

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION SS:

At a regular session of the County Commission in and for the aforesaid County and State, at the James F. Cain Court House Annex, on the 5th day of March, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Present: David Kesling, President of the Randolph County Commission and Chris See and Mark Scott Commissioners thereof.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Kesling

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bonnie Branciaroli appeared before the Commission. She said she is the co-owner of Pegasus Farm Campground which borders the airport property. She said she was there to ask the status of the project. She said she knows this is all connected to a federal aviation grant in the amount of \$139,971.00 that was done back in 2016. She said there is a 269 page review draft and it says the project must be completed by August 2020. She said this impacts nearly 30 landowners but she was not contacted at all because her property is not on the list of properties affected. She said there was only one public hearing and she would like the County Commission to give her the status of the draft, was it approved or not approved?

Stephanie Murphy with the Elkins Randolph County Public Library appeared before the Commission. She had with her Morgan Haymond. She said they have been talking to the people at the Beverly Heritage Center about having a branch in Beverly. She said this library would be located on the second floor of the Beverly Heritage Center and would be open 5-6 days per week. She said in order to do this they need help with funding. She said the total cost is \$41,951.00. That is for purchasing computers, desks, furniture etc. She said this would be a one-time request and then they would like to be added to the other libraries that get funding from the County Commission every year.

MINUTES:

Commissioner See moved to approve the minutes from the Board of Review and Equalization meetings for 2020 which began on January 31, 2020, as submitted  
All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting that was held on February 20, 2020, as submitted.  
All yes – Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS:

Cindy Hart, 911/OEM Director reported that the gate is now working at the new 911 Center. She said you have to pull up and buzz in and the dispatcher will let you in.

Erin Golden, North Central Community Corrections Director, reported that there are currently 110 on the program and the program has saved the County \$1,257,533.25 in regional jail bills so far this fiscal year. (See attached copy)

Curt Gainer from the Randolph County Emergency Squad reported that they are now back up to full staff of 30 people.

Sheriff Mark Brady reported that he is getting some estimates done on the old 911 Center to see about possibly moving the deputies in there. He said the fire fee office renovations are done now and he is pleased with the results.

Lynn Phillips from the Governor's Office was present but did not have anything to report.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Kesling announced that the next meeting of the Randolph County Commission will be held on Thursday March 19, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION FOR TYGARTS VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SOFTBALL PROGRAM FOR FEMALES

Commissioner Kesling said the person that was supposed to come to speak on this called and cancelled because she was sick.

INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION FROM KAREN JACOBSON OF RANDOLPH  
COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

Karen Jacobson appeared before the Commission. She said the housing authority has been in existence for 40 years. She discussed all the accomplishments they have made throughout those years. She said they have been in the same building now for 20 years and have maintained the building but they are going to do a study to see what the building needs. She said right now they need to upgrade their ADA parking area. She said the total cost of the project is \$25,000.00 and they can come up with \$15,000.00 of that. She said they are asking for help with funding from the Commission for the other \$10,000.00.

INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION FROM LINDA SANDERS, RANDOLPH  
ELKINS HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Linda Sanders did not attend the meeting.

CONSIDER SIGNING GRANT APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Erin Golden, North Central Community Corrections Director, appeared before the Commission. She provided the Commission with a copy of the grant application that is due March 20<sup>th</sup>. She said she is requesting \$150,297.00 this year. She said last year the grant was cut by \$30,000.00 and she is hoping that will not happen again this year. She

said if the grant is approved for the total amount requested then the cash match for the County would be \$64,413.00.

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the signing of the grant application for North Central Community Corrections, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

#### CONSIDER FUNDING REQUEST FROM BEVERLY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR BEVERLY FIREMAN'S FESTIVAL

(See copy attached)

Commissioner Kesling said the Commission received a letter from the Beverly Volunteer Fire Department asking for donations or sponsorships for events during the fireman's festival they have every year. The festival will be held July 18<sup>th</sup> thru July 25<sup>th</sup> this year. Commissioner See said this is something they help with every year. Commissioner See moved to approve the funding request in the amount of \$2,500.00 and that is to be taken out of Hotel/Motel Tax funds.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

#### CONSIDER CITY OF ELKINS ANNEXATION

Commissioner Kesling said the Commission received the paperwork back from the Prosecuting Attorney regarding this issue, but they have not had time to review it yet so it is not ready for any action to be taken at this time.

#### CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO EMS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Commissioner Kesling said a letter was received regarding this. Commissioner Scott moved to appoint John Bill Jordan to the Randolph County EMS Board of Directors to fill an unexpired term of someone who had to resign due to health problems.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

#### CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SHERIFF VEHICLES

Mark Brady, Randolph County Sheriff appeared before the Commission. He said his office is in need of two sport utility police vehicles. He advertised in the paper and received two bids. He said one was from Elkins Fordland for a Ford and the other was from Elkins Fordland for a Dodge Durango. He said after reviewing the bids the Durango didn't meet the specifications because it was going to cost too much to up fit the vehicle compared to the Ford. He reached out to Stevens Auto since they have the State Bid and they then submitted a bid back to him. He said the first vehicle is a 3.3 liter V6 all wheel drive vehicle and the second vehicle is a hybrid vehicle that runs off electric and gas. The bid from Stevens Auto for the first vehicle was \$34,545.000 and for the hybrid vehicle it was \$38,075.00. The bid from Elkins Fordland was \$34,525.00 for the first vehicle and \$38,000.00 for the hybrid vehicle. He said he feels the hybrid vehicle would save in gas money especially in the winter when the deputies leave their vehicles running for a long period of time. He recommends the Elkins Fordland bid for both vehicles. Commissioner Scott moved to approve the purchase of two vehicles for the Randolph County Sheriff's Office thru Elkins Fordland per the bids submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER SIGNING RESOLUTION FOR 911 PUBLIC SAFETY  
TELECOMMUNICATORS

(See copy attached)

Cindy Hart, 911/OEM Director appeared before the Commission. She said this is a Resolution to recognize Telecommunicators as first responders. She said this is something that is being done throughout the State. Commissioner Scott moved to approve the Resolution to recognize Telecommunicators as first responders.

All yes -- Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PART TIME HIRE FOR 911 CENTER

(See copy attached)

Cindy Hart, 911/OEM Director appeared before the Commission. She said at the last Commission meeting she asked for approval to hire three part time employees. She said one of those people did not accept the position. She is now asking for approval to hire Samantha Vandevender as a part time employee with no county benefits. She will be placed on a 90 day probationary period. Her starting salary will be \$9.94 per hour and she would like her to begin working today, March 5, 2020.

Commissioner See moved to approve the hiring of Samantha Vandevender as a part time employee at the 911 Center, as submitted.

All yes -- Motion passed unanimously

FINAL SETTLEMENTS:

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the four final settlements/annual accountings as submitted on the following estates:

Alfred L. Galbraith

Dale Galbraith

Barbara Louise Polce

Ursuline Mary Teter

All yes -- Motion passed unanimously

BUDGET REVISIONS:

(See copies attached)

Commissioner See moved to approve an in house budget revision for the Sheriff's office in the amount of \$2,000.00.

All yes -- Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Scott moved to approve a state budget revision for the OFWV Grant in the amount of \$450.00.

Commissioner See voted yes, Commissioner Scott voted yes, Commissioner Kesling voted yes -- Motion passed

DIVISION OF PROPERTY /ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS:

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the Division of Property/ Erroneous Assessments, as submitted.

All yes - Motion passed unanimously

DISTRESSED PROPERTIES: None

FIRE FEE ADJUSTMENTS:

Commissioner See moved to approve the 95 fire fee adjustments, as submitted.  
All yes – Motion passed unanimously

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Commissioner Scott moved to pay the bills, as submitted.  
All yes - Motion passed unanimously

ADJOURN THE MEETING:

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_