

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 F. Cain Court House Annex, on the 9th day of August, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

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

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Scott

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

CONSIDER FUNDING REQUEST FOR OLD BRICK PLAYHOUSE

(See copy attached)

Missy Armentrout McCollam, Executive Director of The Old Brick Playhouse, appeared before the Commission. She said theaters are the last businesses to open since the COVID 19 pandemic. She said there were no live performances and they were closed for 18 months. She said during that time they did after school videos for children. She said they are looking forward to opening up again. She said the Polar Express will not run again this year because of the enclosed train and tight space. She said they will be doing a performance of Mama Mia in September at the railroad depot. They are asking the Commission for help with funding to get the programs started back up. Commissioner Scott said the Commission helped YouthBuild recently because their funding was cut. Commissioner Kesling said the final ruling has not come down as to what they can use the Cares Act Funding on but once they see that maybe they can give the Old Brick Playhouse more funding. Commissioner Kesling moved to approve \$5,000.00 to be taken out of Hotel/Motel Tax funds, to the Old Brick Playhouse as requested. All yes Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BID FOR SIDEWALK PROJECT

Commissioner Scott said this is the bid for the sidewalk project which is to repair all the sidewalks on the front, sides and back of the courthouse. He said this will start all the way down at the Wees Annex and go all the way behind the jail. He said some of those sidewalks are in really bad shape. Commissioner Kesling said they received 5 bids for the sidewalk project and 4 bids for alternate things that they noticed after the fact that they want to get done. The bids were as follows:

1. Mountaineer Contractors \$184,870.00
2. RL Contracting \$193,275.00
3. Wolfe Creek Contracting \$184,868.00
4. McLanahan \$252,873.00
5. Daycon \$210,235.00

Commissioner Kesling said the lowest bid was from Wolfe Creek Contracting for the base bid and for all the alternative bids also. Commissioner Kesling moved to accept the bid from Wolfe Creek Contracting in the amount of \$184,868.00 for the sidewalk project as they were the lowest bidder and this has been reviewed by Peggy Ross and the engineers.

Commissioner Scott said they have several offices in the State of West Virginia and in Ohio. He said E.L. Robinson Engineers have worked with them before and they are reliable. He said the County received a \$100,000.00 grant for this project so the rest will be paid for by the County which is \$84,868.00 and they budgeted the money for it this year.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER SIGNING RESOLUTION FOR SMALL, RURAL AND TRIBAL BODY-WORN CAMERA PROGRAM GRANT

(See copy attached)

Commissioner Scott said they wanted to look for a grant for this and the body cams are not really that expensive but you have to keep the evidence for 5 years which is what costs a lot of money to do. He said fortunately the City of Elkins is looking for the same thing. Mayor Marco said they have found a much less expensive way to go and asked if the County Commission would be interested in joining with them to save some money. He said we will see what happens with this grant and go from there. It is a grant for \$20,000.00. Commissioner Kesling moved to approve the signing of the Resolution to apply for a grant through the Small, Rural and Tribal Body-Worn Camera Program. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER DONATION FOR ROSIE THE RIVETER EVENT

(See copy attached)

Commissioner Scott said this event will be held on Labor Day September 6, 2021 from 12:00 to 1:00 at the railroad depot Ampitheater. This is going to be hosted by Our Town, Inc., Randolph County Chamber of Commerce and Main Street. He said they have 9 confirmed Rosie the Riveters, all over the age of 90, that will be attending the event. He said they need to rent a big tent for this event. They are asking the County Commission to pay for the rent of the tent which is approximately \$600.00. Commissioner Kesling moved to approve \$600.00 to be taken out of Hotel/Motel Tax to Our Town, Inc. to help pay for the tent for the Rosie the Riveter event. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

ADJOURN THE MEETING:

Commissioner Kesling moved to adjourn the meeting.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_