

Berkeley County Commission Meeting
400 W. Stephen Street, Suite 205
Martinsburg, WV 25401

February 27, 2025
9:30 A.M.

Present:

G. Edgar Gochenour, President

R. Stephen Catlett, Vice President

James P. Whitacre, Commissioner

H. D. Boyd, Commissioner

John Hardy, Commissioner

Gary A. Wine, County Administrator

Penny Shewell, Office Administrator

Also Present: Anthony Delligatti, Legal Director; Tracie McCormick, Procurement Coordinator; The Honorable Anthony Petrucci, County Clerk; Aleah Tucker, Executive Assistant

Re: Call to Order

President Gochenour called the February 27, 2025 Berkeley County Commission meeting to Order at 9:35 A.M.

Re: Items from the Public

There were no items from the public.

Re: Agenda

Vice President Catlett made a motion to approve the Agenda for the February 27, 2025 Berkeley County Commission meeting. Commissioner Hardy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Re: Consent Agenda

1. Purchase Order Log

President Gochenour stated that he had a question about the forfeitures and addressed that question with Tracie McCormick before the meeting.

2. Internal Budget Revisions

Gary Wine, County Administrator reviewed the two (2) internal budget revisions received.

3. Changes in Status

There were no changes in status to be addressed.

4. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Hardy made a motion to approve the February 18, 2025 Berkeley County Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion. Commissioner Whitacre abstained due to absence. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hardy made a motion to approve the February 20, 2025 Berkeley County Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion. Commissioner Whitacre abstained due to absence. The motion carried.

5. Request to Apply for FY2026 Competitive Solicitation Advancing Interventions to Migrate Substances (AIMS) Grant (CATALIST PROGRAM)

President Gochenour stated this was a 12 month grant for at risk youth ages 12-17 and their caregivers with a total grant request of \$350,000 with a 0% match.

Commissioner Whitacre made a motion to apply for the grant. Vice President Catlett seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Request to Apply for FY2026 Competitive Solicitation Advancing Intervention to Migrate Substances (AIMS) (Adult Non-Violent Offenders)

President Gochenour stated that this was a 12 month grant for adult non-violent offenders with substance abuse orders with a total grant request of \$350,000 with a 0% match.

Commissioner Whitacre made a motion to apply for the grant. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion., The motion carried unanimously.

7. Letter of Endorsement Sale of Beer and Alcohol Magnolia Fields Venue – Relay for Life Adult Prom Fundraiser

President Gochenour stated that this letter of endorsement was to sell liquor for a relay for life adult prom at the Magnolia Fields Venue, April 26, 2025 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Commissioner Hardy made a motion to approve the letter of endorsement. Commissioner Whitacre seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Re: Consent Agenda Approval

Commissioner Hardy made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda for the February 27, 2025 Berkeley County Commission meeting. Vice President Catlett seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Re: Anthony Delligatti, Legal Director Orders Board of Review & Equalization

Anthony Delligatti, Legal Director appeared before the Commission and reviewed the Orders for the Board of Review & Equalization.

Thomas E. Ressler, II
Parcel ID: 02-0006-0007-0018

Commissioner Hardy made a motion to approve the Order for Thomas Ressler, III. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion. Vice President Catlett abstained due to absence of the appeal. The motion carried unanimously.

Martinsburg One Hotels, LLC
Parcel: 02-06-0008-0058-0001

Vice President Catlett made a motion to approve the Order for the Martinsburg One Hotels, LLC. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion. Commissioner Whitacre abstained due to absence of the appeal. The motion carried.

Martinsburg Hotels, LLC
Parcel ID: 02-06-0020-004-0007

Vice President Catlett made a motion to approve the Order for the Martinsburg One Hotels, LLC. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion. Commissioner Whitacre abstained due to absence of the appeal. The motion carried.

Golden Hotels, LLC
Parcel ID: 02-06-0008-0057-0000

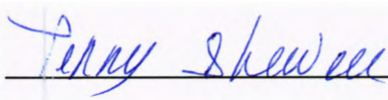
Vice President Catlett made a motion to approve the Order for the Martinsburg One Hotels, LLC. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion. Commissioner Whitacre abstained due to absence of the appeal. The motion carried.

Re: FY2025-26 Budget Workshop #1

The Commission conducted a budget workshop for the FY2025-26 budget.

Re: Recess

Commissioner Hardy made a motion to Recess the February 27, 2025 Berkeley County Commission meeting.

Submitted by: 
Penny Shewell, Office Administrator