

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 21st day of December, 2023 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 Siler moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting that was held on December 7, 2023, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS:

Erin Golden, Director of North Central Community Corrections, appeared before the Commission. She said there are currently 113 participants on the program and the program has saved the County \$764,383.25 in regional jail bills so far this fiscal year. (See copy attached)

Rhett Dusenberry from Congressman Mooney's Office said Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Brenda Wiseman, Randolph County Clerk, said the filing period for the upcoming election is January 8th thru January 27th 2024 and her office will be open on the last day of filing from 9-12. She said her office has the filing packets ready if anyone would want to come pick one up.

Randolph County Assessor, Phyllis Yokum gave an update on the TIFF district. She showed a map that her office put together with all the properties that are included in the City of Elkins Tiff district. She said there are 792 parcels included in the TIFF. She said this has been a lot of work on her office. She said she has two personal property Clerks working on this. She said they made up a spreadsheet and are going through each parcel one by one. She said she probably won't have solid figures until March when she does her certification. She said this is going to continue for the next 30 years and they will have to do all this work every year. She said this is a very large TIFF with 792 parcels involved. She asked if the County can be reimbursed for this extra work? She said the County and City should work together to use some of the TIFF money to pay for this extra work and to pay for the vendors she has to use to help with this. Commissioner Kesling said for her to keep track of the time so they can bill the City of Elkins. He said for the Sheriff's Office to keep track of their time too because they will be involved in this also. He said he is so frustrated with this TIFF.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Kesling announced that the next regular meeting will be on January 4, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. He also said budget requests from any of the offices for the upcoming fiscal year are due to the Commission Office by January 31, 2024. He said the Courthouse will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day and the Governor has issued tomorrow a holiday for State Employees. He said the County Commission has followed suit with what the Governor has said so that is a practice they will continue. He said if the Governor gives the state employees off then the county employees will be off also.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COUNTY HOLIDAYS FOR 2024 (See copy attached)

Commissioner Kesling read out loud the list of the 19 County holidays for 2024. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the County holidays for 2024, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

BUDGETARY REQUEST FROM INTERACT CHILDREN'S MUSEUM (See copy attached)

Lisa Martin and Michael Hayes appeared before the Commission on behalf of the Interact Children's Museum. Ms. Martin said last year they came and asked the Commission for funding for their summer series and the Commission helped with that and they bought nice new outdoor exhibits. She said they are currently a mobile museum but they want to have a permanent structure. She said they want to open the doors in 2024 but they need a building, need to staff it and open the doors. She said this lets the kids go beyond the structure of the classroom. She said they want this to be a major attraction in Elkins. She said they want to make it affordable for everyone so they will be getting grants and funding. She said they are asking to be put into the County's budget because they will need ongoing funds once they get the building. She said they are asking for \$5,000.00 in funding. Commissioner Kesling said next year's budget will be very unpredictable with the TIFF. He said it is easier for the Commission to give them funding from Hotel/Motel Tax funds. He said he loves their passion for this project. He said the Commission could give them \$5,000.00 now and then they could come back after July 1st and they could possibly give them some more. Commissioner Kesling moved to approve the funding request from Interact Children's Museum in the amount of \$5,000.00 and that is to be taken out of Hotel/Motel Tax Funds. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO JAIL RESTORATION COMMITTEE (See copy attached)

Commissioner Kesling said the Commission has put out an expression of interest to architect firms for the restoration of the Old Jail building. He said the deadline to have those back is December 28th. He said then they will get it out to bid. He said we have to get it done by January 2025 when the new Judge will be coming. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the appointment to the Jail Restoration Committee, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COMMISSION PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE ON HIDTA GRANT DOCUMENTS

Sheriff Elbon said this is a grant they got for the Drug Task Force and they just need the paperwork signed. Commissioner See moved to approve the Commission President's signature on the HIDTA Grant documents, as presented. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

ELECTION OF COMMISSION PRESIDENT FOR 2024

Commissioner Kesling moved to elect Commissioner Siler as Commission President for 2024. Discussion followed: Commissioner Kesling said they have done a lot this past year with getting the Pool up and running, moving the Prosecuting Attorney's Office, got lots of grants, the PRO Officers etc. He said in 2024 they want to renovate the Old County Jail and renovate this annex building for the new Judge. Commissioner See thanked Commissioner Kesling for taking over when he was out with an injury. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

FINAL SETTLEMENTS/ANNUAL ACCOUNTINGS:

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

Joseph Neo Jaquay

Billy Joe Reaser

Gailford Neal Sacks

Robert Dale Williams

Ian David Wilson

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

BUDGET REVISIONS:

Commissioner See moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$3,000.00 for the Task Force. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner See moved to approve an In House budget revision for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$1,099.00 for the Law Enforcement. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

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 Siler moved to approve the (1) one fire fee adjustment, 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: _____

North Central Community Corrections
Randolph County Office

14-December-2023

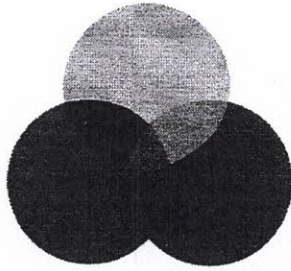
	2017-2018*	2018-2019*	2019-2020*	2020-2021*	2021-2022*	2022-2023*	2023-2024
Total Number of Offenders	287	310	308	349	269	260	113
Full Participants	82	78	56	44	16	40	5
Condition of bond	124	149	172	202	115	135	44
Services	25	14	27	47	11	46	7
Parole Offenders	16	28	15	25	3	13	1
Check ins and ds	15	15	11	1	1	3	0
Probation	20	26	28	12	5	26	3
Completed Program	75	88	86	120	103	97	43
Terminated from Program	108	123	99	102	83	65	12
Reentered Program from	34	25	25	15	19	21	2
Offenders in Rehab	7	3	10	4	6	15	6
Community Service Hours	2,876	3,330	1,030	3,920	1,113	1,373	735
Employment Hours	39,592	27,500	26,540	16,720	18,560	17,920	9,380
BIPPS Obtained	8 of 10	8-14	9-17	10-20	8-10	7-10	1-7
Drug Screens Administered	2,521	2,001	2,697	2,296	2,170	2,618	1,519
Positives	290	261	394	495	448	396	138
Negatives	2,231	1,740	2,303	1,801	1,722	2,222	1,381
Community Services Saving	\$25,165.00	\$29,137.50	\$9,012.50	\$34,300.00	\$9,738.75	\$12,013.75	\$6,431.25
Fees Collected	\$18,319.59	\$31,113.80	\$36,553.00	\$21,955.00	\$25,484.00	\$32,262.00	\$12,408.00
Amount Saved **	\$1,932,557.25	\$1,889,331.25	\$1,921,839.25	\$1,931,001.75	\$1,640,849.75	\$1,486,679.00	\$764,383.25
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>\$1,498,692.75</u>	<u>\$770,814.50</u>

*Totals for Fiscal Years 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023 are based on end of the year totals. Totals for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 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.

2024 Holidays

January 1, 2024	Monday	New Year's Day
January 15, 2024	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr Day
February 19, 2024	Monday	President's Day
March 29, 2024	Friday	Good Friday
May 14, 2024	Tuesday	Primary Election Day
May 27, 2024	Monday	Memorial Day
June 19, 2024	Wednesday	Juneteenth
June 20, 2024	Thursday	WV Day
July 4, 2024	Thursday	Independence Day
September 2, 2024	Monday	Labor Day
October 4, 2024	Friday	Forest Festival Friday
October 14, 2024	Monday	Columbus Day
November 5, 2024	Tuesday	General Election
November 11, 2024	Monday	Veterans Day
November 27, 2024	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day
November 28, 2024	Friday	Lincoln's Day
December 24, 2024	Tuesday	Christmas Eve (1/2 day)
December 25, 2024	Wednesday	Christmas Day
December 31, 2024	Tuesday	New Years Eve (1/2 day)



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December 17, 2023

Randolph County Commission

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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to convey the vital role and impact that Interact Children's Museum will have on our community and kindly request annual support from the Randolph County Commission. The Commission's support will further our mission of providing education and engaging learning experiences for children. The Interact mobile museum has been an invaluable asset in our county, fostering a love for learning among our young residents through hands-on activities, educational programs, and interactive exhibits.

Our museum will serve as a hub for families, schools, community groups, and visitors. It will offer a dynamic space where they can learn, explore, and create in an inspiring and safe environment.

With your annual support, we can continue to expand, grow, and reach even more children in our community and those visiting. Your contribution will directly impact our ability to develop new exhibits, enhance existing ones, and provide access to educational resources for all children.

The Interact Children's Museum nurtures childhood development, sparking curiosity, and encouraging critical and creative thinking skills. By investing in our

Randolph County Commission



Commissioners

David L. Kesling

Chris See

Christopher Siler

December 21, 2023

Dear Ms. Wiseman,

The commission has appointed the following members to the committee for the old jail restoration project:

David Kesling

Cris Siler

Chris See

Brooke Hinzman

Angela Corbitt

Mark Howell

Should you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

David Kesling, President

Randolph County Commission

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Robert R. Elbon Jr., Sheriff

12/14/2023

The Sheriff's Office respectfully requests the following budget revisions.

IN-HOUSE BUDGET REVISION

Reason for Revision: Adjustment to TF line items in Fund075

REVENUES:

		PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT	INCREASE	DECREASE	REVISED AMOUNT
ACCOUNT NUMBER	Account Name				\$0.00

TOTAL INCREASE/(DECREASE) REVENUE: \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00

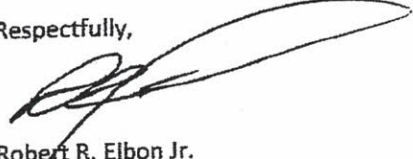
EXPENDITURES:

		PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT	INCREASE	DECREASE	REVISED AMOUNT
ACCOUNT NUMBER	Account Name				
075-404-2-21-00	075-404-2-21-00 FUND 075 Training	\$267.28	\$3,000.00		\$3,267.28
075-999-900-00	Fund 075 Contingency	\$86,000.00		\$3,000.00	\$83,000.00
			\$3,000	\$3,000	

TOTAL INCREASE/(DECREASE) EXPENDITURES: \$0.00

REVENUE CHANGE LESS EXPENDITURE CHANGE \$0

Respectfully,


Robert R. Elbon Jr.
Sheriff/Treasurer

12-21-2023

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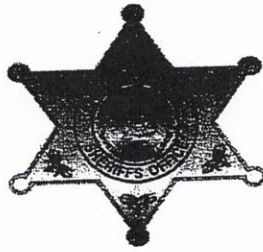
C Siler yes

D Kesling yes

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12/15/2023

The Sheriff's Office respectfully requests the following budget revisions.

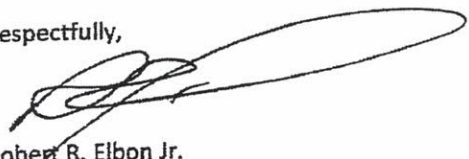
IN-HOUSE BUDGET REVISION

Reason for Revision: Adjustment to LE Lines

REVENUES:		PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT	INCREASE	DECREASE	REVISED AMOUNT
ACCOUNT NUMBER	Account Name				\$0.00
TOTAL INCREASE/(DECREASE) REVENUE:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

EXPENDITURES:		PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT	INCREASE	DECREASE	REVISED AMOUNT
ACCOUNT NUMBER	Account Name				
001-700-2-21-00	700-2-21-00 Law Enforcement Training	\$10,000.00	\$1,099.00		\$11,099.00
001-700-2-14-00	700-2-14-00 Law Enforcement Travel	\$1,200.00		\$1,099.00	\$101.00
			\$1,099	\$1,099	
TOTAL INCREASE/(DECREASE) EXPENDITURES:					\$0.00
REVENUE CHANGE LESS EXPENDITURE CHANGE					\$0

Respectfully,


Robert R. Elbon Jr.
Sheriff/Treasurer

12-21-2023
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