

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 15th day of June, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

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

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Kesling

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MINUTES:

Commissioner Siler moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting that was held on June 1, 2023, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS:

Sheriff Elbon reported that the metal detectors arrived last night that was purchased by a grant. These will be placed at Magistrate Court and Family Court.

North Central Community Corrections Director, Erin Golden reported that there are currently 101 on the program and the program has saved the County \$1,417,199.00 in regional jail bills so far this fiscal year.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Kesling announced that the next regular meeting will be July 6, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. He also announced that the courthouse complex will be closed on Monday June 19th for Juneteenth and on Tuesday June 20th for West Virginia Day.

Commissioner Kesling congratulated the winners of the Elkins City Election that was held this week. He said there are some new members on City Council and some new voices to be heard.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION AND FUNDING REQUEST FROM THE RANDOLPH COUNTY FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK

Commissioner Siler moved to table this item until a further date. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION AND FUNDING REQUEST FROM HUTTONSVILLE-MILL CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Kesling said the Commission was approached by Rodney McAtee about this item. He said they need new masks for the firemen but they don't have an itemized bill yet, so this is not ready to be voted on today. Commissioner Siler moved to table this item until a further date. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR COALTON DAYS (See letter attached)

Commissioner Kesling said the Mayor of Coalton, Jim Rossi, contacted the Commission about this. He could not attend the meeting today but sent a letter. Commissioner Kesling read the letter out loud. This will be the 28th year of Coalton Days which is an old fashioned get together of friends and families. It will be held on June 24, 2023. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the funding request for Coalton Days in the amount of \$10,000.00 and that is to be taken out of Hotel/Motel Tax funds. Commissioner Siler voted yes – Commissioner See voted yes – Commissioner Kesling abstained from voting, as he is related to Mr. Rossi. Motion passed

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FUNDING REQUEST FROM 4-H (See letter attached)

Commissioner Siler said the Commission had a meeting with the 4-H board members regarding this issue. He said they had a short fall with their funding and are needing \$79,500.00 to complete some projects they have started. He said they are putting in a new fire alarm system because they had an old outdated system, and they are working on the bath house near the Dakan Arena and they are renovating the boys' dormitory. He said all of this will be a good addition and all is needed. Discussion followed. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the funding request from 4-H Camp Pioneer in the amount of \$39,250.00 and that is to be taken out of Hotel/Motel Tax funds. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Kesling said they can re-visit this after the new budget year starts to see if they can come up with any more funding to give them.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2024 VOCA GRANT AND SUPPLEMENTAL ACTIONS

Mindy Planakis, Victim Services Coordinator, with the Randolph County Prosecuting Attorney's Office appeared before the Commission. She said for this year's grant they are requesting \$54,898.00 and the County Commission match would be \$7,500.00. She said in May they served 72 victims. Commissioner Kesling said they truly appreciate what she does and it is very much needed. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the 2024 VOCA Grant, as presented. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT AWARD (See copy attached)

Erin Golden, Director of North Central Community Corrections, appeared before the Commission. She said they received a notice that the Governor gave out the grant awards and Randolph County will be receiving \$100,000.00 which is the same as the last few years. She said she is glad it didn't get cut. She said the County Commission's cash match would be \$42,857.00, which is the same as this year. She said she is requesting approval and signing of the grant award. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the

grant award for North Central Community Corrections, as presented. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER SIGNING LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (See letter attached)

Jessica Sutton appeared before the Commission. She said this is part of the master trail plan that the City of Elkins received a grant for last year. She said this section will be in the Glendale Park area and it will be a pump track and tot track to develop young rider's confidence so they can start using bike paths in the future. She said they are not asking for any funding just a letter of support. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the signing of the letter of support, as presented. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAY APPLICATION #10 FOR POOL/SPLASH PAD PROJECT

Commissioner Kesling said they have had several walk thru's at the pool and met with Danhill Construction and E.L. Robinson about a few issues that have arose after opening the pool. He said this is the last pay application before the final payment. He said the final payment will not be made until all the issues are resolved. The amount of this payment is \$71,950.56. Commissioner Siler moved to approve pay application #10 for the pool/splash pad project in the amount of \$71,950.56 and that is to be taken out of coal severance funds. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Kesling said the coal severance money will be going away since the last coal mine in the County shut down. He said next year's budget will be cut because of this. He said the pool is doing very well and a lot of people from Tucker County is coming over to it. He said they installed the slide at the splash pad and now they are just waiting for the slide to come in that goes on the low end of the pool.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WAGE ADJUSTMENT FOR 911 CENTER (See copy attached)

Robert Dakan from the 911 Center appeared before the Commission. He said they would like to request a pay adjustment for Ethan Crites as he is doing very well and is now operating on the floor as a stand-alone telecommunicator. His current wage is \$13.00 per hour and they would like to increase that to \$13.97 per hour effective June 26, 2023 and this is covered by the current budget. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the pay adjustment for Ethan Crites, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WV LOCAL GOVERNMENT RELEASE FORM REGARDING OPIOID LITIGATION

Commissioner Kesling said Randolph County has a part in the Opioid Litigation and an agreement has been reached with Milan and some other companies. Commissioner Siler moved to approve signing the release form regarding the Opioid Litigation. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

FINAL SETTLEMENTS/ANNUAL ACCOUNTINGS:

Commissioner Siler moved to approve the (5) Final Settlements, as submitted.

Burton B. Armstrong

David Michael Burns

Herman Andrew Conrad

Howard D. Marsteller

Gary Max Toney

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

BUDGET REVISIONS:

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$9,669.82. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Magistrate Court costs and rents in the amount of \$2,265.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Prosecuting Attorney's Office in the amount of \$5,000.00 to increase administrative costs. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$1,404 for the 075 expense line. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$9,598.00 for the task force. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$3,621.00 for the jail bill. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$1,000.00 for law enforcement expenses. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for JJP- Pro Officer in the amount of \$34,089.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the OEM Office in the amount of \$2,100.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the 4-H Administration costs in the amount of \$50.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for EM Services in the amount of \$1,585.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Dog Warden in the amount of \$170.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for VOCA benefits in the amount of \$3,400.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve an In House budget revision for Courthouse Contractual for reallocation of funds in the amount of \$116,868.00. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Kesling moved to approve a State Budget Revision in the amount of \$17,155.00. Commissioner Kesling voted yes – Commissioner Siler voted yes – Commissioner See voted yes Motion passed

Commissioner Kesling moved to approve a State Budget Revision for Hotel/Motel Tax in the amount of \$200,000.00. Commissioner Kesling voted yes – Commissioner Siler voted yes – Commissioner See voted yes – Motion passed

DIVISION OF PROPERTY/ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS:

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

DISTRESSED PROPERTIES: None

FIRE FEE ADJUSTMENTS:

Commissioner See moved to approve the 15 fire fee adjustments, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Commissioner Siler moved to pay the bills, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

ADJOURN THE MEETING:

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

Attest: _____

North Central Community Corrections

Randolph County Office

15-June-2023

	2017-2018*	2018-2019*	2019-2020*	2020-2021*	2021-2022*	2022-2023
Total Number of Offenders	287	310	308	349	267	101
Full Participants	82	78	56	44	14	30
Condition of bond	124	149	172	202	115	89
Services	25	14	27	47	10	19
Parole Offenders	16	28	15	25	3	10
Check ins and ds	15	15	11	1	1	3
Probation	20	26	28	12	5	13
Completed Program	75	88	86	120	103	87
Terminated from Program	108	123	99	102	81	62
Reentered Program from	34	25	25	15	17	21
Offenders in Rehab	7	3	10	4	6	15
Community Service Hours	2,876	3,330	1,030	3,920	1,113	1,283
Employment Hours	39,592	27,500	26,540	16,720	18,560	17,120
BIPPS Obtained	8 of 10	8-14	9-17	10-20	8-10	7-8
Drug Screens Administered	2,521	2,001	2,697	2,296	2,170	2,414
Positives	290	261	394	495	448	341
Negatives	2,231	1,740	2,303	1,801	1,722	2,073
Community Services Saving	\$25,165.00	\$29,137.50	\$9,012.50	\$34,300.00	\$9,738.75	\$11,226.25
Fees Collected	\$18,319.59	\$31,113.80	\$36,553.00	\$21,955.00	\$25,484.00	\$28,922.00
Amount Saved **	\$1,932,557.25	\$1,889,331.25	\$1,921,839.25	\$1,931,001.75	\$1,640,849.75	\$1,417,199.00
Total Amount Save the County	<u>\$1,957,722.25</u>	<u>\$1,918,468.75</u>	<u>\$1,930,851.75</u>	<u>\$1,965,301.75</u>	<u>\$1,650,588.50</u>	<u>\$1,428,425.25</u>

*Totals for Fiscal Years 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022 are based on end of the year totals. Totals for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 of the offenders are based on current active offenders on the program.

**Total amount saved based on Regional Jail fees of \$48.25 per day to house an inmate.

\$10,000.00
H/m Tax

TOWN OF COALTON
Womelsdorff Incorporated 1895
P. O. Box 189
Coalton, WV 26257

Randolph County Commissioners

June 12, 2023

Mr. David Kesling President

Mr. Chris See

Mr. Cris Siler

Dear Commissioners:

I'm here to represent Coalton Days 2023. The annual Coalton Days Celebration is an old-fashioned get-together of friends and families to celebrate our culture and heritage.

This celebration has grown tremendously over the past 27 years and, hopefully, will continue on this our 28th year. Coalton Days has generated a lot of excitement and revenue for the area, which is evident, unfortunately, the cost of all this has increased, but our budget has not. We appeared before the Commission and asked for any supplemental funds from the Commission.

We are very appreciative and grateful that the Commission agreed to fund the Coalton Days Celebration in the amount of \$10,000.00.

Thank you for your generosity.

Mayor Jim Rossi, Town of Coalton



H/SIL



4-H CAMP PIONEER

Beverly, West Virginia

To : Randolph County Commission
4 Randolph Ave, Suite 102
Elkins, WV 26241
June 15, 2023

4-H Camp Pioneer
Randolph County Park and Recreation Board
PO Box 137
Beverly,, WV 26253

*\$ 39,250.00
Hotel/motel*

Dear Commissioners,

The Randolph County Park and Recreation Board with 4-H Camp Pioneer would like to formally request funding to complete ongoing projects at Camp Pioneer.

Our primary renovation needs, as per our conversation on May 18, include the completion of the boys' dormitory renovation and the bath house near the Dakan Arena. Additionally, we need to upgrade the girls' dormitory roof and fire system. In total, we are requesting the amount of \$79,500.

5/22/23
We believe that the completion of these projects is an investment in the youth of our community. With modern and updated facilities and amenities we will be able to attract even more families from the area and beyond.

Thank you for considering our request. We sincerely hope that you will be able to provide funding, as we are incredibly passionate about the future of 4-H Camp Pioneer and the growth opportunities it provides for local youth.

Sincerely,

Sarah Cunningham

Sarah Cunningham
Executive Director
4-H Camp Pioneer

Randolph County Commission



Commissioners

David L. Kesling

Chris See

Christopher Siler

June 15, 2023

WV Department of Transportation
Division of Highways
1900 Kanawha Blvd. E
Building 5, 7th floor
Charleston, WV 25305-0430

RE: Recreational Trails Program FY23

Dear Sir/Madam,

The City of Elkins has set a course to transform its urban identity into a recreation hub for the region. Building on the momentum gained from a 2022 Appalachian Regional Commission POWER Planning grant award totaling over \$70,000 and an International Mountain Bike Association Trail Accelerator Grant award of \$60,000, Elkins Area Shared Trails (EAST) continues to move the needle on desired community trail development.

The proposed Glendale Park Skills Area is the first, and most visible, component of Elkins' new trail development plan that will tie together planned riverfront development, popular areas of community use, downtown pedestrian and bike-friendly streetscape initiatives, and the 27-mile Allegheny Highlands Rail Trail.

In Glendale Park, an Elkins Parks and Recreation Commission (EPRC) managed area, where multiple youth sports leagues practice and compete, locals and visitors utilize a section of a 3-mile flat crushed stone walking path, and where skateboarders can ride features in an adjacent space, a beginner bike park will be particularly visible, inclusive, and welcoming for beginning riders.

The pump track and tot track components will develop young riders confidence and competence which will translate into use of bike paths and other natural surface routes as safer alternatives to roads and sidewalks.

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

We are in full support of this project and are grateful for EAST and the EPRC for their dedication to our youth and the overall health and safety of the Elkins' community. We humbly ask that the WV DOH approve their request for Transportation Alternative funds through the Recreation Trails Program for this purpose.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Kesling', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Kesling, President
Randolph County Commission

Total Grant FY 23-24

		<u>Grant</u>	<u>Cash Match</u>
Executive Director Salary		\$63,000.00	
	Benefits	\$723.00	\$8,957.00
DRC Officer Salary		\$31,491.00	
	Benefits	\$4,786.00	
DRC Officer Salary			\$31,491.00
	Benefits		\$2,409.00
Cash Match Needed			
	Total	\$100,000.00	\$42,857.00

\$100,000.00	Cash Match Formula	
	Divide .70 - \$236,854.29	\$42,857.14

	Grant	Cash Match	Total
<u>Total Grant FY 23-24</u>	\$100,000.00	\$42,857.00	\$142,857.00



Randolph County Office of Emergency Management/911
194 Airport Road
Elkins, WV 26241
OEM: (304) 636-0483
Dispatch: (304) 636-2000
Fax: (304) 636-3298

June 15, 2022

Commissioners;

I am requesting a pay adjustment for Ethan Crites to be effective June 26, 20203. He is now operating on the floor as a stand-alone telecommunicator. Please see below the new pay scale.

Current wage: \$13.00

New wage: \$13.97

His wages are covered under the current budget.

Thank you,

Shonna Fox