WEST VIRGINIA:

At a regular meeting of the Raleigh County Commission held on the 1st day of April, 2025 in the Commission Courtroom thereof:

CALL TO ORDER

President Duckworth called the meeting to Order.

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ROLL CALL

Present: Greg Duckworth, President
Linda K. Epling, Commissioner
Daniel Hall, Commissioner – Per Phone Conference
Carl Roop, County Attorney - Absent
Jay Quesenberry, County Administrator
Billy Michael, Assistant County Administrator

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INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meeting was opened with the invocation by Pete Pack, Pastor of Ghent Missionary Baptist Church, and the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

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EXONERATIONS

Commissioner Epling moved to approve 2 exonerations, 4 cancellations and 3 refunds for personal property; and 2 exonerations, 0 cancellations and 0 letters of correction for real property as presented today. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT A)

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BUDGET REVISIONS

None

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APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ON THE 2025 REGIONAL PROJECTS INFRASTRUCTURE LIST FOR RALEIGH COUNTY

Commissioner Epling moved to approve the Resolution to certify the 2025 Regional Projects Infrastructure List for Raleigh County. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT B)

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RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE COAL CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND COAL CITY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Upon the recommendation of Fireman Jason Whiting, a motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve the Resolution recognizing the Coal City Volunteer Fire Department and Coal City Emergency Medical Services for their actions in a structure fire with entrapment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT C)

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ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FOR SPAY AND NEUTERING PETS IN RALEIGH COUNTY FROM THE WV DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IN THE AMOUNT OF $17,500 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve a Grant for the fiscal year 2025 from the WV Department of Agriculture in the amount of $17,500.00 for spaying and neutering pets in Raleigh County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT D)

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CONSIDERATION AND DECISION ON THE BIDS OPENED ON MARCH 18 FOR A NEW ROOF ON THE SOLDIER MEMORIAL BUILDING AT 200 SOUTH KANAWHA STREET

The following four bids were received on March 18, 2025 for a new roof on the Soldiers Memorial Building at 200 South Kanawha Street – Project #25-03042:

1.	Alpha Construction Inc.	$125,750.00
2.	Wolf Creek Contracting	193,528.54
3.	Tri State Roof and Sheet Metal	394,848.00
4.	Tech America	234,775.00

Upon recommendation of Assistant County Administrator Billy Michael, Commissioner Epling moved to approve the bid of Alpha Construction Inc. The bid was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT E)

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CONSIDERATION AND DECISION ON THE BIDS OPENED ON MARCH 18 FOR A NEW ROOF ON THE DAY REPORT BUILDING AT 115 PRINCE STREET

The following four bids were received on March 18, 2025 for a new roof on the Day Report Building at 115 Prince Street – Project #25-03041:

1.	Tri State Roofing and Sheet Metals	$128,605.00
2.	Wolf Creek Contracting	97,844.26
3.	Alpha Construction Inc.	45,400.00
4.	Tech America	99,010.00

Upon recommendation of Assistant County Administrator Billy Michael, Commissioner Epling moved to approve the bid of Alpha Construction Inc. The bid was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT E)

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ESTATE OF PATRICIA COLE

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve the Order removing Brandy Lynn Cole Dickens as Administratrix for the Estate of Patricia Cole and to appoint an alternate Administrator. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE INSTRUMENT 50852843)

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ESTATE OF DOROTHY MAY CORELL AKA DORTHY MALLOCH CORELL

Adam Taylor asked the Commission to accept his report as Fiduciary Commissioner for the Estate of Dorothy May Corell AKA Dorthy Malloch Corell and to close this Estate.

Kevin Corell, son and beneficiary of the aforementioned estate, stated he received information from the Executrix only minutes before the Evidentiary Hearing and he did not have time to review all the information. He also questioned the distribution of assets and payment of bills.

Commissioner Duckworth informed all parties this item of business will be taken under advisement until County Attorney can be consulted.

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CONSIDERATION OF DRAWDOWN #13 FOR THE PINEY VIEW SEWER EXTENSION FROM NORTH BECKLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT OF $300

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve Drawdown #13 in the amount of $300 for Legal Services for the Piney View Sewer Extension from North Beckley Public Service District. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT F)

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CONSIDERATION OF DRAWDOWN #2 FOR THE HARPER / ECCLES SEWER PROJECT FOR THE CRAB ORCHARD MACARTHUR PSD IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,500.00

Commissioner Epling moved to approve Drawdown #2 in the amount of $3,500.00 for the Harper / Eccles Sewer Project for the Crab Orchard MacArthur Public Service District. This fee is for the permitting of Railroad Crossings. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT G)

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CONSIDERATION OF DRAWDOWN #4 FOR SOUTH SAND BRANCH ROAD WATERLINE EXTENSION FOR THE RALEIGH COUNTY PSD IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,827.50.

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve Drawdown #4 in the amount of $1,827.50 for administrative fees for the South Sand Branch Road Waterline Extension for the Raleigh County Public Service District. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT H)

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CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT OF UP TO $450,000.00 TO BE USED FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS ON SOUTHERN INDUSTRIAL DRIVE TO FACILITATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Epling moved to approve a Grant of up to $450,000.00 for the shortfall on road improvements on Southern Industrial Drive to facilitate economic development. The road will be built and maintained by the Department of Highways. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT I)

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

LEWIS NAISON – Mr. Naison of Clear Fork Crime Watch Group, thanked the Commission and the Colcord Church for their work on Rehab Kits. He also updated the Commission on the ANON and AL-ANON meetings, and an Easter Event on April 19, 2025. The Commission stated the Grand Opening of the Sheriff's Office in Colcord area will be on April 9, 2025

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MINUTES

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VACATION ORDERS

Commissioner Epling moved to approve the Vacation Orders from March 18, 2025 to March 31, 2025, inclusive. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (SEE EXHIBIT J)

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FINAL ACCOUNTINGS AND WAIVERS OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

The Objections and Exceptions of the Fiduciary Supervisor were read into the minutes. (SEE EXHIBIT K)

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BILLS, COMMUNICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to appoint Gregory Lacek to the Raleigh County Marketing Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. (EXHIBIT L)

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ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Epling moved to adjourn this meeting until the next regular scheduled meeting of this Commission on April 15, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried.

s/s Gregory Duckworth
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