

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 17th day of December, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

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

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Kesling

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Richard Debias appeared before the Commission. He said he was there to discuss the deputies needing body cameras. He said his record was ruined and he was done wrong. He said he will continue to come to the meetings until something is done.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting that was held on December 3, 2020, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS:

(See copy attached)

Erin Golden, Director of North Central Community Corrections, appeared before Commission. She said there are currently 121 participants on the program and the program has save the County \$955,543.00 in regional jail bills so far this fiscal year.

Sheriff Mark Brady said he has been working with the newly elected Sheriff on the transition within the office. He said things are going smooth. Commissioner Scott said this will be Sheriff Brady's last meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Kesling announced that the Courthouse and all other buildings will be closed on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve. This is due to the Governor giving all State employees those days off.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

(See copy attached)

CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR HIRING NEW JUVENILE COORDINATOR IN PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

Randolph County Prosecuting Attorney, Michael Parker, appeared before the Commission. He said he would like to hire Mindy Planakis in his office as Juvenile Coordinator. He said this is a newly created position funded by the Commission during

last year's budgeting. He said he would like Ms. Planakis to begin working on January 4, 2021 with a starting salary of \$27,000.00 per year and she will be placed on a 90 day probationary period.

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the hiring of Mindy Planakis as Juvenile Coordinator in the prosecuting attorney's office with a starting salary of \$27,000.00 with full county benefits and with an effective date of hire of January 4, 2021 and she will be placed on a 90 day probationary period.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

(See copy attached)

Commissioner Scott said the first step in applying for a community development block grant is to do a Resolution. He said the Commission is applying for the grant in the amount up to \$250,000.00 and this is for the distressed property ordinance.

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the County Clerk's signature on the Resolution for the Community Development Block Grant, as presented.

Discussion: Commissioner Kesling said he wants to say the work this committee is doing is great. He said if you drive through the County and see it is a dramatic change.

Commissioner Scott said Kathy Vance, President of the Committee is here today and he also wants to commend the Committee for their work they have done.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

RATIFY SIGNATURE FOR VOCA GRANT

Commissioner Scott said a couple of weeks ago we received documentation that it was time to renew the VOCA Grant. There was a time limit that it needed to be done before the next regular meeting. He said the Commission president signed the required documents and sent them in and today they just need to ratify the signature on those documents.

Commissioner Scott moved to ratify the signature of the County Commission President, David Kesling, on the VOCA grant paperwork.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER PARTNERSHIP WITH GRANITE

Commissioner Scott said Granite Government Solutions is a company that helps with any issues we have with our telephone systems. They are one point of contact for any system and we would call them with an issue and then they contact the phone company for us. It will save the County \$580.00 a year. He said this will save us from having to hunt and search for who does what. We would just call them and they work behind the scenes to contact who needs contacted to fix the problem. Commissioner Scott moved to approve the partnership with Granite Government Solutions, as presented.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

RATIFY SIGNATURE ON CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH SUTTLE AND STALNAKER

Commissioner Scott said we just had Suttle and Stalnaker do our Audit. He said there were some additional work they had to do because the amount of expenditures for the federal grants were over the amount of \$750,000.00 which requires a single audit. The additional cost for that is \$5,000.00. Commissioner Scott moved to approve the ratification of the signature of the President of the County Commission on the contract amendment with Suttle and Stalnaker.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

RATIFY SIGNATURE FOR EMERGENCY RTU REPLACEMENT

Commissioner Scott said the Assessor's Office had a heating unit that went out a couple of weeks ago and they had to have an emergency repair done. Commissioner Scott moved to approve the ratification of the Commission president's signature on the documents with Casto Technical Services in the amount of \$14,300.00 for the emergency repairs to the heating system.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

APPROVE MEETING DATES FOR 2021

Commissioner Scott said there will be no changes to the schedule of the County Commission meetings. They will still be held on the first and third Thursday of every month. The first meeting will be held on January 7, 2021.

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the meeting dates, as discussed.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

APPROVAL OF SALE OF HANDGUNS TO THE OUTGOING SHERIFF

Sheriff Mark Brady said throughout his career in law enforcement he has been fortunate enough to be able to obtain his service weapons that he carried for almost a 30 year career. He said there are a couple of service weapons here that he has carried before that he would like to ask permission from the County Commission to purchase. He said the State Statute gives the authority to do so as long as it is not over \$1,000.00 for any one item. He said he would like to give \$400.00 each for the two firearms. These were two service weapons that he carried as a deputy in the past. He also asked that the money from the sale of the weapons be given back to the Sheriff's Office funds.

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the sale of the two handguns to outgoing Sheriff Mark Brady for \$400.00 each.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

APPROVE 2021 BI-WEEKLY PAY PERIOD SCHEDULE

(See copy attached)

Commissioner Scott said every year we approve the pay period schedule for the upcoming year. Commissioner Scott moved to approve the 2021 bi-weekly pay period schedule, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

FINAL SETTLEMENTS:

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the 3 final settlements/annual accountings as submitted on the following estates:

Cornelia Mae Huffman

David Howard Pingley

Bernard Ellis Teter

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

BUDGET REVISIONS: None

DIVISION OF PROPERTY /ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS:

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the divisions of property/ erroneous assessments, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

DISTRESSED PROPERTIES:

Commissioner Scott moved to approve 7 distressed properties, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

FIRE FEE ADJUSTMENTS: None

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Commissioner Scott moved to pay the bills, as submitted.

All yes - Motion passed unanimously

ADJOURN THE MEETING:

Commissioner Scott moved to adjourn the meeting.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Attest: _____