**WEST VIRGINIA:**

At a special session of the Raleigh County Commission held on the 10TH day of October, 2025 at 9:00am 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- Absent

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Meeting was opened with the invocation by Pastor/Senator Rollan Roberts; Victory Baptist Church; Beaver, WV and the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2.1 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO A BROKEN SPUR IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Broken Spur. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT A)

**2.2 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO BRIAN'S SAFEHOUSE IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Brian's Safehouse. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT B)

**2.3 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO CASA OF NEW RIVER IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Casa of New River. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT C)

**2.4 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO FIRST LIGHT RECOVERY IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to First Light Recovery. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT D)

**2.5 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO HEART OF GOD MINISTRIES IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Heart of God Miniseries. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT E)

**2.6 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO HOPE IN THE MOUNTAINS IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Hope in the Mountains. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT F)

**2.7 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO JUST FOR KIDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Just For Kids. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT G)

**2.8 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO ONE VOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to One Voice. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT H)

**2.9 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO RALEIGH COUNTY UNITED FOR PREVENTION IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Raleigh County United for Prevention. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT I)

**2.10 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO THE SALVATION ARMY IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Salvation Army. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT J)

**2.11 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO SEED SOWERS IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Seed Sower. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT K)

**2.12 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO STOREHOUSE IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to Storehouse. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT L)

**2.13 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO SUMMIT KOLLECTIVE IN THE AMOUNT OF $15,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $15,000.00 to Summit Kollective. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT M)

**2.14 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO THE WVU EXTENSION SERVICE IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to the WVU Extension Service. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT N)

**2.15 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO THE RALEIGH COUNTY HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $44,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $44,000.00 to The Raleigh County Horseman's Association. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT O)

**2.16 CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT TO THE SAFEHAVEN CAMPAIGN IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000**

Commissioner Epling made a motion to approve the New Direction Grant in the amount of $50,000.00 to The SafeHaven Campaign. Seconded by Commissioner Hall and motion carried unanimously.
(SEE EXHIBIT P)

**FURTHER DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Duckworth wanted to mention the 2 New Direction Grants that were approved in a separate meeting. A Grant in the amount of $30,00.00 to Game Changers and another Grant in the amount of $19,825.00 to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

The floor was opened for questions; there where 3 questions:

1. What is the New Direction Grant? A Grant provided from Opioid Settlement Money
2. How are the applicants chosen? The application process is opened for 30 days. The funding amount is based on the number of applications received.
3. How much did the New Direction Start with? 5.9Million

**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