

MARION COUNTY COMMISSION
MAY 6th, 2015

The Marion County Commission sat in regular session pursuant to its adjournment on Wednesday, April 29th, 2015. Present were President Elliott, Commissioner Garcia and Commissioner VanGilder.

The proceedings of Wednesday, April 29th, 2015, together with those had and done under the supervision of Janice Cosco, Clerk and Recorder for the Marion County Commission on April 30th, May 1st, 4th and 5th, 2015 were approved as submitted and signed.

*Sabrina Haught led the Court with a prayer. Charlie Reese led the Court with the Pledge of Allegiance. **President Elliott called the meeting to order. Commissioner VanGilder moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of Wednesday, April 29th, 2015 and accept them as presented. Commissioner Garcia seconded. President Elliott concurred.***

For the record, note James Priester, Assessor presented to the County Commission the following Exonerations for approval.

Dated May 6, 2015
Nos. #2015-365 through #2015-370

Pursuant to the recommendation of James Priester, Assessor and approval of Patrick Wilson, Prosecuting Attorney; Commissioner VanGilder moved that the President sign Nos. #2015-365 through #2015-370. Commissioner Garcia seconded. President Elliott concurred.

*The Commission received a **request for advice and consent from Joseph Carpenter, Sheriff, to hire Brandy M. Boyles as Holding/Transport officer, full time with benefits, starting salary of \$25,000.00, to be effective May 6, 2015. Kris Cinalli stated that this is a replacement hire. County Administrator Kris Cinalli stated that this is a replacement hire.***

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Joseph N. Carpenter
Sheriff

Ralph L. Wright
Chief Deputy

To: Marion County Commission
From: Sheriff Joseph N. Carpenter
Date: April 27, 2015
Ref: Hiring of Holding / Transport

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

I am requesting to be placed on the Commission's meeting agenda, which is set for Wednesday, May 06, 2015. I am respectfully requesting the advice and consent to hire Brandy M. Boyles as a Holding / Transport officer she will be replacing Nichole Teets; who recently resigned. Ms. Boyles's employment will become effective starting Wednesday, May 06, 2015; her starting salary will be \$25,000.00; plus benefits.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. N. Carpenter", written over a horizontal line.

Sheriff Joseph N. Carpenter

Cc: File

Commissioner VanGilder moved that the Commission grant its advice and consent to hire Brandy M. Boyles as Holding/Transport Officer, full time with benefits, starting salary of \$25,000.00, to be effective May 6, 2015. Commissioner Garcia seconded. President Elliott concurred.

The Commission received a request for funds from Joey Herron, Project Leader of the Morris Park Birding and Nature Center and Prickett's Fort Wildlife Observation Deck.

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Morris Park Birding and Nature Center

And

Prickett's Fort Wildlife Observation Deck

April 2015

I would like to request from the Marion County Commission funding for these two projects.

The Morris Park project involves the restoration of the old caretakers building into a nature center for education and research. The building will be used for displays as well as demonstrations for all ages. State and local outdoor groups, schools and clubs will be able to utilize the facility and its resources. A three phase plan has been implemented.

Current request: \$5,000.

The second involves the building of a 16X16 observation platform for viewing wildlife at the south end of the bay at Prickett's Fort State Park. Initial plans have been approved by the state for construction. It will be wheelchair accessible and provide a place to view wildlife at the park.

Current request \$1800.

Joey Herron

Project Leader

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Commissioner VanGilder moved that the Commission allocate \$1,000.00 to the Morris Park Birding and Nature Center Project and \$1,000.00 to the Prickett's Fort Wildlife Observation Deck. Commissioner Garcia seconded. President Elliott concurred.

For the record, note the Commission received the Valley Falls Public Service District Reconciliation Summary for Periods ending January 31, 2015, February 28, 2015 and March 31, 2015.

Trudy Lemley and Carol from the Carolina Improvement Association came to request fund from the Commission in order to tear down a home in their community. They informed the Commission that they have purchased this home from the State Auditor's Office and has a bid to tear down the home but they are in need of funds to assist them in this endeavor to clean up their Town. Commissioner VanGilder asked how large the house was. They replied that it larger than the other two lots they have. She added that they cannot sell it with the house on it. President Elliott asked do they have the lot sold when the home is demolished. President Elliott also added that they should revisit the incorporating the Town of Carolina. He added that that would open up sources of income to be able to do these types of project. Trudy stated that they had looked into it once

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before and that they needed businesses in order to incorporate. **President Elliott stated** that they should inquire once again with that process.

Columbus Carpenter stated that he attended the Honor Flight on Saturday and said it was a wonderful time and that they were treated like kings. He also asked that he would like to have a chicken roast at Palatine Park on May 15th & 16th and all funds will go to the Korean War Memorial. Charlie and Belinda said that they would do what they could to get him in and around the Park at that time. Belinda stated that those days are setup days for the three Rivers Festival setup those days. They also informed him that there is going to be a flea market the last Sunday of every month at the Park that he may want to be at for the people turnout.

Belinda Biafore stated that she has received another check for sponsorship of a bench in the amount of \$1,000.00 for Palatine Park. She continued that there was a section in the Times West Virginian on the First Responders Festival this Saturday, May 9th, 2015 from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. She said that all is ready for the event.

Commissioner VanGilder asked how the recovery/therapy of Janice Cosco is proceeding. **Deputy County Clerk Tom Antulov replied** that she is in good spirits and therapy is proceeding well and was extended another week, which is good news. The Commission was glade to receive the news about Janice's on-going progress that should lead to additional therapy at home.

Sabrina Haught of Central Communications stated that they have trainers and will go to local businesses or other venues to train employees/people to be CPR certified. She added that she was very excited over the First Responders Event this Saturday.

Bobbi Benson from the Solid Waste Authority came before the Commission to thank them for all that they do for the Authority. Bobbi stated that Morgantown has given our office their small bins which better fit our truck and that has lead us to switch all of sites except for the Fairview site so that we can service them ourselves. This has led to a \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00 saving per month. She stated that the new site in Fairmont is by the CVB center. She continued that they applied for and received an e-recycling grant in the amount of \$5,000.00. We put out a bid for e-recycling and one came back at \$28,000.00. We are going to re-bid this one and hope for a cheaper cost. This is driven by the cost of televisions which no one wants to re-cycle. She added that there will be a tire & rim collection slated for August. She added that the DNR wants us Litter Control to have a once per month on a Saturday roadside cleanup with the Day Report Center people. We have applied for a \$3,000.00 litter campaign grant that needs matching funds to do advertisement, videos and billboards.

There being no further business to come before the County Commission, it is ordered that this Commission do now recess until, Wednesday, May 13th, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. for the next scheduled County Commission Meeting.

Randy Elliott, President

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