

IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
MONDAY, MAY 23, 1994

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

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

On this date, the County Commission, upon a motion made by Steven A. Grimm, seconded by Jean Grapes and passed, approved minutes from Thursday, March 31, 1994.

On this date, the County Commission approved Personal Property Improvers for the following: Appco, Inc. - Clay District; Betty Dye Realty - City District; Anderson Kitchen Gallery (Counter Tops) - Vienna District and Williams District; Fred R. Travis, Jr. - Williams District; B&J Truck Caps - Vienna District; Chaz - City District; Law International Steel - City District; West Virginia Development - City District; Cemetery Consultants, Inc. - Parkersburg District; Gene Davis Transportation Service, Inc. - City District; Jill L. Carder - Vienna District; Marietta Royalty Co, Inc. - Clay District; Mountain State Demolition - Clay District; Tidwell Homes of North Carolina - Lubeck District; Marietta Royalty Co., Inc. - Union District; Voyager Oil & Gas Drilling - Union District; Blaine D. Walburn - Parkersburg District; Jodi L. Cunningham - City District; and Bernard H. Honaker - Tygart District.

At 1:30 P.M., the County Commission met with Senator Joe Manchin and Jennie Vincent to discuss the Save West Virginia Jobs, Inc. Mr. Manchin described the non-profit organization. A summary that was given to the County Commission is attached to these minutes.

At 3:00 P.M., the County Commission met with Toni Tiano and Tim Knopp to discuss a Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Program Grant. Upon

a motion made by Steven A. Grimm, seconded by Jean Grapes and passed, authorized Holmes R. Shaver, as President, to sign the Preapplication Form for Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Program Grant funding through the Governor's Committee on Crime, Delinquency and Correction in the amount of \$18,000.00. The request for funding would enable the hiring of an individual, with a college degree in criminal justice, counseling, etc., in a contractual basis to coordinate a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program in Wood County under the supervision of the Wood County Commission on Crime, Delinquency and Corrections. The CASA Program would address (1) Abuse and Neglect Petitions filed through the Wood County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, (2) Juvenile Delinquency concerns, (3) Custody Cases, and (4) Criminal Cases. In-kind matching funds in the amount of \$24,000.00 would be provided by the Family Crisis Intervention Center of Wood County in the manner of office space, related services and items. The period of said Grant would commence on September 1, 1994 and continue through August 31, 1995. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

On this date, the County Commission was in receipt of a letter from Melissa B. Whittington, Drug and Violent Crime Coordinator, Criminal Justice and Highway Safety Office, Charleston, WV, which acknowledges receipt of the Grant Application submitted by the Wood County Commission in the amount of \$20,000.00 for Drug Control and System Improvement Formula Grant funds. Receipt of said letter is pursuant to an Order bearing the date of May 9, 1994 at which time the said Grant Application was signed by Holmes R. Shaver, President of the County Commission. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

On this date, the County Commission was in receipt of another letter from Ms. Whittington which acknowledges receipt of the Grant Application submitted by the Wood County Commission for \$8,783.51 in Drug Control and System

Improvement Formula Grant funds. Receipt of said letter is pursuant to an Order bearing the date of May 9, 1994 at which time the Grant Application was signed by Holmes R. Shaver, President. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

On this date, the County Commission was in receipt of a letter from William G. (Jerry) Smith asking to be placed on the Wood County Parks and Recreation Commission. The Commission informed Mr. Smith that there was not a vacancy at this time, but his letter would be on file. A copy of said letter is attached to these minutes.

On this date, the County Commission met with Samuel Henry, President of Aluminum, Brick and Glass, Local #35 in regard to A.B. Chance Company, (now Hubell Incorporated). A copy of this letter is attached to these minutes.

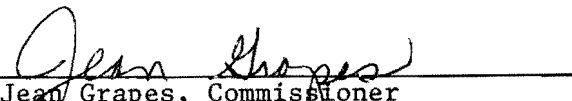
On this date, came Ed Reisinger and Debbie Reisinger, Box 436, Route 2, Parkersburg, WV, and presented to the County Commission a Petition in regard to the excessive barking of dogs during night-time, primarily between the hours of 9:30 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

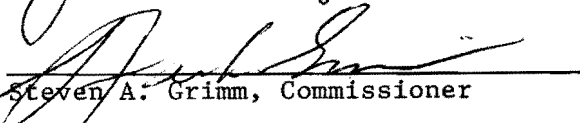
On this date, the County Commission announced to all concerned that a vacancy exists on the Central Boaz Public Service District Board. Said vacancy is a result of a letter of resignation from James Duvall whose term would have expired on October 1, 1995. An Order was prepared regarding this matter.

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

Approved:
THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY


Holmes R. Shaver, President


Jean Grapes, Commissioner


Steven A. Grimm, Commissioner

PURCHASE ORDERS SIGNED ON MAY 23, 1994

No. 18659	Carrot-Top Industries Inc.	\$ 150.00
18666	Alexander Battery Company	63.74
18667	Sam's Club	219.80
18737	G.B. Fox (Parkersburg Police Dept.)	20.00
18744	Stouts Pharmacy	32.94
18756	Hobart Sales & Service	65.73
18757	PAMS	29.59
18762	Broadwaters Motorcar	13.05
18774	Parkersburg Sentinel	270.27

SAVE WEST VIRGINIA JOBS, INC.

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It's not enough to just talk about saving jobs.

Somebody has to do something, even if it means spending some money to find solutions to West Virginia's job loss situation.

That's the guiding philosophy of a newly created non-profit organization, Save West Virginia Jobs Inc., which is now actively working in the area of job retention.

Far from being only talk, however, leaders of this coalition of businessmen and concerned individuals from across the state have decided to take action.

"I guess you could say we're ready to put our money where our mouths are," joked Sen. Joe Manchin, a private businessman who serves as president of Save West Virginia Jobs Inc. Manchin was recently in town to announce that his organization will be awarding a special grant this fall.

A \$10,000 grant is being funded by Save West Virginia Jobs Inc., one which Manchin said is aimed at government agencies or private, non-profit groups working in the area of job retention.

"Instead of just watching as dozens of workers lose their jobs to other states, we have decided to take action. And that is why we want to determine how much is being done in West Virginia when it comes to job retention efforts," Manchin said.

"We're also interested in seeing who is doing what and how effective those efforts are... Whether it is a private, non-profit group in Pocahontas County or an Economic Development Authority in the Eastern Panhandle which has had remarkable success, we want to know about those initiatives," he continued.

Sharing these success stories is important, according to Manchin, who represents Marion and Monongalia counties in the 13th senatorial district.

"Not unlike the others in this group, I am convinced that state government is not doing enough when it comes to saving jobs. Why is it that all of the talk out of Charleston seems to be about bringing new businesses and industries into West Virginia? Isn't it equally important to retain the jobs we have, to do what we can to save them?" Manchin asked.

After the grant applicants respond, Manchin said he will be happy to take their success stories to other legislators in Charleston.

"I think the answers are not in Charleston but out in our communities - where people are doing their best every day to help small businesses grow and large enterprises stay competitive," Manchin said.

A group of economic development experts from across the state are helping implement this grant program, according to Manchin, who said eligible applicants will have until this fall to submit a request.

"What we really want to see is a job retention program or efforts already in place that are saving livelihoods even as we speak," Manchin explained.

Further information is available by contacting Save West Virginia Jobs Inc., PO Box 728, Fairmont, W.Va. 26555-0728 or by calling 363-6008.

To: Wood County Commissioners May 23 1994

From: Samuel Henry
President Aluminum, Brick and Glass
Local # 35
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I would like to make you all aware of my situation concerning A. B. Chance Co. of Parkersburg. On March 19, 1994, Hubbell Incorporated purchased A.B. Chance Company. As of to date we have not received any official word as to what Hubbell intends to do with A. B. Chance of Parkersburg. The question is, does Hubbell plan to operate A. B. Chance or sell the plant or are they planning on shutting it down?

A. B. G. Local # 35 has 165 members. There are approximately 27 salaried employs, all employed by A.B. Chance Co. As the commissioners may well be aware that I have already solicited help from Mayor Gene Knotts, Mark Whitley, Terry Tamburinni, Jim Kinnett, Area Round Table Director, Senator Kieth Burdette, The Honorable Governor Gaston Caperton, and Congressman Allen Mollohan. It just recently dawned on me that A. B. Chance Parkersburg is located in the county and not in the City of Parkersburg, therefore I would like to ask if you would assist me and my local as to obtaining the answer to the question that everyone is waiting to hear from Hubbell concerning the future of A.B. Chance.

I'm not sure what the Commission can do to help, but myself and the local would appreciate any and all assistance that you the commission may be able to give to help assure that A. B. Chance remains in the community. G. Jackson Ratcliffe is the CEO of Hubbell. The home office is located at 584 Derby-Milford Rd., Orange, Connecticut 06477.

Hope you will be able to help.


Samuel Henry, President A.B.G. # 35

MAY 23, 1994

Wood County Commissioners,

I respectfully request that I be placed on the Wood County Parks and Recreation Commission.

I feel that I would be an asset to the park and promise to work dilligently with all other board members for the good of Wood County Parks.

Thank You,
William S. (Jerry) Smith