Ohio County Commission
June 15, 2025

The Ohio County Commission met in special session on Sunday, June 15, 2025 at 1:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by President Zach Abraham, with Commissioner Randy Wharton also present.

The meeting, held with Louis Vargo and Anthony Campbell, was to discuss the signing of a disaster declaration for Ohio County. Over seven inches of rain was received in a thirty-minute time period and crews were needed for search and rescue.

On a motion made by President Abraham, seconded by Commissioner Wharton, the disaster declaration was signed. (Please see attached.)

Zachary D. Abraham, Commission President

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EMERGENCY DISASTER DECLARATION

WHEREAS, the County of Ohio has suffered severe damage caused by heavy rains and flash flooding on the 14th. day of June, 2025 and

WHEREAS, extensive damage was caused to public streets, roads, bridges, and

WHEREAS, the damage has resulted in undue human suffering and hardship and threatens the safety, health, welfare, and well-being of citizens and economic function of Ohio County; and

WHEREAS, all locally available public and private resources and forces committed to mitigate and alleviate the damage are deemed insufficient to cope with the resulting situation, initiate repairs, and meet restoration requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Zach Abraham, President of the Ohio County Commission, by virtue of the authority provided by the Chapter 15 of the West Virginia State Code do hereby declare Ohio County a disaster area and in a State of Emergency for the purposes of exercising necessary emergency powers and expenditure of available resources, and requesting aid, assistance and relief programs, and funds available from the State of West Virginia.

DONE at the Wheeling - Ohio County Homeland Security and Emergency Management, this 14th. day of June, 2025.

Zach Abraham, President

ATTEST:

Randy Russell
Administrator