

KANAWHA COUNTY COMMISSION

Agenda

Thursday, February 5, 2026

9:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance
Commission President Ben Salango

MINUTES

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting on
January 29, 2026

RESOLUTION/PROCLAMATION

NEW EMPLOYEES

Prosecuting Attorney

Leanne Aliff, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Kanawha County
Prosecuting Attorney's office, full-time employee, \$70,000.00 per
year, replacing Sandra Harrah, effective February 16, 2026

The Honorable Debra Rusnak, Prosecuting Attorney

CHANGE OF EMPLOYMENT STATUS

AGENDA ITEMS

9:00 A.M.

Discussion regarding funding request from Charleston Regatta Inc.

Commission President Ben Salango

Commissioner Lance Wheeler

Commissioner Natalie E. Tennant

The Honorable Amy Shuler Goodwin, Mayor, City of Charleston

Discussion and Order setting the Public Safety Levy for the May 12, 2026, Primary Election, a Levy for the Kanawha County Emergency Ambulance Authority, Kanawha Valley Regional Transportation Authority, and Public Law Enforcement Agencies and Public Fire Protection Facilities within Kanawha County, in the amount of \$19,519,011 annually for five years beginning with fiscal year July 1, 2029 through fiscal year July 1, 2033

**Commission President Ben Salango
 Commissioner Lance Wheeler
 Commissioner Natalie E. Tennant**

Discussion regarding 2026 Legislative Agenda

**Commissioner President Ben Salango
 Commissioner Lance Wheeler
 Commissioner Natalie E. Tennant
 Jeremy Young, County Manager
 Christopher M. Settles, Deputy County Attorney**

Kanawha County Commission meetings through May, 2026

**Commissioner Ben Salango
 Commissioner Lance Wheeler
 Commissioner Natalie E. Tennant**

DATE	TIME
Tuesday, February 10, 2026	8:30 a.m. ≈
Thursday, February 12, 2026	4:00 p.m. ≈ *
Tuesday, February 17, 2026	8:30 a.m. ≈
Thursday, February 19, 2026	4:00 p.m. Δ≈ •
Thursday, March 5, 2026	4:00 p.m. Δ
Thursday, March 19, 2026	4:00 p.m. Δ
Thursday, April 9, 2026	4:00 p.m. Δ
Tuesday, April 21, 2026	4:00 p.m. Δ▲
Thursday, May 5, 2026	4:00 p.m. Δ
Monday, May 18, 2026	12:00 p.m. Δ

- Δ Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting
- ≈ Board of Review and Equalization Meeting
- * Mineral meeting
- Board of Review and Equalization– Adjourn Sine Die
- ▲ The 2026-2027 Kanawha Co. Levy Rate will be set at this meeting

**Discussion regarding Election and important dates
Commission President Ben Salango**

DATE	TIME	EVENT/LOCATION
Tuesday, April 21, 2026	3:00 p.m.	Public Test, Early Voting, Voter's Registration Office
Wednesday, April 29, 2026, through Saturday, May 9, 2026	Mon. - Fri. 8:00am-5:00pm; & Sat. 9:00am-5:00pm	Early Voting for Primary Election
Tuesday, May 5, 2026	3:00 p.m.	Public Test, Christopher Street and Voter's Registration Office
Monday, May 11, 2026	7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Voting Supplies, Voter's Registration Office
Tuesday, May 12, 2026	6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Primary Election Day
Monday, May 18, 2026	7:00 a.m.	Canvass, Voter's Registration Office

PUBLIC HEARING

AGENDA SETTING

PUBLIC COMMENT

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE'S REPORT

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

STAFF REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

FIDUCIARY

Objections and Exceptions

PURCHASE ORDERS

Order Confirming and Approving Purchase Orders in Excess of \$4,999.99 to be issued by the Kanawha County Commission Purchasing Department:

Vendor	Department	Amount	Comments/Description
Leica Geosystems, Inc.	Sheriff LED	\$10,675.15	RTC 360 Laser Scanner
Rocky Fork Enterprizes	Sheriff LED	\$9,986.00	Emergency equipment for 2026 Chevrolet Tahoe
Institute VFD	Emergency Management	\$7,000.00	Rescue scuba diver class

ORDERS

Order Confirming and Approving Cash Disbursements to be made by the Clerk of the Kanawha County Commission for the General Fund (*documentation available for inspection at the County Clerk's Office as well as the Kanawha County Commission meeting of February 5, 2026*)

The Honorable Vera J. McCormick, Clerk of County the Commission

Order Confirming and Approving Cash Disbursements to be made by the Clerk of the Kanawha County Commission for Special Funds (*documentation available for inspection at the County Clerk's Office as well as the Kanawha County Commission meeting of February 5, 2026*)

The Honorable Vera J. McCormick, Clerk of the County Commission

New Employee: Leanne Aliff, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Kanawha County Prosecuting Attorney's office, full-time employee, \$70,000.00 per year, replacing Sandra Harrah, effective February 16, 2026

New Employee: Andrea R. Garvin, Legal Assistant, Kanawha County Prosecuting Attorney's office, full-time employee, \$36,200.00 per year, replacing Samantha Chestnut, effective February 9, 2026

New Employee: Kama Howard, Legal Assistant, Kanawha County Prosecuting Attorney's office, full-time employee, \$33,920.00 per year, replacing Chelsea Williams, effective February 9, 2026

Approval of Erroneous Assessments Submitted by the Kanawha County Assessor (decrease \$13,746.94)

Order regarding May 12, 2026, Primary Levy Election – Kanawha County Emergency Ambulance Authority, A Public Corporation, Kanawha Valley Regional Transportation Authority, A Public Corporation, and Special Fund for Public Law Enforcement Agencies and Public Fire Protection Facilities within Kanawha County

1. Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund Line Item Revision

EXPENDITURES:

0001-412.00-219.000	WVU Ext - Bldg/Equip Rental	(5,000)
0001-412.00-214.000	WVU Ext - Travel	5,000

2. Fiscal Year 2025-2026 County Fire Protection Fund Line Item Budget Revision

REVENUES:

0041-323.00-000.323	Co Fire Protection Fund - State Grants	341,483
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EXPENDITURES:

0041-713.00-568.000	Co Fire Protection Fund - Contributions	341,483
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3. Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Pubic Safety Grant Fund Line Item Revision

EXPENDITURES:

0029-711.00-568.000	Public Safety- Contributions other entity	(30,000)
0029-711.00-568.114	Public Safety - D Adkins Memorial Training	30,000

Ratification of documents processed on January 29, 2026:

Purchase Orders and Emergency Checks from Fire Protection Funding in the amount of \$9,750.11 to each of the following: City of St. Albans Fire Department, City of Nitro Fire Department, City of South Charleson Fire Department, Dunbar Community Volunteer Fire Department, Charleston Fire Department, Frame Volunteer Fire Department, Yeager Airport, Sissonville Volunteer Fire Department, Institute Volunteer Fire Department, Tyler Mountain Volunteer Fire Department, West Side/St. Albans Volunteer Fire Department, West Side #2 Volunteer Fire Department, Lakewood Volunteer Fire Department, Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department, Davis Creek

Volunteer Fire Department, Alum Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Loudendale Volunteer Fire Department, Marmet Community Volunteer Fire Department, Chesapeake Volunteer Fire Department, Cabin Creek Volunteer Fire Department, East Bank Volunteer Fire Department, Pratt Volunteer Fire Department, Montgomery Volunteer Fire Department, Handley Volunteer Fire Department, Glasgow Volunteer Fire Department, Cedar Gove Volunteer Fire Department, Belle Volunteer Fire Department, Rand Volunteer Fire Department, Malden Volunteer Fire Department, Pinch Volunteer Fire Department, and Clendenin Volunteer Fire Department

Purchase Order: Encova Insurance, in the amount of \$8,681.00 for Worker's Compensation Audit Premium FY24-25