

IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

NO. 1 COURT SQUARE, SUITE 203
PARKERSBURG, WV 26101

IN RE: MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2026

PRESENT: DAVID BLAIR COUCH, PRESIDENT
JAMES E. COLOMBO, COMMISSIONER
JAMES E. HAMRIC, COMMISSIONER

At 9:30 A.M., the County Commission of Wood County met in regular session. They signed purchase orders, invoices and other correspondence.

AGENDA AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

At 9:30 A.M., Mark Lewis with the Convention and Visitors Bureau updated the Commission on the Bureau. He stated the tourist count is up significantly over past years. He further stated they are working on mapping gravel trails.

At 9:45 A.M., Emergency Services Director, Sam Scalise and E-911 Director Dale McEwuen gave the County Commission an update on the People's Cartage fire.

At 10:00 A.M., Andy Hartleben with the Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council met with the County Commission to request they sign Drawdown No. 1 for the Hill Avenue Project. He also requested the Commission approve the Final Drawdown for the Happy Valley Flood Mitigation Project.

The County Commission of Wood County, upon a motion made by David Blair Couch, seconded by James E. Colombo and made unanimous by James E. Hamric, Approved a budget

form to be submitted to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office. Said form is to certify that the County has sufficient funds to pay the salary increases for elected officials that were passed with Senate Bill No. 1005. (Order A/3313)

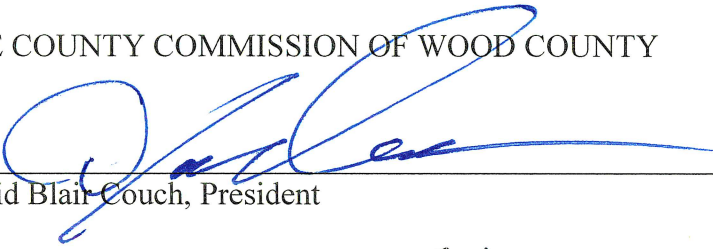
Having no further scheduled appointments or business to attend to, the County Commission adjourned at 10:12 A.M.

ORDERS APPROVED AND ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES

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APPROVED:

THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY



David Blair Couch, President



James E. Colombo, Commissioner



James E. Hamric, Commissioner



Wood County Commission
Agenda

July 9, 2026 | 9:30 A.M.
1 Court Square, Suite 203
Parkersburg, WV 26101

9:45 A.M.	Discuss Hill Avenue Drawdown (22CDBG0003) and Happy Valley DR-4273-W-0091 close-out letter	Andy Hartleben, MOVRC
	Administrator's Report	Marty Seufer, County Administrator
	County Commission Reports	

Discussion, Review, and Approval of expenditures and disbursements identified on Exhibit 1, hereto attached

Correspondence for this meeting will be available for public review during regular office hours in Room 205 of the Wood County Courthouse two (2) days before the meeting

Discussion, Review and Approval of the following items may be included during this meeting and are available for public inspection in the Office of the County Administrator two days prior to this meeting.

Budget revisions

Purchase orders and requisitions

Revisions, reimbursement requests, resolutions and correspondence for grants

Grant disbursements to other entities

Invoices for expenditures to be paid

Reimbursements for travel expenses

Bid specifications and procedures for bids previously authorized by the Commission

Monthly Hotel Occupancy Tax Collection disbursements

Disbursements for previously approved Innovative Programming Grants

Tax refunds, exonerations, improprieties and consolidations

Probate items, including settlements, petitions and Fiduciary Commissioner reports

General Fund disbursements to entities

Funding requests from local organizations by written form

Payroll modification as submitted by elected officials

Updates on Board and Commissions, if needed:

Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department

Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council

Parkersburg/Wood County Visitors & Convention Bureau

Parks & Recreation Commission (Mountwood Park)

Wood County Community Corrections

Wood County Solid Waste Authority

WVU Extension Service Committee

Wood County Airport Authority

Wood County Commission on Crime, Delinquency & Correction

Wood County Development Authority

Wood County Recreation Commission

Work Force Investment Act Board

Downtown Task Force

E-911 Communications Advisory Board

Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Airport Committee

Wood County Local Emergency Planning Committee

Wood County Planning Commission

Wood-Washington-Wirt Interstate Planning Commission

Wood County Commission Meeting
Held July 9, 2026

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JULY 9, 2026

IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: THE COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVED A BUDGET FORM
TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE WV STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE
IN REGARD TO ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARY INCREASES.

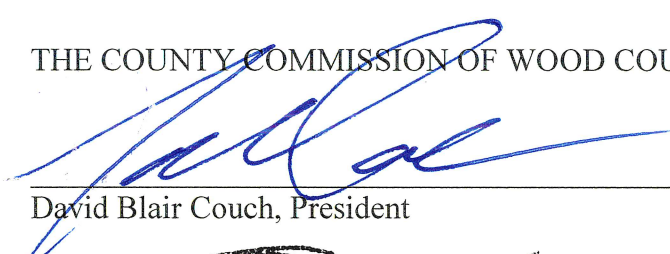
ORDER

On this date, the County Commission of Wood County, upon a motion made by David Blair Couch, seconded by James E. Colombo and made unanimous by James E. Hamric, Approved a budget form to be submitted to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office. Said form is to certify that the County has sufficient funds to pay the salary increases for elected officials that were passed with Senate Bill No. 1005.

A copy of the budget form is attached to this Order and shall be made a part thereof.

APPROVED:

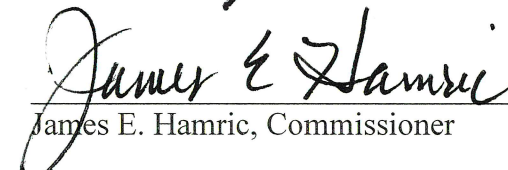
THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY



David Blair Couch, President



James E. Colombo, Commissioner



James E. Hamric, Commissioner

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WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2026 - JUNE 30, 2027

County Classification: 1

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2026 - JUNE 30, 2027, ALL COUNTY OFFICIALS SHOULD BE
 COMPENSATED BASED ON THE COUNTY'S CLASSIFICATION AS OF: JULY 1,

Office	Elected Official	Date Current Term Began	2026-2027 Salary	West Virginia Code Reference
County Commissioners:				
	David Blair Couch	January 1,	47,812	§7-7-4
	James E. Colombo	January 1,	47,812	
	James E. Hamric	January 1,	47,812	
		January 1,	-	
		January 1,	-	
County Clerk:				
	Lewis Joseph Gonzales II	January 1,	71,717	§7-7-4
Circuit Clerk				
	Celeste Ridgway	January 1,	71,717	§7-7-4
Assessor				
	John Kelly	January 1,	59,633	§7-7-4
	Agricultural Report		5,963	§7-7-6c
	Supplemental Salary		15,000	§7-7-6b
Sheriff				
	Rickey L. Woodyard	January 1,	59,633	§7-7-4
	Sheriff's Commission on Taxes		25,000	§11A-1-17
Prosecuting Attorney				
	Patrick O. Lefebure	Full Time January 1,	124,962	§7-7-4
* Is the Prosecuting Attorney Full Time ? (please answer above)				Yes

W.Va. Code § 7-7-4 Salary Schedule AFTER issuance of Senate Bill No. 587 (2026)					
Class	County Commissioners	County & Circuit Clerks	Sheriff	Assessor	Prosecuting Attorney
Class 1	47,812	71,717	59,633	59,633	124,962
Class 2	46,958	70,863	58,778	58,778	122,116
Class 3	46,104	69,156	58,352	58,352	119,270
Class 4	45,251	68,759	57,924	57,924	116,424
Class 5	44,396	68,303	57,498	57,498	113,579
Class 6	36,713	64,033	57,071	56,546	76,840
Class 7	35,859	63,180	56,643	56,118	73,424
Class 8	32,444	62,326	55,167	55,587	70,009
Class 9	31,589	61,471	55,790	55,160	64,887
Class 10	25,614	54,642	51,094	50,202	59,764

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W. Va. Code §7-7-3 County Classification			Class	Assessor's Supplemental
Class	Minimum Property Value	Maximum Property Value	Class 1-5	15,000
			Class 6-7	10,000
Class 1	2,000,000,000	No Limit	Class 8-9	9,000
Class 2	1,500,000,000	1,999,999,999	Class 10	6,500
Class 3	1,000,000,000	1,499,999,999		
Class 4	700,000,000	999,999,999		
Class 5	600,000,000	699,999,999		
Class 6	500,000,000	599,999,999		
Class 7	400,000,000	499,999,999		
Class 8	300,000,000	399,999,999		
Class 9	200,000,000	299,999,999		
Class 10		199,999,999		

Wood County
Joe Gonzalez, Clerk
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