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Bridgeport, WV – Newly elected \_\_\_\_\_ (County Name) \_\_\_\_\_ County Commissioner, \_\_\_\_\_ (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ recently completed the basic training course designed for newly elected and veteran county commissioners and staff in West Virginia. This training offered by the County Commissioners’ Association of West Virginia (CCAWV), was held November 19-20, 2020 and was well attended by both newly elected and veteran commissioners. “This training is to provide commissioners of an overview of duties and responsibilities, along with guidance for day to day decision making and working with other elected offices,” said Jennifer Piercy, Executive Director of the Commissioners’ Association. “It is our goal to provide commissioners with tools and resources they need to perform their jobs to the best of their ability.”

CCAWV President Jack David Woodrum of the Summers County Commission, welcomed participants and shared his thoughts on what it means to be a commissioner. “The hard work has just started,” Commissioner Woodrum noted. “CCAWV is here to help in every way possible as you begin your journey as a County Commissioner. During this training we will provide you with the tools that will make your job a little easier as you learn from the experts.”

The agenda included sessions on media relations, the budgeting process, parliamentary procedure, county finances, employment practices, county risk management, board of review, and ethics and open meeting laws. All attendees took home the 2020 edition of the County Commissioners’ Handbook compiled by the County Commissioners’ Association of West Virginia, an organization dedicated to the needs of county commissioners across the state and the taxpayers they represent.

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