

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 Commission Annex, on the 8th day of January, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Randolph County Commission President, David Kesling and Commissioners Chris See and Chris Siler

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Kesling

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MINUTES:

Commissioner See moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting that was held on December 18, 2025, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS:

Kenny Watson with Randolph County Court Security reported on activity for the month of December, 2025. He said they scanned 1,398 people and seized 131 knives and 4 pepper sprays. He said there were 44 inmates transferred into their custody. He said they served papers on 99 people. He said they are short on help right now but the Sheriff is working on that. He said they have heat in their office now which is great and he thanked the Commission for it.

Commissioner Kesling said they have a major problem with the elevator in the main courthouse and someone is supposed to come on Monday and Tuesday to take care of it.

Rhett Dusenberry from Congressman Moore's Office appeared before the Commission. He handed out the year end review report from Congressman Moore. This shows what the Congressman did last year. He said they are getting ready to start the community funding and may have a zoom training regarding that. He said he will bring physical copies to the Commissioners.

County Clerk, Brenda Wiseman reported on the Primary Election. She said the filing period for the 2026 Election Cycle begins on Monday January 12, 2026 and runs through Saturday January 31, 2026. She said the County Clerk's Office will be open on the last day of filing which is Saturday January 31, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. – Noon. She said there are not very many County races on the ballot this time.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Kesling announced that the next County Commission meeting will be held on Thursday January 22, 2026 at 1:30 at this location. He announced that the Courthouse Complex will be closed on January 19, 2026 for Martin Luther King, Jr. day. He announced that the Board of Equalization and Review will begin on January 30, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VOCA GRANT CONTRACT

Melinda Boggs appeared before the Commission. She said the VOCA grant has been approved for the 2025/2026 year in the amount of \$46,213.00. She said the grant covers salary, FICA and Medicare for her position at the Randolph County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. She said this grant amount is less than last year and Prosecuting Attorney Michael Parker is working on a State Budget Revision to get her salary up to what the other County employees are making. She said last year she had 588 interactions with victims and she saw 148 new victims last year. Commissioner Kesling said he is glad they received the grant but is sorry it is not as much as before. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the VOCA grant contract, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF STRYKER QUOTE FOR EMS

Commissioner Kesling said at the last Opioid Board meeting, Kurt Gainer from the Randolph County EMS presented quotes for a power lift and bed for the new ambulance they are getting soon. Commissioner Kesling said the board voted to approve the quote for the new equipment. He said this is only a quote and the invoice will come later. Commissioner See moved to approve the quote from Stryker in the amount up to \$69,394.42 and that is to be taken out of the Opioid Funding. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LETTER TO THE PROPERTY TAX DIVISION (See copy attached)

Commissioner Kesling said this is a letter that needs to go to the State of West Virginia Department of Tax and Revenue. He read the letter out loud. He said this allows the WV State Tax Department and Randolph County Assessor, Lance Marcum to make changes to the real estate and personal property tax books until February 12, 2026. He said the Board of Review and Equalization will adjourn on February 19, 2026 at 12:00 pm and the land books and personal property books of Randolph County will be closed on that date and no more changes/revisions can be made in the system for tax year 2026. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the letter to the State of West Virginia Department of Tax and Revenue, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTING POLICY (See copy attached)

County Clerk, Brenda Wiseman presented the Emergency Absentee Voting Policy to the Commission. She said this is something they do every election that allows the two Ballot Commissioners to take an absentee ballot to the hospital or nursing home on the day of the Election if the person has not had the chance to vote early or absentee because of a medical emergency. Commissioner Kesling read the policy out loud. Commissioner See moved to approve the Emergency Absentee Voting Policy, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

FINAL SETTLEMENTS:

Commissioner Siler moved to approve the (7) Final Settlements, as submitted.

Thomas Michael Hammer

Betty Zane Hill

Raymond Edward Jacko

William Robert Phares

Robert Hayes Shelton

Jack Everett Sturdivant

Cecil Howard Zickefoose

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

BUDGET REVISIONS:

Commissioner See moved to approve an In-House Budget Revision for the Senior Center in the amount of \$25.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

DIVISION OF PROPERTY/ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS/INCREASE OF ASSESSMENTS:

Commissioner Siler moved to approve the division of property, erroneous assessments, and increase of assessments, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

DISTRESSED PROPERTIES: None

ZONING LETTERS: None

FIRE FEE ADJUSTMENTS: None

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Commissioner See 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: _____

Randolph County Commission



Commissioners

David L. Kesling

Chris See

Christopher Siler

December 23, 2025

State of West Virginia
Department of Tax & Revenue
Deanna Sheets, Property Tax Director
Property Tax Division
P O Box 2389
Charleston, WV 25328-2389

RE: Corrections/revisions to values for 2026 taxes

Dear Ms. Sheets,

The Randolph County Commission hereby gives permission for the West Virginia State Tax Department and Randolph County Assessor, Lance Marcum, to make changes necessary to correct clerical errors and make revisions in value to the real estate and personal property books until Thursday, February 12th, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. The Board of Review and Equalization will adjourn on Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 12:00 p.m. The land books and personal property books of Randolph County will be closed on that date, and no more changes/revisions can be made in the IAS system for TY 2026.

Sincerely,

David Kesling
President, Randolph County Commission

Chris See
Randolph County Commissioner

Cris Siler
Randolph County Commissioner

EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTING POLICY

WHEREAS, West Virginia Code 3-3-5c authorizes county commissions in West Virginia to adopt a policy extending emergency absentee voting procedures in their county: and

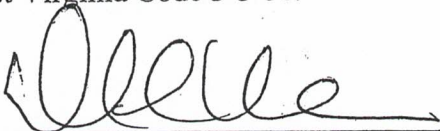
WHEREAS, it is the opinion of this Commission that the adoption of such a policy would benefit the citizens of Randolph County:

THE FOLLOWING POLICY IS HEREBY ADOPTED BY THIS COMMISSION:

A person qualified to vote an absent voter's ballot, as defined by West Virginia Code 3-3-1 who is:

- (1) In a hospital or other duly licensed health care facility within a county adjacent to Randolph County or within thirty-five miles of the county seat of Randolph County, for medical treatment; or
- (2) In a nursing home within the county

and is unable to vote in person on election day, may vote an emergency absent voter's ballot under the procedures set forth in West Virginia Code 3-3-5c.



Chris Lee

