## IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE:	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1992
PRESENT:	PRESIDENT STEVEN A. GRIMM COMMISSIONER JEAN GRAPES
	COMMISSIONER JEAN GRAFES
ABSENT:	COMMISSIONER HOLMES R. SHAVER

On this date, the County Commission met in regular session. They signed purchase orders, invoices and other correspondence. They approved a Personal Property Improper for Mildred M. Belette.

On this date, the County Commission, upon a motion made by Jean Grapes, seconded by Steven A. Grimm and passed, approved minutes from Monday, September 28, 1992, Thursday, October 15, 1992 and Monday, October 19, 1992.

At 8:55 A.M., Ronnie D. Murray and Gilbert N. Jackson were sworn in as reserve deputies.

At 10:05 A.M., the County Commission met with Jeffrey Reed and Phil Gilchrist to discuss funding of the West Virginia Interstate Fair and Exposition. Mr. Reed discussed four potential sources of funding from the WV State Code. Chapter 18-11-11 can not be used in this instance. Chapter 7-1-5 can not be used because the fair is not county property. Chapter 7-18-11, which deals with Hotel/Motel tax, could work if the fair promotes art. Chapter 8-32-1 would be the best out of the four; it deals with Intergovernmental Relations and non-profit organizations. Mr. Gilchrist stated that the 4-H has never ran the fair, but they have never severed ties with the 4-H. He also stated that the land will go to a governmental body if they ever decide to not keep the fairgrounds. Commissioner Grapes asked if there were separate corporations. Mr. Gilchrist stated that there are approximately 5-6 different groups using the 4-H name. WVU Extension in Morgantown told them how to run the fair, so they changed the name for this reason as well as allowing other 4-H groups from other counties to join this fair. President Grimm stated that he is not in favor of using Hotel/Motel Tax funds. Discussion followed. Mr. Reed stated that he will have to collect more information concerning this before he can advise.

At 10:40 A.M., James R. Smith was sworn in to the Central Boaz Public Service District Board.

On this date, the County Commission met with Charlene Ketterman, Jamie Six and Chester Woollard. Mr. Woollard requested that an independent computer operator be hired to oversee the election. Commissioner Grapes stated that Bill Ambrose be asked because he would be impartial and not cost the County any money. Mr. Woollard and Mrs. Ketterman agreed to this. Commissioner Grapes stated that she would discuss this with Commissioner Shaver. President Grimm abstained.

At 11:00 A.M., the County Commission held a hearing for Jeffrey Pifer, alleged mentally retarded. Guardian Ad Litem was Robert Friend. Bonita File, grandmother of Jeffrey, stated that she has been his guardian since he was seven years old and is now seeking to be his Committee; he was injured at birth due to lack of oxygen; he can not read or write; he needs constant care and she has had him in many special schools. Mr. Friend agreed to what Mrs. File stated and stated that he feels she is the proper person to take care of him. Jeffrey's mother, Bessie Pifer Hunter, stated that her mother (Mrs. File) has always helped her and her son. Jeffrey's father, Gary Pifer stated that he was not here to protest this, he just wants to make sure justice is done. An affidavit was received from Dr. Ponce stating that Jeffrey has brain damage and he sees everything backwards. Mr. Pifer stated that Jeffrey needs training, such as Sheltered Workshop, to help him later on in life. Mrs. File stated that Jeffrey wants to be in a group home if anything would happen to her and he doesn't like to go to Sheltered Workshop. Upon a motion made by Jean Grapes, seconded by Steven A. Grimm, the County Commission declared Jeffrey Pifer mentally retarded and incompetent. Mrs. File stated that she

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has had many doctors tell her not to force Jeffrey to do anything. Mr. File stated that he would like something to occupy Jeffrey's time. Mrs. Hunter stated that they are working with Adult Basic Education to get a teacher that would work with him individually. Further discussion took place. Upon a motion made by Jean Grapes, seconded by Steven A. Grimm, the County Commission appointed Bonita File as Guardian of Jeffrey Pifer with a bond in the amount of \$100.00 with surety.

On this date, the County Commission, upon a motion duly made, seconded and passed, appointed Clarabelle Pierce (Republican) and Wanda Sams (Democrat) as Emergency Absent Voter Ballot Commissioners to perform the duties and functions as set forth in Chapter 3, Article 3, Section 5c of the WV Code. These appointments are for the General Election to be held in Wood County on Tuesday, November 3, 1992, and is pursuant to a letter of notification from Carole Jones, Wood County Circuit Clerk. An Order was prepared regaring this matter.

On this date, the County Commission of Wood County, upon a motion made by Steven A. Grimm, seconded by Jean Grapes and passed, adopted a Resolution in reference to Budget Revision No. 8 in the General County Fund budget for the fiscal year 1992/1993. The Request for Revision to the Approved Budget being submitted to the Department of Tax and Revenue, Charleston, WV, was signed by Steven A. Grimm, President. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

On this date, the County Commission was in receipt of a letter from Gaston Caperton, Governor of WV, informing them that the Highway Safety Grant proposal has been approved for \$50,000.00. Said grant will enable the County Commission to continue a Comprehensive Community Highway Safety Program. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

Having no scheduled appointments or further business to attend to, the County Commission adjourned at 12:00 Noon.

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## Approved:

THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY Speven A. Grimm, President \_\_\_ Jean Grapes, Commissioner

## PURCHASE ORDERS SIGNED ON OCTOBER 22, 1992

No.	16669	Dils Motor Company	\$ 124.42
	16677	The Michie Company	766.76
	16682	Miller Communications	30.00
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	16685	Wood County Airport	79.26