STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION SS:

At an emergency session of the County Commission in and for the aforesaid County and State, at the James F. Cain Court House Annex, on the 20th day of January, 2016 at 3:30 P.M.

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

Also present was OEM/911 Director, Cindy Hart.

Meeting called to order by President Taylor.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

DISCUSS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOR PENDING WINTER STORM Commissioner Taylor said it is no big secret that the national weather service has put out a severe storm alert for Randolph County. He said for many of you the response from the storms of the derachio and super storm Sandy are still fresh in our minds. From those incidences we have learned, we have made a lot of changes and those changes have been for the better and that is demonstrated by the turnout we have here today. He said with that said here in a little bit we are going to declare a State of Emergency of emergency preparedness here in Randolph County. The County Commission will vote on that and when it passes the OEM Director, Cindy Hart will be able to steps that she deems necessary to help protect the life, property and safety of the residents here in Randolph County.

OEM/911 Director, Cindy Hart prepared a power point presentation. (See attached copy) She said this is a stakeholders meeting and she would like everyone to sign in. She said after this meeting everyone on the list will be sent a text message to come to the next stakeholders meeting. She showed the power point presentation and discussed the storm. She said they are expecting Elkins to get 19-21 inches of snow and in areas such as Valley Head they are expecting 3 foot or more. She said the storm is supposed to start around noon on Friday. The electric could also go out if we get what they are predicting.

Commissioner Taylor said we will go ahead and make this official. He read the proclamation out loud. (See attached copy)

Commissioner See moved to approve the proclamation, as submitted. This will declare a local State of Emergency for Randolph County for a period of five days after which the State of Emergency will elapse.

All yes - Motion passed unanimously

Cindy Hart said there will be a briefing every day. She said the next briefing will be tomorrow at 3:00 p.m. If the electric goes out we will have the briefing at the Wees Annex because there is no generator for this building.

Commissioner Taylor said he is overwhelmed by the response today. Sheriff Brady said if the Governor declares a State of Emergency please stay off the roads.

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

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