

**Barbour County Commission  
Agenda  
April 6, 2026 (5:00pm)  
Barbour County Commission Chambers**

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1. Approve minutes and corrections
2. Discuss exoneration/estates/settlements/appointments/cancelled orders/budget adjustments/resolutions/invoices
3. Barbour County Sheriff Department
  - a. Consent to hire Law Enforcement, Sheriff Tax Office
4. Belington Public Library
5. Barbour OEM/911/EMS
6. Discuss and consider approving 911 Tow Rotation Policy
7. Contribution request
  - a. Philippi Summer Concert Series
  - b. Mountaineer Food Bank
  - c. Tygart Valley United Way
  - d. Lurch Fest
  - e. Barbour County Chamber
  - f. Barbour County Youth Soccer
8. Consider approving Global Science & Technology IT contract
9. Consider installing additional exterior security cameras
10. Rachelle Channell- High Voltage Transmission Line concerns
11. Barbour County Fairgrounds
  - a. Review of bids for heating/ac at the Quonset Hut and Event Building
  - b. Discuss policy & procedures
12. Public Comment
13. Setting of Next Regular Meeting
14. Adjournment

FINAL SETTLEMENTS  
GOING TO COUNTY COMMISSION  
APRIL 6, 2026

MINNIE MAE MAYLE Deceased, by OPAL MELINDA MAYLE and CONNIE KENNEDY  
Co. Executrix's of Estate—Final Report of Receipts and Disbursements

MICHAEL JUNIOR WOLFE Deceased, by CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL SMITH; Executor  
Affidavit and Waiver of Final Settlement

VIRGINIA DAVIS Deceased, by FRANK L. DAVIS, Executor  
Affidavit and Waiver of Final Settlement

MARY JO SHARP Deceased, by ROBERT DALE SHARP, Executor  
Affidavit and Waiver of Final Settlement

ARTHUR LEE STEWART Deceased, by LEONARD R. STEWART, Executor  
Affidavit and Waiver of Final Settlement

RUTH ANN BOGGS Deceased, by ROSS DAVID BOGGS, Executor  
Affidavit and Waiver of Final Settlement

BRENDA JO WILMOTH Deceased, by CHERYL J. TAYLOR, Executor  
Affidavit and Waiver of Final Settlement

MARGIE LEA POSEY Deceased, by MARILYN E. POSEY, Executrix  
Affidavit and Waiver of Final Settlement

Barbour County Commission Meeting

April 6, 2026

5:00pm

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

Kim Lewis, Rachelle Channell, Servando Arredondo, Dylan Harper, Aaron Bostel, Drew Phillips, Phil Bowers, Corey Brandon, Jessica George, Shayliagh Coberly, Cathy Rummel

David Strait called the meeting to order at 5:00pm and led the pledge.

David Strait made a motion to approve the February 20, 2026 and March 25, 2026 meeting minutes as presented; Bob Richardson seconded. 3/0

Final Settlements were presented and approved on a motion by David Strait, seconded by Jedd Schola. 3/0

MINNIE MAE MAYLE, MICHAEL JUNIOR WOLFE, VIRGINIA DAVIS, MARY JO SHARP, ARTHUR LEE STEWART, RUTH ANN BOGGS, BRENDA JO WILMOTH, MARGIE LEA POSEY

Invoices were presented.

Jessica George gave a report on activities, programming and services at the Belington Library and requested continued support.

Barbour OEM / 911: discussed grants and drawdowns and prepared the tower site for the new generator delivery. The upcoming Active Shooter Drill was discussed. The drill is planned for April 29 at Philp Barbour High School.

EMS hosted an EVOC and prehospital life support class. Each had good attendance and collaboration.

Sheriff Carpenter notified the commission that he is advertising for vacant positions in the Sheriff Tax Office and Law Enforcement. When applicants are chosen, he will request the Commission's consent to hire.

The 911 Tow Rotation policy was discussed. Commissioner Richardson requested the approval to be tabled until the next meeting to have further review.

City of Philippi Mayor, Phil Bowers, submitted a funding request for the Philippi Summer Concert Series in the amount of \$6,000. Following discussion, David Strait made a motion to approve \$5,000; Jedd Schola seconded. 3/0

Servando Arredondo provided a statistical update on Mountaineer Food Bank and described services and outreach efforts.

The Tygart Valley United Way funding request of \$3,000 was tabled. The purpose of the request is for advertising in Barbour County and staffing specialists.

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Philippi Main Street submitted a funding request in the amount of \$2,500 for Lurch Fest. The request was tabled and the Commission requested for a representative to be present at the next meeting.

Barbour County Chamber of Commerce submitted a funding request of \$1,000 to assist with the Chamber Banquet hors d'oeuvres. The banquet will be held on May 11 at Battlers Knob. Jedd Schola made a motion to approve \$1,000; David Strait seconded. 3/0

Barbour County Youth Soccer submitted a funding request in the amount of \$2,000 for the purchase of an AED device. Following discussion, the item was tabled. The Commission acknowledged the need and requested that OEM, 911, and EMS evaluate the best solution and identify potential funding options, including consideration of placing an AED at each youth sports event location.

David Strait made a motion to approve the Global Science and Technology IT services agreement; Bob Richardson seconded. 3/0

A discussion was held regarding security camera blind spots on the courthouse square. To enhance public safety during events, Jedd Schola made a motion to approve a quote from Cardinal Cabling in the amount of \$6,445 to install three additional exterior cameras at the courthouse; David Strait seconded the motion. 3/0

Rachelle Channel presented concerns regarding a potential high-voltage transmission power line that may be proposed through Barbour County and requested that the Commission oppose any route that could impact the county. The Commission acknowledged her concerns and will take them into consideration as additional information becomes available. At this time, no proposed routes have been identified.

Bids were received for the Fairgrounds Quonset Hut and Event Buildings from Andy's Heating and Powell. Upon discussion, approval was tabled until the next meeting.

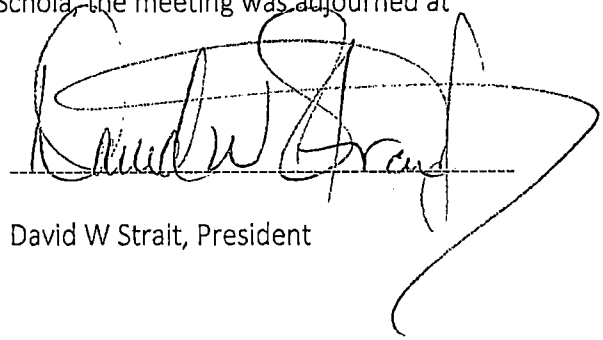
A discussion was held regarding policies, procedures, and rules and regulations at the Fairgrounds. Following discussion, Commissioner Richardson made a motion to allow alcohol at select events with prior approval from the Commission; however, the motion failed for lack of a second. Instead, the Commission agreed that the Barbour County Fairgrounds rules and regulations will be revised in their entirety, with a section addressing alcohol to be included.

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The floor was open for public comment by order of the sign-in sheet.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2026 at 9:00am.

On a motion by Bob Richardson, seconded by Jedd Schola, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm. 3/0

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David W Strait", is written over a horizontal dashed line. The signature is stylized and extends significantly to the right of the line.

David W Strait, President

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Laurie L. Austin, Clerk  
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