IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 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. They also approved Personal Property Impropers for Mountaineer Auto Sales and Marine, Mountaineer U-Save Auto Rental and Clyde E. & Judy Miles and an Exoneration for Reva J. Taylor.

At 10:00 A.M., the County Commission adjourned and met as the Board of Review and Equalization. At this time they met with Karlyn Lowers for Evelyn Lowers, Map 73, Parcel 77, City District. They then adjourned.

At 11:00 A.M., the County Commission met with Garry Turner to discuss a meeting that was held at Mountwood Park on Friday, February 5, 1993 regarding the ATV trails. Commissioner Grapes stated that she would check into the matters discussed in the letter that is attached to these minutes.

At 1:00 P.M., the County Commission met with Kim Mowery to discuss guardianship of a trust. The County Commission referred her to the Probate Court.

At 2:00 P.M., the County Commission adjourned and met as the Board of Review and Equalization. At this time they met with Terry Collins to discuss property located at 100 Latrobe Street, City District. They then adjourned.

At 2:30 P.M., the County Commission met with Gary Parsons, from the Sheriff's Department to discuss a letter from Dale L. Bonnett and Associates. Said letter was in regard to the \$12,424.69 that Transamerica Insurance Company paid the Wood County Commission for a 1976 Hughes 300 C Helicopter, when it was thought that the helicopter had been sabotaged. However, the helicopter was not sabotaged, it was a mechanical failure. Transamerica has instructed them to collect the \$12,424.69 from the Wood County Commission. The County Commission took this under advisement.

On this date, the County Commission appointed Wayne L. Wigal: to the Solid Waste Authority, upon a motion made by Steven A. Grimm, seconded by Holmes R. Shaver and made unanimous by Jean Grapes. Mr. Wigal will fill the unexpired term of Max E. Burnside, which will expire on June 30, 1994.

On this date, the County Commission was in receipt of the Statement of Account from Charleston National Bank, Charleston, WV, in regard to the Brooke, Harrison, Marshall, Wetzel and Wood County, WV, Single Family Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 1992. Said Statement of Account includes the Review of Assets, Receipts and Disbursements, Summary Statement of Transactions and Statement of Transactions for the month of January, 1993. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

On this date, the County Commission was in receipt of a check from the State of West Virginia in the amount of \$495.90 in regard to the Drug Control and System Improvement Grant No. 92-DC-061. Receipt of said check represents reimbursement to Wood County for expenses incurred during the month of November. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

Having no scheduled appointments or further business to attend to, the County Commission adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Approved:

THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY Holmes R. Shaver, President

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PURCHASE ORDERS SIGNED ON FEBRUARY 8, 1993

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No.	17112	Bankers Microfilm	\$ 212.00
	17128	Mr. Vacuum Cleaner	44.95
	17133	T&H Hardware	5.47
	17138	Parkersburg Printing	1655.00

I would like to respectfully address the Wood County Commission.

I attended the special meeting at Mountwood Park on Friday, February 5, 1993, regarding the ATV trails. When President Ball called this meeting to order, he asked that all the Board members please come to the front table and take a seat. The Vice-President of the Board, Jeff Devol, did not comply but rather stood separate from the Board. Later in the meeting, someone asked why he was not seated with this Board. President Ball informed this meeting that Vice-President Devol had elected to represent the "Pro-ATV Trail" group. Later in the meeting Mr. Devol gave a five minute presentation in the hour allotted for this same group.

It's quite obvious how Mr. Devol feels on this subject. He has a right to his opinion, just as I do. As Vice-President of the Mountwood Park Board though, he has a <u>duty</u> to sit and act as a Board member. President Ball stated that this was an informational meeting. There were times that people were making their presentation to this Board and Mr. Devol was talking with members of this group he elected to represent. At one point he even stepped into a separate room to talk with group members. Why should Jeff Devol be excluded from the gathering of all information on this subject? When the Board is making decisions on this subject, I'm sure then he will be sitting at this front table. It totally disgusted me that he didn't even have the courtesy of at least acting that he was at the meeting with an open mind, gathering information about Wood Countys(park.

This whole display from our Park Board Vice-President shows that the "good" of Mountwood Park does not come first in his mind. I believe the legal terminology in this situation is "conflict of interest."

Mr. Devol, as the rest of the Park Board, is there to work for the county and the well being of its' park. He showed this one hundred or so people at this meeting that his position as President of the WVOHVA is more important to him. Fine. But now he owes the people of this county, all visitors of this park, and this Commission an explanation. This Commission owes this county, that elected them, the decency of asking Mr. Devol for it. I as a Wood County citizen, want someone on the Park Board, whether pro or con to the ATV trails, that is going to put the "good" of Mountwood as a priority of their position!

Lastly, I'd like to thank the Park Board for holding this special meeting. President Ball handled the meeting well, except for the problem discussed in this presentation. In fact, it would be nice to have more of these meetings to discuss other problems at our beautiful park.

I would like to make this complaint part of public records and thank this Commission for this time.

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Garry D. Turner