

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSION SS:

At a regular meeting of the Randolph County Commission held in and for the aforesaid County and State, at the James F. Cain Court House Annex, on the 5th day of April, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Michael Taylor, President of the Randolph County Commission and Commissioner Chris See. Commissioner Mark Scott was absent.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Taylor

Commissioner Taylor said he wanted to remind everyone the purpose of public comment. The public comment portion of the commission meeting is not required under the open meetings act. The Commission has put it there for the public to comment on issues coming before the Commissioners in their meeting. He said he wanted to be perfectly clear, public comment during this meeting should not, and will not, be used for political grandstanding or mudslinging.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tammy Hinzman appeared before the Commission. She said she would like to address a couple of the cuts that were made to Sheriff Mark Brady's budget for 2018/2019 that is going to adversely affect their office. She said Sheriff Brady submitted his budget to the County Commission last month. The Sheriff requested again this year to hire another administrative assistant for the law enforcement office and for a small increase in his budget for their part time employee Connie Rosier. When the Sheriff was given back his budget from the Commission he was told not only that he was denied to hire a full time person in law enforcement again, but the Commission actually cut the Sheriff's budget in half for Connie and took away her end of the year supplemental pay. She said to her knowledge all other part time county employees will be getting their supplemental pay from the Commission this year. Connie Rosier is a hardworking, dependable, honest Christian woman. Connie has been so flexible with them and so dependable. She said she can call her an hour before they open to come into work and she was always so gracious and accommodating to their needs. She was very discouraged from your decision to cut her allotted amount from the Sheriff's budget. She is a huge asset to their office and they do not want to lose her. Mrs. Hinzman said the Sheriff has two offices to run, the tax office and the law enforcement office. There are only five full time employees to operate both offices. She said due to the lack of manpower in the Sheriff's office the law enforcement office has to be closed down each day for lunch and while the administrative assistant delivers papers to the prosecuting attorney, magistrate court, circuit clerk and tax office. She said Sondra Channell, the administrative assistant, cannot keep up with the huge workload in that office anymore. She said most of the time when they return from lunch or from delivering papers they have people sitting there

waiting for them to open back up. She said when Sondra Channell is off sick or on vacation she works down there to cover for her and that leaves the tax office very short handed. She said on the surface this looks like your decision was personal in some way and she hopes she is wrong because she does not understand their reasoning. Putting all personal feelings aside please understand that our office definitely needs more help, she said. She said their office brings in millions of dollars for the county budget and they would think that the Commission would try to help their office in any way they can to make sure their office runs effectively and smoothly as possible. She said Mr. Taylor and Mr. See would you please reconsider your decision and give the Sheriff his very needed funding to staff their office.

Commissioner Taylor said we don't answer questions after public comment, but the Sheriff was told this when we presented the budget and it was done in a public meeting, there will be a full time clerical position that is being added to the Sheriff's Office and half of the funding is coming out of general revenue and half is coming out of the fire fee. Commissioner Taylor said the money will be placed in the budget once he finds someone to hire and is ready to hire them.

Sheriff Mark Brady appeared before the Commission. He said he was able to finally obtain a signed copy of his budget, after several requests, just two days ago. He said he now knows why they wanted to keep this information from him. He said in his review of the budget he learned that they did not provide for additional funding to hire more deputies to combat in the drug and opioid epidemic that we face. He said, you say Mr. Taylor that you are helping fight this epidemic but your actions tell us a different story. This has been the second year in a row that he has requested funding to add additional deputies, with the same result. He said he also requested a fair and reasonable 3% pay increase for the deputies. He said Mr. Taylor stood for the teachers and state police for a fair wage for all, but not only denied the increase for the deputies but gave them a mere 1% increase, while you gave 3% to 5% increases, depending on which office you work in, to other employees amounting to \$750.00 each while some of the deputies only received a \$350.00 increase. He said again your actions speak much more loudly than your empty words. These are dedicated men and women on the front line that see death, child abuse, criminal acts against our elderly and the worst society has to offer. The good hardworking folks of this County want more law enforcement, not less. The areas most affected by this decision will be the most rural parts of our County, which is Valley Head, Huttonsville, Mill Creek, Harman, Montrose and Coalton. He said with the increase in traffic and people due to the gas line development they will have more calls to respond to, not less. These areas have only the Sheriff's Office and State Police to answer these calls which are both underfunded and understaffed. He said the Commission also declined to fund a full time position in his tax office which has experienced a large increase in workload due to the fire fee ordinance, tax collections and administrative duties. He said not only have the Commission not funded this position, they decreased his budget for a hardworking and dedicated employee who has filled in admirably. The Sheriff's office has not been funded for an additional full time employee for almost twenty years, yet the Commission has added three in the last ten years. He said the Commission has done this while they have added almost \$8,000.00 in funding for their

office staff, which he added is in direct violation of WV State Code 7-1-3 which states that the County Commission is without power to appoint a secretary or administrative person as these functions are performed by the powers of the duly elected County Clerk, the supreme Court has ruled on the same. He said the Commission has also increased the travel and training budget for their staff to \$20,000.00, is this another all expense paid trip to Colorado or Washington D.C. on the backs of the taxpayers? He said the Commission has commented on the elected officials giving raises without their consent but yet, the Commission gave a \$6,000.00 pay increase to one of the employees in their office without it being voted on in a public meeting while misleading the taxpayers and the County Clerk with a new wage and hour rule that was struck down by a federal judge on November 22, 2016 and to date is still not in effect, the letter from the Commission was dated December 30, 2016. The people in this County deserve better, this is their money, not yours.

Commissioner Taylor said we are not going to take any comments or questions at this time but we will have some follow up to some of the allegations, there are some different sections of the Code that the Sheriff conveniently didn't refer to but we will address that later. He said it is not funny Sheriff, it is serious. He said once again it is political grandstanding that he has been doing for the past year and he continues to do it. Sheriff Brady said he doesn't represent the Commission he represents the taxpayers. Commissioner said we all do. Commissioner See said he believes that they did give all the deputies the \$750.00 raise. Sheriff Brady said he had a copy of the budget and would be glad to show it to Mr. See. Commissioner Taylor told the Sheriff to sit down and they do not need to see it. Commissioner Taylor said yes it is \$750.00 per man. He said they do not need to see it because they know what they allocated for it.

MINUTES:

Commissioner See moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting that was held on March 15, 2018, as submitted.

All yes -- Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner See moved to approve the minutes from the special meeting held on March 26, 2018, as submitted.

All yes -- Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS:

Curt Gainer from Randolph County EMS reported that they have one truck down with head gasket failure.

Sheriff Mark Brady appeared before the Commission. He reported that the Randolph County Sheriff's Office has a website that went live today. It is randolphsheriffwv.gov. He said they want to provide a website for the citizens of the county. It will be very beneficial to the taxpayers of our County. He said they will provide financial reports for the public to view. Sheriff Brady said this is something that the Auditor's office began doing to show how taxpayer's money is being spent. He said he has posted the Randolph County Budget for 2018/2019 on the website also. He said per WV State Code 29-B-1-1

the government is the servant of the people and they are entitled to full and complete representation.

Erin Golden, Director of North Central Community Corrections, appeared before the Commission. She said there are currently 111 participants on the program and the program has saved the County \$1,467,765.00 in regional jail bills so far this year.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

APPROVAL/SIGNAGE OF PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING RANDOLPH COUNTY A PURPLE HEART COUNTY IN SUPPORT OF ACTIVE MILITARY AND VETERANS (See attached copy)

Benny Shiflett and Terry Feight appeared before the Commission. Mr. Shiflett said they are there to present a plaque to Randolph County to show their appreciation of Randolph County becoming a "Purple Heart County". He said they are trying to get all 55 counties in West Virginia to do this. Commissioner Taylor said they are proud and honored to become part of that. He read the proclamation out loud. Commissioner See moved to approve the signage of the Proclamation, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL/SIGNAGE OF SUPPORT LETTER FOR THE APPALACHIAN FOREST HERITAGE AREA AND FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO BE DESIGNATED AS A NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA (See attached copy)

Phyllis Baxter, representing the Appalachian Forest Heritage Area Council, appeared before the Commission. She said they are a regional initiative that works in conservation, community development and heritage tourism over and 18 county region, 16 counties in West Virginia and 2 in western Maryland. She said they have been operating and working on projects for 15 years now. They have done conservation projects and tree plantings. They are developing heritage tourism trails and they operate the Appalachian Forest Discovery Center down in the Darden Mill to encourage tourists to not only come to Elkins but to go out and visit sites all around our region. The support letter that they are asking for now is for the National Heritage Area designation. She said they have been seeking this for a number of years, this is the third session of Congress they have had bills introduced. She said this is the farthest along that they have gotten with it. She said the Randolph County Commission gave them a previous support letter in May 2007 and they are just going and doing a new round of support letters to let our congressman know and the public know that we still think this is important. This designation will bring them national recognition and help with their tourism efforts and it will bring national park systems technical support and some funding. Commissioner Taylor said they have prepared a support letter. Commissioner See moved to approve the signing of the support letter for the Appalachian Forest Heritage Area.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL/SIGNAGE OF THIRD PARTY CONTRACTOR TO SUPERVISE THE 911 PROJECT ON THE COUNTIES BEHALF

Commissioner Taylor said last week they had a meeting up at the Emerson Phares Building with the Contractor, Cindy Hart, himself and Donna Haddix. He said the contractor is getting started on the renovations. He said the purpose of this is to have Terradon Incorporated to be the eyes and ears for the Commission to make sure the contractor does everything they are supposed to do per the bid. The amount of this contract is \$31,535.00.

Commissioner See moved to approve the signing of the third party contract to supervise the 911 project on the counties behalf and the name of the company being Terradon Incorporated in the amount of \$31,535.00.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER/APPROVAL SIGNAGE OF SUPPORT LETTER FOR THE BEVERLY WATER BOARD GRANT APPLICATION (See attached letter)

Commissioner Taylor said the Town of Beverly had come to the Commission for a letter of support for a grant that they were applying for. There was a deadline of March 22nd on this. That was in between Commission meetings. He said they went ahead and prepared a support letter and signed it and now they need to ratify the signature of it so that they can get their grant application underway.

Commissioner See moved to ratify the signature of the letter to the Town of Beverly for their water board grant application.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

WHITMER WATER ASSOCIATION UPDATE ON OPERATIONAL ISSUES

Paula Teter appeared before the Commission. She said recently all of the officers of the Whitmer Water Association resigned for one reason or the other. She said they had a special meeting with the County Commission to elect some new officers and she was elected President for six months and there are a couple other officers that are standing in. She said right now they have one office manager that does the billing. She said what they need right now is the support of the community and of course the continued support of the County Commission which has been wonderful to help support them and back them in any way. She said mostly she is here to get the word out to their little community to support the water system and come out to the meetings. She said they really don't want someone else to come in and take over their water board. Commissioner Taylor said the difference in a PSD and a water association is that the members of a water association are elected from people who are actually using the water services in the area. He said the problem is that it being such a small rural remote area it has become a problem to find people who want to be on the board. He said it is very important that the word gets out that they need to attend the meetings and they need to become involved in it so that it is not taken over by the Public Service Commission who could place it in receivership and then another entity could come in and raise the rates and so forth.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF HIRE IN THE NORTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY
CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT (See letter attached)

Erin Golden, Director of North Central Community Corrections, appeared before the Commission. She said that Josiah Laulis is leaving her office for other employment. His last day will be April 13th. She would like to re-hire Zachary Stell for a full time DRC Officer position. Mr. Stell previously worked in the office when John Coniff was on military leave and when she was out on maternity leave. She said Mr. Stell knows the job well and did a great job before. This position is already in the budget for the year. Commissioner See moved to approve the re-hiring of Zachary Stell as a DRC Officer in the North Central Community Corrections office with a starting salary of \$25,000.00 per year with full benefits and he will begin working on April 16, 2018.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL TO CHANGE PART TIME HIRE TO FULL TIME HIRE TO
THE 911 CENTER (See letter attached)

911/OEM Director, Cindy Hart appeared before the Commission. She said she would like to change Robert S. Petrice from part time to full time. She said he will be replacing a full time employee who is no longer there. She said he has completed his requirements and has done an excellent job during his in house training. The money is already in the budget to cover his wages for the year. She said his pay would be adjusted to \$13.34 per hour with full county benefits.

Commissioner See moved to approve the change of Robert S. Petrice from part time employee to a full time employee at the 911 Center, and this is to go into effect on April 9, 2018.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

FINAL SETTLEMENTS/ANNUAL ACCOUNTINGS:

Commissioner See moved to approve the twelve (12) final settlements/annual accountings as submitted on the following estates:

Elsie Arleene Bonnell
Zella Jean Campbell
John William Clark
Kathleen Barbara Colaw
Ireta Jane Hardesty
Clark Daniel Hinkle
Kathleen N. Huffman
Beth Ward Jennings
Helen Louise Lantz
Dolly L. Roy
Mary Teresa Roy
Leon Clarence Wilson

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

BUDGET REVISIONS:

(See attached copy)

Commissioner See moved to approve the one in house budget revision, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

ADJUSTMENTS TO FIRE FEES:

Commissioner See moved to approve the adjustments to the fire fees, as submitted.

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

DIVISION OF PROPERTY/ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS:

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

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

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

Michael M. Taylor

Chris See

Mark D. Scott

RANDOLPH COUNTY PROCLAMATION FOR THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART

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*State of West Virginia, COUNTY of Randolph County
PROCLAMTION WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is the oldest decoration
in present use and was initially created as the Badge of Military
merit by General George Washington in 1782; and WHEREAS, the
Purple Heart was the first American service award or decoration
made available to the common soldier and is specifically
awarded to any member of the United States Armed Services
wounded or killed in combat with a declared enemy of the
United States; and WHEREAS, the mission of the Military Order of
Purple Heart, Chartered by an act of Congress, is to foster an
environment of goodwill among the combat wounded veteran
members and their families, promote patriotism, support
legislature initiatives and most importantly make sure we never
forget; and WHEREAS, Randolph County has a large number of
residents who have been awarded the Purple Heart Medal for
increasing sacrifices required of military families; and WHEREAS,
Randolph County pledges its ongoing commitment to the support
for the men and women who so honorably serve our nation. NOW
THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Randolph County
Commission hereby declares: Randolph County as a Purple Heart*

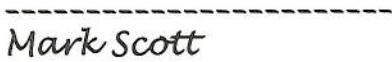
County in the State of West Virginia ADOPTED this the 5th day of April, 2018.



Michael M. Taylor, President
Randolph County Commission



Chris See
Randolph County Commissioner



Mark Scott
Randolph County Commissioner

Randolph County Commission



Commissioners

Michael M. Taylor

Chris See

Mark D. Scott

April 5, 2018

Appalachian Forest Heritage Area Council

P.O. Box 1206

Elkins, WV 26241

Dear Council:

The Randolph County Commission would like to express support for the Appalachian Forest Heritage Area, and for your efforts to be designated as a National Heritage Area. The forests of our Appalachian highland counties include outstanding natural, historic, and cultural assets attracting visitors as well as providing livelihoods for many of our residents. National recognition of the forest heritage of our region will increase awareness of the importance of these resources for our residents and visitors.

The Randolph County Commission pledges cooperation with the planning, educational, and tourism development efforts of the Appalachian Forest Heritage Area. We will provide what resources that we can – including participation in meetings and use of meeting space – that can be counted as match to assist you in your planning and implementation efforts. As a tourism development entity, Appalachian Forest Heritage Area is also eligible to apply for hotel & motel tax funding from Randolph County.


4 Randolph Avenue - Suite 102 - Elkins, West Virginia 26241 - Phone (304) 636-2057 - Fax (304) 630-1125
randolphcountycommissionwv.org

The Randolph County Commission will be a partner with you in your efforts to educate residents and visitors, conserve assets, improve quality of life, and diversify economic development through heritage tourism and awareness of the forest industry. We look forward to helping Randolph County develop as the hub attraction of this nationally recognized cooperative effort.

Sincerely,



Michael M. Taylor, President



Chris See

Randolph County Commission

Mark Scott

Randolph County Commission



Campaign for Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area Designation

THE TIME IS NOW!

Appalachian Forest Heritage Area (AFHA) needs your help to support National Heritage Area designation. For over 15 years, AFHA has worked for conservation and community development in our 18-county region. AFHA conserves, develops, interprets and promotes a regional network of forest-based resources and experiences, benefiting communities and the environment throughout the highlands of West Virginia and western Maryland. Now is the time to expand these efforts during our spring 2018 support letter campaign.

The AFHA began seeking National Heritage Area (NHA) designation with the approval of their Feasibility Study by the National Park Service in 2006. For the study, more than 150 different private, government and non-profit agencies as well as individuals wrote in support of this designation. **Today, we need that support again.** Currently, two bills, Senate Bill 401 and House Resolution 3142, have been introduced in Congress to designate the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area. This designation will bring national recognition of the importance of the Appalachian Forest Heritage story, as well as technical assistance through the National Park Service and funding for local projects.

WHAT IS A NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA?

For over 30 years, National Heritage Areas have been telling America's story and are designed as a cost-effective way of conserving our nation's natural and historic resources. This approach has been validated in 49 areas around the country, including two in West Virginia (Wheeling National Heritage Area and the National Coal Heritage Area), that have developed dynamic partnerships among local governments, non-profit groups and businesses.

The National Heritage Area program in a nutshell:

- NHA is a grants and outreach program through the National Park Service, administered locally.
- NHA designation *does not* result in any additional federal ownership, regulations, or management controls.
- NHAs leverage federal funds that help create jobs, generate revenue for local governments and sustain local communities.
- NHAs return an average of \$5.50 for every \$1 of federal investment.
- NHAs serve as catalysts in their communities, taking on projects that fit their goals and local priorities. They encourage collaboration and work with willing partners to see projects through.

WHAT WOULD IT MEAN FOR OUR REGION?

Let's look at figures from one of West Virginia's NHAs. The National Coal Heritage Area (NCHA) generates \$207 million annually in economic impact, supports 2,744 jobs and generates \$16.8 million in tax revenue. This economic impact consists of: tourism (\$205.3 million), operations (\$1.1 million), grant making activities (\$419,000), and capital expenditures (\$238,000).* The NCHA has been a driver of economic development in that southern West Virginia region and transformed communities through preservation and celebration of their rich coal history.

The opportunities for our region are similarly limitless; for we are unique. No other NHA has identified forest heritage as its primary theme. NHA status would provide support and funding for the region to: develop interpretation and cultural programs; recognize the role of past, present and future of the forest industry; strengthen our forest heritage identity; and share this amazing legacy with visitors.

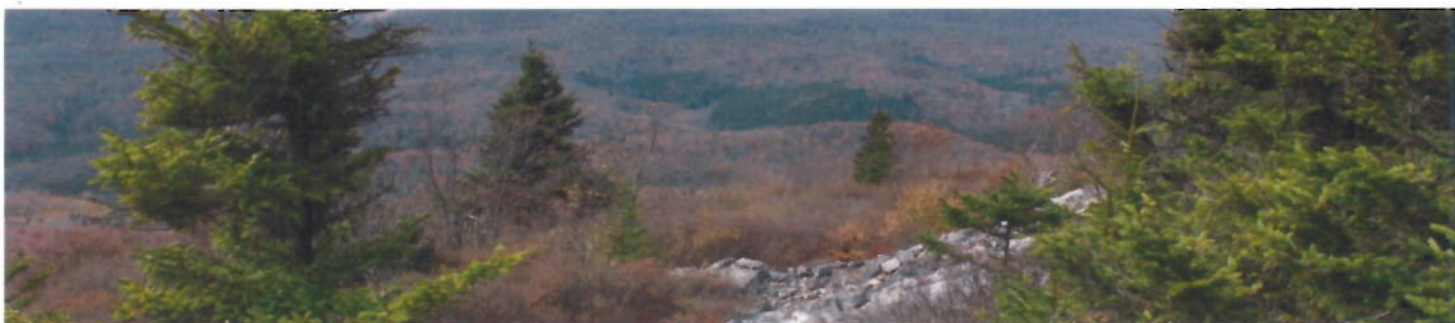
WHAT CAN I DO?

Tell your U.S. Representatives and Senators you support Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area designation. For a contact list and sample letters, please visit our website. Showing them strong grassroots support will inspire action!

SEE REVERSE FOR MORE CONTACT INFORMATION

*coalheritage.org/ 2017 National Coal Heritage Area Economic Impact Report





Campaign for Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area Designation

CONTACTS

The AFHA is seeking as many expressions of support as possible this March and April. If you contact your Congressmen and Senators directly, please let AFHA know about your contact efforts. You can drop us an email or send a copy of your letter. To contact your representatives directly, call their DC office and leave a message, email through their web site contact, or write a letter. You can also contact their in-state staff at their field offices.

► U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Rep. David McKinley, WV-1st

<https://mckinley.house.gov/contact/>

202-225-4172

2239 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515

Rep. Alex Mooney, WV-2nd

mooney.house.gov/contact

202-225-2711

1232 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515

Rep. Evan Jenkins, WV-3rd

evanjenkins.house.gov/contact

(202) 225-3452

1609 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515

Rep. John Delaney, MD-6th

www.delaney.house.gov/contact/email-me

202-225-2721

1632 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515

► U.S. SENATE

Sen. Joe Manchin (WV)

www.manchin.senate.gov/contact-joe/email-joe

202-224-3954

306 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington D.C. 20510

Sen. Shelley Moore Capito (WV)

www.capito.senate.gov/contact/contact-shelley

202-224-6472

172 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510

Sen. Ben Cardin (MD)

www.cardin.senate.gov/contact/email-ben

202-224-4524

509 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510

Sen. Chris Van Hollen (MD)

www.vanhollen.senate.gov/content/contact-senator

202-224-4654

110 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510

► Letters of support can also be sent to the Appalachian Forest Heritage Area Board of Directors: PO Box 1206, Elkins WV 26241 or emailed to phyllisb@appalachianforest.us. If you email your document, please scan as a pdf with an original signature.

► Use this link for additional members of Congress: www.usa.gov/elected-officials

ABOUT THE AFNHA BILLS

- S.401 was sponsored by Senator Manchin and co-sponsored by Senators Capito, Cardin and Van Hollen. It has gone through Senate Energy & Natural Resources committee, and our goal now is to get it included in a Senate vote. Tell Sen. Manchin and all of your Senators that you appreciate their sponsorship and support, and that this designation is important to you and your community.
- HR 3142 was sponsored by Congressman McKinley, and co-sponsored by Congressmen Delaney, Jenkins and Mooney. Tell your Congressmen that you appreciate their sponsorship of AFNHA and support for National Heritage Areas. This designation is important to you and your community.



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SAMPLE LETTERS

► **INDIVIDUALS** can show support of the Appalachian Forest Heritage Area designation as well as for continued funding for the National Heritage Area program by writing to AFHA, and/or by contacting your congressional offices directly.

Dear *Insert Name*,

I support current congressional efforts to designate an Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area and thank you for your support of the designation bill. Recognition of our nationally significant forest heritage will benefit conservation, tourism and communities in our region.

Insert optional personal experiences or what is important to you about forest heritage and AFHA efforts.

Insert other talking points, in your own words.

Thank you for your continued support of this important legislation which not only helps regions thrive and work collaboratively, but also tell America's story.

Sincerely, Signature with address

► **ORGANIZATIONS** can show support by sending a letter or resolution to the appropriate Senators or Representatives, or directly to AFHA. It will be shared with representatives to show widespread support. If a letter/resolution was written previously, a letter of renewed support now would be valuable. *Please use the proper letterhead.*

Dear *Insert Name*,

Organization name supports current congressional efforts to designate an Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area. We believe our natural, historic, cultural and forest resources tell a nationally significant story making this area a perfect candidate for a National Heritage Area (NHA) designation. This valuable designation can bring substantial educational and economic benefits to our region by assisting with the recognition, conservation, interpretation and presentation of these resources.

Insert optional information about your organization and your partnership or potential with AFHA.

We are extremely grateful for your past and continued support for these efforts.

Sincerely, Signature with address

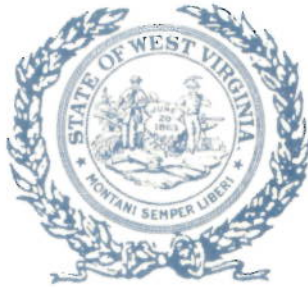
TALKING POINTS

- The Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area designation will provide national recognition and significant new grant funding for the area.
- Appalachian Forest Heritage Area organization has a proven track record of over 15 years of successful activities and partnerships.
- This NHA designation would be transformative for our 18-county region in the highlands of West Virginia and western Maryland.
- NHAs have a proven record of fostering job creation and advancing economic, cultural, historic, natural and community development.
- The designation will help further the goals of conservation and stewardship of our forest and its heritage.
- NHAs use partnerships and grassroots efforts to make small investments pay huge dividends.
- Through innovative public-private partnerships, National Heritage Areas have effectively leveraged federal resources, attracting an average of \$5.50 of private funding for each dollar appropriated.
- In addition to creating jobs, NHAs generate valuable revenue for local governments and sustain communities through revitalization and heritage tourism.
- I/We also support the National Heritage Areas program bill and robust funding to support it.

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Randolph County Commission



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March 22, 2018

Town of Beverly Water Plant
1 Livingston Street
Beverly, WV 26253

Mr. Weese,

With this letter, the Commission of Randolph County, WV would like to express its support of the Town of Beverly's Water Plant grant application. We understand that if awarded these grant monies, they would be used for equipment that would have the capability to monitor and detect contaminants to their water system. With their water plant being the first to the Tygart River, this would allow them to provide early detection of contaminants for larger plants to the larger cities nearby. We commend their efforts on moving forward with upgrades that not only would benefit the town of Beverly but also the surrounding areas.

Sincerely,



Michael M. Taylor, President
Randolph County Commission

RATIFIED 4/05/2018.

North Central Community Corrections

Randolph County Office
5 Randolph Ave. Suite 2
Elkins, WV 26241

Erin N. Golden
Regional Director



Phone: 304-636-5273
Fax: 304-636-7576

John Conniff
DRC Officer

Josiah Laulis
DRC Officer

April 2, 2018

Randolph County Commission
2 Randolph Ave
Elkins WV 26241

Dear Commissioners,

This Letter is a request for approval by the Randolph County Commission to re-hire Zachary Stell for the North Central Community Corrections for a full time DRC Officer position. With this request to start on Monday April 16, 2018 at the wage of \$25,000.00 a year with benefits. Please Contact our office with any question or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Erin N. Golden".

Erin N. Golden
Executive Director
North Central Community Corrections



Randolph County E911 / Randolph County Office of Emergency Management
30 Randolph Avenue, Suite 1, Elkins, WV 26241
911 Center 304-636-2000 OEM 304-636-0483 Fax 304-636-3298

April 5, 2018

Commissioners,

I am requesting that Robert S. Petrice be moved from part time employee status to full time employee status with full county benefits. He has completed his requirements and has done an excellent job during his in house training. His pay will need to be adjusted to \$13.34 per hour with full county benefits. Start the pay increase on April 9, 2018.

The current budget will cover his wages and benefits, he will be replacing a full time employee that is no longer employee with Randolph County 911.

Thank you,

Cindy Hart, Director

Budget Revision-In House

Date: _____

*indicates
original budget

4-5-18
CS moved
CS yes
MT yes
MS absent