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 Cain Court House Annex, on the 29th day of October, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Present: David Kesling, President of the Randolph County Commission and Chris See and Mark Scott, Commissioners thereof.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Kesling

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Robert Elbon, Jr. appeared before the Commission. He said he noticed in the paper and on the internet that the County Commission was considering a grant for helping people with homelessness due to the virus. He said he has done some research regarding this. He said he believes the virus will blow over and the resources should be used in other areas. He said the homeless shelter has a COVID unit to help anyone that is homeless and has the virus. He said he would like to know that when the virus is over if the money the Commission is getting from this grant could be transferred to the homeless facilities to help the homeless or to a drug treatment and or mental health center. He said with the drug problem we have in this County we need resources here in this County to be able to help people that have problems with addiction.

Peggy Young Ross said the grant they are doing today is strictly acting as a flow through for data for the Randolph County Housing Authority. She said she hasn't seen the budget yet but she is assuming they are not going to have much left over. She said they are planning to do three rounds with the CDBG/COVID-19 Grant. She said when round two comes out they are planning to address the very thing that Mr. Elbon was talking about.

Commissioner Scott said there is a facilities grant, this is a services grant they are talking about today, but there is a facilities grant that is available and they are looking to see if there is a way we could get more than one dedicated bed for COVID treatment. He said they have talked about having a drug treatment facility. He said they are hoping the facilities grant will help with that.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

CONSIDER SIGNING RESOLUTION AND OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR CDBG/COVID-19 GRANT

(See copy attached)

Jennifer Griggs with the Randolph County Housing Authority appeared before the Commission. She said she is in charge of several grant programs in the County to help the homeless. She said she has experience from living in California and working with the homeless there. She said the current grant that they are working on is for eviction

prevention due to COVID-19. She said the funding will help with getting a caseworker who can work with the family. She said there is a 6 month limit and they can go back to March of 2020. This can also help with their utilities. She said they must have third party proof of loss of income to qualify. She said the current applications need to be verified monthly to stay on program.

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the signage of the Resolution, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO OUTSIDE ANNEX STEPS Commissioner Scott said these steps are beside the Courthouse Annex and they are out of regulation. The treads on them are too high. He said a lot of people have tripped on them. He said the recommendation from CJ's Concrete Construction is that they construct a handicap ramp there. The estimate from CJ's Concrete Construction is \$15,100.00. Commissioner Scott moved to approve the bid from CJ's Concrete Construction to remove the old stairs and replace them with a handicap ramp and railing. All yes—Motion passed unanimously

ADJOURN THE MEETING Commissioner Scott moved to adjourn the meeting. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

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