

Barbour County Commission Meeting

March 3, 2025

5:00pm

DAVID STRAIT COMMISSION PRESIDENT, JEDD SCHOLA COMMISSIONER (absent), BOB RICHARDSON COMMISSIONER, LAURIE AUSTIN COUNTY CLERK, SHANA FREY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Kim Lewis, Brett Carpenter, Tammy Narog, Katie Wolpert, Corey Brandon, Marjorie George, Ira Mayle, Drew Phillips, Rhett Dusenbury, Jodee Nelson, Phil Bowers, H. David Talbott

David Strait called the meeting to order at 5:02pm and led the pledge.

On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Bob Richardson, meeting minutes from February 21, 2025 were approved. 2/0

A discussion was held regarding the status of minutes in the newspaper. The County Clerk reported she was in the process of catching them up.

Before advancing further on the agenda, Commissioner Strait requested a moment of silence and prayers for Commission Schola's son, Grant, who is recovering from a medical emergency.

One Final Settlement was presented and approved on a motion by David Strait, seconded by Bob Richardson. 2/0

FARRELL DELANO RICHARDS II

Laurie Austin requested Beth Longo to be appointed as a Fiduciary Commissioner. On a motion by David Strait, seconded by Bob Richardson, this request was approved. 2/0

Sheriff Carpenter submitted an in-house budget revision for the Sheriff Tax Office to reallocate unused funds to salary line items. David Strait made a motion to approve the revision as presented, Bob Richardson seconded. 2/0

Phil Bowers reported that a Barbour County Music Hall of Fame is being established. Bob Richardson made a motion to provide a letter of support for the initiative; David Strait seconded. 2/0

He also discussed the Summer Concert Series and plans to submit a funding request at the next meeting.

Katie Wolpert provided a report on the ARP Project with the City of Belington that assisted with the purchase of a Vacuum Truck for the Sewer Department. She discussed its impact on their system and the assistance provided to surrounding communities. Their new truck is expected to be delivered in the spring.

Katie also gave an update on the successes with the Half Marathon race.

Katie provided a funding request for the Race to Lil Moes bike race. David Strait made a motion; Bob Richardson seconded to approve \$1,000.00. 2/0

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Tammy Narog submitted the Barbour/Taylor Community Corrections grant match request in the amount of \$64,000.00 for FY 2025-26. David Strait made a motion to approve the match; Bob Richardson seconded. 2/0

Corey Brandon and Dylan Harper provided an OEM/911 operations update.

No action was taken on fairgrounds improvements.

Commissioner Strait opened the floor for public comment in order of the sign-up sheet.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2025 at 9:00am.

Workforce WV will hold a Rapid Response Resource event at Battlers Knob in Heiner Hall for Leer South Miners on March 11, 2025.

On a motion by Bob Richardson, seconded by David Strait, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50pm.  
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David Strait, President

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