

## Monroe Commission Adopts First Ever Comprehensive Plan

The Monroe County Commission met in regular session on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Courthouse. Commission President Joyce Pritt opened the meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

Commissioners decided to follow the State of West Virginia's holiday schedule and close the Courthouse on Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas.

A delegation from Wayside appeared before the County Commission in reference to a right of way to the Wayside Community Center. Sheriff Mike Gravely met with Commissioners and reported that the new police cruisers have arrived and he was in the process of getting the light bars installed on them. Commissioners previously approved the purchase of two (2) 2010 Ford Crown Victoria's and one 2010 Ford Expedition. These vehicles were purchased off of the State of West Virginia's police cruiser contract.

The County Clerk advised Commissioners that no one has submitted a resume for the vacant position of the County's Building Commission. Commissioners authorized the Clerk to publish a notice in the local paper to see if anyone may be interested in filling this vacancy.

Commissioners approved a request from the 911 Center to purchase 176 road signs that will be erected on private roads throughout the county as part of the mapping and addressing project. The cost of these signs is \$7,255.00 and they will assist the county's emergency responders when trying to find the location of a specific residence.

On the recommendation of Shannon Parker, CEO of the Monroe Health Center, Commissioners appointed Keith Lively, Susan Bumgardner and Wayne Spangler to the Health Center Board of Trustees. Commissioners reviewed the county's monthly financial statement and authorized the Prosecuting Attorney to send a letter to those businesses in the county that offer overnight lodging who are not paying the hotel / motel tax. This tax is used to promote tourism throughout the county.