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Cass Scenic Railroad Receives Thayer's Steam Engine



A Heisler Two Truck Steam Locomotive once owned by Stuart Thayer of Thomas is loaded onto a flatbed trailer to head to its new home in the Cass Collection at Cass Scenic Railroad.



Stuart Thayer, left, and John Smith of the Cass Scenic Railroad, right, shake hands as Thayer's Steam Locomotive emerges from the Sunrise Sanitation building. The engine will be joining the Cass Collection and be used as a yard switcher. It is only one of, now three, of its kind still in service.

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

A crew from the Cass Scenic Railroad was in Thomas to take possession of a Two Truck Heisler steam locomotive that hasn't seen the light of day in 20 years.

Stuart Thayer, of Thomas, has stored the steam engine in one of his buildings at Sunrise Sanitation since the engine was purchased over 20 years ago. John Smith of the Cass Scenic Railroad and Durbin & Greenbrier Valley Railroad was on hand. "He has a great understanding of Steam

Locomotives," Thayer said. "He loves them to death like I do."

Thayer said he has had a love of railroads and steam powered trains since he was a child. "I grew up in coal company house behind (the D&L Store)," Thayer said. "There was a railroad track that come

within a couple of hundred feet. I used to go out there every time I heard the engine come. I could hear the engine. They made quite a bit of noise. So I went down and wave at the Engineer and they'd always ring the bell and blow the whistle at me."

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Parsons VFD 'Back to the Drawing Board' on New Fire Engine

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

During the September 19th regular session of the Parsons City Council, Kevin White addressed the Parsons City Council updated the council on the status of funding that the city had allocated to the Parsons Volunteer Fire Department towards a new fire truck. "I wanted to talk to you about some funding that you had given us for a truck and where we stand with that," White said.

White said he had asked for the Harman Fund allotment to be designated towards a new truck for the Fire Department. "Probably three, four months ago I come before the council and had requested that, at that time the Harman Fund allotment that we request every year be designated for the purchase of a new truck," White said.

According to White the cost of the new truck has nearly doubled in the two years since the Fire Department began preparing for purchase. "We have received pricing on that new truck recently and



Kevin White addressed the Parsons City Council about the status of the Fire Department. White said while the Department has not abandoned the idea of a new fire engine, they have encountered increased costs that has led to the postponement of the idea.

have proceeded with a few steps, but we have ran into some snags," White said.

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The Parsons City Council heard plans by Parsons Police Chief Kevin Keplinger to upgrade the Police Department's current sidearms with new weapons. The City Council approved the measure unanimously.

Parsons PD to Upgrade Sidearms, Shoplifting on the Rise

By: Lydia Crawley
Parsons Advocate

City of Parsons Police Chief Kevin Keplinger received approval to upgrade the department's sidearms at the meeting of the Parsons City Council. Keplinger presented a quote from AmChar Wholesale Inc in Rochester, NY. "They are the Glock Law Enforcement Distributor for West Virginia," Keplinger said. "And they are out of Rochester, NY, but they are the Glock representative from West Virginia. They

kind of control things here."

Keplinger said that the department's current weapons were becoming old and outdated. "We currently carry Glock 17's of various vintages," Keplinger said. "They were bought at different times. For logistical purposes, I have no idea round counts through some of our weapons. Mine, in particular, the night sites are dead on them. So, I knew we were going to need to look at updating our inventory."

According to Keplinger, he had budgeted

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Bright Bear Yoga Opens in Thomas



Bright Bear Yoga, in Thomas opened recently, is owned by Erica Koster.

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

Erica Koster of Davis, opened Bright Bear Yoga in Thomas. The studio is located

at 212 East Avenue in Thomas.

Koster described how she came to pick Thomas. "This summer I was in the area," Koster said. "I live part time in DC and we also have a place over by Timberline



Bright Bear Yoga offers classes and special events to the residents of Tucker County and beyond. Bright Bear Yoga is owned by Erica Koster.

Mountain. So, we spend a lot of time in the valley in the summer and the winter. This summer while we were there, we saw the 'For Rent' sign and just started to go down that path of checking out the space

and it is a beautiful old antique shop that we had to restore a bit."

As of now, according to Koster, the studio offers seven courses. "We have right

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Development Authority Gain Useable Land

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

The Tucker County Development Authority heard the details of the recently completed Wetlands Delineation Report on the County Industrial Park at a Special session of the Authority. Executive Director, Steve Leyh outlined the highlights of the report, as well as the possibility of more useable land than existed on the ini-

tial 2005 study and map. "This is what we have always worked off of," Leyh said. "The idea was we could develop here, develop these, develop this and then eventually work over to that. All that's out the window."

The original map of the Industrial Park from 2005 had outlined 12 lots, according to Leyh. "Initially, they had laid out 12 lots for the Industrial Park total," Leyh said. "Now, obviously these can be cut up

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Solid Waste Authority Addresses Driver Shortage

By: Lydia Crawley
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During the Tucker County Solid Waste Authority's meeting, the board discussed the issue of a shortage of truck drivers and salary issues associated with it. Presiding Chair Mark Holstine addressed the issue in the Director's Report and it prompted the discussion. "We have a salary issue and a driver issue we are going to have to address," Holstine said.

Holstine acknowledged that the current

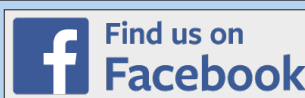
financial report for the Authority is doing well with the tonnage of waste being brought into the facility on the rise, but salary issues could seriously affect the financial future of the board.

"One of the other issues we are having," Holstine said. "This is a great financial report, but with pipeline work coming back, we're starting to have stress on truck driver salaries and truck drivers. Over the next month or two, me and Jody are going to be working with Mark, probably running some scenarios of what we can do. It's going to

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Cass Scenic Railroad

Thayer said he was even picked up and given a ride by one of the trains he admired as a child. “One day, I was five or six, they stopped and they took me in the engine and ran me clear around the mountain with them,” Thayer said. “They dropped off the empty cars and picked up the loaded coal cars from what was known as 36 Coal Mines, which my dad worked at, and then they brought me clear back and dropped me off. You know they couldn't do that today.”

According to Thayer, it would take eight engines and two pushers to get some of the heavily loaded trains up the mountain when he was a child. “Back in the day they would bring up all this coal through the canyon from Parsons and came out of Randolph County,” Thayer said. “They'd have three engines for coal, what they called Big 800s Steam Locomotives, in the front and three in the center and then they had two engines, a total of eight engines, in the back of the train up against the caboose. They always kept pushers down in Hen-

dricks, Hambleton area to help get those heavy trains up the mountain.”

Thayer said that the rail tracks in Thomas were five wide during his childhood to support hundreds of train cars. “Right in here, there was like five tracks wide,” Thayer said. “There were hundreds of coal cars right around Thomas. Hundreds.”

According to Thayer during the era of Steam Power and Coal Mining, Thomas was a bustling multi-cultural hub with part of Douglas Road called “Tony Row” due to the high population of Italian immigrants. “The streets were full,” Thayer said. “People would be all dressed up. It was a big deal.” Thayer also said as many as 17 different nationalities lived and worked in Thomas at that time and the town supported two hotels, a Nehi bottling plant, several taverns and various businesses thrived. According to Thayer, the town even had its own orchestra.

According to american-rails.com, only two Hiesler Two Truck Models are still in service with Cass's acquisition bringing the number to three in

the world. “It will go into the Cass Collection,” Smith said. “Its where it ought to be.”

Smith said he intends to use the engine as a yard switcher due to it being much smaller than the rest of the collection. “It can be used as a little yard switcher up there or something,” Smith said. “It looks big here, but its not even half of the size of most of them down there. So, we'll use it to switch around the yard and play with it.”

According to Smith the organization has been in need a yard switcher. “A yard switcher or something like that is something that we've always needed,” Smith said. “Something little. We can fire it up and not have a big effort to fire.”

On hand for the move were a crew from Cass Scenic Railroad, a 60 Ton tow truck from Elkins Truck Service, two flatbed trucks and trailers, and several smaller vehicles. Along with the steam engine, Cass also acquired a rail car from Thayer as well. Thayer's wife Vivian was also on hand at the moving of the engine.

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Parsons VFD

“One of those snags being that two years ago when we started this process, the truck come in at \$550,000, which we expected. We knew what we were looking at. In the two years since then, the truck is now \$953,000. The prices have went up that much.”

White said the engine costs alone have jumped \$123,000 due to new EPA regulations. “I have checked with other vendors,” White said, “and their pricing is the same. One of the caveats to it is that the motor price alone went up \$123,000 to a government regulation that is going into effect this coming year with EPA stuff.”

According to White, the idea of purchasing a new truck has not been abandoned. “So, I wanted to let you know where your money's at and what it's doing,” White said. “We are not abandoning the idea of a new truck. Obviously, that is something that we will have to do eventually.”

According to White, had the Fire Department purchased the truck, the payment would have equaled half the organization's yearly budget for the next 15 years. “We did all the math,” White said. “We looked into it. Basically, if we would have went ahead and pursued the new truck, at the \$953,000 – I'm going to throw out some numbers here that are not necessarily set in stone, but I promise you they are really, really close – we would have been looking at a \$55,000 a year payment for 15 years. Kind of hard for a small, volunteer fire department to swallow a \$55,000 – that's basically half of our yearly budget - that type of a payment.”

White said had the purchase been made, there would have been no money to purchase any other essential gear for the VFD. “I'm not saying that it couldn't have been done,” White said. “But boy, we wouldn't have been able to buy anything. I mean if we needed bunker gear, if we needed a new pair of boots, if we needed anything more than paying our electric bills and stuff, the funds would just not be there.”

White said the VFD has gone back to the drawing board and are trying to save enough money to offset the rising costs of the fire truck. “So, therefore we have decided to go back to the drawing board and one of the things that we are doing is – of course we are going to con-

tinue to save money where we can get that down payment down,” White said. “One of the things that I had looked at is we're chasing price because the longer you wait, the more price goes up. Can we save enough money to offset the cost of the price going up and bring that payment down.”

White said the VFD is exploring the option of upgrading the current fire engine in an attempt to extend the time the organization has to purchase a new one. “Another thing that we just did is we are looking at the possibility of a short-term refurbishment on the current engine we have, which is soon to be 30 years old,” White said. “NFPA says that after 10 years you're supposed to get rid of them, but we're not an NFPA organization. But anyways, we're looking at, I can't call it the refurbishment because then it has to go under a different, its an upgrade.”

According to White, assistance may be available through grant money. “Basically, we are looking at an upgrade to buy some more time on the savings and the purchase of a new engine down the road and even possibly even writing an ATF Grant, and Assistance to Fire Fighters Grant that comes out annually and possibly getting some assistance through that program.” White said. “Which if you're familiar with our ladder truck, that's how we received it.”

White said the VFD required a match to receive the grant funding for the ladder truck in 2016. “We received a grant for about \$700,000 through the federal government, you all through the Harman Fund and the Fire Fees gave us the \$32,000 which was our match. We had to have a match. So that truck was purchased back in 2016. So that's how that was financially pulled off.”

According to White the complete upgrade of the truck would run \$210,000. “So, we're looking at this possible upgrade of the current engine we have,” White said. “It would be sent away. It would probably be gone for six, eight months, something like that. It would be stripped down to basically nothing and rebuilt. New brakes, new air cylinders, new air lines, new radiator, new seats, new just about everything including a paint job. That come in at about \$210,000.”

White said the VFD has a decision to make. “So now we have to

decide,” White said. “Do we spend \$210,000 to keep it for five, six, seven more years while we save more money to get the new engine. The reality is that we have to have a new engine eventually. Whether its this year or whether its 10 years from now.”

According to White the VFD was in need of a new rapid response vehicle. “But I didn't want you all to hear on the streets or wonder why or where we were at with the purchase of this engine,” White said. “I think you allotted \$15,000 out of the Harman Fund this past session for the purchase of that. So, that's kind of where your money's at. That's what its doing right now and we have a unique situation. We are also in need of a new rapid response vehicle. This is something that we have come up with, so we have ordered that truck.”

White said the truck was a 3500 GMC HD with specialized equipment for the VFD's use. “It is basically a 3500 GMC HD and it will have a cap on it and it will have roll out trays. It will be equipped with med assist stuff. The key word is assist. We are not a medical unit, we are a medical assist. And then it will have other rapid response things, whether its search and rescue, whether its fire or accident response things like that.”

White said the VFD will be going ahead with the purchase of the GMC. “We will be going forward with the purchase of that,” White said, “due to the truck we have currently that is serving in that capacity is aging and I know 50,000 miles or so doesn't sound like a lot of miles on a vehicle, but when it's a fire truck, it's a lot of miles. It really is and that is something we have to depend on.”

White reassured the council that the VFD would come up with a plan. “Rest assured, we are going to come up with a plan to make sure that we have the equipment needed to protect the citizens and businesses of our county,” White said.

The council took no action on the matter as White spoke during public comment.

The next meeting of the Parsons City Council will be held on October 3rd at 6 p.m. at the Charles W. “Bill” Rosenau Municipal Building located at 341 Second Street in Parsons.

News of Record

The following property transfers have been recorded in the Tucker County Clerk's office:

- Diana K. Bartle, Parsons Corporation, Lot 2, Pifer Addition to Harry Dillon McClure III and Christopher Kyle McClure, \$90,000.
- MH & EF LLC, Fairfax District, Lot 29 River Trails to Betty Lou Groves and Thomas P. Miller, \$50,000.
- Fulton Properties LLC, Davis District, Lot 4 Yellow Creek North to L J F Enterprises LLC, \$50,000.
- William L. Holler, Jr., Mark A. Holler and Lesa Corley, Hendricks Corporation, Lots 5 and 6 Rosendorf Addition to Jeremy Miller and Sierra Miller, \$135,000.
- John Guzik, Clover District, 0.92 acres to Debra Harper, \$10,000.
- Lisa Gail Mahan, Jason Henry and Monica Lindsey, Dry Fork District, Lot 11 Blackbear Woods Resort to Lee A. Jerome and Brooke E. Jerome, \$165,000.
- Matthew Tyler Mauzy and Melinda Mauzy, Thomas Corporation, Lot 139 and Lot 140 to David Workman, \$295,000.

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OBITUARIES

Randy Ray Cale

Randy Ray Cale, age 58 years, a resident of Baltimore, MD departed this life Friday morning, September 22, 2023 at his home. He had been in

declining health although death was unexpected.

Funeral Arrangements are incomplete and are under the direction of the Lohr & Barb

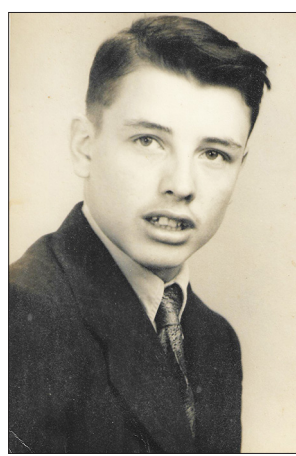
Funeral Home for Randy Ray Cale. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com

Samuel "Bruce" Owens

Samuel "Bruce" Owens, 88, a resident of St. George, WV passed from this life peacefully Saturday, September 16, 2023, at his home surrounded by his family and under the care of West Virginia Caring.

Bruce was born Sunday, June 16, 1935, in St. George, Tucker County, a son of the late John Randolph Owens and Lela Pearl King Owens Shrader. On December 20, 1961, in Oakland, Maryland, he married Carol Jean Fitzwater Owens, who survives. They had celebrated 61 1/2 years of marriage.

Left to cherish Bruce's memory besides his wife are his four children, Patricia Owens Bailey and husband, Robert, Cindy Owens Duckworth and husband, Ted, Arnold Owens and wife, Shasta, and Joseph Owens and wife, Sylvia, six grandchildren, Andrea Bailey Pennington, and husband, Michael, Derek Bailey, Travis O'Dell, Sampson O'Dell, Alaina Owens and Natalie Owens, three



great-grandchildren, Kailie Webster, Brynlee Pennington, and Liam George, a sister, Opal Jean Myers and husband Richard, a brother, Melvin Owens, sister in law, Jenny Owens, and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Bruce in death besides his parents were five brothers, Junior Owens, Edmund Owens, James Owens, Allen Roy Owens and David Owens, five sisters, Geraldine King Strait, Gertrude Owens Forte, Laura Owens Waybright, Susan Owens Wallis and Norma Owens Nestor Holt,

and several nieces and nephews.

Bruce attended a one-room school at Chestnut Grove in Tucker County. He was a farmer and in his younger years worked in the timber industry. He had also worked at the Parsons Tannery and Sterling Faucet in Morgantown. Bruce lived in the St. George area all his life. He enjoyed hunting, watching westerns, riding his side by side, watching the animals and birds from his kitchen window and visiting with his family and friends.

Visitation was held Thursday, September 21, 2023, from 5-7 p.m. Funeral services were held at the funeral home on Friday at 11 a.m. Pastor Lowell Moore will officiate and interment will follow at the Macedonia Cemetery. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Samuel Bruce Owens. Send online condolences to the family at: www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com.

Solid Waste Authority

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cost us. Our tonnage is up, so that will help some, but if we have to go back to running two tractor trailers on leachate...we're going to go backwards next year in our financials even with tonnage being up."

According to Landfill Supervisor Jody Alderman, the base salary for drivers is currently \$19 per hour. "It's not enough...There's a shortage of drivers," Alderman said. "So many people just don't take into consideration the benefits, either. Our benefits add on about another six dollars an hour."

Alderman attributed inflation with being a major contributing factor to the problem. "Inflation has really killed a lot of businesses, including us with that," Alderman said.

"Their rent is up, the grocery bills are up, their gas it up. At the end of the month, they can't pay bills. And it's sad when you can't pay the bills with a couple of people working for 19, 20 bucks an hour."

"Just be prepared," Holstine said. "There's going to be some hard decisions before too long."

The next meeting of the Tucker County Solid Waste Authority will be held September 18th at 3 p.m. at the Tucker County Solid Waste Authority Office located at 284 Landfill Road in Davis. Meetings on October 30th at 3 p.m. and December 11th at 3 p.m. are slated to follow. There will be not be a meeting held in November.

Parsons PD

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for the purchase. "This is an anticipated purchase," Keplinger said. "I planned this purchase as part of my budget request at the beginning of this year."

Keplinger said that the department was looking to update to the latest model used by law enforcement. "We are looking at Glock 47's," Keplinger said. "They are a brand-new design. They have been out for several years. They were originally a federal law enforcement design. It's been now released to the public, but they are used by Customs and Border Patrol, the FBI, they've been through the ringer. They've been tested. They are reliable."

Keplinger said that Glock weapons are what he and his department was most comfortable with. "I would like to continue to stay with Glock's," Keplinger said. "That's what we're trained on. That's what we're familiar with. Nick is a Glock trained Armorer. The 47's are the latest design of these."

Keplinger said that the department was getting a substantial trade-in value on the existing Glock 17 models. "On a personal note, one thing you will notice if you look at the quote itself, 429 for each handgun, but we get a \$285 credit for the handguns that we currently have that we turn in," Keplinger said. "So, the actual cost is \$144 for a brand new weapon for our guys."

The quote included pricing for three

reticles to assist with siting and three new holsters. The initial quote amount for three weapons, three reticles and three holsters was \$2,551.77, but after trade-in value of the existing Glock 17's was \$1,696.77. The council approved the purchase unanimously.

Keplinger informed the council members that the city has seen a rise in shoplifting cases. "A couple of things we noticed an uptick on," Keplinger said. "I hate to say petty crimes because they're not petty, but particularly Shoplifting. We've had several instances of shoplifting complaints in the last couple of weeks."

Keplinger said that the issue was serious due to the fact that third offense was a felony. "I would like to remind the public that shoplifting may not seem like a serious crime," Keplinger said. "Third offense shoplifting, regardless of the value – it could be a 15-cent pack of gum, is a felony. So, it is serious."

"We would just ask people to be aware of that and I don't know if it's the economy, what it is, but we are starting to see a definite uptick in that in both BFS, Walgreens," Keplinger said. "So, we're just kind of being aware of that."

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Bright Bear Yoga

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now, just seven classes on the schedule and some special events," Koster said.

Koster said her studio offers a variety of Yoga styles. "We have sort of a little bit of everything," Koster said. "I have some instructors who tend more towards like a Slow Flow style, really sort of meditative with an emphasis on breathing and just moving, nothing too charged up or anything like that. I have some instructors that do a Vinyasa Flow, which is a little bit more medium and can be kind of tailored to up level or lower level, whatever people want and need that day. And then we do offer a Power Flow class on Saturday's at 10:30, which is probably one of our most sort of pumped up, vigorous class."

Koster said she will begin hosting special events with a Yoga and Live Music event. "Now we are also starting to do special events," Koster said. It will be Yoga and Live Music in our studio."

According to Koster, EMay will be performing live to a Yoga class by instructor Elena. "[Elena] is our most experienced instructor," Koster said. "She has her 500 Hour Certification and she has many, many, many hours of experience teaching, as well."

Koster said she has several plans for the future of the studio including the addition of a Yoga class for individuals with mobility issues. "Our next class that we will be adding, hopefully will be a Chair Yoga Class. I have a local instructor; she is going to add Chair Yoga which is really great for anyone that has mobility issues because some folks have a tough time getting up and down off of the ground and so the chair is there for those people. Yoga is really great for anyone with mobility issues so this will be a way to make it really accessible."

Koster said she has plans to host a beginners Yoga workshop in the near future. "We are hoping to do more special events, too," Koster said. "We have a Yoga fundamentals workshop coming up. Its going to be a two hour session where people can come and learn all the basics in a very solid, thorough way."

Koster said she also plans to expand on the type and number of special events her studio will offer. "I'm also hoping to also plan this fall, before it gets too cold, a hike," Koster said. "I'm thinking maybe Table Rock, hiking and then Yoga at Table Rock. This winter I have an idea of an upright ski sort of session. [Also] a class Saturdays in the evening. Some people don't want Yoga on their Saturday evenings, but I know I do. So I thought I'd offer a Saturday evening...cool down, wind down class. Also, I've had someone who has expressed interest in doing some dance classes. She said come October maybe we could talk more about that. So, maybe some dance classes."

Koster said she would like to offer a family or kid's Yoga class in the future but has not found the right instructor yet. "The last thing that I would really like to add to the schedule would be a kids and/or family Yoga of some kind," Koster said. "But I haven't found the person with the ability to teach that just yet. We just plan on growing and adding more and more to the schedule."

According to Koster, she tries to keep the pricing of her classes budget friendly. "Basically, a big goal of ours is to make the studio really accessible," Koster said. "And so, our pricing reflects that also. We've got just \$15 drop-in, \$12 a class if you do a 10-class pack and we just introduced an unlimited monthly for \$89 a month. So if you're taking two or more classes a week, you're going to get them for even less than the \$12."

Koster said she hopes to begin offering Senior Discounts soon. "The last piece of the puzzle, that I'm trying to look at is coming up with a Senior's Discount," Koster said. "I want to strike the right balance of creating this space and affording the space: pay the rent, the bills and the overhead, but also paying my instructors fairly and also being as accessible as possible. So we are working on that at the moment."

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Sept. 28, 1955: Labor activist Sarah "Mother" Blizzard died at age 90. Blizzard was deeply involved in the United Mine Workers of America, from the organization's early beginnings in the late 19th century.

Development Authority

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into any size, but they identified 12 different lots for the Industrial Park."

According to Leyh, in the initial 2005 study the Industrial Park had just over 50 acres of land able to be developed with the layout not allowing easy access to the Phase Two properties. "Initially the total number of acreages was 50.42 acres total," Leyh said. "50 Acres developable." Of the land in the initial survey, four lots had road access and four in Phase Two did not have any current road access, according to Leyh.

Leyh said there were several lots either in wetlands or impacted by the flood plain. "So, here we are, 2023," Leyh said. "This was 2005, fast forward to 2023. Lot one, 5.22 acres, completely not useable now. It is wetlands. So, Lot one is now all wetlands. So, forget about it, we're not moving on it. Lot four is partially impacted by flood plain now and is divided by a wetlands in between. Lot five which is this tiny .43-acre lot, is now completely within the flood plain. And then you come the 2.5 acre lot, which is Lot seven, and it is slightly impacted by the flood plain...Lot three...now has a wetland in the middle of it. So, if you could roll the dice and have the worst possible luck, this is what we've got."

Leyh said the new study changed everything for development of the Industrial Park. "So, here's the good news, or what I'm calling good news because we need good news," Leyh said. "The original lot layout in 2005 had 12 lots of roughly 50 developable acres. Half the acreage in 2005 was on the access road and the other half of the acreages was on the far side. The new map changes everything."

The Wetlands Delineation showed, according to Leyh, that there were over 85 acres of land on the site that could not be developed. "The Industrial Park is 147.28 acres total," Leyh said. "We have 85.42 acres of that, let's just round that, 85 acres you cannot develop under any circumstances because of wetlands, most of its wetlands."

In total, according the Leyh, the Industrial Park has just over 60 acres of land that can be developed. "We have about an acre already developed," Leyh said. "That leaves us 60 acres left to develop. For those of you that are keeping score on this, of that 60 acres, 60.86 acres, 38.72 of the acres are in what we are calling Phase Two. That leaves 22 acres accessible."

According to Leyh, the new Wetland Delineation gained the Industrial Park over 10 acres of useable land for development. "Here's what's crazy about this," Leyh said. "The Wetland Delineation we had done in 2023, netted us 10 and a half acres of new land. So we gained."

Leyh said the biggest change was in the center of the Industrial Park map. "The biggest change between the 2005 map and the 2023 map is this section here in the center between the highway and the Industrial Park Access Road," Leyh said. "It is no longer a wetland. Its in a flood plane, there's an elevation change...we lost them to the flood plane in the sense that they are going to have to get raised up."

According to Leyh, the land gains and new map have given the Authority a new

way to access the Phase Two properties. "But, we gained two big things," Leyh said. "We gained bits of land on these edges on the inside and we gained, which I think is really a game changer, connection to Phase Two. So, 2023, no longer do we have to have the access road come in from the highway, because we can now go straight across...from our road."

"RK&K said, 'This is what we recommend,'" Leyh said. "They think that this piece of property... is about one to two feet in the flood plain and if we filled that in, one to two feet, that this could make a nice two acre lot, right as you come in on the inside of the road. Which is pretty important. It's not going to be as big as our five acre lot, but we're still going to have two acres right at the intersection which is still going to be a game changer for us."

According to Leyh, the areas in a flood plane could still be developed if the Authority brought in filler and raised the area out of the flood plain, but the Authority would need the permission of the City of Davis to complete the task. "We would have to get permission from the Town of Davis since they manage the flood plain," Leyh said. "But you could fill that in and its developable."

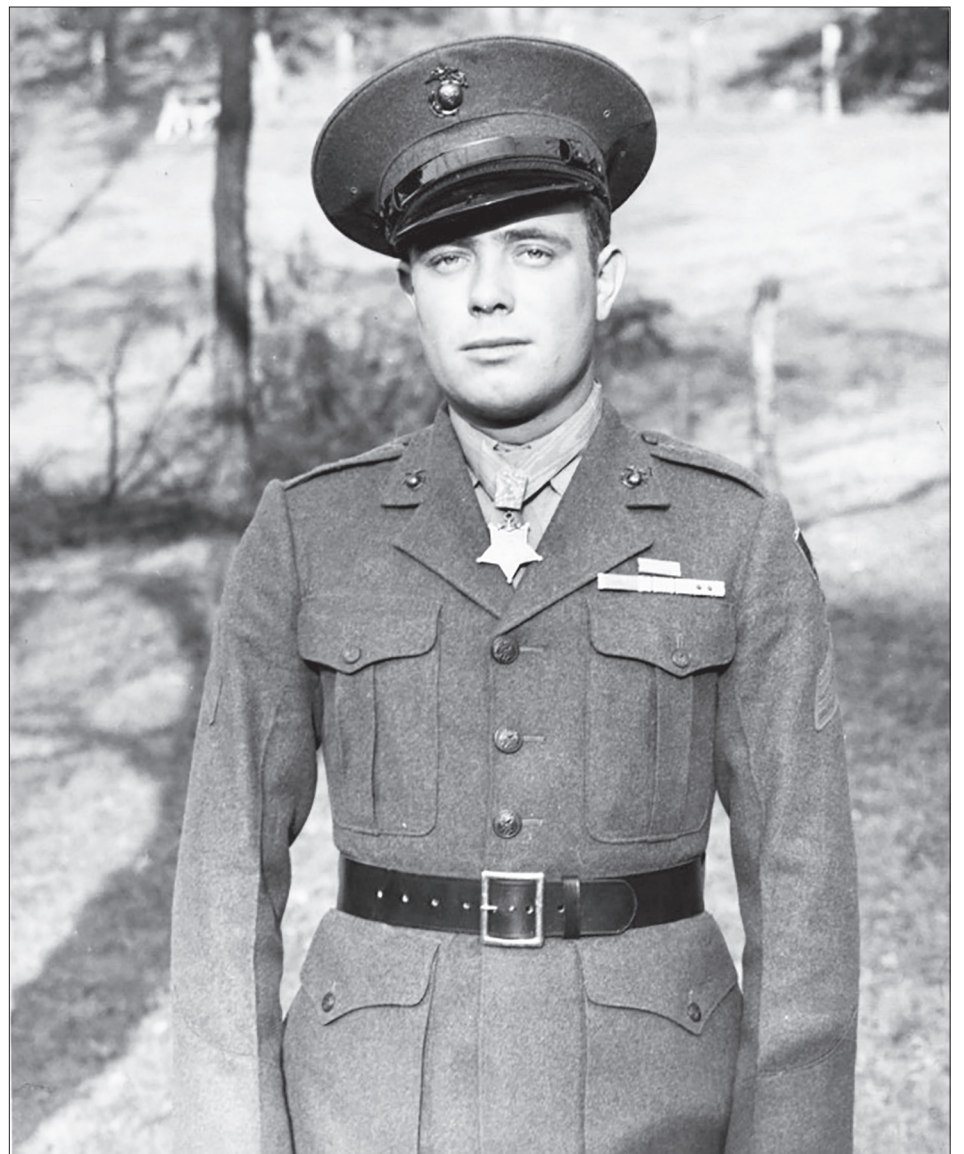
According the Leyh, most of the flood plain lots are one to four feet into the flood plain with the deepest being in the middle at six to seven feet. "This is one to two, this is one to four," Leyh said. "And these are all pretty much one to two feet. She said the kink in the middle, the middle is deep in at like six or seven feet and she said you don't want to mess with that anyway because it is going to connect right in."

Leyh also said that there was a wetland that was not surface connected that could be filled in for more land as well. "The wetland does not connect over here," Leyh said. "The same is true of this, because of a Supreme Court Decision, this wetland up in here on Lot three, which I thought we were doomed, because it's not surface connected to the other wetland, because they are not connected, this could be filled in without any problems."

"So I'm a little bit more optimistic now that I have had a look at this now," Leyh said., "We also gained...there's a huge new pink area in the center connecting Lot three with the lots on the other side which we did not have before. That is new, dry, safe land for development so I am encouraged by that."

Following the Wetlands Delineation Report on the Industrial Park Property, the Tucker County Development Authority authorized Leyh to begin taking the necessary steps to sell and lease the usable property lots within the Industrial Park. In a unanimously approved motion made by Tucker County Development Authority Member Dennis Filler, Leyh would be authorized to pursue land transactions with a 50 percent sale and 50 percent lease of properties within the Phase One area.

The next meeting of the Tucker County Development Authority will be held on September 21st at 6 p.m. at the National Science Center located at 494 Riverstone Road in Davis.



Oct. 2, 1923: "Hershel" Woody Williams was born in Quiet Dell. During World War II, Williams neutralized seven concrete pillboxes at the Battle of Iwo Jima. Prior to his death in 2022, he was the last surviving Medal of Honor recipient from World War II.

Charleston WV – The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

Sept. 27, 1914: Author Catherine Marshall was born in Johnson City, Tennessee. Her family moved to West Virginia and lived in Keyser during the late 1920s and the 1930s. Her best-loved novel, Christy (1967), was based on her mother's girlhood in the southern mountains.

Sept. 29, 1861: The Kanawha Valley experienced severe flooding. The Kanawha River reached 46.87 feet in Charleston, more than 16 feet above flood stage.

Sept. 29, 1927: Artist June Kilgore was born in Huntington. She was an abstract expressionist painter who spent 30 years as an art professor at Marshall University.

Sept. 30, 2010: Facing an economic downturn and foreign competition, Wheeling-La Belle Nail Company closed. The company was founded in 1852 as LaBelle Ironworks. By 1875, Wheeling was known as the Nail City, and La Belle was the city's leading nail producer.

Oct. 1, 1896: Rural Free Delivery began in West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle. Before this, there was no rural mail delivery, although more than half the country's citizens lived in rural areas.

Oct. 2, 1949: The first class began training at the State Police Academy in Institute. The 20 cadets graduated on Dec. 20, 1949.

Oct. 3, 1935: A patient at Weston State Hospital started a fire in the main building that destroyed six men's wards and caused a cupola to fall through the roof. The building was repaired, and the hospital remained in service for nearly 60 more years.



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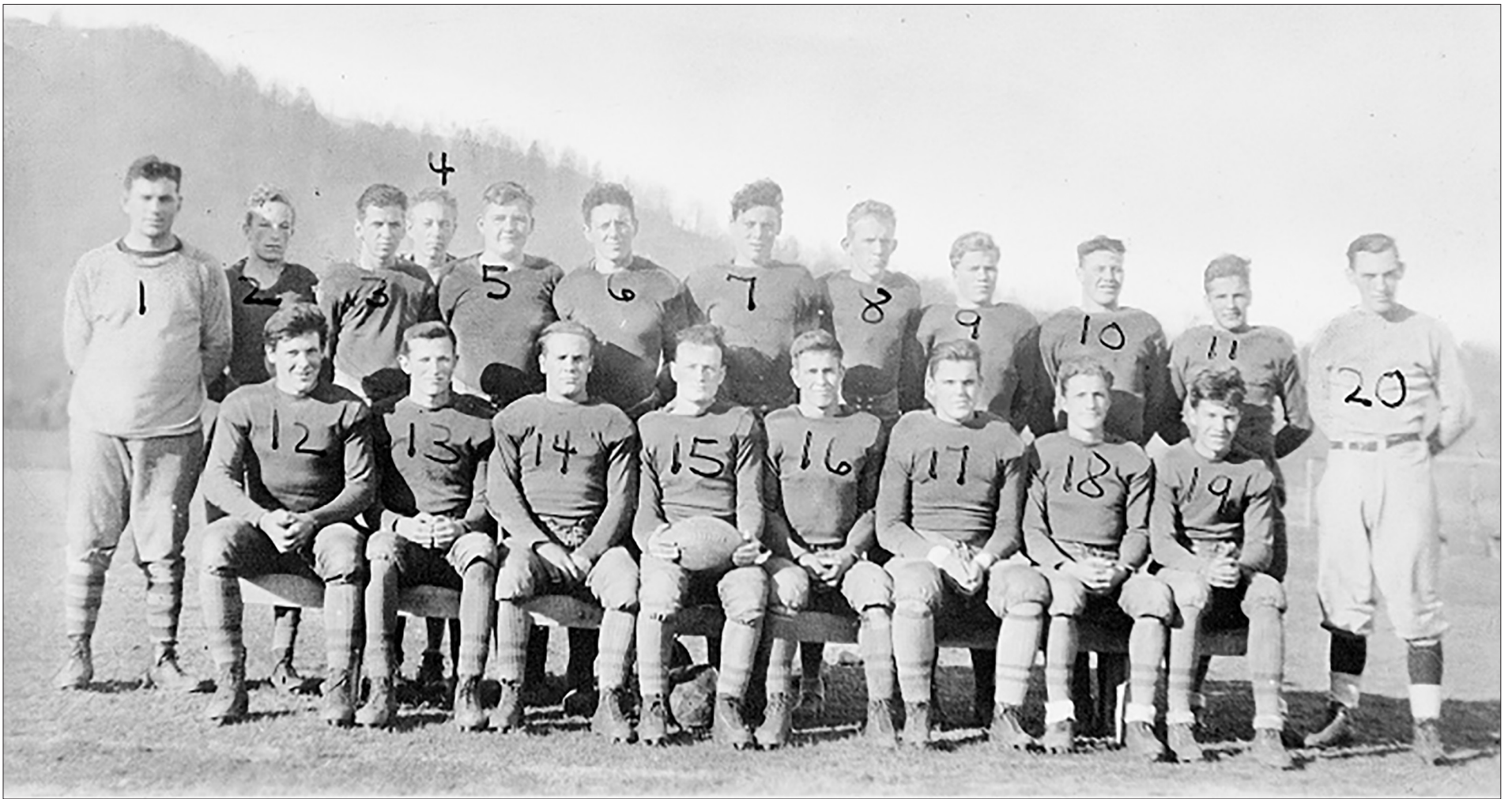
Flu Shots
The Tucker County Health Department will be holding a **Drive-Thru Flu Shot Clinic** on **Wednesday, Oct. 4**

at the Tucker County Health Department parking lot from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Thursday, Oct. 5 at the Davis Fire Hall parking lot from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

In case of inclement weather the Parsons clinic will be held at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall and the Davis Clinic will be held inside the Davis Fire Dept.

Seasonal flu shots will be given to anyone 18 years of age and older. If you have insurance please bring your card. You will not be charged any co-pay. If you do not have insurance you can still receive a flu shot at no cost.

TURNER'S TIDBITS



This is a photo of the Parsons High School Football Team, taken in 1933. The photo is identified as: (left to right, back) Merle Kepner, assistant coach (far left) Carl Flanagan, Elmer Shroust, Harry Cullen, Allan Minear, Douglas Jolly, Fred Baker, Robert Lucke, Joe Gilmore, Lux Vachon, Woody Bowley, Coach Forrest G. Clark (left to right, seat) Ralph Smith, Louis Williams, Preach Allender, Jim Parsons, Blain Stokes, Boyd Lutz, Kenneth Vannoy, Honey Vachon. Ideas, comments, suggestions, items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

Tucker FFA makes apple butter at TVEMS

The Tucker FFA chapter traveled with several members and advisor D. Paul Pennington on Thursday, September 14th to TVEMS to teach 1st – 8th grade students apple butter processing. The day started early with preparing the open fire, with the copper kettle and wooden stirrer, pro-

vided by Mrs. Courtney Nestor, middle school Ag teacher, junior FFA advisor. The cooking time was shortened with the use of unsweetened canned apple sauce, with spices and sugar added later in the day.



Evie Grace Harper

Evie Grace Harper Appointed as a Princess for the 85th Mountain State Forest Festival

Mountain State Forest Festival Director General Jon Morgan has announced that Evie Grace Harper will serve as a Princess to the Royal Court of Maid Silvia LXXXV,

Anna Marie Ruf. Princess, Evie Grace Harper, was appointed by MSFF Director General Jon Morgan. She is the daughter of Jason and Stacey Harper

of Morgantown. She is the granddaughter of Bruce and Cynthia Kolsun of Parsons, and the late Ronald and Lynda Harper of Charleston. Princess Evie has three brothers, Jackson, William, and Benjamin. Harper is a 2022 graduate of University High School, where she graduated with a 4.5 GPA, was an AP Scholar, member of the National Honor Society, and served as a competition dancer at Mindy's School of Dance. She is currently a sophomore at West Virginia University, where she is an Honors student studying Aerospace Engineering and an active member of Society of Women Engineers, as well as a President's List Recipient for her first two semesters.

Please join Evie Grace Harper, and the other Royal Princesses, as they descend coronation hill at the crowning of Maid Silvia the 85th on Friday October 6, 2023 at 2:00 pm at the Citizens Bank of WV Outdoor Amphitheater on the campus of Davis and Elkins College. For more information, please call the festival office at 304-636-1824 or visit the official website at www.forestfestival.com.

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The Advocate's WARM THE CHILDREN coordinator has made arrangements with a local store and assigns volunteer shoppers to take the children and their parents shopping. Shoppers will be people like you, anyone in the community willing to help by donating a little of their time to this worthwhile cause.

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September is National Recovery Month

Many HELP4WV Helpline Specialists Have Unique Perspective

Every September, National Recovery Month is celebrated to highlight those who are in recovery from addiction and to give hope to those still struggling. Much is written about the substance use epidemic and West Virginia's (highest in the country) overdose rate. Less attention is paid to the statistics on recovery. Most people know someone who identifies as "in recovery," and public celebrations of recovery milestones, once relegated to anonymous rooms in church basements, are common. The National Recovery Survey, done in 2017, revealed that nearly 1 in 10 Americans say they have resolved

a substance use issue. The spectrum of those surveyed includes those who sought formal treatment, those who took part in self-help groups, and those who received no treatment.

In West Virginia, those seeking addiction treatment often start by calling HELP4WV, the state's addiction and mental health helpline, at 1-844-435-7498. Help seekers may not realize that many of those answering the line understand their needs well, as they were once on the other end of the call. First Choice Services, the Charleston-based company that operates the line, as well as several

other nonprofit helplines, reports that many of their staff are recovering from addiction.

Myste Wentz is one such helpline specialist. Myste was in active addiction for 15 years, during which she received the overdose reversal drug Narcan four times, became disconnected from her family, and spent time in prison. She has now been in recovery for over seven years, has reconnected with her family, and works as a helpline specialist for HELP4WV. Her coworkers describe her as always smiling and enthusiastic about helping others. Myste says the system for addiction treat-

ment has improved in the years since she was struggling. "There are many more treatment options now, and we can help people with barriers like transportation or lack of insurance." She says one thing that has not changed is callers' need for connection and hope. "When I tell them that I've been there, I've gone through what they are dealing with now, and I've come out on the other side, you can feel their relief. I let them know we will find help for them and follow up to make sure they got what they needed. Who knows, maybe one day they'll be here next to me answering this helpline."

National Forest and WMA access roads to be open to hunters with disabilities

Access roads in select national forests and state WMAs open to Class Q permit holders

SOUTH CHARLESTON, W.Va. — With the start of fall hunting seasons underway, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources is reminding hunters with disabilities that select access roads in national forests and state-owned wildlife management areas are open to those with Class Q permits.

"The WVDNR is proud to have created opportunities for hunters with disabilities through the Class Q hunting program as part of our partnership with the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest and the Monongahela National Forest," said WVDNR Director Brett McMillion. "This program is a testament to our commitment to inclusivity and ensuring that everyone, regardless of their abilities, can enjoy the outdoors and the rich hunting outdoor heritage of

Almost Heaven, West Virginia."

The Class Q hunting program allows improved, extended vehicular access on 13 roads in national forests and 13 roads on state wildlife management areas. These roads are gated to limit vehicular access for approved Class Q hunters only, which includes hunters with permanent and irreversible respiratory, cardiovascular and/or lower extremity use limitations. For a list of Class Q access road sites, visit WVdnr.gov/hunting/class-q-hunting.

Class Q hunting permits are issued by the WVDNR to applicants who are permanently disabled in their lower extremities. Approved applicants are issued a wallet-sized permit card, which must be presented in person at the appropriate national forest or DNR district office

to receive a letter of authorization and a gate key to use designated Class Q roads.

To qualify for the program, applicants must meet the requirements that have been established in West Virginia Chapter 20 Natural Resources Laws. Applications must be certified by a licensed physician to be considered for approval. Application forms and more information about Class Q permits is available at all WVDNR offices or online at WVhunting.com and WVdnr.gov/hunting.

Rules for Using Class Q Access Roads When hunting within a designated area, Class Q hunters may hunt from a stationary vehicle with the engine turned off, and the vehicle may not be parked on any public road or highway right-of-way. The permittee may be accompanied — or in the case of national forest lands,

must be accompanied — by one assistant at least 16 years of age inside the vehicle, but the assistant is not allowed to hunt from or outside the vehicle while assisting a Class Q permittee.

Class Q permit hunters must obey all other hunting rules and regulations while behind gates. No ATVs or UTVs may be used in national forests or state wildlife management areas and hunting with bait is prohibited on public lands. All proper licenses and stamps along with the Class Q permit must be in the hunter's possession while he or she is hunting. Hunters on national forest lands must follow additional rules. The Class Q program on national forest lands is authorized through a Special Land Use Permit granted to the WVDNR by the U.S. Forest Service.

Gas Prices Climb in West Virginia

The average price for gasoline across Northern West Virginia is nine cents higher this week at \$3.653 per gallon, according to AAA East Central's Gas Price Report.

This week's average prices: Northern WV Average	\$3.653
Average price during the week of September 11, 2023	\$3.561
Average price during the week of September 19, 2022	\$3.436

The following is a list of the average prices in several West Virginia locations:

\$3.688	Bridgeport
\$3.679	Clarksburg
\$3.576	Huntington
\$3.739	Martinsburg
\$3.667	Morgantown
\$3.635	Parkesburg
\$3.662	Weirton
\$3.581	Wheeling

Trend Analysis:

The national average for a gallon of gas rose by a nickel since last week to hit \$3.88. The primary reason is the surge in oil costs, which have jumped several dollars to hover around \$90 per barrel. Today's national average is a penny higher than a month ago and 21

cents more than a year ago.

According to new data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gas demand decreased significantly from 9.32 to 8.31 million barrels per day last week. Meanwhile, total domestic gasoline stocks jumped from 214.7 to 220.3 million barrels. Although gas demand has dropped amid increasing stocks, elevated oil prices have pushed pump prices higher.

At the close of Wednesday's formal trading session, West Texas Intermediate decreased by 32 cents to settle at \$88.52. Oil prices fell after EIA reported that total domestic commercial crude inventories increased by 4 million barrels to 420.6 million barrels. However, earlier in the week, crude prices rallied amid ongoing market concern that global oil supply will remain tight for the remainder of 2023. According to the International Energy Agency's September Oil Market Report, production cuts from Saudi Arabia and other members of OPEC will lead to an oil supply shortfall this fall and winter.

Motorists can find current gas prices nationwide, statewide, and countywide at gasprices.aaa.com.

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NRCS announces EQIP, CSP, and AMA programs signup deadline October 20

MORGANTOWN, W.Va., September 19, 2023— The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has established the Fiscal year (FY) 2024 application batching date for the first FY 2024 application evaluation period for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) and the Agricultural Management Assistance Program (AMA). Producers interested in being considered for financial assistance need to submit applications to NRCS by Friday, October 20, 2023.

EQIP is a voluntary conservation program that helps agricultural producers in a manner that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible goals. EQIP is the flagship conservation program that helps farmers and forest landowners integrate conservation into working lands. Through EQIP, agricultural producers receive technical and financial assistance to implement structural, vegetative and management conservation practices that optimize environmental benefits on working agricultural land.

CSP offers an opportunity for both agricultural and forest managers to enhance their operations while adopting conservation activities that will refine work already completed. CSP provides annual payments for actively managing, maintaining, and enhancing conservation activities on their agricultural or

non-industrial private forestland (NIPF) operation. Practices and enhancements are available to improve resource concerns such as soil health, water quality, wildlife habitat, or reduce soil erosion. Whether you are looking to improve forest management or wildlife habitat, plant cover crops, install pollinator habitat, establish riparian buffers, or incorporate enhanced grazing management activities, CSP can help you meet those goals. CSP also encourages the adoption of new technologies and new management techniques, such as irrigation monitoring, precision agriculture applications, improved grazing systems, on-site carbon storage and planting for high carbon sequestration rate and new soil amendments to improve water quality.

The AMA program provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers to voluntarily address issues such as water management, irrigation systems, water quality, and erosion control by incorporating conservation into their farming operation and mitigate risk through production diversification.

EQIP, CSP and AMA are open to all eligible agricultural producers and submitted applications may be considered or evaluated in multiple funding opportunities.

While WV-NRCS has set the first FY 2024 application batching date for EQIP, CSP and AMA on October 20, 2023, NRCS accepts program applications year-round on a continuous basis. Application evaluations only take place during announced ranking periods. Applications received after a batching date will automatically be considered during a future funding cycle. For consideration in the first-round of FY 2024 funding, eligible landowners must submit their application no later than October 20, 2023. For more information, visit a local USDA Service Center or visit our website at <http://www.wv.nrcs.usda.gov>.

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This Week's Submitted Photos



This week's photos of spider webs titled "Nature's Beauty is Everywhere" were submitted by Teri Cayton. Email your photo, name, and where the photo was taken to mikie@parsonsadvocate.com

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City of Parsons Signs DAR Constitution Week Proclamation



The Region of the Blackwater Daughters of the American Revolution Representative Cathy Hebb, left, holds a proclamation signed by Acting Mayor Bruce Kolsun, right, declaring September 17th to September 23rd Constitution Week. Kolsun signed the motion and the Parsons City Council unanimously approved the measure. Constitution week encourages the study and teaching of the Constitution, according to Hebb. "This is Constitution Week," Hebb said. "The President of the United States proclaims September 17th through the 23rd Constitution Week every year. And we encourage the studying and reading of the Constitution in area schools. The DAR has had principals in all three of our schools sign proclamations and one was sent to each of the City Halls in the County and we're very pleased to have Mr. Kolsun sign the City of Parsons Proclamation this evening."

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SPORTS



Tucker County's Garrett Wilfong goes up for a pass reception at Eastern Local on Sept. 22nd. The Mt. Lions won the game in overtime 28-22. Photo by Brittany Channell.

MT. LIONS GET OVERTIME WIN AT EASTERN LOCAL OHIO 28-22

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

REEDSVILLE, OH – The Tucker County Football team traveled to Eastern Local Ohio on Friday September 22nd. The Mt. Lions overcame four turnovers on the night to claim the overtime win on the road 28-22.

The first quarter of a much anticipated game ended scoreless as neither team could score to leave the scoreboard at 0-0 after one quarter of play. Tucker County would strike first as Ethan Rosenau connected with Blaike Adams for a 3 yard touchdown pass early in the second quarter. The 2 point conversion was good on a pass to Adams to make the score 8-0 Mt. Lions with 11:12 left in the second.

Eastern Local then responded with a 37 yard touchdown run to tie the game at 8-8 after the PAT was good with 8:55 left in the second quarter. The next drive for Tucker County ended with an interception by the Eagles to give Eastern Local the ball back. The home team then kicked a 33 yard field goal with 23 seconds left in the second quarter to put the score to 11-8 Eagles at the halftime break.

The third quarter did not start well for Tucker County as the ball was recovered by Eastern Local on the opening kickoff at the Mt. Lions 15 yard line. The Mt. Lions defense then stepped up to hold the Eagles, but a 38 yard field goal was good to push the score to 14-8 Eastern Local with 10:42 left in the third. The Eagles defense then picked up another interception from Tucker County, but Eastern Local was forced to punt. The Mt. Lions offense then marched down the field and scored on a 6 yard touchdown run by Jared Reall. The PAT was good on a pass to Adams with 6:29 left in the third to give Tucker County the 16-14 lead. The Eagles then drove the ball down inside the redzone before the third quarter ended

with the score 16-14 Mt. Lions. Tucker County then made a goal line stance to start the fourth quarter to give the ball back to their offense. However, the Mt. Lions then fumbled the ball in the endzone and Eastern Local recovered for a touchdown. The PAT was good by the Eagles to make the score 22-16 Eastern Local with 11:01 left in the game. The Mt. Lions offense then went to work again as they drove the ball down the field and scored from 3 yards out on an Adams run with 8:25 left in the fourth. The 2 point conversion failed to make the score 22-22. The Eagles next drive then stalled to force a punt. Tucker County then marched down the field into Eastern Local territory. The home team then forced an interception with 57 seconds left in the game to stop the Mt. Lions scoring chance. The clock would then expire to put the game into overtime.

Tucker County won the coin toss to start overtime and chose to go on defense first. Eastern Local could not convert in overtime and the Mt. Lions got the ball back with a chance to win the game. Tucker County then scored from 4 yards out on an Adams run to give Tucker County the 28-22 win in overtime.

Blaike Adams led Tucker County with 3 touchdowns on the night, 2 rushing and 1 receiving. The Mt. Lions were led in passing by Ethan Rosenau with 20 of 30 for 208 yards and Garrett Wilfong had 9 receptions for 118 yards receiving. Jared Reall added 14 carries for 67 yards rushing for Tucker County and Maddox Anderson had 5 catches for 64 yards receiving. Jared Reall led the Mt. Lions defense with 12 tackles and Garrett Wilfong added 8 tackles.

Tucker County(5-0) will return to action Friday September 29th at home against Pendleton County. Kickoff is set for 7pm in Parsons. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

WILDCATS FOOTBALL DROPS GAME TO WEBSTER COUNTY 14-0

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

PARSONS – The Tucker Valley Middle School Football team hosted Webster County on Thursday September 21st.

Webster County scored a touchdown in the first and second quarter to make the halftime score 14-0. The Wildcats could not get the offense going all evening as several promising drives stalled out. Webster County did not score in the

second half and the game ended with the final score of 14-0 Webster County.

Brayden Bennett led Tucker Valley with 47 yards rushing and Branson Hyre was 4 of 7 passing for 13 yards. Quinton Teter had 3 catches for 9 yards and Hyre led the Wildcats defense in tackles.

Tucker Valley(1-3) will return to action on Thursday October 5th at Clay-Battelle. Kickoff is scheduled for 6pm. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

TUCKER COUNTY VOLLEYBALL GETS WIN OVER NORTH MARION

By Dave Helmick
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HAMBLETON – The Lady Mt. Lions Volleyball team hosted North Marion on Monday September 18th. In the JV match the visiting Lady Huskies took the match in a tight contest 2-1. Tucker County JV took the first set 25-22. North Marion JV then won the next two sets 25-22 and 25-19 to win the JV match.

In the varsity North Marion jumped out to a 6-3 start in Set 1. The Lady Huskies then built the lead to 21-9. The Lady Mt. Lions then surged back in the match to make the score 23-19. North Marion then held on for the Set 1 win 25-20. Tucker County controlled Set 2 as they exploded to a 6-1 lead early in the set. North Marion cut the lead to 13-11, but then the Lady Mt. Lions responded to outscore the visitors 12-5 to win Set 2 by the score of 25-16. In Set 3 Tucker County built a 12-6 lead midway through the set. North Marion could not stop the Lady Mt. Lions run as Tucker County won Set 3 by the score of 25-18. Tucker County did not allow the Lady Huskies to comeback in Set 4 as the Lady Mt. Lions built a 16-9 lead. Tucker County then finished the set on a 9-3 run to take Set 4 with a score of 25-12. This gave the Lady Mt. Lions the 3-1 match win.

HAMBLETON – The Tucker County Volleyball team hosted East Hardy on Tuesday September 19th. In the JV match the visiting Lady Cougars took the match 2-0 with scores of 25-13 and 25-12.

In the varsity match East Hardy broke a 4-4 tie with an 8-2 run to put the score to 12-5 East Hardy in Set 1. The Lady Cougars continued to lead throughout the set as they would win Set 1 by the score of 25-14. In Set 2 East Hardy jumped out to an early 6-0 lead. The Lady Mt. Lions fought back to 6-4, but Tucker County would not get any closer as the Lady Cougars won Set 2 by the count of 25-13. The final set of the match would belong to East Hardy also as they scored 17 straight points in the set to take the Match win 3-0. The Set 3 final score was 25-8 East Hardy.

MILL CREEK – The Tucker County Volleyball team traveled to Tygarts Valley on Thursday September 21st. In the JV match the Lady Mt. Lions dominated as they took the match 2-0 with scores of



Tucker County's Moira Callaway serves the ball against North Marion on Sept. 18th. The Lady Mt. Lions won the match 3-1. Photo by Dave Helmick.

25-13 and 25-12. The varsity players took to the floor next for the varsity matchup. In Set 1 the Lady Mt. Lions jumped out to an early lead 11-1. Tucker County then outscored Tygarts Valley 14-2 the rest of the set to take Set 1 by the score of 25-3. The Lady Bulldogs showed some fight in Set 2 as they got the score to 5-4 early in the set. Tucker County then pulled away for a 20-10 lead. The Lady Mt. Lions then finished Set 2 with a 25-10 set win. In the last set of the night Tucker County got the set will also by the score of 25-18 to end the match. The Lady Mt. Lions went home with a 3-0 victory.

Tucker County(3-10) will travel to Elkins tonight September 27th. The Lady Mt. Lions will then travel to Union on Thursday September 28th. Both matches start at 6pm. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

TUCKER COUNTY'S KATIE HICKS WINS SOUTH HARRISON MEET

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

LOST CREEK – The Mt. Lions Girls' and Boys' Cross Country team traveled to South Harrison High School for the Hawk Run on Tuesday September 19th.

In the Girls' race Katie Hicks took 1st place and set a new course record with a time of 20:54.78. Addi Moats(23:29.25) finished 6th, Addie Hicks(25:04.02) placed 10th, Brianna Gooden(26:58.58) was 14th, Adrianna Tuttle(37:50.23) was 22nd and Lilly Boyles(38:27.97) finished in 23rd place. The Lady Mt. Lions team finished in 2nd place.

In the Boys' race at South Harrison the top runner for Tucker County was Cameron Judy with a time of 18:53.64 and a 3rd place finish. The remaining Tucker County runners finished as follows: 10th-Alex Boyles(19:28.16), 18th-Allan Boyles(20:33.85), 20th-Lynn Suesli(20:35.53), 25th-Ryan Scott(22:26.32) and 39th-Ivan Lothes(25:14.58). The Tucker County Boys' team finished in 3rd place overall.

The Tucker County Girls' and Boys' Cross Country teams will return to action on Saturday September 30th at Camp Kidd for their Annual Home



Tucker County's Katie Hicks finished 1st at South Harrison on Sept. 19th. She also set a new course record with a time of 20:58.78. Photo by Sarah Hicks.

Meet, The Tucker County Invitational at 10am. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

AREA SCHEDULE:

Thursday September 28th
Tucker County Volleyball @ Union 6pm
Friday September 29th
Tucker County Football vs Pendleton County @ Home 7pm
Saturday September 30th
Tucker County Cross Country @ Camp Kidd 10am

Monday October 2nd
Tucker County Volleyball @ Preston 6pm
Davis-Thomas Volleyball @ East Hardy 6pm
Tuesday October 3rd
Tucker County Volleyball @ Moorefield 6pm
Tucker Valley Volleyball vs Elkins @ Home 6pm

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Tucker Valley Wildcats
Davis Thomas Bears



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SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PUBLIC MEETING



The City of Parsons, Tucker County, West Virginia, has developed a Source Water Protection Plan to comply with state legislations regarding drinking water. All public water utilities that use surface water sources must complete and submit a plan to the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources. **Source Water Protection Plans** are valuable tools to help any public water system plan for and manage water emergencies. Development of these plans relies on the involvement of water utility personnel, local government officials, emergency managers, health department representatives, and local community leaders. **Your water system** is committed to informing and engaging the public during development and implementation of this plan. The City of Parsons and Hamrick Public Service District will hold a public meeting to give interested parties an opportunity to review and comment on the plan. Now is your chance to provide your input. The public meeting will be held in the Council Chambers located on the first floor of the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 5:00 PM. For more information, please contact the Parsons City Business Office at (304) 478-2311 or by email at cityofparsons@frontiernet.net. City of Parsons, a municipal corporation, by Bruce A. Kolsun, Acting Mayor

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POSITION AVAILABLE

A POSITION IS AVAILABLE FOR A FULL TIME Mapper / GIS

The Tucker County Assessor's Office is seeking an individual to fill the position of Mapper / GIS Specialist.

Job Description: Responsible for the design, development, implementation & maintenance of the County GIS data.

High School diploma or GED supplemented by technical courses with regards to geographic information systems or related education/experience. Preferred Qualifications: knowledge & experience with ESRI software & other GIS-related technology.

Must be able to perform a wide range of office skills and support duties.

Benefit package included.

If interested please bring completed cover letter and resume (in person) to the Tucker County Assessor's Office by October 6th 2023.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONVEYANCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PROPERTY (St. George United Methodist Church)

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the West Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church will, on or after October 4, 2023 QUITCLAIM, GRANT and CONVEY to the Trustees of Hambleton Community Church all of their right, title and interest in and to that certain lot or parcel of real estate situate, lying and being in Hambleton Corp. District, Tucker County, West Virginia, described as follows:

PARCEL ONE

BEGINNING at a standing 5 poles & 55 from the Southwest Corner of the Court House lot and running thence with the main street S. 55 W. 2 1/2 poles to a stake thence N. 35 W. 6 poles to a stake thence North 55 E. 2 1/2 poles to a stake the N. W. corner of lot no. 18 thence with said lot S. 35 E. 6 poles to the beginning stake it being also a corner to the aforesaid lot No. 17 the above described no. 17 on the plat of the aforesaid Town of St. George containing and laid out for 15 square perches of land.

And being the same property conveyed from Enoch Minear and Morgan Minear to Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South by Deed dated June 22, 1860, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia in Deed Book 1, at Page 230, reference to which is hereby made.

PARCEL TWO

BEGINNING at a point at the said union lots and running a straight line, from the line of said lots, ten feet below the church (that is thereon erected, and known as Analiza M. E. Church) to Mill Run, thence with the meanderings of said Run, to the Old Mill Reno Road that crosses said Run thence with said Road to the N. line of which to the points above mentioned, or Beginning point (running a straight line from the upper line of said Town Lots to Mill Run, being 10 feet below or West of said Church).

And being the same property conveyed from Solomon Parsons to Trustees of the M. E. Church at St. George by Deed dated November 17, 1868, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 2, at Page 282, reference to which is hereby made.

PARCEL THREE

BEGINNING at the Northeast corner of said Grave Yard lot at the corner of said Eavin's lot, and on a line of said Bishoff's lot and running with one of Eavin's lines S. 35 W. 37 1/2 feet to a Stake Thence with another of said Eavin's lines S. 47 E. 3 rods & 17 links to line of Main Street, thence with the line of said Street N. 56 E. 2 rods & 17 links to a stake standing in first line of said Bishoff's lot, thence with part of said line N. 34 W. 1 rod & 5 links to said Bishoff's 2nd corner, thence with part of Bishoff's 2nd line and with the grave yard fence 3 rods & 10 links to the beginning.

And being the same property conveyed from D. S. and Mary J. Minear to the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church at St. George by Deed dated June 27, 1883, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 6, at Page 78, reference to which is hereby made.

PARCEL FOUR

LOTS numbers four and five situate in the Town of St. George, in Tucker County, West Virginia, as shown on a plat of Elliotts addition to said Town, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office, to which especial reference is here made for a more complete description of land hereby conveyed. And the said parties of the first part further grants and conveys to the parties of the second part a strip of land adjoining the above lots on the northeast and lying between said lots and the public road and being enclosed with said lots.

And being the same property conveyed from Wm. M. and Carrie Capton Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church by Deed dated September 24, 1906, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 86, at Page 373, reference to which is hereby made.

Said St. George United Methodist Church was declared closed effective on July 1, 2023, by a majority of the District Superintendents of the West Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Dated the 19th day of September, 2023.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE WEST VIRGINIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 By: Robert N. File, Chancellor
 130 Main Street
 Beckley, West Virginia 25801
 (304) 253-3358

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State of West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water and Waste Management PUBLIC NOTICE

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE, 601 57TH STREET SE, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA 25304-2345 TELEPHONE: (304) 926-0440.

APPLICATION FOR COVERAGE UNDER THE GENERAL WEST VIRGINIA NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT NO. WV0115924

Public Notice No.: SM-101-2023 **Public Notice Date:** September 27, 2023

Paper: The Parsons Advocate

The following has applied for coverage under the General WV/NPDES Water Pollution Control Permit No. WV0115924 for this facility or activity:

Appl. No.: WVR112228
Applicant: TARGET LUMBER & LOGGING CO., LLC
 1260 MEMORIAL DRIVE
 OAKLAND, MD 21550

Location: DAVIS, TUCKER COUNTY
Latitude: 39:12:40 **Longitude:** 79:20:08

Receiving Stream: Beaver Ck / Blackwater R / Cheat R / Monongahela R

Activity: Stormwater discharge from construction activities on 84.6 acres in Tucker County.
Business conducted: Construction of 24 poultry houses.

Implementation: N/A

On the basis of review of the application the "Water Pollution Control Act (Chapter 22, Article 11-8(a))" and the "West Virginia Legislative Rules," the State of West Virginia will act on the above application.

Any interested person may submit written comments on the site registration permit application and may request a public hearing by addressing such to the Director of the Division of Water and Waste Management within 30 days of the date of the public notice. Such comments or requests should be addressed to:

Director, Division of Water and Waste Management, DEP
 ATTN: Sharon Mullins, Permitting Section
 601 57th Street SE
 Charleston, WV 25304-2345

The public comment period begins September 27, 2023 and ends October 27, 2023. Comments received within this period will be considered prior to acting on the permit application. Correspondence should include the name, address and the telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues raised. The Director shall hold a public hearing whenever a finding is made, on the basis of requests, that there is a significant degree of public interest on issues relevant to the site registration permit application and this facility's coverage under the General Permit. Interested persons may contact the Public Information Office to obtain further information.

The application may be inspected, by appointment, at the Division of Water and Waste Management Public Information Office, at 601 57th Street SE, Charleston, WV, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on business days. Copies of the application and the General Permit and Fact Sheet may be obtained from the Division at a nominal cost. Individuals requiring Telecommunication Device (TDD) may contact our agency by calling (304) 926-0493. Calls must be made 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF PARSONS TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA PROPOSED CITY OF PARSONS AND HAMRICK PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT EMERGENCY POTABLE WATER CONNECTION

General Notice

City of Parsons and Hamrick Public Service District (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

**Emergency Potable Water Connection
 010-00847**

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Parsons City Hall located at 341 Second Street, Parsons, Tucker County, WV 26287, until Tuesday, October 31, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:
 Approximately 1,650 LF of new water line, 400 LF of horizontal directional drill, installation of a valve vault and flow meters to control and monitor the direction of flow and purchase of a portable pump system. Work includes installation of piping, valves, fittings, and other necessary appurtenances. This emergency connection will provide the City of Parsons and Hamrick Public Service District the ability to direct water flow to each other in time of need.

Bids are requested for the following Contract: **Emergency Potable Water Connection**
 The Work will be substantially completed within 120 calendar days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run, and completed and ready for final payment within 150 days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run. Liquidated damages shall be \$ 1,000 per day.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website:
 QuestCDN: <https://tinyurl.com/zu5z8553>
 or www.thrashergroup.com

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website. The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

The Thrasher Group, Inc.
 600 White Oaks Boulevard
 Bridgeport, WV 26330

Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of **8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below.

Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office by paying the amount of each set listed below.

Bidding Documents may be purchased from the Issuing Office during the hours indicated above. Cost does not include shipping charges. Upon Issuing Office's receipt of payment, printed Bidding Documents or electronic documents will be transmitted to the prospective Bidder. The shipping charge amount will depend on the shipping method requested. Bidding Documents are available for purchase in the following formats:

- Bidding Documents issued as hard copy full-size drawings and hard copy specifications, are available for **\$150.00** per set.
- Bidding Documents issued as digital drawings and digital specifications, are available for **\$40.00** per set via the following link:
 QuestCDN: <https://tinyurl.com/zu5z8553>

Amounts paid are not subject to refund.

Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Bidding Documents also may be examined at
 City of Parsons The Thrasher Group, Inc.
 341 Second Street 600 White Oaks Boulevard
 Parsons, WV 26287 Bridgeport, WV 26330

Contractor's Association of WV
 2114 Kanawha Boulevard East
 Charleston, WV 25311

A two envelope system will be used.

Envelope No. 1 must have the following information presented on the front:
 Name and address of Bidder
 Bid on Contract - City of Parsons and Hamrick Public Service District Emergency Potable Water Connection
 Received by the City of Parsons

Envelope No. 2 labeled "Bid Proposal" shall also be placed inside of Envelope #1.

Envelope No. 1 will be opened first and the Bid Opening Requirement items checked for compliance as outlined on the Bid Opening Checklist on page BOR - 1 of these contract documents. If such documents are found to be in order, Envelope No. 2 "Bid Proposal," will then be opened and will be publicly read aloud. If the documents required to be contained in Envelope No. 1 are not in order, Envelope No. 2 "Bid Proposal" will not be opened and the Bid will be considered non-responsive and will be returned to the Bidder.

A bidder may not withdraw his bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids. Bids shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond payable to the City of Parsons in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the base bid.

Contractor is required to provide the Drug Free Workplace Certification in accordance with WV Code 21-1D-5.

All Bidders are required to have a West Virginia Contractor's License per Section 90-42-12 of the West Virginia Code.

Suspension and Debarment - Recipient shall not entertain the use of businesses that are listed on the "System for Award Management" (SAM) at www.sam.gov in accordance with 2 CFR Part 1532 and Subpart B and C of 2 CFR Part 180.

Bidders are advised that the Contract awarded under this Advertisement for Bids is to be funded (entirely/or in part) by a grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this Advertisement for Bids or any resulting Contract.

This Small Cities Block Grant project is to be financed in part by a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the West Virginia Development Office and shall be referred to as Project #010-00847 - Emergency Potable Water Connection.

Bidders on this Work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246 and "HUD Section 109," which prohibits discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex, or national origin.

The work to be performed under this Contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701 u (Section 3). The contractor will ensure that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment arising in connection with this SCBG-assisted project will be extended to lower income project area residents. Further, the contractor will, to the greatest extent feasible, utilize business concerns located in or substantially owned by residents of the project area, in the award of contracts and purchase of services and supplies.

The parties to this Contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CRF part 135, which implement Section 3. Bidder's attention is directed to the Section 3 "Clause" set forth in the Contract Documents.

Bidders must comply with the requirements for Affirmative Action and Minority Business Enterprise participation as described in the Federal Specifications insert to the Contract Documents. Bidders must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Davis Bacon Act, the Copeland Act, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Act, and the West Virginia Division of Labor Wages for Construction of Public Improvements pursuant to West Virginia Code 521-5A-3.

Any Contractor submitting a Bid on this project hereby certifies, indicates and acknowledges that he/she has a license and meets all the qualifications required by the statutes of the State and subdivision in which the work is to be performed.

Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the reception of bids will be returned unopened to the bidders.

The City of Parsons reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Pre-bid Conference

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **Thursday, October 12, 2023** at 10:00 a.m. at **Parsons City Hall** located at **341 Second Street, Parsons, Tucker County, WV 26287**. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: **City of Parsons**
 By: **Tim Auvil**
 Date: **Wednesday, September 27, 2023 and Wednesday, October 4, 2023**

The Parsons Advocate

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Notice of Public Hearing

The Town of Hendricks, a municipal corporation, will hold a final vote on a proposed ordinance. The title of said ordinance is "REFUSE COLLECTION FEE ORDINANCE." The principal object of said ordinance is to amend Article 3, Section 1 of the ORDINANCE REGULATING AND CONTROLLING REFUSE COLLECTION REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL IN THE TOWN OF HENDRICKS, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA.

The final vote on adoption of said ordinance shall be held on Tuesday, October 10th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at Hendricks Town Hall, Hendricks, West Virginia. Interested parties may appear and be heard at such time with respect to said ordinance. The ordinance may be materially amended at said meeting.

If adopted, said ordinance shall immediately become effective from the time of its passage.

Town of Hendricks, a municipal corporation
By
Solena L. Roberts, Mayor

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DEADLINE 3PM FRIDAY

HELP WANTED

Tucker County Senior Center is looking to fill two positions:

1. Part-time Accounts Payable Position:
Prefer someone who has worked in the banking industry to complete; Accounts payable, billing and other accounting tasks.

2. Full time Transportation Director:
Job entails scheduling rides, billing, maintaining records, must have a good work ethic.

Jobs available until filled.

Contact Tim Turner at 304-478-2423 for more information.

The Tucker County Senior Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



Blackwater Falls State Park is hiring a Daily Manager for Sled Run

Will oversee daily operation of the facility, greets and helps visitors. Will also be responsible for assigning duties to other employees which include conveyor operation, Sled Run ticket sales, cross country ski rentals, cleaning and maintaining facilities.

Must be willing to work weekends and holidays, able to work well with others, must be able to lift up to 50 lbs. and must be able to swerve guests in a positive and friendly manner. Regular attendance is required and applicant must have reliable transportation.

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Home Center, Parsons. 304-478-2488

WATER WELL PUMPING SYSTEMS, SALES AND INSTALLATION. Rowan Drilling WV004493 304-591-0272; 304-940-6544

YARD SALE

YARD SALE - Thursday, Sept. 28, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, Sept. 29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 30, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; 5857 Location Rd. six miles from St. George. We have numerous items, still adding more. For info call Becky Arbogast 304-478-3813, 304-642-8885. Rain or shine.

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I have before me the accounts of the Executor or Administrator of the estates of the following deceased persons:

Deceased
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2nd publication 10/4/23
Carson B. White
1st publication 9/27/23
2nd publication 10/4/23
Virginia I. Johnson
1st publication 9/27/23
2nd publication 10/4/23
Jeanne A. Dumas
1st publication 9/27/23
2nd publication 10/4/23

Personal Representative(s)
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11234 Silentwood Ln.
Reston, VA 20191
Rebecca White
421 Moyer Hollow Rd.
Elkins, WV 26241
Steven A. Johnson
18 Maple Grove Ln.
Davis, WV 26260
Bradley Dumas
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Ticket	Taxpayer Name 1/Name 2	Legal Description	Total Due
2022 PERSONAL PROPERTY			
01-BLACK FORK			
300015	ANDERSON ASHLEY	2014 FORD FOCU	55.28
300027	BARKLEY REBECCA & DONALD	2006 JEEP LIBE	64.54
300063	BURNSIDE HOLLIE	2014 CHEV SILV 2002 MH12	389.16
300096	CLOSE DAVID	1999 MH12	317.04
300102	COOPER TRAVIS & HEATHER	2011 CHEV SILV 2021 CHEV TRAV 2008 JEEP WRAN	494.94
300172	FREET ADELAIDE	1987 MH12	99.42
300174	GANTZ ROBERT	1995 MAZD	22.62
300179	GODWIN DANIELLE	2013 SUBA LEGA	102.64
300216	HERRON GARY	2001 TOYO CORO 2002 GMC SIER 2004 HD ROAD 2013 HYUN ELAN 2010 CHEV CAMA 2000 CHEV IMPA	178.70
300223	HUMPHREY ZACH S	1986 MH12	77.92
300240	JONES JOHN	2017 MH12	50.64
300243	JONES MELISSA	1993 FORD MUST	22.62
300298	MASON CAROLYN S	1979 MH12	91.28
300301	MCCRUM ANGIE	2019 JEEP CHER	165.10
300408	POLING PAMELA	2018 FORD ESCA	146.16
300423	REED SYLVANUS JR	1964 MH12	62.74
300465	SHREVE BARBARA	1974 MH12	83.22
300535	WARE BRETT	2015 SUZU GSX- 2018 CHEV SILV	308.68
300552	WILLIAMS DERRICK L	2006 JEEP WRAN 2021 TOYO CORO	274.42
		Total For 01-BLACK FORK	3,007.12
02-CLOVER			
300583	DILLSWORTH JAMES	2009 CHEV AVAL	99.80
300658	SMITH DEVIN & ELIZABETH	2000 FORD F250 2019 FORD EXPE	365.06
		Total For 02-CLOVER	464.86
03-DAVIS DISTRICT			
300705	HAMM STEVEN E PAULETTA	1998 JEEP CHER 2019 JEEP CHER	177.40
		Total For 03-DAVIS DISTRICT	177.40
04-DAVIS CORPORATION			
300784	CANON DOUGLAS	1971 MH12	59.92
300823	DOWD DAVID C	2019 HARL FLHX 2006 BMW 3 SE 2020 FORD MUST	524.02
300824	DRAGONE CAROLINE	2012 HOND CRV	140.48
300837	FRIEND BETHANY K	2019 SUBA CROS	224.64
300858	HARMON WILLARD ESTATE	1964 MH12	132.54
300881	JOHNSON MASON	2008 JEEP LIBE	82.04
300884	KENNARD EDWIN M	2017 SUBA FORE	190.82
300888	KING CATHERINE E	2013 TOYO RAV4	131.96
300906	MANER LISA	2012 NISS ALTI	87.36
300914	MCCABE BRANDY	2009 CHEV COBA 2008 PONT G5-4	62.64
300915	MCCLASKEY CHARLES	1985 CHEV CAPR	48.48
300925	MOUNTAIN MIST PAINTING LLC	0000 BOX TRLR 2014 DODG RAM 0000 ME - MACH	367.44
300927	NELSON MICKI	2016 CHR Y TOWN	161.44
300946	PHILLIPS EDGAR & ALICE	2004 JEEP WRAN	106.52
300950	PLATT DAVID 2011 FORD ESCA 2018	HISU TACT 2018 JEEP GRAN	430.14
		Total For 04-DAVIS CORPORATION	2,750.44
05-DRYFORK			
301042	ARMBUSTER JOAN	1976 MG B 2021 SUBA FORE	334.34
301043	ARMSTRONG TONIA	2006 FORD FIVE 2003 CHEV SILV 1995 DODG STEL	54.46
301056	BEAFOR STAN	2008 HUMM H3-5	107.68
301145	CROSSLAND BRENDA	2017 JEEP RENE	126.42
301155	DAVID PLATT INC	0000 CE - COMP 0000 ME - MACH 0000 FF - FURN	39.88
301219	GINGRAS DON	2018 TOYO TACO	209.84
301240	HARMAN JACOB	0000 FF - FURN	63.34
301250	HAVERTY SAMANTHA & MARK	2011 FORD F150 2001 FORD F250 2009 HOND CIVI	202.40
301391	NICHOLSON JUDITH	2010 CARR TRLR	22.62
301443	ROY RITA	2013 TOYO VENZ	102.02
301474	STANDARD COMPANIES INC	0000 1000 0002	24.42
301525	WALKER LLOYD D JR	0000 FF - FURN	77.68
301552	WOLFORD ROGER JR	2004 FORD EXPE 2008 CHEV SILV	105.86
		Total For 05-DRYFORK	1,470.96
06-FAIRFAX			
301561	ADAMY DELORES P	2007 FORD FOCU	32.90
301640	WHITE TIMOTHY	2001 JEEP CHER 2015 SUBA LEGA	121.16
		Total For 06-FAIRFAX	154.06
07-HAMBLETON			
301657	DRAVENSTOTT CASEY	2007 BUIC LUCE	73.24
301680	KUHN TERRY JR	2005 PONT GRAN	61.38
301698	NESTOR LEILA	2005 FORD TAUR	37.78
301723	SNYDER MATTHEW R	2006 CHEV SILV	114.42
		Total For 07-HAMBLETON	286.82
08-HENDRICKS			
301749	COCKERHAM LAUREN	2014 HOND CIVI	97.74
301780	NESTOR EMILY	2019 SUBA ASCE	297.72
301809	YOKUM CHRISTINA	1969 HORS TRLR 2015 GMC SIER	140.18
		Total For 08-HENDRICKS	535.64
09-LICKING			
301815	BEAVERS CONSTRUCTION LLC	2003 CROC TRLR 2015 CHEV SILV 0000 OT - OTHE	666.60
301820	BOURNE RANDI	2020 DODG RAM 2006 CHEV SILV 0000 ME - MACH	40.52
301821	BOURNE RANDI	2015 MH12	38.36
301840	HOLDEN BENJAMIN	2015 MH12	99.08
301844	HOWELL TOM	2020 MH12	62.68
301864	MILLER ANTHONY	2018 MH12	46.58
301866	MOORE BOB	2020 MH12	114.04
301886	REDMOND SHERAN	2018 KIA SPOR	129.44
301894	LOAN KETTERING INSTITUTE NATIONS BANK	0000 5000 0010 0000 5000 0011 0000 5000 0012 0000 5000 0014 0000 5000 0018 0000 5000 0023 0000 5000 0024 0000 5000 0027	26.60
301896	SNIDER CHERYL L	2015 MH12	28.88
301897	SNYDER JOHN	2015 MH12	52.22
301904	WELLS RODNEY	2015 MH12	48.38
301906	ZORGEN ROB	2015 MH12	47.76
		Total For 09-LICKING	1,401.14
10-PARSONS			
301935	BAUSCH HEALTH INC	2021 INV	25.94
301956	BOWLEY ISAAC W	2008 JEEP WRAN	115.20
301971	BUTLER DEBORAH	2012 TOYO YARI	65.02
302012	DAVIS PATRICK S LOULIS NICOLE	2014 CHEV SONI	64.74
302051	FRYMYER STEVEN & EVELYN	2007 CHEV TAHO	103.12
302077	HADDIX ANNETTA M	2003 TOYO RAV4	49.24
302086	HART RYAN 2011 CHEV MALI	2005 FORD F150 2013 CHEV SPAR 2018 FORD ESCA	310.58
302087	HEBB CAITLYN	1995 JEEP	50.90
302099	HILLBILLY VAPE	2021 COST AS O 0000 FF - FURN 0000 ME - MACH	119.74
302126	JONES SETH	2000 CHEV CAVA	28.76
302129	KAHL JOHN W	2017 CHEV SONI	93.44
302174	MARICLE RANDY	1979 MH12	91.52
302186	MAXSON ARVITA	1986 MH12	100.32
302191	MCCRUM CLAYTON	2005 SUBA LEGA	49.24
302193	MCCRUM MICHAEL	2014 DODG RAM	204.50
302289	PUGH DYLAN M	1985 CHEV CAME 2006 CHEV SILV 1995 CHEV SUBU	106.08
302316	SHAHAN CODY	1999 FORD F250 1990 JEEP WRAN 2003 PONT GRAN	41.22
302329	SIMMONS DONNA	1992 MH12	88.00
302330	SIMMONS DYLAN	2001 JEEP WRAN	67.42
302350	SPESSERT HOLLY & DAVID	2018 NISS FRON	230.42
302378	THOMPSON GLEN J	1987 CHEV S10 2000 FORD RANG	41.22
302405	WENTH STEPHANIE	2020 DODG JOUR	323.16
		Total For 10-PARSONS	2,369.78
11-SAINT GEORGE			
302446	BATES RAYMOND SLONE CHRISTOPHER	2020 FORD ECOS	185.56
302458	BOYLES MONA L	2019 CHEV SPAR 1993 CHEV S10	94.58
302480	CHICKERELL RON & TONYA	2000 CAMP	46.00
302501	DIGGER ADVENTURES LLC	2013 FORD SUPE	115.14
302529	FREET TONI	2008 SUBA LEGA 1965 MH12	101.90
302586	KISAMORE JESSICA	2015 CHEV TRAX	85.70
302617	LIPSCOMB JASON	2017 FORD F150	215.26
302635	MCCAULEY KEVIN & DONNA	2020 FORD RANG 2005 FORD F150	382.16
302639	METZ KYLER E	2020 FORD ECOS	192.48
302708	ROTH MATTHEW & KAYLA	2008 DODG RAM	163.50
		Total For 11-SAINT GEORGE	1,582.28
12-THOMAS			
302786	CANON CARL B SR & JANET	1970 GMC 1999 CHEV S10 2008 JEEP LIBE	87.48
302855	GRUPP HELEN J	2002 KIA OPTI	31.98
302916	PENNINGTON SHANNA	2021 CHEV EQUI	425.62
302935	RICHARD CHARLES E	2004 TOYO SIEN	49.56
302937	RUBENSTEIN DAVID V	2006 DODG RAM 2017 DODG RAM	320.70
302959	SNYDER JOSEPH W OR DEBRA S	1991 HOND 300 2010 POLA RANG 2005 UTIL TRLR 2017 FORD EXPL 2018 CHEV SILV	631.76
302981	WILKINS LINCOLN H JR & AMANDA	2005 MERC MOUN	68.70
		Total For 12-THOMAS	1,615.80
		Total For 2022 Personal Property	15,816.30
2022 REAL ESTATE			
01-BLACK FORK			
34	ALLMAN ETHEL J		49.42
68	BARKLEY DONALD & REBECCA R BRETZ	PARCEL	110.10
142	BROWN JONATHAN YOUNG	0120110107 WELL B800	49.42
143	BROWN ROBERT L III	0120110107 B800	49.42
241	CLOSE DAVID & SAMANTHA D	755 SQ FT & 20 SQ RDS (.142 AC)	111.32

246	COLERIDER DALE G & BETTY LOU LIVING TRUST	4/48 MIN INT 7136-200 (1/8 INT)	59.04
247	COLERIDER FAMILY REVOC LIVING TRUST	B800	49.42
304	DEICKMAN ANDREA	0120110107 4 WELL B800 .72 AC	9.42
318	DILLY DAVID E & TARITA M	S HADDIX CREEK B800	818.02
409	FINCHER JULIAN W POA	0120110107 WELL B800	49.42
521	HAUGHT DANIEL	0120110107 WELL B800	49.42
522	HAUGHT JAMES E	0120110107 WELL B800	49.42
551	HELMICK JUNIOR & TAMMY L	0113130080 LONG #1 LOR	49.42
589	ISAACSON TODD A	2 LOTS NEAR HAMBLETON	182.04
652	KIMBLE MICHAEL & DEBORAH L	0113130080 LONG #1 LOR 01	49.42
740	LFI LLC LONG DANIEL		49.42
839	MMS XTO FEDERAL		49.42
840	MMS XTO FEDERAL	HALLER 01 0116160098	49.42
925	NESTOR BURLAND JR ET AL C/O JAMES M MORRIS	.14 AC W SIDE RT 219	133.48
986	PARSONS CABIN TRUST	2 AC	319.08
987	JANIS GREENLEAF TRUSTEE PARSONS HEIRS	SHAVERS FORK CABIN 0113130080 LONG #1 MIN INT IN	49.42
1018	PENNINGTON LENZA C/O RUTH OBERENDER	35 ACS NEAR HENDRICKS 0120110107 WELL B800	50.38
1143	RAY ROBERTA BROWN	PARCEL	49.42
1191	ROY DENVER R & ANITA J	.42 AC	201.46
1198	RUSSELL DONALD E	0120110107 WELL B800	49.42
1221	SELL EDGAR S JR	PARCEL HADDIX CREEK .64 AC	119.58
1230	SHAHAN DAVID O	.40 AC BRETZ	272.72
1256	SILVER LINING RESOURCES LLC ET AL	185 AC MINERALS *305-5A*	78.86
1261	SIMMONS ISOBELL	ROYALTIES 1116160093	49.42
1318	SNYDER VIRGIL F C/O KELLY L SNYDER	1 AC LOC?	82.28
		Total For 01-BLACK FORK	3,378.50
02-CLOVER			
1691	BOWDEN WILLIAM B SNYDER MELISSA D	1 AC EAST PIFER MT LLC .43 ACRE P/O TRACT #7	105.00
1850	JAMR PROPERTIES	1/2 M .85 CLOVER RUN	65.90
2056	PINETOGA PROPERTIES LLC	ROYALTIES 070706 DOMINION	52.86
2140	SAUNDERS DORCAS KNOTTS TAMARA	MINERALS (02 202002600000000)	49.42
2263	TENNANT WILLIAM D TRUST	56.03 ACS PLAT 484 TRACT B	3,764.60
2294	WENT RANDALL L & ROBERTA J	88-110-148 (2 TR) FX O&G ROYALTIES DOMINION	49.42
2307	WILLIAMS VIVA	Total For 02-CLOVER	4,136.62
03-DAVIS DISTRICT			
2574	POMPA VICTOR L & JENNIFER A	UNIT 29 PENDLETONHEIM	392.02
2640	WAINWRIGHT MICHAEL KEVIN WAINWRIGHT TOVE MARIA	UNIT 23 PENDLETONHEIM	392.02
2688	WHITEAKER GREGORY & MARIE	LOT #4 2.16 AC CANAAAN HEIGHTS ESTATES	730.38
		Total For 03-DAVIS DISTRICT	1,514.42
04-DAVIS CORPORATION			
2813	ARNOLD DANIEL G ADKINS JOYETTE N	LOT 14 DAVIS ANNEX .34 AC	741.26
3127	FRIDLEY DONNA R	LT 295 SURFACE 40 X 132.5 LT 289	490.78
3202	HINNANT JOHN E HINNANT SARAH E	PT LT 290 BLACKWATER AVE	156.68
3203	HINNANT JOHN E S HINNANT SARAH E	PT 410 (1/2) 20 X 132.5	630.68
3246	KARESH ARLENE & CHARLES W	LOT 20 DAVIS ANNEX .34 AC	161.44
3318	LILLER REX A	LOT 21 DAVIS ANNEX .34 AC	683.50
3319	LILLER REX A	LT 57 THOMAS AVE 40 X 132.5	180.88
3403	MCCLASKEY CHARLES D	LOT #4 PHASE 1 .80 AC TUSCAN RIDGE	474.82
3520	OLGERS FORREST OLGERS KASSANDRA	LT 39 44 X 132.5	219.02
3548	POLING STEPHANIE MARIE CROWL MARY LOU (LIFE ESTATE)	MARY LOU CROWL LIFE ESTATE LOT#106 PHASE 1 .65 AC TUSCAN RIDGE	481.24
3624	SCB PROPERTIES LLC	LOT #107 PHASE 1 .55 AC TUSCAN RIDGE	186.20
3625	SCB PROPERTIES LLC	LOT #112 PHASE 1 .59 AC TUSCAN RIDGE	168.42
3679	STIDMAN FAMILY 2019 REVOCABLE TRUST	LOT 197 WILLIAM AVE	173.18
3697	THOMAS ROBERT A & DELIA JAYNE	Total For 04-DAVIS CORPORATION	891.62
		5,639.72	
05-DRYFORK			
3902	AGHILI NADER	LOT 92 WINTERHAVEN PHASE II .515 AC	744.74
3936	AMIOT BROOKS R & SUSAN Q	UNIT H-3 NORTHWOODS CONDO 4.85AC	1,485.74
4043	BAILEY MARK EDWARD	LOT 58 NORTHFACE .233 AC	247.98
4079	BEALL JOHN & MILOUDA	3/4 MIN INT 700 AC CANAAN	120.12

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Gov. Justice announces record \$7 billion annual tourism impact for 2022

West Virginia traveler spending up 17% from pre-pandemic levels, far outpacing national level. Davis, WV — Gov. Jim Justice recently joined more than 300 tourism-industry members to announce West Virginia’s best tourism year ever, with the industry’s economic impact exceeding \$7 billion last year. That number represents a 17% increase in visitor spending compared to pre-pandemic levels, far higher than the United States’ overall 1% post-pandemic tourism recovery.

all-time high. Tourism Economics provides impact studies for 30 destinations and is the official research provider of U.S. Travel, which promotes American tourism around the world. West Virginia’s tourism industry has seen dramatic growth since Gov. Justice took office in 2017. Visitor spending has grown more than 30%—or more than \$1 billion a year—since 2016, despite a global pandemic. Traveler spending in West Virginia contributes significantly to the state’s economy. Food and beverage spending topped \$1.4 billion in 2022. Lodging spending surpassed \$800 million for the first time ever, led by a 275% increase in short-term rental revenue since 2019. Visitor spending generated \$887 million in tax revenues last year, with \$520 million going directly to our state and

local governments. Tourism-generated tax dollars contributed approximately \$715 per household to maintaining government services. These record-breaking tourism numbers were presented at the annual Governor’s Conference on Tourism being held at Canaan Valley Resort State Park. In remarks at the conference, Gov. Justice recognized the more than 300 industry officials on site and the important role they’ve played in growing the tourism economy. “You’ve done an unbelievable job taking our state’s tourism industry to the next level, and I could not be more proud,” Gov. Justice said. “All we needed to do was show the world what we already knew we had in West Virginia, and now with these numbers today, it’s truly amazing to see what we have achieved. Tourism’s been one of

my top priorities as Governor from the very beginning of my time in office, and it’s wonderful to see our investment pay off in a major way.” The tourism industry supports more than 53,000 West Virginia jobs, one out of every 16 in the state. Those jobs account for nearly \$2 billion in annual income. “Gov. Justice’s commitment to tourism has paid off in a huge way,” Chelsea Ruby, Secretary of the West Virginia Department of Tourism, said. “We’re proud of the growth we’ve been able to achieve and the impact it has on our state’s economy. But most of all, we’re thrilled that more people than ever are discovering what West Virginia has to offer. We have the best tourism destination in the country, and these numbers show that the rest of the world is receiving that message.”

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**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2023**

	Primary Government		Component Units		
	Governmental Activities	Board of Health	Ambulance Authority	Parks and Recreation	Development Authority
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,871,278	\$ 258,256	\$ 502,775	\$ 112,970	\$ 352,789
Receivables:					
Taxes	59,072	-	-	-	-
Due from:					
Other governments	12,941	-	-	-	-
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	875	-
Total current assets	3,943,291	258,256	502,775	113,845	352,789
Capital Assets:					
Nondepreciable					
Land	749,416	-	-	-	393,371
Depreciable:					
Buildings and building improvements	12,936,768	-	-	-	1,710,998
Improvements	-	-	-	11,512	-
Infrastructure	-	-	-	-	250,375
Contents	687,935	-	-	-	-
Machinery and equipment	874,690	-	622,783	72,596	588
Furniture and fixtures	-	-	-	29,762	-
Less: accumulated depreciation	(4,132,860)	-	(441,914)	(56,787)	(666,624)
Other debts:					
Net pension assets	-	-	261,273	-	-
Total assets	15,059,240	258,256	944,917	170,928	2,041,497
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS					
Deferred outflows	-	-	168,326	8,858	1,699
Differences between projected and actual investment earnings	119,374	-	-	-	-
Changes in employer proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	27,058	-	-	-	-
Difference in assumptions	171,351	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	99,681	-	-	-	-
Employer contributions subsequent to measurement date	242,865	-	-	-	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	660,329	-	168,326	8,858	1,699
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities payable from current assets:					
Accounts payable	101,655	59,035	65,181	7,297	2,774
Unearned revenues:					
Federal grants	239,495	-	-	-	-
Other					
Noncurrent liabilities:					
Net OPEB liability	44,502	-	-	-	37,623
Compensated absences payable	84,744	-	-	-	996
Net pension liability	288,334	-	-	3,169	-
Total liabilities	758,730	59,035	65,181	10,466	41,393
DEFERRED INFLOWS					
Differences in assumptions	114,441	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	62,384	-	-	-	-
Changes in employer proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	46,479	-	-	-	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	223,304	-	274,054	133	5,179
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets	11,115,949	-	180,869	57,083	1,688,708
Unrestricted	3,621,586	199,221	593,139	112,104	307,916
Total net position	\$ 14,737,535	\$ 199,221	\$ 774,008	\$ 169,187	\$ 1,996,624

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
June 30, 2023**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 249,265
Capital outlays are reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds but are considered an asset at the government-wide level. This is the amount of capital assets that were purchased during the fiscal year. (Note III-C)	111,703
Capital outlays are reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds. In the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount of depreciation expense charged during the year. (Note III-C)	(407,864)
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, and donations) is to decrease net position. (Note III-C)	(500)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. This is the difference between prior and current year deferred revenues.	(17,120)
Prior year deferred revenues:	\$62,868
Current year deferred revenues:	\$45,748
Certain pension and OPEB expenses in the statement of activities are recognized on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GASB 68. (Notes V and VI)	
Amount of pension and OPEB expenditures at find modified accrual level:	242,865
Amount of pension and OPEB expenses recognized at government-wide level:	64,586
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. (Note III-F)	(20,301)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 222,634

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense), Revenues and Changes in Net Position				
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government Activities	Board of Health	Ambulance Authority	Parks & Recreation	Development Authority
Primary government:									
Governmental activities:									
General government	\$ 3,579,563	\$ 780,859	\$ 1,314,780	\$ -	\$ (1,483,626)				
Public safety	2,874,549	-	5,258	-	(2,869,291)				
Health and sanitation	42,700	-	-	-	(42,700)				
Culture and recreation	810,054	-	-	-	(810,054)				
Social services	25,765	-	-	-	(25,765)				
Total governmental activities	7,332,333	780,859	1,320,038	-	(5,231,436)				
Total primary government	\$ 7,332,333	\$ 780,859	\$ 1,320,038	\$ -	\$ (5,231,436)				
Component units:									
Board of Health	341,064	42,629	231,471	-	-	\$ (66,964)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Ambulance Authority	860,269	860,778	-	-	-	-	509	-	-
Parks & Recreation	200,046	82,150	-	-	-	-	-	(117,896)	-
Development Authority	154,849	-	75,379	-	-	-	-	-	(79,470)
Total component units	\$ 1,556,228	\$ 985,557	\$ 306,850	\$ -	-	(66,964)	509	(117,896)	(79,470)
General revenues:									
Ad valorem property taxes					3,148,535	-	-	-	-
Other taxes					1,359,479	-	-	-	-
Coal severance tax					40,378	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits					4,240	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental:									
Local					80,000	35,000	-	-	-
Interest					17,365	2,404	-	-	5,242
Reimbursements					118,753	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous					685,320	2,926	-	117,180	18,200
Total general revenues					5,454,070	40,330	-	117,108	23,442
Change in net position					222,634	(26,634)	509	(716)	(56,028)
Net position - beginning					14,514,901	225,855	773,499	169,903	2,052,652
Net position - ending					\$ 14,737,535	\$ 199,221	\$ 774,008	\$ 169,187	\$ 1,996,624

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2023**

Total fund balances on the governmental fund's balance sheet	\$ 3,556,393
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are therefore not reported in the funds. (Note III-C)	11,115,949
Certain revenues are not available to fund current year expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. (Note III-B)	45,748
Deferred inflows and outflows related to pension and OPEB activity are not reported in the statement of activities but are required to be reported at the government-wide level (Notes V and VI):	
Deferred outflow (inflow) - Changes in employer portion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of expense	(19,421)
Deferred outflow - Employer contributions after measurement date	242,865
Deferred inflow - Differences between projected and actual investment earnings	119,374
Deferred outflow (inflow) - Differences between expected and actual experience	37,297
Deferred outflow (inflow) - Differences in assumptions.	56,910
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. (Note III-F)	(417,580)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 14,737,535

**TUCKER COUNTY COMMISSION GENERAL COUNTY
VENDOR LIST 2022-2023**

Vendor Name	Amount
ADKINS HOME C. ENIER	6212.46
ADKINS HOME CENTER INC.	401.29
AGGREGATE	141,139.03
ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY	46,737.00
AT&T MOBILITY	3,400.16
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	494.40
BREEZELINE	35,146.73
BONNERTECH/ANTHONY BONNER	1,484.89
BREWER & COMPANY OF WV, INC.	4,890.00
CINTAS CORPORATION	778.88
CITIZENS BANK OF WEST VIRGINIA	2,000.00
CITY OF PARSONS	11,296.18
CRYSTAL SPRINGS	4,317.07
DAVE'S PLUMBING & HEATING LLC	854.20
J.C. EHRLICH	1,905.00
ELITE SEALCOATING	5,757.05
SHERRY EYE	2,119.20
FIFTH THIRD BANK	2,223.08
FIRE PROTECTION PRODUCTS INC	1,242.07
FRONTIER	352.88
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS CORP	9,000.00
MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY	13,527.08
HAMRICK PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT	1,633.15
HAMRICK PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT	413.37
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	10,524.78
JIM'S ALLSTAR MARKET	1,791.12
KIDWELL AUTO PARTS	134.48

KIDWELL AUTO PARTS INC	144.91
KONE	12,093.56
LEEDY ELEVATOR INSPECTION SERVICE LLC	460.00
JOHN E. LIPSCOMB	1,350.00
MASON & BARRY INC.	15,136.73
MON POWER	56,123.52
NAYLOR'S HARDWARE	139.92
NAYLOR'S ACE HARDWARE	429.00
WV PEIA	62,590.67
PHILLIPS ELECTRONICS	2,350.00
QCADIANT LEASING USA, INC.	616.26
QCADIANT FINANCE USA, INC.	3,009.00
QUILL CORPORATION	1,780.71
ROBS LOCKSMITH SERVICE	2,297.00
SAVAGE HOME INSPECTIONS LLC	275.00
SONNY'S CARPET	15,574.00
UNIFIRST	410.01
UNIFIRST CORPORATION	744.86
US BANK	3,166.80
US CELLULAR	4,469.47
WESTFIELD INSURANCE COMPANY	2,298.00
WV BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM	2,757.14
WRIGHT NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE CO.	12,462.00
WVCoRP	107,546.00
WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF LABOR	180.00
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	12,701.12
WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT	73.02
TUCKER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	40,574.00
JACLYN L. NICHOLS	471.70
THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	1,905.53
WV PEIA	39,461.60
PRECISION PRINTED PRODUCTS	79.13
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC.	1,174.00
QUILL CORPORATION	3,725.28
THOMPSON REUTERS-WEST	189.63
US BANK	2,217.20
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	15,322.86
AGGREGATE	133,310.26
HOLLY L. ASH	101.54
FIFTH THIRD BANK	1,990.93
HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	931.59
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	10,046.91
MASTER CRAFT PRINTERS	976.00
WV PELA	11,835.60
US BANK	2,068.55
WV ASSOCIATION OF CIRCUIT CLERKS	750.00
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	11,989.20
AGGREGATE	179,032.43
ANTHONY BONNER	937.50
BONNERTECH/ANTHONY BONNER	649.00
FIFTH THIRD BANK	2,052.75
HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	149.32
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	13,373.32
LEAF	1,709.42
MCCLAIN PRINTING COMPANY	728.87
MPB PRINT & SIGN SUPERSTORE	8,720.83
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK NA	86.55
MYERS AUTO REPAIR	145.00
NATIONAL SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	71.00
THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	7,466.93
WV PEIA	36,196.40
PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERV LLC	1,594.98
QUILL CORPORATION	985.52

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**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
June 30, 2023**

	General	Coal Severance Tax	E-911	American Rescue Plan	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS						
Current:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,997,347	\$ 24,938	\$ 717,255	\$ 244,605	\$ 997,133	\$ 3,871,278
Receivables:						
Taxes	59,072	-	-	-	-	59,072
Due from:						
Other funds	-	-	272	-	-	272
Other governments	8,570	4,371	-	-	-	12,941
Total Assets	\$ 2,064,989	\$ 29,309	\$ 717,527	\$ 244,605	\$ 887,133	\$ 3,943,563
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	87,487	-	119	-	14,049	101,655
Due to:						
Other funds	-	-	-	-	272	272
Unearned revenue:						
Federal grants	-	-	-	239,495	-	239,495
Total liabilities	87,487	-	119	239,495	14,321	341,422
Deferred Inflows:						
Unavailable revenue - taxes	45,748	-	-	-	-	45,748
Total deferred inflows of resources	45,748	-	-	-	-	45,748
Fund Balances:						
Restricted	-	-	717,408	5,110	872,812	1,595,330
Committed	586,455	-	-	-	-	586,455
Assigned	-	29,309	-	-	-	29,309
Unassigned	1,345,299	-	-	-	-	1,345,299
Total fund balances	1,931,754	29,309	717,408	5,110	872,812	3,556,393
Total liabilities, deferred inflows fund balances	\$ 2,064,989	\$ 29,309	\$ 717,527	\$ 244,605	\$ 887,133	\$ 3,943,563

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

	General	Coal Severance Tax	E-911	American Rescue Plan	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES						
Taxes:						
Ad valorem property taxes	\$ 3,165,655	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,165,655
Other taxes	1,351,281	-	-	-	8,198	1,359,479
Coal severance tax	-	40,378	-	-	-	40,378
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	4,240	4,240
Intergovernmental:						
Federal	700,098	-	-	514,526	-	1,214,624
State	100,156	-	-	-	5,258	105,414
Local	-	-	-	-	80,000	80,000
Charges for services	133,086	-	590,157	-	15,192	738,435
Finds and forfeits	4,454	-	-	-	37,970	42,424
Interest and investment earnings	12,124	-	2,348	1,035	1,858	17,365
Reimbursements	57,174	-	-	3,500	58,079	118,753
Miscellaneous	63,359	-	-	-	621,961	685,320
Total revenues	5,587,387	40,378	592,505	519,061	832,756	7,572,087
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
General government	2,786,519	26,778	-	462,181	326,901	3,602,379
Public safety	2,296,028	-	319,624	-	196,380	2,812,032
Health and sanitation	35,000	-	-	-	-	35,000
Culture and recreation	762,178	-	-	-	30	762,208
Capital outlay	-	-	-	52,345	59,358	111,703
Total expenditures	5,879,725	26,778	319,624	514,526	582,669	7,323,322
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(292,338)	13,600	272,881	4,535	250,087	248,765
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	476,817	-	-	-	-	476,817
Transfers (out)	-	-	(100,000)	-	(376,817)	(476,817)
Proceeds from the sale of assets	500	-	-	-	-	500
Total other financing sources (uses)	477,295	-	(100,000)	-	(376,817)	500
Net change in fund balances	184,979	13,600	172,881	4,535	(126,730)	249,265
Fund balances - beginning	1,746,775	15,709	544,527	575	999,542	3,307,128
Fund balances - ending	\$ 1,931,754	\$ 29,309	\$ 717,408	\$ 5,110	\$ 872,812	\$ 3,556,393

VENDOR LIST 2022-2023 continued from previous page					
VANDEVANDER & NYPL, CPAS, AC	16,250.00	WV DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS (TREAS/RPD)	636.88	HAMRICK PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT	461.65
US BANK	2,380.17	US BANK	245.14	HAMRICK PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT	128.71
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	9,788.40	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	16,007.35	HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	242.75
WV SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	600.00	AGGREGATE	75,717.63	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	33,868.55
AGGREGATE	200,461.29	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	5,772.33	JIM'S ALLSTAR MARKET	170.00
BLUE360 MEDIA, LLC	87.75	WV PEIA	6,212.80	KIDWELL AUTO PARTS INC.	68.33
BONNERTECH/ANTHONY BONNER	2,215.00	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	6,814.46	LIGHTRR	38,782.36
FIFTH THIRD BANK	1,767.13	WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT	163,14.53	MICROLOGIC	4,100.00
HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	445.41	AGGREGATE	68,264.73	MILLER COMMUNICATIONS	1277.00
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	15,031.47	CYNTHIA D. HARSH	454.73	MON POWER	3,595.28
LEAF	597.64	FIFTH THIRD BANK	2,430.41	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.	7,880.00
MCCLAIN PRINTING COMPANY	161.25	STEVENS FLORIST	134.00	MOUNTAIN STATE ESC	175.00
WV PEIA	35,195.60	CYNTHIA D. HARSH	1,012.23	THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	52.50
QUILL CORPORATION	1,034.77	HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	1,110.77	WV PEIA	88,674.82
KELLIE SPITZNOGLE	192.72	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	5,150.73	ANN RIFFE	1,375.00
THOMPSON REUTERS-WEST	568.89	JESICA STREETS	2,064.05	ROBS LOCKSMITH SERVICE	309.40
US BANK	1,247.22	HEATHER KNOTTS	116.38	MICHAEL W. SIMMONS	280.78
THOMPSON REUTERS-WEST	769.90	LEAF	3,081.76	PARSONS SHOP N SAVE	171.28
WVNET	96.00	NATIONAL ASSOC OF EXTENSION 4-H YOUTH	95.00	SUNRISE SANITATION SERVICE INC.	822.14
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	18,040.12	WV PEIA	5,942.80	SUNRISE SANITATION SERVICES INC.	223.19
ASSOCIATION OF WV ASSESSORS	100.00	QUILL CORPORATION	2,650.24	US BANK	7,560.71
CASTO & HARRIS OF WV, LLC	1,408.14	PARSONS SHOP N SAVE	347.87	SCOTTIE R. WILLIAMS	92.50
J CHRIS MICHAEL	652.41	UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA	286.00	WV DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS (TREAS/RPD)	436.68
CITIZENS BANK OF WEST VIRGINIA	88.29	UPSHUR COUNTY CEOS	54.00	WV ENHANCED 9-1-1 COUNCIL	912.27
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	13,273.01	US BANK	2,384.64	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	29,284.24
J.D. POWER	136.00	WVAE4-HA, CINDY SMALLEY, TREASURER	90.00	CANAAN VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.	38,437.50
PEIA	38,302.40	WV COUNTY AGENTS ASSOCIATION	75.00	DAVIS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.	38,437.51
TUCKER COUNTY BUILDING COMMISSION	40,000.00	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	6,103.53	PARSONS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.	38,437.49
AGGREGATE	233,609.70	WVU EXTENSION SERVICE	1,867.86	THOMAS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	38,437.50
AT&T MOBILITY	3,381.20	AGGREGATE	41,515.43	TUCKER COUNTY AMBULANCE AUTHORITY	262,864.38
AT&T MOBILITY	629.13	ANDREW MEADOR	237.50	US BANK	885.62
BFS COMPANIES	1,212.46	HOLLY L. ASH	273.75	ADKINS HOME CENTER	357.13
BLUE360 MEDIA LLC	87.75	JANICE BARB	200.00	AGGREGATE	107,368.44
BONNERTECH/ANTHONY BONNER	11,619.84	BONNERTECH/ANTHONY BONNER	1,290.00	APPALACHIAN ANIMAL HOSPITAL	1,069.42
CLAYMAN & ASSOCIATES	550.00	CANAAN VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.	100.00	AT&T MOBILITY	1,584.97
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	27,633.99	CASTO & HARRIS OF WV, LLC	4,667.21	BREEZELINE	1,586.29
DISCOUNT COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONICS INC	59.39	DAVIS CITY HALL	100.00	BACKSTREET AUTO	664.02
FIFTH THIRD BANK	3,448.82	ES&S	9,987.60	CINTAS CORPORATION	901.02
ELKINS FORDLAND INC.	965.75	FAT OLIVE'S	112.62	CITY OF PARSONS	3,287.55
GALLS, LLC	720.34	FIFTH THIRD BANK	998.22	BAILEY FALLS	110.31
GLOTFELTY TIRE CENTER	1,803.95	FLANAGAN HILL COMMUNITY CENTER	100.00	LEE FALLS	221.28
IN-SYNCH SYSTEMS, LLC	1,895.00	CYNTHIA D. HARSH	200.00	FIFTH THIRD BANK	53.00
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	16,416.76	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	2,498.70	HAZLEWOOD ANIMAL CLINIC, INC	436.75
JIM'S ALLSTAR MARKET	17,636.01	HEATHER KNOTTS	200.00	IDEXX DISTRIBUTION, INC.	1,499.50
KIDWELL AUTO PARTS	510.68	ROBERT LEARD	100.00	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	8,044.46
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC	1,058.00	THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	62.07	JIM'S ALLSTAR MARKET	5,070.69
LEAF	145.31	WV PEIA	12,227.05	KIDWELL AUTO PARTS	56.04
MCCLAIN PRINTING COMPANY	915.90	QUILL CORPORATION	1,994.25	MON POWER	3,179.64
MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT	315.00	ST JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	100.00	MYERS AUTO REPAIR	1,493.93
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.	7,248.67	CITY OF THOMAS	100.00	WV PEIA	22,821.00
MOUNTAIN STATE ESC	270.00	US BANK	576.72	QUILL CORPORATION	99.19
MYERS AUTO REPAIR	2,446.98	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	3,040.80	SHAUNA GRIFFITH	50.01
PANSCH INVESTIGATIONS LLC	340.00	VICTORIA GEORGE	200.00	UNITED LABORATORIES	981.18
WV PEIA	340.00	SHARON DELEURERE	200.00	US BANK	139.90
PETER PAN CLEANERS	62.10	VIRGIL L. GEORGE, JR	200.00	US CELLULAR	942.20
QUILL CORPORATION	1,356.51	DEBORAH L. GOWER	250.00	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	5,607.60
SIRCHIE ACQUISITION COMPANY, LLC	112.94	TAMMY CARR	250.00	AGGREGATE	285,767.50
10-42 TACTICAL LLC	2,665.43	SANDY HARDY	200.00	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	21,182.35
CHRISTOPHER TETER	83.52	REBECCA S. ARBOGAST	200.00	JIM'S ALLSTAR MARKET	400.60
TUCKER SERVICE	4,926.65	DOUG COLEMAN	200.00	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	1,000.00
US BANK	1,643.92	MALINDA HUNT	200.00	WV PEIA	51,808.40
WV SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	1,000.00	D. PAUL NESTOR	200.00	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	25,604.76
AGGREGATE	59,708.17	VAIA MEADOR	200.00	AGGREGATE	4,749.92
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	7,637.15	WV EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL	125.00	ALLEGHENY VETERINARY SERVICES	815.09
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	5,763.46	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	540.00	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	611.04
WV PEIA	11,415.20	KARLA MICK	46,137.12	FIFTH THIRD BANK	541.40
REGIONAL JAIL & CORRECTNL FACILITY AUTH.	80,046.75	ADKINS HOME CENTER	526.53	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	357.99
ADKINS HOME CENTER	328.70	ADKINS HOME CENTER INC	205.81	US BANK	183.36
AGGREGATE	33,228.96	ADVANTAGE TECHNOLOGY LLC	402.00	TUCKER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	35,000.00
AT&T MOBILITY	715.06	AGGREGATE	406,812.72	TUCKER CO PARKS & RECREATION COMMISS	120,000.00
AT&T MOBILITY	151.56	APCO INTERNATIONAL INC.	7,951.00	WHITNEY CONSTRUCTION	17,500.00
BREEZELINE	840.39	AT&T MOBILITY	2,233.82	ADKINS HOME CENTER	313.90
BACKSTREET AUTO	75.00	AT&T MOBILITY	345.00	ADKINS HOME CENTER INC.	468.69
CITY OF PARSONS	1,040.10	BREEZELINE	2370.35	SAMUEL BLOSSER, JR.	600.00
EAST-WEST PRINTING	225.60	BREWER & COMPANY OF WV, INC.	800.00	D.P.H. LLC	350.60
FIFTH THIRD BANK	1,622.04	BRUCETON PETROLEUM CO. INC	107.10	DODSON PEST CONTROL	87.64
FIRE PROTECTION PRODUCTS INC	97.10	THE CHIPS NETWORK	489.19	J.C. EHRLICH	83.74
FRONTIER	1,839.38	CITY OF PARSONS	60.00	RIVER BEND HOME IMPROVEMENTS LLC	14,126.83
MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY	2,693.88	COLONIAL LIFE ACCIDENT INSURANCE	54.87	NAYLOR'S HARDWARE	161.97
INSPIRON LOGISTICS LLC	2,985.00	COMPUTER PROJECTS OF IL INC	198.00	LETHA SCHOONOVER	250.00
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	2,530.00	CRYSTAL SPRINGS	42020	SHERIFF OF TUCKER COUNTY	58,078.26
JN&C TRANSPORT LLC	3,139.79	WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY	1,200.00	SUNRISE SANITATION SERVICES INC.	458.39
MON POWER	3,359.94	DODSON PEST CONTROL	200.00	TUCKER CO CONVENTION VISITORS BUREAU	527,491.21
OKLAHOMA CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES	114.58	DODSON PEST CONTROL	120.00	FIVE RIVERS PUBLIC LIBRARY	12,000.00
THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	201.00	EAST-WEST PRINTING	600.00	MOUNTAINTOP PUBLIC LIBRARY	11,000.00
PHILLIPS ELECTRONICS	312.45	FIFTH THIRD BANK	13,001.48		
US BANK	646.89	FRONTIER	8,664.58		
WV DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES	209.22	MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY	159.41		
		RIVER BEND HOME IMPROVEMENTS LLC	1,600.00		

Grand Total \$ 5,739,930.75

Mountaineer Garden Club Replaces Summer Flowers with Fall Mums



Linda Shahan Sherman, Glenda Lipscomb and Faith Moore members of the Mountaineer Garden Club removed summer's last gasp from 40 planters from around Parsons and replaced them with mums grown at Tucker County High School by the classes of Paul Pennington.

Buildings Razed as Part of Town Improvement Project



Two buildings, one on Main Street and one on Pennsylvania Ave. were recently razed to make improvements within town.

Seasons Provide Opportunity to Hunt White-Tailed Deer, Black Bear and Wild Boar

SOUTH CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources announced today that the state's archery and crossbow seasons for white-tailed deer, black bear and wild boar will open on Sept. 30.

These popular seasons, which last through Dec. 31, coincide with the state's fall foliage season and give hunters a unique opportunity to enjoy West Virginia's scenic beauty. Hunters who want to get the most out of their hunting adventures are encouraged to purchase their license and stamps at WVhunt.com before the seasons start and visit WVtourism.com/fall for trip inspiration.

"In just a few weeks, the thrill of our archery and crossbow seasons and the beauty of West Virginia's fall color will come together and give everyone a chance to connect with nature and enjoy incredible outdoor adventures," said WVDNR Director Brett McMillion. "Whether you're an experienced hunter or just starting out, I encourage you to get your license and stamps early so you don't miss out on this season."

White-Tailed Deer
Hunters may harvest one deer on their base license during the archery and crossbow season and may take up to two additional deer if they purchase a Class RB or RRB stamp before the season starts on Sept. 30. Depending on the county, one or two additional deer may be taken during the season. Resident landowners hunting on their own property and Class DT license holders are not required to purchase additional archery stamps.

Hunters may take up to two deer in one day, but may not take more than one antlered deer in a day. Hunters may not take more than three antlered deer during the regular deer seasons and the following Mountaineer Heritage season combined.

In nine counties or portions thereof, hunters must take an antlerless deer in any regular deer season before harvesting a second antlered deer in that county. In West Virginia's four archery-only counties (Logan, McDowell, Mingo and Wyoming), hunters may not take more

than two deer during the archery season and one deer must be antlerless.

Hunters are reminded that all deer must be electronically registered and legally tagged, but the first deer doesn't need to be checked before harvesting a second deer on the same day.

Black Bear
Hunters may harvest two bears in a year if at least one bear is taken in Boone, Fayette, Kanawha, Logan, McDowell, Mingo, Nicholas, Raleigh or Wyoming county. The daily bag limit is one.

Unless they are exempt from having to purchase a license, resident bear hunters are required to buy a base license and Bear Damage Stamp (Class DS) to hunt bear. Nonresident bear hunters are required to purchase a Bear Hunting License (Class EE), Conservation/Law Enforcement Stamp (CS/LE) and a Bear Damage Stamp (Class DS) or the Nonresident Lifetime License (Class EE-L). Nonresidents hunting on National Forest land also need a National Forest Stamp (Class I).

Wild Boar
West Virginia's wild boar archery and crossbow seasons are open only in Boone, Logan, Raleigh and Wyoming counties. The season bag limit is one. A second split of the wild boar archery and crossbow season will reopen on Feb. 2-4, 2024. To hunt in the February wild boar season, hunters will need to purchase a 2024 hunting license, which will go on sale in December.

Hunters are also reminded that they are required to check their game online at WVhunt.com, by calling 1-844-WVCheck or by visiting a license agent. Youth hunters, even if exempt from purchasing a license, are required to check their game on their own account. For more information about electronic game checking, visit WVdnr.gov/electronic-game-check-faq.

For more information about these seasons, hunters are encouraged to consult the 2023-24 West Virginia Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary available at WVDNR offices, license agents or at WVdnr.gov.

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