

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF UPSHUR, CITY OF BUCKHANNON, TO WIT:

A special joint session of the Buckhannon City Council and the Stockert Youth & Community Center Board was held on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., in City Hall Council Chambers, with the following in attendance (GTM means attendance by GoToMeeting):

Mayor	Robbie Skinner	Present
City Recorder	Randy Sanders	Present
Assistant Recorder/Finance Director	Amberle Jenkins	Present
Council & SYCC Member	Pam Bucklew	Present
Council Member	Jack Reger	Present
Council Member	Robert Zuliani	Present
Council Member	Scott Randall	Present
Council Member	Shawn Young	Present
Assistant Recorder/Dir of Finance	Amberle Jenkins	Present
City Attorney	Tom O'Neill	Present - GTM
City Hall Office Manager	Barbara Hinkle	Present
SYCC Board Member	Sam Nolte	Present
SYCC Board Member	Willie Parker	Present
SYCC Board Member	Don Nestor	Present - GTM
Board Member	Nancy C. Shobe	Present
Board Member	Pamela Martin	Present
Board Member	Jessica Vincent	Present

Media:		
MyBuckhannon	Monica Zalaznik	Present - GTM

Guests: None

Buckhannon City Council &
Stockert Youth & Community Center Board of Directors
Joint Meeting Agenda
7:00 PM Monday, September 14, 2026
Council Chambers I 70 East Main Street

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Moment of Silent Reflection
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Business Discussions:
 - a. Executive Session – Personnel & Property Matters Per WV Code § 6-9A-4
 - b. After Executive Session- Discussion/Possible Action Stockert Youth & Community Center Programming & Operations
- 5. Public Comment – Motion to Open & Close Requested
- 6. Remarks and Announcements
- 7. Declaration of Adjournment

This agenda is certified by Mayor Robbie Skinner on September 10, 2026. To participate in this meeting virtually, use this link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/443910693>, or by phone, call: (571) 317-3112, access code: 443-910-693..

- 1. Call to Order** – Mayor Skinner the special meeting of the Buckhannon City Council, held jointly with the Stockert Youth & Community Center (SYCC) Board, to order at 7:05 p.m.
- 2. Moment of Silent Reflection** – Mayor Skinner invited attendees to join him in a moment of silent reflection.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance** – Mayor Skinner led the pledge to the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Business Discussions:**

a. Executive Session – Personnel & Property Matters Per WV Code § 6-9A-4

At 7:07 p.m., Zuliani/Bucklew motioned for the City Council to move into an Executive Session to discuss Personnel & Property Matters per WV Code § 6-9A-4. The motion carried.

At 7:07 p.m., Shobe/Nestor motioned for the Stockert Youth & Community Center Board to move into an Executive Session to discuss Personnel & Property Matters per WV Code § 6-9A-4. SYCC Board member Willie Parker questioned whether the agenda provided sufficient detail for the public. He referenced Ethics Commission opinions suggesting “personnel” alone may not be adequate. City Attorney Tom O’Neill stated that citing personnel matters related to SYCC and referencing the applicable code was sufficient. The motion carried with Mr. Parker voting Nay.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, Reger/Zuliani moved for the City Council to exit the session. The motion carried. Vincent/Parker moved for the SYCC Board to exit the session. The motion carried.

b. After Executive Session- Discussion/Possible Action Stockert Youth & Community Center Programming & Operations

Upon returning to open session, Mayor Skinner announced that the Executive Session involved discussion of personnel matters pursuant to West Virginia State Code. He announced that Debora Brockleman, longtime Director of the Stockert Youth & Community Center, has chosen to retire. She has filed retirement paperwork with the State of West Virginia and the City of Buckhannon and is currently using accrued vacation time. Her official retirement date will be finalized when she completes that leave. City Council and the SYCC Board members expressed appreciation for Mrs. Brockleman's 22 years of service to the City and SYCC.

Mayor Skinner introduced Lisa Lamb as the Interim Director of SYCC. Lisa previously worked with SYCC youth programs and has recently served in the City Hall office. The City expressed appreciation for her willingness to step in during the transition. Lisa reported that programs are operating smoothly; Staff trainings and meetings are underway; The Children’s Festival scheduled for Saturday is fully prepared; and she is prepared to continue all regular programming, though she has not previously been involved in the basketball program.

Mayor Skinner opened discussion on SYCC programming, noting that basketball is the largest upcoming program requiring immediate planning. He invited Lacy Tenney, to outline what her role has been and the operational needs of the basketball program.

Lacy described her responsibilities, including:

- Adjusting schedules for families with multiple players.
- Organizing referee training.
- Preparing coaches’ packets (concussion forms, conduct codes, etc.).
- Inflating basketballs and managing equipment.
- Assisting with refereeing, clock operation, and scoreboard.
- Running assessment day and managing coaches’ and parents’ needs.
- Overseeing Saturday games for grades K–4 at SYCC.
- Conducting sign-ups (two sessions in October).
- Cleaning gyms and assisting at the second facility after SYCC games concluded.

She identified several critical tasks she did not perform, which were handled by the former Director:

- Coordinating gym scheduling with athletic directors and principals.
- Managing practice-time forms and approvals.
- Billing gym usage.
- Creating the original game schedule.
- Conducting background checks and drug test follow-ups.
- Forming teams after assessment day.
- Ordering shirts, concessions, basketballs, rims, whistles, and other supplies.
- Scheduling SYCC employees for Saturday staffing.

Lacy emphasized that the program is on a tight timeline, with sign-ups typically beginning mid-October and teams needing to be formed before Thanksgiving.

The members of the City Council and the SYCC Board discussed the concerns and the desire to continue the basketball program operation for the community. They discussed

- Quality and professionalism are essential; a poorly run season would be worse than no season.
- Concerns about relying on parents to run the program, though volunteers often are parents.
- A suggestion was made to contact Luke Payne, who may have an organization interested in administering the program, provided gym fees are covered.
- Members noted that the program may require more than one part-time person, especially to manage multiple gym sites.

Discussion included the possibility of:

- Delaying the season by several weeks.
- Shifting the season to February–March to allow more preparation time.
- Starting practices in December and beginning games in February.
- Avoiding January due to weather and school cancellations.

Members noted that SYCC basketball is a major community expectation and a barometer of SYCC’s perceived health. Several members stressed that canceling the program would cause significant community concern.

Consensus emerged to:

- Continue the basketball program, with possible schedule adjustments.
- Allow time to identify qualified individuals or organizations to fill operational gaps.
- Ask Lisa Lamb and Lacy Tenney to develop a plan of action for a successful season, including:

Recommended timelines.

- Staffing needs.
- Facility requirements.
- Public outreach may be conducted to identify interested candidates, with appropriate vetting and background checks.

Both bodies affirmed their commitment to continuing SYCC basketball for the 2026–27 season.

The next meeting of the SYCC Board will be October 1, 2026, when we will hear updates from Lisa Lamb and Lacy Tenney.

5. Public Comment – Motion to Open & Close Requested: No public comment was offered.

6. Remarks and Announcements: No remarks or announcements were offered.

7. Declaration of Adjournment

“Upon motions by members of the City Council (Bucklew) and SYCC Board (Shobe), the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.”

Mayor Robert N. Skinner III _____

Recorder Randall H. Sanders _____