

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 2nd day of August, 2018 at 1:30 P.M.

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

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Taylor

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jack Trimble, Ranger for the Monongahela National Forest Greenbrier District, appeared before the Commission. He showed a map of Randolph County and surrounding areas of the national forest areas. It also showed all the projects they are working on. He said he feels that the public is not informed enough of what they are doing. He said they are working on upping their timber volume in Pocahontas County and Randolph County. He said another thing is recreation economy for each town. Commissioner Taylor said this has been most informative and people don't realize the importance that the national forest plays in Randolph County. He said the PILT funding is about half a million dollars per year and that is payment in lieu of taxes for the national forest land.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2018 regular meeting, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS:

Jim Ancell from the Office of Emergency Management reported that the internal framing on the new 911 building is almost complete and they are getting ready to start the electrical wiring.

Erin Golden, Director of North Central Community Corrections appeared before the Commission. She reported for the end of the last fiscal year there was a total of 282 offenders that participated on the program. The program saved the county \$1,932,557.25 in regional jail bills last fiscal year. She reported that currently there are 115 on the program and so far this fiscal year the program has saved the county \$175,147.50 in jail bills. Ms. Golden said she was very happy that the Governor came to Randolph County and gave out their grant award.

Randolph County Assessor, Phyllis Yokum appeared before the Commission. She said she has received the new aerial photographs from Landmark. She said Seth Pratt is working on them now. She thanked the Commission for allowing her to do it.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Taylor announced that the next meeting is August 16, 2018 and will be held at 10:00 a.m. instead of 1:30 p.m.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

RECOGNITION OF LIFE SAVING EFFORTS OF A RANDOLPH COUNTY EMS EMPLOYEE

Commissioner Taylor said the Commission would like to publicly recognize Randolph County Emergency Squad Paramedic Heather Brown. Heather Brown was in attendance along with her family members and others. Commissioner Taylor said the Commission received a letter from family members of Gray Darden who is 87 years old and was stung by a bee. Heather dropped what she was doing and met them at the Valley Head Fire Station. The Valley Head postmaster had contacted her to let her know they were on their way down the mountain, five miles away. They said Heather was fantastic and provided the treatment necessary to get Ms. Darden ready for the ambulance and transferred her to their care. They also thanked Heather's colleagues who joined her at the station as well.

They said they will be forever grateful to her for saving their mother's life. The Commission and all attendees applauded Heather Brown and thanked her for her service.

CONSIDER FUNDING REQUEST FROM THE OLD BRICK PLAYHOUSE

(See letter attached)

Missy McCollam, Executive Director of The Old Brick Playhouse, appeared before the Commission. There were also about 15 other members present. Commissioner Taylor said Ms. McCollam was at the Commission meeting a few meetings ago and they took her request under consideration. He said he was impressed with the follow up letter that Ms. McCollam had sent. Ms. McCollam said they are very devoted to this community and want to serve everyone. She said they have served 4,500 people in their 30 years. She said they want to create cultural tourism in our area with the train rides. She said they want to bring more money into our area. Commissioner Taylor said he didn't realize the effect the Old Brick Playhouse has in our area. He said they even help troubled youth. Commissioner See moved to approve the funding request from the Old Brick Playhouse in the amount of \$5,000.00 and that is to be taken out of Hotel/Motel tax funds.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDERATION OF JOINING PILT FUNDING CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT

Commissioner Taylor said the Commission just came back from a conference in Clarksburg of the Commissioners association and this was discussed there. He said they were aware of it before the conference but now understand it better. He said Cain County, Utah filed a lawsuit that says that the federal government underfunded counties that were entitled to payment in lieu of taxes. Congress said when they passed the law that they would fund them x number of dollars, but when they paid it they funded it at a lower level. Cain County, Utah took it to court and won. It has become a class action lawsuit and in order for us to receive anything, Randolph County has to join the class

action lawsuit. The county does not have to hire an Attorney and there is no cost to the county. Commissioner Scott said a formula was passed by congress but then they did not pay the amount that was put on the formula. Commissioner Scott said Randolph and Pocahontas Counties have the most national forest land in the State. Commissioner Taylor said some other counties in West Virginia have already joined. Commissioner Scott moved to authorize the Commission President to fill out the forms to join the class action lawsuit regarding the PILT funding for 2015, 2016 and 2017.
All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION OF SPECIAL FIDUCIARY COMMISSIONER ON THE ESTATE OF DANNY L. TAYLOR

(See copy attached)

Randolph County Clerk, Brenda Wiseman presented the Commission with the recommendation of Special Fiduciary Commissioner, Jefferson L. Triplett. She said Mr. Danny L. Taylor passed away in 2012 and his estate is still open. His son filed a claim against his estate after Mr. Taylor's wife filed the appraisal because he wasn't happy with what she put on there. Mr. Triplett was appointed Special Fiduciary Commissioner and has tried several times to contact Mr. Taylor's son regarding the claim, with no response. Mr. Triplett recommends the claim be dismissed so that the estate can be settled. Discussion followed. Commissioner Scott moved to approve the recommendation of Special Fiduciary Commissioner, Jefferson L. Triplett regarding the estate of Danny L. Taylor, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION FOR HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

(See copy attached)

Commissioner Taylor said this is a Resolution for the Hazard Mitigation Plan. This is something that Region VII has been working on. This was approved back in 2012 and Jim Ancell from the Office of Emergency Management has reviewed and said nothing has changed. Commissioner See moved to approve the Resolution for the Hazard Mitigation Plan, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER FUNDING OF CORRIDOR H AUTHORITY

(See copy attached)

Robert L. Morris, Jr. Chairman of the Robert C. Byrd Corridor H Highway Authority, appeared before the Commission. He said the Corridor H Highway Authority represents seven counties and Randolph County is one of them. In 2017 the annual appropriation given to them from the State ceased. Therefore they are asking each County for \$5,000.00. He said Lewis County is the only one so far that has said they can't help. Mr. Morris said their main focus is getting Corridor H completed. Commissioner Taylor said the Corridor H Authority has to keep this on the front burner because there are others competing against them. Commissioner See moved to approve the request from the Robert C. Byrd Corridor H Authority in the amount of \$5,000.00 and that is to be taken out of courthouse contractual funds.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER FUNDING REQUEST FROM RANDOLPH COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Robert L. Morris, Jr. from the Randolph County Development Authority, appeared before the Commission. He said he was there to discuss the Armstrong expansion project. The low bid for the project was higher than they expected because it was under estimated by the engineer. They worked on it and made some adjustments and put it back out for bid. Mr. Morris said they are short on the 5% contingency funds for the project which is 300 to 400 thousand dollars. Armstrong has committed to \$200,000.00 of it. He said this is contingency money so it might not be needed. The number one concern is the site work. He said the Armstrong money would be used first and then County Commission and RCDA monies. If the money is not used it would be given back. This project is through the RCDA is a grant of 2.5 million dollars. Mr. Morris said Armstrong Flooring is very important to our area. This would secure them to be here another 20 years with the lease. He said we need them here and we want them to grow. Commissioner Scott said other counties are struggling and one of the reasons we aren't is because of Armstrong. This will keep them here another 20 years. Mr. Morris said it's a great potential for growth because they are growing out of their building. Commissioner Scott said this building is owned by the RCDA and Armstrong leases it. He said this is how economic development happens. Commissioner See said they shouldn't run into any problems that he can see. Commissioner Taylor said the Commission did the roll over money from last year. They allocated money in the roll over to cover it. He thinks the Commission needs to step to the plate for Armstrong Flooring and the citizens of Randolph County because they employ around 600 people. Commissioner Scott moved to contribute \$100,000.00 to be used for the Armstrong Flooring project contingency funds and if not used it is to be returned to the County.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER REQUEST FROM DELPHIA REBEKAH'S LODGE FOR USE OF SIDEWALK DURING THE GRAND FEATURE PARADE

Commissioner See moved to approve the request from Delphia's Rebekah's Lodge to use the sidewalk in front of the Wees Annex for the grand feature parade on October 6, 2018.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TAMCO FRONTIER SHIELD

Commissioner Scott said TAMCO Frontier Shield has offered to reduce the lease on the phone service for the County if the Commission agrees to sign a three year contract. He said the Commission can only sign contracts for one year at a time. He said they still need to work on this some more. Commissioner Scott moved to table this item indefinitely.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTING POLICY FOR THE NOVEMBER 6, 2018 GENERAL ELECTION

Randolph County Clerk, Brenda Wiseman presented the Commission with an emergency absentee voting policy. She said this is something we do every election to allow people in nursing homes or the hospital on the day of the election an opportunity to vote. They

just have to contact the Clerk's office before noon on Election Day and the two ballot commissioners would take a ballot to them.

Commissioner See moved to approve the emergency absentee voting policy, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

FINAL SETTLEMENTS:

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

Norman E. Burky

Janis Irene Hensley

Virginia Mae Hill

Ann E. Lawson

Judith Ann McCauley

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

BUDGET REVISIONS: None

DIVISION OF PROPERTY /ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS:

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

All yes - Motion passed unanimously

FIRE FEE EXONERATIONS:

Commissioner See moved to approve the fire fee exonerations due to hardships, 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: 


Monongahela National Forest, 07/17/2018
Forest Management Increase Five-Year Plan – 2018-2022

- Monongahela National Forest produced 11.3 MMBF in 2017 with four timber sales; three were awarded to local logging companies. All timber sales are advertised in local papers and are available to local logging companies. The Forest is on track to continue increasing output over the next several years.
- The Forest is working with partners and the State of West Virginia to expand capacity for timber output using the Good Neighbor Authority and other opportunities to leverage capacity and meet timber targets and Forest Plan goals.
- The Forest is working toward increased staffing in the timber program. Positions will be advertised at <https://www.usajobs.gov/>.

Year	Projects	Estimated Volume	Projected Acres	Affected Counties
2018	Fernow, Hogback, Upper Greenbrier North, Tychest, WB Xpress, Corridor H, FR236/Panther Den Salvage, Brushy Mountain Grouse Management, ACP Project, Firewood Sales	15 MMBF	21,228 est.	Tucker Preston Pocahontas Randolph Pendleton Webster Greenbrier
2019	Fernow, Upper Greenbrier, Big Mountain, Hogback, The Docks, Lower Williams, Spruce Mountain, Big Rock, Firewood Sales	17 MMBF	43,383 est.	Tucker Preston Pocahontas Randolph Pendleton Webster Nicholas
2020	Fernow, Iron Bridge, Upper Greenbrier, Hogback, Spruce Mountain, Lower Williams, Panther Ridge, Gauley, Big Rock, Firewood Sales	19 MMBF	47,967 est.	Tucker Pocahontas Preston Randolph Pendleton Webster Greenbrier Nicholas
2021	Fernow, Upper Greenbrier, Spruce Mountain, Beulah, Gauley, Big Rock, Shock Run, Firewood Sales	20 MMBF	40,000+	Tucker Pocahontas Randolph Webster Greenbrier Nicholas
2022	Fernow, Upper Greenbrier, Greenbrier SE, Beulah, Grassy Mountain, Sharp's Knob, Gauley, Big Rock, Firewood Sales, and others to be determined.	30 MMBF	40,000+	Tucker Pocahontas Randolph Pendleton Webster Greenbrier Nicholas

Good Neighbor Authority Activities:

- The Monongahela executed a Good Neighbor Authority Master Agreement in June 2018 with the State of West Virginia. Signatories include the Department of Commerce, Division of Forestry, and the Division of Natural Resources. The Master Agreement provides a general framework for cooperation with the participating West Virginia agencies in approved activities that restore or improve forests and watersheds. The ten-year agreement sets the stage for Supplemental Project Agreements that describe specific projects or activities to be accomplished.
- Good Neighbor Authority Supplemental Project Agreements recently executed include:
 1. Common Stand Exams - Division of Forestry: The Supplemental Project Agreement has been finalized and is with the Division of Forestry for signature.
- Good Neighbor Authority Supplemental Project Agreements in development include:
 1. Timber Removal on the Brushy Mt. Grouse management project area – Division of Forestry: The Supplemental Project Agreement is in progress.
 2. Botany Surveys – Division of Natural Resources: The Supplemental Project Agreement is in progress.

Contact

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Forest Service

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Hotel Motel

07.05.2018

Dear Commission Members,

I hope this correspondence finds you well and enjoying the beautiful WV summer. I write on behalf of The Old Brick Playhouse Company, an educational arts center in downtown Elkins. We now enter our 28th season and wish to request financial support from The Randolph County Commission. Over the years, The Old Brick Playhouse has become a major contributor to Randolph County in the arenas of cultural tourism, supplementing the local education system, bolstering the local economy, providing employment and workforce training for local students and adults, attracting newcomers to the area, and bringing financial support to the county through grants. Last season alone, we performed for 43,000 children and youth. The Old Brick Playhouse has become a cornerstone of our community and plans to create additional programs and services expanding the scope of our work. The recent dismantling of the WV Department of Education and Arts has adversely impacted The Old Brick Playhouse's budget in a significant manner. Without this grant support, our organization will find it difficult to achieve our status quo. For this reason, we seek your assistance. The Old Brick Playhouse Company Board of Directors request \$5,000 from the Randolph County Commission in order to maintain our regular budget. Thanks so much for your time and consideration and please do not hesitate to request more information.

My best,

Missy McCollam
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Here's What We Do...

Old Brick Playhouse Company Mission Statement:

The mission of the Old Brick Playhouse is to enrich the lives of children, youth, and adults in West Virginia by engaging them in the arts, teaching self-expression, and encouraging positive change.

OBP Organizational Overview

The Old Brick Playhouse (OBP) was established in 1992 and for the past twenty-seven years has offered educational arts programming locally, throughout the Mid-Atlantic region, and overseas. The OBP offers regular afterschool workshops that provide a safe and positive environment for elementary and secondary school students in which they may explore the arts and develop greater self-esteem. Current local programs serve **350** elementary and secondary students boasting an alumni roster of over **3,500**. The OBP Touring Company creates an original play annually designed to visit elementary schools throughout the state focusing on relevant social issues. Over the past twenty-seven years these shows have entertained over **2.5 million** children and have been merited at the **National Theatre in Washington** and the **Edinburgh Festival Fringe**. In 2018, the OBP was awarded with the first **Susan B. Landis Leadership in the Arts Award** from the WV Division of Culture and History. In 2016, The OBP received a **Leadership in the Arts Award** from the National Endowment for the Arts and the WV Commission on the Arts. In 2015 The OBP Apprentice program was invited to bring 10 students among 40 selected in the nation to the White House by the President's Committee on the Arts to participate in **Broadway at the White House** which was part of a televised show aired on The Learning Channel. Students worked with Arts celebrities including Andrew Lloyd Webber, Steven Swartz, and Whoppi Goldberg. In 2009, The OBP received the **Coming Up Taller Award** from the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities, presented at the **White House by First Lady Michelle Obama**. This award recognized the OBP as one of the top arts educational programs in the country. The OBP original plays have also been recognized by the **WV Governor's Arts Fellowship Award**, the **Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Commission Service Award** and the **Governor's Leadership in the Arts Award**.

OBP Programming:

The OBP Apprentice Program: The Apprenticeship is an 9 month afterschool program for secondary students with a current roster of **87** students. These youth study theatre, mentor younger students, volunteer for the POLAR EXPRESS™, participate in several community events, and produce a large main stage production each year. The Apprentice program with an alumni base of over **3500** students not only teaches the basics of theatre but also focuses on collaboration, leadership, problem solving, character development, and expanding one's self-esteem through weekly seminars. Apprentice students also receive one-on-one tutoring in the arena of professional development, seeking out and securing college scholarships and employment in the arts, and preparing auditions and portfolios for arts related auditions.

2018 Apprentice Community Partners and Show Sponsors Include: Citizen's Bank of WV, The WV Dept, of Education and the Arts, Terry Miller, Susan Snead, Will Stout, Maggie Rhudy, Martha Cage, Harry and Judie Smith, Sydney and Kyle West, Mark and Marsha Doak, Marjorie Moses, Judge David and Kris Wilmoth Steve and Jean Jory, Cathy and Dorsey Delavigne, Becky Cain, Steve Satterfield, Mountain Valley Bank, Life Reflections, Rotary Club, Hrishu Karthikeyan, Fred and Sandy Puzulli, Diana Kerr, Dave and Susan Bobes, Chris and Lisa Wood, Patrick Brown, Debbie Berdine, Phil Graziani teven Demyan, Chris and Deborah Stout, Susan Chua, Phil and Mindy Chua, EHS Class of 1965, Dr. and Mrs. Fleming, Dr. Omkar Karthikeyan. Reliable Roofing, Nancy Kisner, Anita Talbott Tygarts Valley Lions Club, Karen Jacobson, Mike Ross, Joy Messenger and Rich Kiley, Grace Sundellin, James and Pat Schoonover, Allegheny Insurance, Lowell Williams, Georgia Simmons, Elkins Kiwanis Club, Jeff and Debbie Weishonce, Sarah and Abbey Martin, Sue Lewis, Susan Abdulla, AES, Inc., Kadra Casseday, Women's Club of Elkins, GFWC Junior Women's Club of Elkins, Randolph County Association of Retired School Employees, Michael Zorger and Zach Armentrout.

The POLAR EXPRESS™

Most recently, The OBP has completed a seven (7) year contract in collaboration with the Durbin & Greenbrier Valley Railroad and Warner Brothers Rail Events to present **349** performances for nearly **112,000** rail passengers on THE POLAR EXPRESS™. The POLAR EXPRESS™ project has not only served as impetus for community economic growth and cultural tourism but also as an Arts Incubator for OBP Apprentice students. The OBP's role in the train excursion is to supply Apprentice volunteers costumed as characters to entertain children and their families as they arrive at the depot prior to boarding the train. The OBP provides a team of dancing chef characters who serve as both performers and hosts during the journey. These characters are multigenerational and include OBP Apprentice seniors, OBP Team members, and community actors. This season, the OBP employed **72** seasonal actors and **50** student volunteers to support this month-long project. Over the past seven years, the OBP has provided over **280** jobs and nearly **400** volunteers for this project.

The Elf Limited @ Old Brick Playhouse 2016: The OBP continues a partnership with the Durbin Greenbrier Valley Railroad to operate a new Christmas train at Cass, WV called **The Elf Limited**. With an original plot created by the OBP Team and new track installed by the railroad, the partnership has served a total of 4,600 tickets thus far. In 2017, The Elf Limited was named the 4th Best Holiday Train Excursion in America by MSN. This project has employed **42** seasonal actors.

Acting Up Literally: Acting Up Literally is an after school literacy and theatre program for elementary school students who are having difficulty learning to read or are interested in acting. This season, Acting Up touted a roster of 50 elementary students and 20 OBP Apprentice interns who serve as mentors and literacy tutors for younger participants. The program lasts for ten weeks and culminates in a main stage production that showcases each participant. Acting Up in the past, has been sponsored by The West Virginia Department of Education and the Arts however with disillusion of that department, the OBP Team will seek other funders. Acting Up has served an enrollment of over **685** students over the past decade.

OBP Touring Company: For the past twenty-seven years, the OBP has created original plays that visit elementary schools throughout WV using theatre as a vehicle by which students learn about difficult social issues such as anti-bullying, social and cultural tolerance, and building a positive attitude. These performances are accompanied with activity guides and post program activities. The goal of the OBP Touring Company is to give students and teachers a time to spend laughing together while learning tools for treating each other better and dealing with complex social issues. To date, the OBP Touring Company has performed for a cumulative audience of over **2.5 million** students.

Camp Kids Playhouse: The OBP offers 2 weeks of summer camp divided by grade level for students ages 5-12. Camp Kids Playhouse is theme specific annually and not only covers the basics of performance but also includes a studio production open to friends and family at the session's conclusion. Currently camp has 80 students enrolled and many Apprentice interns who serve as counselors and camp mentors for younger students. To date, Camp Kids Playhouse has provided programming for **2,025** students.

Arts Incubator Apprenticeship: This program provides one-on-one coaching and consultation for OBP secondary students. OBP Team members assist participants in applying for college, seeking out and securing scholarships, finding employment, preparing college and extracurricular auditions, resume and essay writing, completing senior projects and community service requirements, and writing admission essays. In 2018, OBP Apprentice students earned over **\$585,000** in arts related college scholarships.

Merrily We Go Along: The OBP's newest program provides bi-weekly Art Therapy sessions for **111** Residents at the Elkins Rehabilitation and Care Center. To date the OBP has provided 10 months of programming for the facility.



IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DANNY L. TAYLOR, Deceased

RECOMMENDED ORDER


This matter was referred to the undersigned fiduciary commissioner in the Estate of Danny L. Taylor, by the Clerk of the County Commission of Randolph County, West Virginia, on or about October 19, 2017. The reason for the appointment of a fiduciary commissioner was to address Daniel L. Taylor's objection to the Amended Appraisement filed by Renee Taylor, Administratrix, on or about October 31, 2013. Daniel L. Taylor filed his objection on or about March 19, 2014.

THEREAFTER, the undersigned wrote letters on two separate occasions (October 26, 2017 and January 17, 2018) to both Daniel L. Taylor and Renee Taylor, requesting additional information regarding the claim, their current positions, their desire for a hearing on the issue, and for an initial deposit for payment of my services. On or about December 4, 2017, the Administratrix contacted this office and indicated that there was no reason for a hearing. Daniel L. Taylor did not contact the undersigned to reiterate his claim or to request a hearing.

RECOMMEND that the objection and/or claim filed by Daniel L. Taylor be dismissed so that the Renee Taylor, Administratrix, may proceed toward the settlement of the Estate of Danny L. Taylor.

Respectfully Submitted,

JEFFERSON L. TRIPLETT
Special Fiduciary Commissioner


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IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DANNY L. TAYLOR

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, as special fiduciary commissioner for Randolph County, West Virginia, does hereby certify that the foregoing RECOMMENDED ORDER was this date, served upon all parties by depositing a true copy of the same in the United States mail, with sufficient postage attached thereto, addressed as follows:

Renee Taylor
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Dailey WV 26259

Daniel L. Taylor
PO Box 199
Dailey WV 26259

DATED this 5th day of July 2018.


JEFFERSON L. TRIPLETT

RESOLUTION – RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION

WHEREAS natural, technological, and man-made hazards can affect Randolph County; and

WHEREAS significant structural, historical, and economic losses could result from an occurrence of a natural, technological, or man-made hazard events; and

WHEREAS undertaking mitigation projects during pre-disaster periods could decrease the total losses Randolph County incurs as a result of said hazard occurrences.

THEREFORE the Randolph County Commission has undertaken a project to update the existing *Region VII Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan*, adopted in 2012, in an effort to further identify, define, and characterize the hazards affecting Randolph County as well as to continue identifying and prioritizing projects that could lessen hazard vulnerability.

WHEREAS the Randolph County Commission has a strong interest in reducing losses from future hazard occurrences; and

WHEREAS the hazard mitigation plan is a federal and state requirement to maintain eligibility for hazard mitigation funding, and, by that requirement, must be updated a minimum of every five (5) years; and

WHEREAS a cooperative, joint effort is a proven, efficient way to plan for and reduce hazard susceptibility in all government jurisdictions Served by the Region VII Planning and Development Council.

THEREFORE the Randolph County Commission joined the Region VII Planning and Development Council in the completion of this plan update.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Randolph County Commission does hereby adopt the updated *Region VII County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan* this 2nd day of AUGUST, 2018

SIGNED: Michael M. Dabon Brenda Wiseman
President, Randolph County Commission Witness



ROBERT C. BYRD CORRIDOR H HIGHWAY AUTHORITY

July 23, 2018

Randolph County Commission
4 Randolph Avenue, Suite 102
Elkins, West Virginia 26241

Re: FY 2019 Funding Request

Dear County Commissioners:

On behalf of the Robert C. Byrd Corridor H Highway Authority I kindly request that the Randolph County Commission consider making a financial contribution to the Corridor H Authority during FY 2019.

As you may recall, the annual appropriation given to the Corridor H Authority for our operations ceased during FY 2017 and has not been restored to date. This same cut was made to all of the highway authorities across the state. The ongoing state budget concerns were given as the reason for the cut in funding. Through the generous support of the counties along the Corridor H route, the Authority has continued doing the important work we are charged by code to do.

The authority has a lot of important work ahead of us, including, but not limited to the following:

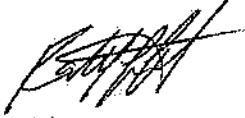
- Continued advocacy for the prioritization and completion of Corridor H to state and federal officials
- Continued promotion of the use/importance of Corridor H to a variety of groups/organizations

The Corridor H Authority has been very successful over the past several years working with both the private and public sector to support the completion of Corridor H. However, without the proper funding, these efforts are much more difficult to continue. We are requesting a contribution of \$5,000 from each county along Corridor H to support our goals and objectives during FY 2019.

We appreciate all of the support Randolph County has given the Corridor H Authority over the years. We know you share our desire to see this important piece of economic development infrastructure completed as quickly as possible. In order to achieve this goal it will take a team effort from everyone. I trust we can count on your support of the Corridor H Authority.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert L. Morris, Jr.
Chairman

