design together to present to the Commission.

On motion of Gene McConnell, vote unanimous, Jamie Difalco will fill Bill Hartman's position on the Economic Development Authority Board until the end of the term on condition of acceptance letter from Jamie.

On motion of Carole Hartman, vote unanimous, the Commission signed a contract and resolution for a Court Security Grant in the amount of \$19,311 for the upgrade and remodeling of the judge's bench in the courtroom.

THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS OF ADMINISTRATORS, EXECUTORS, ETC., DONE BY THE CLERK IN VACATION OF THE COMMISSION, WERE THIS DAY PRESENTED TO THE COMMISSION, APPROVED ON MOTION OF CARL HEVENER, AND UNANIMOUSLY CONFIRMED.

The probation of the Last Will and Testament of **William W. Hartman, deceased**; Witnesses by affidavit, Heather Puffenberger and Andrew Hinkle; The appointment of Heidi Jon Hartman as Executor of the **Estate of William W. Hartman, deceased**; Bond not required per Last Will and Testament of deceased.

The probation of the Last Will and Testament of **Dewayne Allen Warner, deceased**; The will being wholly written in the decedent's own handwriting and signature being proven under oath by Ashley D. Calkins and Kimberly A. Grace; The appointment of Jonathan Warner as Administrator cta of the **Estate of Dewayne Allen Warner, deceased**; Bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 with Donald Burns Jr. as Surety.

The probation of the Last Will and Testament of **Lula Belle Kline, deceased**; Witness Leland Propst and Witness Genevieve Glover, under oath; The appointment of Kimberly Sue Kline as Executrix of the **Estate of Lula Belle Kline, deceased**; Bond not required per Last Will and Testament of deceased.

There were no settlements.

On motion of Carole Hartman, vote unanimous, the following exonerations & increases were approved:

Exonerations:

Brian Watson, Bethel District, \$249.16
Betty O'Donnell, Bethel District, \$22.99
John M. Huffman, Union District, \$407.16
Tyler & Miranda Simon, Franklin District, \$139.62
Virginia George, Mill Run District, \$4.51
Leroy & Amber Perry, Bethel District, \$.66
Terry R. & Margaret L. Hedrick, Franklin District, \$49.84
Kenneth Edward & Cynthia Kampen, Mill Run District, \$482.09
Ann Snouffer, Mill Run District, \$957.38
Brenda L. Daniel, Sugar Grove District, \$619.51
Christopher Paul Sites, Union District, \$1,064.93
Deborah L. Mowery, Franklin District, \$996.30
Glenda D. & Keith E. Ryder, Franklin District, \$888.95
Warner Snouffer & Others, Mill Run District, \$1,828.95
Hunter Hills LLC, Franklin District, \$896.00
Hunter Hills LLC, Franklin District, \$2,771.95
Tommy & Frances Roberson, Mill Run District, \$448.02

Increases:

Philip & Debra M. Landes, Franklin District, \$1,019.58

ORDERED THAT THE FOLLOWING ALLOWANCES BE MADE PAYABLE OUT OF:

GENERAL COUNTY FUND:	Check Nos. 32278 – 32310	\$20,135.15
COAL SEVERANCE FUND:	Check No. 200111	\$958.94
DOG FUND:	Check No. 427	\$477.90
MAGISTRATE COURT FUND:	Check Nos. 300110 – 300112	\$264.48
911 FUND:	Check Nos. 3571 – 3581	\$38,274.35
PARKS & RECREATION FUND:	Check Nos. 1161 - 1166	\$1,204.33
COVID-19 FUND:	Check No. 164	\$205.43

ORDERED THAT COMMISSION DO ADJOURN ON MOTION OF CARL HEVENER, VOTE UNANIMOUS, UNTIL TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021.

President