

IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1993

PRESENT: PRESIDENT HOLMES R. SHAVER
COMMISSIONER JEAN GRAPES
COMMISSIONER STEVEN A. GRIMM

On this date, the County Commission met in regular session. They signed purchase orders, invoices and other correspondence.

At 10:00 A.M., the County Commission held a hearing for the Guardianship of Aaron J. & Heather Boyd. Patrick McFarland, Attorney, stated that the children's mother was killed in an automobile accident and now their father, Samuel J. Boyd wishes to be appointed Guardian. Guardian Ad Litem, Scott Durig, after checking files on the divorce between Samuel Boyd and Penny Frazee, stated that their divorce was not an amicable one and that for a while the children were fearful of their father and visits were not permitted unless they were supervised. Mr. McFarland stated that this has changed over the last few years and the children and their father have resolved the problems. President Shaver asked Aaron and Heather if they wanted to live with their father and they stated that they would. Upon a motion made by Jean Grapes, seconded by Holmes R. Shaver and passed the County Commission appointed Samuel Boyd as Guardian with a \$100.00 bond on each child.

At 11:14 A.M., the County Commission, upon a motion made by Holmes R. Shaver, seconded by Jean Grapes and made unanimous by Steven A. Grimm, went into Executive Session under No. 9 of the West Virginia Code which deals with Financial Matters. Said Executive Session was requested by Michel Rusen, Prosecuting Attorney. They adjourned at 11:23 A.M.

On this date, the County Commission met with James Day who informed the County Commission that the Wood County Civil Service Commission for Deputy Sheriff's requested that a Court Reporter be hired for a hearing to be held

on February 9, 1993 in regard to Rickey Woodyard. Judge Waters' Court Reporter stated that she would be available for \$25.00 dollars per hour and a charge of \$2.75 a page (which includes an original and a copy) for a transcript. The County Commission approved this request.

On this date, the County Commission approved the reimbursement of \$1,900.64 to the Prosecutor's Office for the use of Lexis in regard to research that her office did for the Board of Education and the Wood County Commission. A memorandum from Ms. Rusen, with a breakdown of the charges, is attached to these minutes.

On this date, the County Commission, upon a motion made by Steven A. Grimm, seconded by Jean Grapes and made unanimous by Holmes R. Shaver, renamed Thirty-ninth Street, in Parkersburg, to Grand Park Drive.

On this date, the County Commission, upon a motion made by Steven A. Grimm, seconded by Jean Grapes and made unanimous by Holmes R. Shaver, ORDERED that a Class II Legal Notice be placed in The Parkersburg News and The Parkersburg Sentinel of the increase in the assessed valuations by 18% to comply with the 53% of Estimated Market Value provided by the State of West Virginia for 1993. Said Legal Notice will appear in both newspapers on Monday, February 8, 1993 and on Monday, February 15, 1993. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

On this date, the County Commission, upon a motion made by Steven A. Grimm, seconded by Jean Grapes and made unanimous by Holmes R. Shaver, gave approval to the request submitted by Eugene A. Knotts, Assessor of Wood County, to increase the assessed valuations by 18% to comply with the 53% of Estimated Market Value provided by the State for 1993. Said increase is in accordance with Wood County's Plan for Reappraisal and is pursuant to Chapter 11, Article 1C, Section 7, Item d. of the Code of West Virginia. A copy of said letter signed by Eugene A. Knotts is attached to the Order that was prepared regarding this matter. The letter of Opinion from Jean Grapes is attached to these minutes and should be made a part thereof.

On this date, the County Commission was in receipt of the Statement of Assets from Commercial Banking & Trust Company, Parkersburg, WV in regard to the Wood County Building Commission Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1984, St. Joseph's Hospital. Said Statement of Assets is for the Debt Service Fund, Series 1990; Debt Service Reserve Fund, Series 1990; Depreciation Reserve Fund; Debt Service Reserve Account; Debt Service Investment Account and Debt Service Account for the calendar year ending December 31, 1992. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

On this date, the County Commission, upon a motion made by Jean Grapes, seconded by Holmes R. Shaver and made unanimous by Steven A. Grimm, adopted a Proclamation declaring the week of February 8-14, 1993 as Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week in recognition of every child's right to adequate transportation when being transported in a motor vehicle. By said Proclamation, the County Commission encourages the County to observe the week and to increase the public's awareness of the lifesaving measure of correctly using child safety seats to protect against the risk of death or injury on every ride. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

On this date, the County Commission, upon a motion made by Steven A. Grimm, seconded by Holmes R. Shaver and passed, authorized Holmes R. Shaver, in his official capacity as President, to sign the Extended Service Plan from CWS Business Machines & Products, Parkersburg, WV. Said Extended Service Plan provides coverage on a Model No. DC-4085 Copier, Serial No. 36007013 located in the Wood County Clerk's Office. The maintenance charge set forth in said Plan is \$75.00 per month for the period of February 1, 1993 through January 31, 1994 and includes 80,000 copies per year with any overage at \$.007 per copy. Said coverage does not include supplies and drum. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

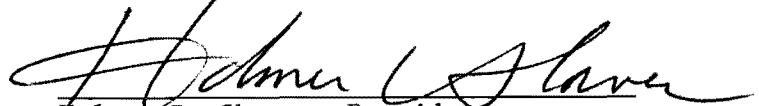
The County Commission had the following walk-ins for the Board of Review and Equalization: Ronald D. Wines, Lubeck District Map 130 Ohio; Harold G.

Poole, City District; Bert Stallings, Slate District, Map 40; Kenneth Gorrell, Lubeck District, Map 500-B and Wayne Gorrell, Lubeck District, Map 500-B2.

Having no scheduled appointments or further business to attend to, the County Commission adjourned at 12:00 Noon; however, they met again at 1:00 P.M. as the Board of Review and Equalization, which was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Approved:

THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY


Holmes R. Shaver, President


Jean Grapes, Commissioner


Steven A. Grimm, Commissioner

PURCHASE ORDERS SIGNED ON FEBRUARY 4, 1993

No. 16606	National 5-Digit Zip Code Dir.	\$ 15.00
16971	Easton Printing	63.30
17002	Easton Printing	18.65
17007	T&H Hardware	.89
17026	Viking Office Products	291.54
17027	Freestyle	82.25
17046	T&H Hardware	.49
17056	Goodyear Auto Service Center	290.92
17065	Broadwaters Motorcar	23.63
17067	Broadwaters Motorcar	549.92
17070	Viking Office Products	52.94
17078	Broadwaters Motorcar	65.39
17079	T&H Hardware	15.11
17083	Miller Communications	14.50
17084	Byers Lock & Key	3.75
17085	Parkersburg Office Supply	83.46
17091	Broadwaters Motorcar	7.13
17094	Commercial Office Equipment	330.00
17095	Miller Communications	58.50
17097	Assurance Business Forms	347.28
17101	Broadwaters Motorcar	95.75
17104	Parkersburg Office Supply	19.81
17105	Dils Ford	529.86
17110	Breeds Auto Electric Service	16.00
17111	General Glass Company	33.80
17113	Broadwaters Motorcar	39.99
17114	Parkersburg Office Supply	2.88
17116	Wal-Mart	87.34
17117	Broadwaters Motorcar	40.34
17118	Quorum Corporation	46.69
17119	Assurance Business Forms	479.20
17120	Assurance Business Forms	274.97
17121	Engineering Supply	55.02
17122	Casto & Harris	2425.00
17123	Casto & Harris	4237.15
17124	Nugget Software Systems	87.00
17126	Broadwaters Motorcar	7.68
17129	State Electric Supply	111.76



OFFICE OF THE
WOOD COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

WOOD COUNTY JUDICIAL BUILDING
PARKERSBURG, WV 26101

MICHELE RUSEN
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

TELEPHONE
(304) 424-1776

To: Wood County Commission
From: Michele Rusen, Prosecuting Attorney *MR*
Date: January 19, 1993
Re: Research for Board of Education, Pornography, Capt. Wilcox

M E M O R A N D U M

Attached please find three invoices from Mead Data Central for charges billed to my office for the use of Lexis. Part of these charges are due to research which my office did for the Board of Education and for the Wood County Commission.

Below is a break down of each bill.

9/30/92 - \$891.75 (bill total)
196.76 - obscenity research

11/30/92 - \$1,434.73 (bill total)
103.90 - Board of Education research
810.31 - obscenity research
385.04 - Wilcox research
\$1,299.25

12/31/92 - \$790.34 (bill total)
404.63 - Board of Education research

Total \$1,900.64

I would request that \$1,900.64 be reimbursed to my account and placed in line item 1-101-405-40-0-12.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

John Guy
John Guy
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JAN 22 1993
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

The County Commission of Wood County

PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA 26101



COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MARY R. RADER
424-1976

HOLMES R. SHAVER, PRESIDENT
JEAN GRAPES, COMMISSIONER
STEVEN A. GRIMM, COMMISSIONER

COUNTY CLERK
JAMIE SIX
424-1850

February 4, 1993

(Opinion)

In 1959 there was an appraisal of properties in Wood County. These appraised values were put on the Assessor's Books and were used to determine assessed valuation with the exception of new construction and home improvements.

Since then, many changes have taken place; such as, properties that were sold at higher cost were re-assessed but the values on the books did not change (this practice was stopped by the Supreme Court), an abundance of new construction came on the books with higher values. The Commission allowed an 80% assessment to be levied because of the low values of the 59's still being on the books. These old values did not reflect the true market values that had come into play with the inflation.

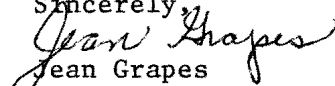
All the changes stated above made a terrible infraction of differences of assessed percentages being paid, not only in Wood County, but throughout the State. This caused the State to mandate reappraisals in all counties of West Virginia.

Wood County adopted the reappraisal in 1990 and the Assessor elected to phase in his program in three phases (raising a proportion of the assessed valuations each year).

It was stated in the Wood County Commission Room by the representatives of the Tea Party Group that the 18% raise was in question because the amount approved by the Commission was based at 80% of the 1959 values.

I am enclosing a copy of WV Code 11-1C-7 showing that the State, under the new reappraisal law, has allowed the counties to change their property values and base our new values on what the state projected our County's total fair market value.

This new value from the State completely changes the manner in which Wood County bases their assessed valuation and nullifies any past percentages that were used; therefore, the percentage of assessed value has changed and the new asked for raise in assessment would reflect the 53% as stated by the Assessor.

Sincerely,

Jean Grapes

available until the plan has received approval by the tax commissioner: Provided, That any initial plan that has not received approval by the commissioner prior to the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred ninety-one, shall be submitted on or by such date to the valuation commission for resolution prior to the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-one, by which date all counties shall have an approved valuation plan in effect.

✦ (d) Upon approval of the valuation plan, the assessor shall immediately begin implementation of the valuation process. Any change in value discovered subsequent to the certification of values by the assessor to the county commission, acting as the board of equalization and review, in any given year shall be placed upon the property books for the next certification of values: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the contrary, the property valuation training and procedures commission may authorize the tax commissioner to approve a valuation plan and the board of public works to submit such a plan which would permit the placement of proportionately uniform percentage changes in values on the books that estimate the percentage difference between the current assessed value and sixty percent of the fair market value for classes or identified sub-classes of property and distribute the change between the two tax years preceding the tax year beginning on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three. This procedure may be used in lieu of placing individual values on the books at sixty percent of value as discovered, or may be in addition to such valuation. If such procedure is adopted by a county, then property whose reevaluation is the responsibility of the board of public works and the state tax commissioner shall have its values estimated and placed on the books in like manner. Such estimates shall be based on the best information obtained by the assessor, the board of public works and the tax commissioner, and the changes shall move those values substantially towards sixty percent of fair market value, such sixty percent to be reached on or before the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-three.

(e) The county assessor shall establish and maintain as official records of the county tax maps of the entire county drawn to scale or aerial maps, which maps shall indicate all property and lot lines, set forth dimensions or areas, indicate whether the land is improved, and identify the respective parcels or lots by a system of numbers or symbols and numbers, whereby the ownership of such parcels and lots can be ascertained by reference to the appropriate records: Provided, That all such records shall be established and maintained and the sale or reproduction of microfilm, photography and maps shall be in accordance with legislative rules promulgated by the commission.

(f) Willing and knowing refusal of the assessor or the county commission to comply with and effect the provisions of this article, or to correct any deficiencies as may be ordered by the tax commissioner with the concurrence of the valuation commission under any authority granted pursuant to this article or other provisions of this code, shall constitute grounds for removal from office. Such removal may be appealed to the circuit court. (1990, c. 172; 1990, 3rd Ex. Sess., c. 5.)

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(a) In order to fund training mandated by the constitution in each county office. The valuation on the first day of July through the valuation a county by county basis shall be transferred to plans submitted by the assessor transferred by the valuation hereunder without the assessor shall be without regard hereunder shall be subject to the provisions of interest provisions of this code to the contrary county for the purpose of this chapter upon approval.

During the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred ninety-four moneys provided by the county's valuation fund received plus accrued one percent of the board revenues generated.

(b) To finance the training mandated by the constitution on the first day of July period of at least thirty days the previous year's valuation for, the county commission the county shall be the valuation fund. where funds borrowed have not been fully repaid thereon, has been funded by the valuation fund shall be credited to the previous year's projected county commissions the thirty-first day of



EUGENE A. KNOTTS
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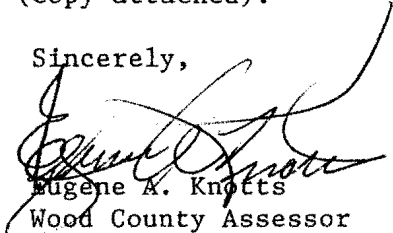
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Wood County Commission
Wood County Courthouse
#1 Court Square
Parkersburg, WV 26101

Dear Commissioners:

In accordance with the Estimated Market Value arrived by recosting, provided by the State and based on submitted sales ratios from Wood County, I am respectfully requesting the County Commission to increase the assessed valuations by 18% to comply with the 53% of Estimated Market Value for 1993. This is in accordance with Wood County's plan for reappraisal which was submitted to the Property Valuation Commission as mandated by State law. Said increase is pursuant to Chapter 11, Article 1C, Section 7, Item d of the Code of West Virginia (copy attached).

Sincerely,


Eugene A. Knotts
Wood County Assessor

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Attachment

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