

**MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**MARCH 25, 2011**

The Commission convened this day pursuant to the following call: Jason E. Padlow, President; Donald K. Mason and Brian L. Schambach, Commissioners; Jan Pest, County Clerk; and Betsy Frohnafel, County Administrator.

At a Special Session of the Commission of Marshall County, West Virginia, held at 9:30 A.M., the Notice of the time and purpose of this Special Session had been posted at the front door of the courthouse for more than two days before the commencement of the Special Session, it is ordered that said Notice together with the certification of the Clerk of the time when it was posted, be entered of record, which is done accordingly in words and figures as follows:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL SESSION**

The County Commission of Marshall County, West Virginia will meet in Special Session at the Courthouse thereof, on Friday, March 25, 2011, at 9:30 A.M. for the following purposes, that is to say:

To Approve the 2011-2012 Budget  
To Act on the Application for Lease of the  
12<sup>th</sup> Street Property by AB Resources

Called by the President of the Commission with the Concurrence of the other two members.

s/Jason E. Padlow, President

Posted at the front door of the Courthouse on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2011.

s/Jan Pest, County Clerk

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

COMMISSIONER SCHAMBACH thanked everyone for their help in learning the budget process. All Elected Officials and outside agencies met with the Commission and explained their needs and organizations.

COMMISSIONER MASON stated the County Commission is very fortunate to be in the position we are, and thanked County Clerk Jan Pest, Winnie Reilly, Daunetta Fromhart and County Administrator Betsy Frohnafel for their help during the budget process.

COMMISSIONER PADLOW also thanked everyone that helped with the budget, and the Assessor for his part.

Commissioner Padlow extended our condolences to the family of Judge Jack Madden. He was a great person and will be greatly missed.

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**2011-2012 BUDGET** – Commissioner Padlow read the following:

**BUDGET MESSAGE  
FISCAL YEAR 2011 – 2012**

ON BEHALF OF THE MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION, I AM PRESENTING TODAY THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012.

I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR THANKS TO OUR COUNTY CLERK JAN PEST AND HER STAFF, AND OUR COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR BETSY FROHNAPFEL FOR THEIR HELP IN DEVELOPING THIS PROPOSED BUDGET.

WE THANK OUR OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR OUTSIDE AGENCIES FOR THEIR INPUT.

CURRENTLY WE ARE IN A SOUND FINANCIAL POSITION. EVEN THOUGH OUR PUBLIC UTILITY FUNDS DECREASED, OUR GROWTH IN VALUES, PRIMARILY FROM NEW GAS PROCESSING FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS MADE BY EXISTING COMPANIES, WE ARE ABLE TO KEEP THE LEVY RATES AT THE CURRENT LEVEL.

WE PROJECT GENERAL COUNTY REVENUES TO BE \$10,353,165.00 AND COAL SEVERANCE REVENUES TO BE \$3,030,000.00 FOR A TOTAL BUDGET OF \$13,383,165.00. THIS IS AN INCREASE OF \$804,725.00 OVER THE ORIGINAL BUDGET PROPOSAL OF THIS CURRENT YEAR.

WE BELIEVE THIS BUDGET ADAQUATELY FUNDS THE NEEDS OF OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO OPERATE THEIR OFFICES IN AN EFFICIENT AND PROFESSIONAL MANNER. HOPEFULLY WE HAVE PROJECTED PROPERLY FOR MAJOR EXPENSES SUCH AS INSURANCE, REGIONAL JAIL COSTS, AND UTILITIES.

WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH OUR LEGISLATORS, PROSECUTOR, JUDGES AND MAGISTRATES, TO FIND WAYS TO REDUCE THE COST OF OUR REGIONAL JAIL BILL AND WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR PART IN THE EFFORT TO CONTROL THESE COSTS AND UTILZE ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAMS.

WE CONTINUE IN OUR EFFORTS WITH IMPORTANT WATER AND SEWER PROJECTS, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS. WE AGAIN ARE ABLE TO CONTINUE FUNDING FOR MANY AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE IMPORTANT SERVICES FOR OUR CITIZENS.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BUDGET ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**TAXES**—THIS YEAR WE ARE ABLE TO KEEP THE LEVY RATE AT ITS CURRENT LEVEL. CLASS I PROPERTIES WILL BE ASSESSED AT 13¢ PER \$100 OF VALUATION. CLASS II PROPERTIES, WHICH AFFECT INDIVIDUAL PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REAL ESTATE VALUES, WILL BE 26¢ PER \$100. CLASSES III AND IV, WHICH AFFECT COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES WILL BE 52¢ PER \$100.

BASED ON THE ASSESSOR'S CERTIFICATE OF VALUATION THIS LEVY RATE WILL PROVIDE "AD VOLEM" TAX REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,689,203.00 WHICH IS AN INCREASE OF

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ONLY \$18,652.00. THE BALANCE OF PROJECTED REVENUES ARE FROM LICENSES, FEES, INTEREST, AND COAL SEVERANCE FUNDS.

**SALARIES AND BENEFITS** – BECAUSE OF THE INCREASED WORKLOAD THAT COMES WITH BEING A CLASS 1 COUNTY, THIS BUDGET CONTAINS FUNDS INTENDED TO RAISE OUR BASE LEVEL OF PAY BY \$2,000.00 FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR. WE BELIEVE A BASE SALARY INCREASE WILL HELP US TO RETAIN THE EMPLOYEES WE CURRENTLY HAVE AND HELP ATTRACT THE SAME QUALITY OF EMPLOYEES IN THE FUTURE.

WE WILL CONTINUE TO FUND A VERY ATTRACTIVE BENEFITS PACKAGE FOR OUR EMPLOYEES, MAINTAINING OUR CURRENT LEVELS OF COVERAGE.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**- WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR NEEDED EQUIPMENT IN MANY DEPARTMENTS SO THAT ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS HAVE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT TO PERFORM THEIR DUTIES IN AN EFFICIENT MANNER. WE HAVE ALSO SET ASIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS TO OUR COUNTY BUILDINGS.

**OUTSIDE AGENCIES**- I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDS TO ASSIST OUR MANY AGENCIES THAT ADD SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE TO OUR CITIZENS OF MARSHALL COUNTY.

AGENCIES SUCH AS, THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CITY/COUNTY LIBRARY, GRAND VUE PARK, SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER, VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS, ANIMAL SHELTER, 4-H, AIRPORT AUTHORITY, EXTENSION SERVICE, AND OTHERS.

MANY OF THESE AGENCIES WILL BE RECEIVING SMALL INCREASES, WHILE WE WILL WORK WITH OTHERS ON SPECIAL PROJECTS.

THESE AGENCIES ARE FUNDED BY REVENUES FROM COAL SEVERANCE. BECAUSE OF SUBSTANTIAL INVESTMENTS BY OUR COAL INDUSTRIES, WE BELIEVE THESE REVENUES WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE, AT LEAST IN THE SHORT TERM.

IN SUMMARY, WE BELIEVE WE ARE IN A SOUND FINANCIAL POSITON. THIS COMMISSION CONTINUES TO BE COMMITTED TO GIVE THE CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY THE BEST SERVICE POSSIBLE FOR THEIR TAX DOLLAR. WE THANK ALL THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THEIR EMPLOYEES FOR THEIR CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL AND FRIENDLY SERVICE TO OUR CITIZENS.

MARSHALL COUNTY IS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE, WORK, AND RAISE OUR FAMILIES. BY WORKING TOGETHER WE INTEND TO KEEP IT THAT WAY!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 25<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2011.

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On motion of Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Schambach, the Commission approved the 2011-2012 Budget and authorized the County Clerk to sign the same and submit to the State Tax Department. Motion carried.

**AB RESOURCES – LEASE** – Betsy Frohnafel, County Administrator, submitted a proposed Lease Agreement with AB Resources LLC for property located on Twelfth Street. The property, previously used for FEMA housing, was turned over to the County.

R.E.D. Partnership council, Jim McClure, prepared the proposed Lease, which was also reviewed by the Prosecuting Attorney. On motion of Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Schambach, the Commission President was authorized to sign the Lease between the Marshall County Commission and AB Resources LLC. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business to come before the Commission, on motion of Commissioner Mason seconded by Commissioner Schambach, the meeting was adjourned.

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PRESIDENT