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THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF MASON COUNTY met in the Commission room of the courthouse on Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in regular session. Present were Tracy Doolittle, President; Sam Nibert, Commissioner; Rick Handley, Commissioner; Diana Cromley, County Clerk; and Jason Bechtle, Administrator.

Tracy Doolittle called the meeting to order, and Diana Cromley gave the opening prayer. Jaidyn Patrick, Lillian Bowles and Alasaundra Reed led the pledge of allegiance.

Mason County 2024 Fair Queen Jaidyn Patrick, 1st runner-up Lillian Bowles and 3rd runner-up Alasaundra Reed were recognized and congratulated.

The Mason County Board of Education's new Superintendent of Schools, Melissa Farmer, was introduced to the Commission.

Discussion of a parking garage on Main Street, Point Pleasant, was tabled for a later date.

Upon motion by Handley and unanimous agreement, the Commission approved Estate Appointments, Affidavits for Small Estates, Orders Appointing Fiduciary Commissioners, Waivers of Final Settlements, Reports of Receipts and Disbursements, Commissioner's Reports of Claims and Final Settlement, and Applications for Corrections of Erroneous Assessments. Copies of which are attached hereto.

Upon motion by Nibert and unanimous agreement, the Commission minutes from the previous meeting were approved with no omissions or corrections thereto.

The Commission executed the Bills and Purchase Orders as required.

Upon motion by Handley and unanimous agreement, the Commission approved the Emergency Absentee Voting Policy, a copy of which is attached.

The Commission executed the signature page to the Tow Policy, a copy of which is attached, which policy was previously approved on June 27, 2024.

Upon motion by Nibert and unanimous agreement, the Commission approved application for an American Disabilities Act grant for the County Clerk's Office to repair the handicap door to the polling place at the Farm Museum.

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The Commission scheduled hearings on the Harold Cochran Estate for August 29, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. and the Carl Sibley Estate for August 29, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Upon motion by Handley and unanimous agreement, the Commission appointed John Collins to the Mason County Public Service District Board. A copy of the PSD's letter recommending his appointment is attached, along with a copy of Beth Lanier's letter concerning her resignation.

Upon motion by Handley and unanimous agreement, the Commission approved the part-time hire of Ethel Taylor at the 911 Center beginning August 16, 2024.

Town of Mason Mayor Kris Clark discussed plans for a splash pad in Mason at a cost of \$220,000 and asked the Commission to help with funding if possible.

The Commission discussed what to ask for in the Courthouse Facilities Improvement grant application.

Bechtle updated the Commission on the Auditor's training he recently attended.

Bechtle also updated the Commission on the progress of the Employee Hand Book. It should be going to Attorney Wendy Grieve soon to be finalized.

Bechtle was instructed to draft a letter to Frontier regarding issues with dropped calls in the courthouse offices.

Bechtle was also instructed to call the WV Public Service Commission regarding the phone system in the courthouse if they are not VOIP.

The Mason County Right to Life was given permission to use the Mason County Library grounds on October 6, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Handley announced that the Putnam County 911 Center welcomed the Commission and 911 personnel to visit their facilities and see their programs,

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equipment, etc. in case we would be interested in implementing these ideas in our county.

Upon motion by Nibert and unanimous agreement, the Commission instructed that a letter be sent to Mountain State Waste to express opposition to a garbage fee increase of 4.4%.

Upon motion by Handley and unanimous agreement, the Commission approved moving the October 10, 2024 meeting to October 9, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

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EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTING POLICY

WHEREAS, West Virginia Code 3-3-5c authorizes County Commissions in West Virginia to adopt a policy extending emergency absentee voting procedures in their county; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of this Commission that the adoption of such a policy would benefit the citizens of Mason County:

THE FOLLOWING POLICY IS HEREBY ADOPTED BY THIS COMMISSION:

A person qualified to vote an absent voter's ballot, as defined by West Virginia Code 3-3-1, who is:

- (1) in a hospital or other duly licensed health care facility within a county adjacent to Mason County or within thirty-five miles of the county seat of Mason County, for medical treatment; or
- (2) in a nursing home within the county, residing there less than 30 days

and is unable to vote in person on election day, may vote an emergency absent voter's ballot under the procedures set forth in West Virginia Code 3-3-5c.

Mason County Commission

RACY DOOLITTLE, PRESIDENT

SAM NIBERT, COMMISSIONER

RICK HANDLEY, COMMISSIONER

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This policy has been adopted by the Mason County Commission on June 27th, 2024.
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MASON COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

101 CAMDEN AVENUE POINT PLEASANT, WV 25550 304-675-6399

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The County Commission of Mason County Courthouse – 200 Sixth Street Suite 2 Point Pleasant, WV 25550

SUBJ: Recommendation for Mason County PSD Board of Directors

REF: Mr. John Collins

I would like to take this opportunity to recommend Mr. John W. Collins as a candidate for appointment to the Mason County Public Service Districts Board of Directors. Mr. Collins' engineering background and experience with hydraulic analysis in the coal mining industry, would make him a valuable asset and addition to the Board. Mr. Collins would replace Ms. Beth Lanier, whose term expires August 17, 2024. Mr. Collins term would expire August 17, 2030. Ms. Lanier is relocating her residency to Huntington, thus making her unavailable and ineligible for membership.

Your favorable consideration of this recommendation would be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

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Brent L. Clark, General Manager

Mason County Public Service District

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Beth Lanier 2066 Litchfield Rd. Gallipolis Ferry WV 25515

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Mason County Public Service District 101 Camden Ave. Point Pleasant WV 25550

Mr. Clark and fellow board members:

It has been my great privilege to serve the Mason County Public Service District Board from March 29, 2016, to the present. Due to my full-time job, I am moving from Mason County to a county closer to my job in the coming months. As my appointment expires on August 17, 2024, I am resigning prior to reappointment to ensure continuity of service for the board and the PSD. Please accept this letter as an official notice of resignation. Again, it has been a pleasure working with everyone. I wish the board, PSD employees, and the PSD great success in coming years.

Respectfully.

Beth Lanier

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HOWARD LEE CRAWFORD JR
BETTY JO CRUMP
DANIEL RAY COOK
SANDRA SUE HENRY
EDDIE E LOWE
DALLAS WILLIAM NIBERT
THELMA MAE ROACH
RUSSELL LEE SMITH
ALTA LUCILLE SMITH
KAREN LYNN THOMAS
HOMER E WHITTINGTON
DONALD STEWART ZERKLE JR

AFFIDAVIT FOR SMALL ESTATE

NANCY LORAIN BRAGG

AFFIDAVIT AND WAIVER OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

EDNA MARIE BARKER
RANDY CARROLL RARDIN
DIANA LEE BRAGG
DAVID WILSON ROUSH
JOSEPH HARLEY LITCHFIELD
RUSSELL L WOOD
WILLIAM DAVIS JR
JACKIE EDWARD MCCOMAS
PATRICIA ANN HERN
CORALETTA FRANCIS HENRY
ERMA J JONES
LAWRENCE EUGENE BURRIS

FINAL SETTLEMENT

STEVE JUNIOR AKERS

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION OF ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATION IRENE EVELETH LEE

OATH OF OFFICE

CARTER KENNEDDY SMITH MELISSA FARMER

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APPLICATION FOR CORRECTION OF ERROR	NEOUS ASSESSMENT
SAYRE PAUL	ACCT: 06810917
GILLEY LAUREN	ACCT: 06121298
DAIL JOHNATHAN THOMAS	ACCT: 06828873
DAIL JOHNATHAN THOMAS	ACCT: 06061307
GERUNTHO JOSEPH	ACCT: 06851759
SAYRE BRENDA & TOSHA LIVINGSTON	ACCT: 06851741
ROSEMARY OLDAKER	ACCT: 06019881
LITCHFIELD JESSE	ACCT: 06157866
LITCHFIELD JESSE	ACCT: 06033687
RANDOLPH SARA ANN	ACCT: 06012138
FOUT RUTH & MARTHA	ACCT: 06107768
TRUSTEE HENDERSON TABERNACLE	ACCT: 06017080
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PT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	ACCT: 06138422
PEAYTT DUSTIN & HEATHER	ACCT: 06702614
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SMITH JORDAN & SHAINA KREBS	ACCT: 06851522
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Upon motion by Doolittle and unanimous agreement, this meeting was adjourned.

RACY DOCLITTLE PRESIDENT

LICK HANDLEY, COMMISSIONER

SAM NIBERT, COMMISSIONER

DIANA N. CROMLEY, CLERK