

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 September, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

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

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 September 1, 2022, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS:

North Central Community Corrections Director, Erin Golden appeared before the Commission. She reported that there are currently 93 people on the program and the program has saved the County \$287,087.50 in regional jail bills so far this fiscal year. (See copy attached)

Sheriff Elbon reported that he saw on an email that the court security grant was awarded to the County Commission.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Commissioner Kesling said the Commission received a letter that the Court Security Grant had been approved in the amount of \$55,435.00.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Kesling announced that the next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday October 5, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. This change is due to the forest festival being held on that week.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

CONSIDER SIGNING PROCLAMATION FOR WV SUICIDE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH

Jay Thomas from Davis Health System appeared before the Commission. He said September is suicide awareness month. He said 187,000 people died from suicide in 2021 in the United States. He said it is a very serious issue. He said a lot of elderly people plan it out before they do it by getting their affairs in order. He said there is a number to call for help which is 988. Commissioner Kesling read the proclamation out loud. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the proclamation, as presented. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION FROM DEBBIE SCHMIDLEN REGARDING PRO OFFICER PROGRAM

Randolph County Superintendent of Schools, Debbie Schmidlen appeared before the Commission. She thanked the Commission for letting her come and speak. She had board member Sherry Collett with her in the audience. She said last year the Randolph County Board of Education got two Officers for the schools. She said this has had a tremendous impact. She said they do mentoring and counseling and teach the students that law enforcement officers are our friends. She said they travel to other schools and attend after school activities, when asked. She said she would like an additional officer at Elkins High School. She said they are called to Elkins High School a lot. She said she would like to have a 3<sup>rd</sup> Pro Officer for Elkins High School. She said Rocky Hebb, which is one of the Pro Officers, wanted to come and speak but he had to attend the active shooter training at Coalton School today. Commissioner Siler said they are very supportive of the Pro Program and would like to do it if they can figure out how to get more money to do it. Sheriff Elbon said he heard there is a grant out there available now but he has to look into it more. He sent it to Peggy Ross to review. Sheriff Elbon said he is all for it.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FUNDING REQUEST FROM WHITMER WATER ASSOCIATION (See copy attached)

Commissioner Siler said they need this to help pay for their water plant. He said they have to pay this bill before they can get the rest of the cost. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the funding request from Whitmer Water Association in the amount of \$3,554.00 and that is to be taken out of the ARP funds. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2022 MSFF FIREMAN'S PARADE (See copy attached)

Commissioner Kesling said the Commission received a letter from the Elkins Fire Department requesting funding for the 84<sup>th</sup> annual Mountain State Forest Festival Fireman's parade. He said this is for them to provide food, trophies, awards etc. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the funding request in the amount of \$2,000.00 to the Elkins Fire Department and that is to be taken out of Hotel/Motel tax funds. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SECOND PAYMENT TO DANHILL CONSTRUCTION FOR POOL/SPLASH PAD PROJECT

Commissioner Kesling said they met the first of the month and there has been a tremendous amount of work completed. He said they have worked on the pump house, surge tank, have torn the old concrete out, concession stand is up, lines run over to the splash pad, ready to resurface the pool and put new liner in. He said they are on schedule and are hoping to have everything done the week before or the week after Thanksgiving. He said the second payment is in the amount of \$158,940.04. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the second payment to DanHill Construction in the amount of \$158,940.04 and that is to be taken out of the Community Development funds. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CITYNET

Commissioner Siler moved to table this item. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF NEW HIRES FOR 911 CENTER (See copies attached)

Robert Daman appeared before the Commission on behalf of the Randolph County 911 Center. He said the new tower they are putting at the 911 center is on order. He said Shonna Fox, Robert Phillips and himself will be out for training for the next two weeks. He said they would like to hire Jade Parrish as a telecommunicator trainee. This is a full time position with county benefits and a probationary period of 6 months. Her starting salary would be \$12.25 per hour and she would begin working on September 19, 2022. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the hiring of Jade Parrish, as presented. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Daman said they would also like to hire Angela Wickline as a telecommunicator trainee. This is a full time position with county benefits and a probationary period of 6 months. Her starting salary would be \$12.25 per hour and she would begin working on October 3, 2022. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the hiring of Angela Wickline, as presented. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Daman also told the Commission that the control panel on the main generator at the 911 building is bad. He said when the power goes out there are issues with the generator starting up. He said they got quote of almost \$6,000.00 and it would be 2-3 weeks to get the new control panel delivered. Commissioner Kesling said that Ms. Fox needs to check her budget to see if she has money to cover it and if not they need to get on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss it as this was not an agenda item today.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF POLL WORKERS FOR THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL ELECTION

Commissioner Kesling moved to approve the republican poll workers as submitted by the Republican Executive Committee for the November 8, 2022 General Election. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Siler moved to approve the democrat poll workers as submitted by the Democrat Executive Committee for the November 8, 2022 General Election. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

CONSIDER SIGNING LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR LEADING CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Leading Creek Volunteer Fire Department Fire Chief, Branson Henry appeared before the Commission. He said they are asking for a letter of support from the Commission to purchase a new fire engine. He said it should be here in early spring. Commissioner Kesling read the letter of support out loud. Commissioner Siler moved to approve the letter of support for the Leading Creek Volunteer Fire Department, as submitted. All yes – Motion passed unanimously

FINAL SETTLEMENTS/ANNUAL ACCOUNTINGS:

Commissioner Siler moved to approve the (11) Final Settlements, as submitted.

Doreen Jean Deeth

Andrea Claire Ervin

Elmer Ray Finlen

James Gratton Fisher, II

Zetta Isabella Harris

Christie Coy McClure, Sr.

Diana Florence Ogden

Doris Jean Riggleman

Lena Mae Simmons

Nancy Smith

Philip Jack Teter

All yes – Motion passed unanimously

BUDGET REVISIONS: (See copy attached)

Commissioner Siler moved to approve one In House Budget Revision for NCCC in the amount of \$20,490.00. All yes - Motion passed unanimously

DIVISION OF PROPERTY/ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS:

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

DISTRESSED PROPERTIES: None

FIRE FEE ADJUSTMENTS:

Commissioner Siler moved to approve the (5) 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- September-2022

	2017-2018*	2018-2019*	2019-2020*	2020-2021*	2021-2022*	2022-2023
Total Number of Offenders	287	310	308	349	266	93
Full Participants	82	78	56	44	14	7
Condition of bond Services	124	149	172	202	115	17
Parole Offenders	25	14	27	47	10	3
Check ins and ds	16	28	15	25	3	7
Probation	15	15	11	1	1	0
Completed Program	20	26	28	12	4	2
Terminated from Program	75	88	86	115	100	21
Reentered Program from	108	123	99	99	80	16
Offenders in Rehab	34	25	25	15	17	5
Community Service Hours	7	3	10	4	6	6
Employment Hours	2,876	3,330	1,030	3,920	1,113	295
BIPPS Obtained	39,592	27,500	26,540	16,720	18,560	2,960
Drug Screens Administered	8 of 10	8-14	9-17	10-20	8-10	0-1
Positives	2,521	2,001	2,697	2,296	2,170	484
Negatives	290	261	394	495	448	41
Community Services Saving	2,231	1,740	2,303	1,801	1,722	443
Fees Collected	\$25,165.00	\$29,137.50	\$9,012.50	\$34,300.00	\$9,738.75	\$2,581.25
Amount Saved **	\$18,319.59	\$31,113.80	\$36,553.00	\$21,955.00	\$25,484.00	\$5,590.00
Total Amount Save the County	\$1,932,557.25	\$1,889,331.25	\$1,921,839.25	\$1,931,001.75	\$1,640,849.75	\$287,087.50
	<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>\$289,668.75</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.



WHITMER WATER  
ASSOCIATION

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whitmerwater@yahoo.com

ARP  
Funds

Randolph County Commission,

The Whitmer Water Association is asking for your help in paying an estimate that we had done at our plant. The total estimate is in the amount of \$3554.00. If we could get the money to help pay this, it would be greatly appreciated.

We are currently waiting on our annual reports to be done at Vandevender & Nyplis, to get them all up to date. All information and documents have been sent to Brenda at their office.

We appreciate any help you may be able to offer us.

Thank you!  
Whitmer water association

P.O. BOX 23 WHITMER, WV 26296



# Elkins Fire Department

216 4<sup>th</sup> Street Elkins, WV 26241



Randolph County Commission  
4 Randolph Ave  
Elkins, WV 26241

*\$2000.  
Pizza/Meat*

September 1, 2022

Commissioners,

On behalf of the Elkins Volunteer Fire Department, we are requesting assistance to support the 84<sup>th</sup> annual Mountain State Forest Festival Fireman's parade. The Elkins Volunteer Fire Department has multiple expenses associated with this event including food for 200-300 firemen, trophies, awards, etc. We are asking the Randolph County Commission for a \$1,500 donation.

Thank you for your support,

Elkins Volunteer Fire Department



Randolph County Office of Emergency Management/911  
194 Airport Road  
Elkins, WV 26241  
(304) 636-0483

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I am requesting the approval for the hiring of Jade Parrish as a telecommunicator trainee. This is a full-time position with county benefits and a probationary period of 6 months. Starting pay at \$12.25 and to begin work on September 19, 2022. The current budget covers her wages.

Thank you,

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Thank you,

Shonna Fox

