Ohio County Commission
April 4, 2024

The Ohio County Commission met in emergency session on Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. The meeting was called to order by President Donald A. Nickerson.

The emergency meeting was convened for the consideration of an emergency disaster declaration for Ohio County due to the recent flooding.

The emergency disaster declaration was read aloud by Mr. Randel Russell, County Administrator. This declaration can be found in Chapter 15 of the West Virginia State Code and seeks financial assistance from the state of West Virginia if it would become available.

Mr. Lou Vargo, the Ohio County Emergency Management Director, stated he does not anticipate a presidential declaration. Under this declaration, Ohio County can ask for additional manpower, such as the National Guard. Currently, the water is four feet higher than it has been in twenty years. The recovery and clean up will be the largest piece of the puzzle.

Mr. Zachary Abraham stated he appreciated the hard work of the entire group and made a motion to approve the emergency disaster declaration. The motion was seconded by Mr. Donald Nickerson. Motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Donald A. Nickerson, President

Randel A. Russell, Administrator