

Barbour County Commission Meeting
JANUARY 24, 2026
EMERGENCY MEETING
12:30pm

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

Dylan Harper, Corey Brandon, Verle Brown

Dave Strait called the emergency meeting to order at 12:36pm.

The purpose of this emergency meeting is to consider declaring a local state of emergency due to the impending winter storm Fern.

OEM/911 provided a weather report showing snow fall totals are decreasing with an increased concern of freezing rain and ice accumulations.

Governor Morrissey has declared a state of emergency ahead of the winter storm Fern.

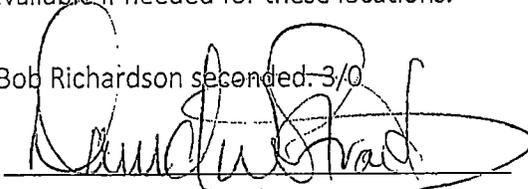
A local declaration is not a necessity with the state declaration, however having a local level declaration allows local decision making for public safety and acquire assets more efficiently, if necessary.

The Communications tower generator failure was discussed. A temporary generator was acquired from the state and it is back up and running.

Following discussion, David Strait made a motion to declare a local state of emergency for Barbour County due to the impending Winter Storm Fern for a period of 30 days unless otherwise cancelled or extended; Jedd Schola seconded. 3/0

Verle Brown brought up concerns for the Airport pump house and the Animal Control shelter if there was a loss of power. Portable generators are available if needed for these locations.

David Strait made a motion to adjourn at 12:50pm; Bob Richardson seconded. 3/0


David W Strait, President

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