

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION SS:

At a special session of the Randolph County Commission in and for the aforesaid County and State, at the James Cain Court House Annex, on the 25th day of February, 2016 at 11:00 A.M.

Present: Michael Taylor, President of the Randolph County Commission and Chris See, Commissioner thereof. Joyce Johns was absent.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Taylor.

Commissioner Taylor said the purpose of today's meeting is to discuss security issues throughout the Courthouse Campus.

Court Security Officers Michael Parlock, Charles Ramsey and James Bibey were present. Family Court Judge, Michele Good, Circuit Court Judge, David Wilmoth, Magistrates, Robert Elbon, Jr. and Michael Riggleman, Prosecuting Attorney, Michael Parker, County Clerk, Brenda Wiseman and Bryson VanNostrand were also present at the meeting.

Mr. VanNostrand said he is working with Randolph County Sheriff, Mark Brady to apply for a grant for Court Security. The grant application requires a meeting to be held and minutes to be taken to submit with the application. He said he has a set of drawings for all five buildings involved. He submitted a court security audit that was completed previously and went over each building and discussed with the elected officials the audit and what they feel needs to be changed to make things more secure.

Michael Parlock said he thinks there needs to be more outside cameras to cover the parking areas and the outside doors. He said they would also like to have a monitor in the courtroom to watch outside the doors. He said the Judge's office door is just plain glass and could be busted through easily. Judge Wilmoth agreed and said it needs to be plexiglass or lexan. Judge Wilmoth said the panic buttons also need to be fixed.

Family Court Judge, Michele Good said the camera's are not working properly at the Wees Annex and when they do they only go to the Sheriff's Office not the 911 Center. She said the panic buttons do not work. She said the sliding window in the front office is plateglass and should be replaced with plexiglass. She said someone could walk right through that window. She said they would love to be able to have a metal detector for Family Court.

Magistrate Michael Riggleman said at the Judicial Annex there are panic buttons at everyone's desks, but they do not work. He said there needs to be camera's in the courtroom for magistrate court. He said the only thing they have is a camera that records

everything on DVR and it goes to the Supreme Court. He doesn't think it even goes to 911. He said there is no glass, no security and there was a drug drop in one of the bathrooms last week. Magistrate Robert Elbon said there are major security issues at that building and they are concerned about their staff. He said someone could crawl over the counter tops. He said they need a court security officer over there full time. He said there are no cameras on the back entrance, no sensors on the windows or doors. Circuit Court Judge, David Wilmoth said he was concerned about the probation office door. He said it is just a flimsy door with glass in it. He said it should be a sturdy door and access controlled.

Court Security Officer Michael Parker said the James F. Cain Courthouse Annex building has bad cameras in it. When you move one it moves them all. They can't cover certain areas of the building.

Bryson VanNostrand said he will meet with someone from each building and go over the sets of drawings with them to see where the panic buttons and cameras need to be.

Commissioner See moved to adjourn the meeting.  
All yes – Motion passed unanimously

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