

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE, McDOWELL COUNTY.**

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<b>W. H. Hawkins, Treasurer.</b>	
<b>General Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	\$12,319.92
To cash from Thos Morris, CSC	237.94
To cash from State Treas	105.20
To cash from sale of engine	50.00
To cash from sale of timber, county home	30.13
To cash from sale of lumber	.60
To cash from F A Curtis	9.40
To cash from Thos McGuire	.50
To cash, money borrowed	4,800.00
To balance	1,127.85
	18,681.54
By vouchers counted and cancelled	16,226.33
By coms on 16,226.33 @ 2 1/2%	365.09
By amount overpaid last report	2,090.12
	18,681.54
By balance overpaid	1,127.85
<b>Bond Fund.</b>	
To bal as per last report	2,660.36
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	2,500.00
To balance	183.22
	5,343.58
By 6 bonds paid off and cancelled	3,000.00
By coupons cancelled	2,226.00
By com on 5,226 @ 2 1/2%	117.58
	5,343.58
By balance overpaid	183.22
<b>Bridge Fund.</b>	
To bal per last settlement	2,776.36
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	12,363.84
To cash, money borrowed	6,000.00
	21,140.20
By vouchers cancelled	15,674.70
By coms on \$15,674.70 @ 2 1/2%	352.68
By balance	5,112.82
	21,140.20
To balance due	5,112.82
<b>Marion Road Fund.</b>	
To bal as per last report	2,389.97
To error on commissions allowed, 1915	37.87
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	5,243.10
To cash in lieu of labor	295.80
To balance	1,055.69
	9,022.43
By vouchers cancelled	5,243.10
By 14 coupons, Good Roads bonds, \$30.00	420.00
By 218 coupons, Road Improvement, \$15.00	3,270.00
By com on \$8,933.10 @ 1% 89.33	
	9,022.43
By balance overpaid	1,055.69
<b>Old Fort Road Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	2,700.00
To error in commissions allowed last report	30.49
To balance	20.40
	2,750.89
By bal as per last report	201.24
By vouchers cancelled	1,324.41
By 40 coupons cancelled, \$30.00	1,200.00
By coms on \$2,524.41 @ 1% 25.24	
	2,750.89
By balance overpaid	20.40
<b>Nebo Road Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	1,200.00
To error in commissions in former report	7.50
	1,207.50
By bal as per last report	49.01
By vouchers cancelled	395.64
By coupons cancelled	600.00
By com on \$995.64 @ 1%	9.96
By balance	152.89
	1,207.50
To balance due	152.89
<b>Crooked Creek Road Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	150.00
To balance	25.79
	175.79

By bal as per last report	81.21
By vouchers cancelled	92.50
By com on \$92.50 @ 2 1/2%	2.08
	175.79
To balance due	25.79
<b>Broad River Road Fund.</b>	
To bal due as per last report	37.45
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	50.00
	87.45
By vouchers cancelled	67.80
By com on \$67.80 @ 2 1/2%	1.51
By balance	18.64
	87.45
To balance due	18.64
<b>Montford Road Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	338.81
To balance	12.30
	351.11
By bal as per last report	162.87
By vouchers cancelled	184.10
By com on 184.10 @ 2 1/2%	4.14
By balance overpaid	12.30
<b>Glenwood Road Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	150.00
By bal as per last report	46.96
By vouchers cancelled	65.78
By com on 65.78 @ 2 1/2%	1.48
By balance	35.78
	150.00
To balance due	35.78
<b>Dysartsville Road Fund.</b>	
To bal as per last report	185.76
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	175.00
	360.76
By vouchers cancelled	158.25
By com on 158.25 @ 2 1/2%	3.56
By balance	198.95
	360.76
To balance due	198.95
<b>Higgins Road Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	120.00
By bal as per last report	74.19
By vouchers cancelled	32.03
By com on 32.03 @ 2 1/2%	.72
By balance	13.06
	120.00
To balance due	13.06
<b>Bracketts Road Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	130.00
By bal as per last report	14.24
By vouchers cancelled	106.83
By com on 106.83 @ 2 1/2%	2.40
By balance	6.53
	130.00
To balance due	6.53
<b>North Cove Road Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	1,869.60
To balance	265.41
	2,135.01
By bal as per last report	758.00
By vouchers cancelled	1,346.71
By com on 1,346.71 @ 2 1/2%	30.30
	2,135.01
By balance overpaid	265.41
<b>General School Fund.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	\$20,255.00
To cash from Thomas Morris, CSC	551.00
To cash from State Treasurer	7,366.20
To cash from State, Old Fort Loan Fund	2,500.00
To cash fines from Justices of the Peace	196.95
To cash from County Superintendent	138.67
To cash from Marion Graded school	688.00
To cash from F A Curtis	10.20
To cash First National Bank, borrowed	7,500.00
To balance	8,623.08
	47,829.10
By vouchers cancelled	42,406.09
By com on 35,406.09 @ 2%	708.12
By bal as per last report	4,714.89
	47,829.10
By balance overpaid	8,623.08
<b>Special School Funds.</b>	
To cash from J A Laughridge, sheriff	6,434.73

**RECAPITULATION.**

To balance due bridge fund \$5,112.82  
 To bal due Special Sch. Dist's 6,434.73  
 To bal due Nebo road fund 152.89  
 To bal due Broad River road fund 18.64  
 To balance due Crooked Creek road fund 25.79  
 To bal due Glenwood road fund 87.45  
 To bal due Dysartsville road fund 198.95  
 To bal due Higgins road fund 13.06  
 To bal due Bracketts road fund 6.53

To amount due 11,999.19  
 By bal., general fund, overpaid 1,127.85  
 By bal., bond fund, overpaid 183.23  
 By balance, general school fund overpaid 8,623.08  
 By balance, Marion road fund, overpaid 1,055.69  
 By balance, Old Fort road fund, overpaid 20.40  
 By balance, Montford road fund, overpaid 12.30  
 By bal. North Cove road fund, overpaid 265.41

To net balance due 11,287.95  
 To amount overpaid 711.24

Owing to the fact that the School Funds are disbursed by the Board of Education, and their settlements are made with the fiscal year, it is impossible to show an accurate statement of all of the several funds. We recommend that in the future the Finance Committee be instructed to make their statement run with the current year, from January 1st to December 31st, inclusive. If this is done, then the Committee can make their statement conform to that of the Board of Education, and thereby show the actual status of all of the funds disbursed.

The aggregate amount of taxes now levied and paid by the County is a very large sum of money, and requires much time and vigilance to properly disburse it. The time of the Board of Commissioners is limited, and it appears impossible to give due care and attention to the large number of claims presented for consideration; we think, therefore, that an Auditor has become an actual necessity. By giving his entire time to the affairs of the County, he would much more than save his salary, and by a proper system of bookkeeping keep the several funds separated and show monthly balances, so that at any time any person interested could ascertain exactly the financial condition of the County, and the exact status of each fund.

Respectfully submitted,  
 T. W. WILSON, Chairman.  
 MILES P. FLACK,  
 J. L. C. BIRD,  
 April 3, 1916. Finance Committee.

**NOTICE!**

This is to certify that M. F. Morpheus has filed location in my office for 300 acres of land in North Cove township, McDowell county on the waters of Three Mile creek adjoining the lands of the Switzerland Company, Rom. Hollifield, his own land and others. Beginning at a stake in his own line and running various courses and distances to Hollifield's line, then with his line to the Switzerland Company's line, then various courses and distances to the beginning so as to include all vacant land.

Entered May 8th, 1916.  
 No. 14117. C. A. DALE, E. T.

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