WEST VIRGINIA:

At a regular meeting of the Raleigh County Commission held on the 7TH day of October in the Commission Courtroom thereof:

CALL TO ORDER

President Duckworth called the meeting to Order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Greg Duckworth, President
Linda K. Epling, Commissioner
Daniel Hall, Commissioner
Carl Roop, County Attorney
Jay Quesenberry, County Administrator
Billy Michael, Assistant County Administrator

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Kelly Bowman was scheduled to open with the invocation; therefore, he was unable to be present at that time. Meeting was opened with the invocation by Pastor RD Tolliver, Cornerstone Freewill Baptist Church; Crab Orchard, WV and the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS

4.1 EXONERATIONS

Commissioner Epling moved to approve 3 exonerations, 6 cancellations and 1 refund for personal property; and 10 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)

4.2 BUDGET REVISIONS

None

4.3 PUBLIC HEARING – RALEIGH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES LANDLINE FEE INCREASED

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to open the Hearing of the Raleigh County Emergency Service Landline Fee Increase. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously. John Zalinski provided the rate increase amounts for the Emergency Service Landline. These increases would affect landlines only. Commissioner Epling made a motion to close the hearing. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT B)

4.4 CONSIDERATION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ENHANCED EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE AMENDMENT

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the increase to Emergency Telephone Service Amendment presented by John Zalinski. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT B)

4.5 CONDIDERATION OF WV CDDP DUI GRANT 26-14 REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST IN AMOUNT OF $7,024.50

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve the West Virginia Commission on Drunk Driving Prevention DUI Grant 26-14 reimbursement request in the amount of $7,024.50. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT C)

4.6 CONSIDERATION OF WV CDDP DUI GRANT APPLICATION FOR OCTOBER 2025 THRU JANUARY 2026 IN AMOUNT OF $15,000.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve the West Virginia Commission on Drunk Driving Prevention DUI Grant for October 2025 thru January 2026 in the amount of $15,000.00. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT D)

4.7 CONSIDERATION OF DRAWDOWN NO. 19 ON THE PINEY VIEW/BATOFF MOUNTAIN SEWER PROJECT FROM NORTH BECKLEY PSD IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,940.06

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve Drawdown #19 in the amount of $50,940.06 for the Piney View/Batoff Mountain Sewer Project for North Beckley Public Service District. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT E)

4.8 CONSIDERATION OF DRAWDOWN NO. 5 ON THE WASTE WATER SYSTEM UPGRADE FOR THE NORTH BECKLEY PSD IN THE AMOUNT OF $77,049.93

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve Drawdown #5 in the amount of $77,049.93 on the Water Waste System upgrade for North Beckley Public Service District. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT F)

4.9 CONDIDERATION OF DRAWDOWN NO. 20 ON THE PINEY VIEW/BATOFF MOUNTAIN SEWER PROJECT FROM NORTH BECKLEY PSD IN THE AMOUNT OF $31,674.89

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve Drawdown #20 in the amount of $31,674.89 on the Piney View/Batoff Mountain Project for North Beckley Public Service District. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT G)

4.10 CONSIDERATION OF HALLOWEEN DATE AND TIMES FOR RALEIGH COUNTY; FRIDAY OCTOBER 31, 2025; 6PM-8PM

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the date and time for Trick or Treat in Raleigh County. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT H)

4.11 CONSIDERATION OF PANHANDLING ORDINANCE

County Attorney, Carl Roop explained this Ordinance would cover outside the city limits and there must be a permit obtained. Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the Panhandling Ordinance as described. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT I)

4.12 CONSIDERATION OF LEASE TO TRAP HILL AREA LITTLE LEAGUE

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve a Lease agreement to Trap Hill Area Little League in the amount of $1.00 as described by Carl Roop. That lease will automatically renew each year. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT J)

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Duckworth wanted to discuss the accomplishments Trap Hill Little League has made this far. Commissioner Epling made a motion to award $50,000.00 to the Trap Hill Little League for the completion of their facilities and fields. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT K)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

MINUTES

Commissioner Epling moved to approve the August 19, 2025 minutes and September 2, 2025 minutes of this Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.

VACATION ORDERS

Commissioner Epling moved to approve the Vacation Orders from September 16, 2025 to October 6, 2025 inclusive. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT L)

FINAL ACCOUNTINGS AND WAIVERS OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

None

BILLS, COMMUNICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

9.1 APPOINTMENT OF JEFF MILLER TO THE RALEIGH COUNTY MEMORIAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD; EXPIRES: 6/30/2029

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to appoint Jeff Miller to the Raleigh County Memorial Airport Authority Board. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT M)

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Epling moved to adjourn this meeting until the next regular scheduled meeting of this Commission on October 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried.

Gregory Duckworth
President