

GRANT COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

**Date:** February 23, 2021      **Time:** 3:30 p.m.      **Location:** Conference Room  
Grant County Courthouse

**Reporting:**  
Erin Camp, Grant County Press

**Commissioners:**  
Scotty Miley, President  
Jeff Berg  
Tyson Riggleman

**1. Call to Order**

Commissioner Miley called the regular meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

**2. Consent and Approval – County Administrator**

**a. Minutes**

Presented for approval were the minutes from the regular meeting held on February 9, 2021.

Presented for approval were the minutes from the Board of Review and Equalization meeting held on February 9, 2021.

Presented for approval were the minutes from the Board of Review and Equalization meeting held on February 11, 2021.

Presented for approval were the minutes from the Board of Review and Equalization meeting held on February 16, 2021.

A Motion was made to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on February 9, 2021; minutes from the Board of Review and Equalization meeting held on February 9, 2021; minutes from the Board of Review and Equalization meeting held on February 11, 2021; and minutes from the Board of Review and Equalization meeting held on February 16, 2021, as presented. **MOTION: Riggleman**

**b. Budget Revisions**

There were not budget revisions this day presented.

**c. Board Appointments/Removals/Resignations**

There were no board appointments, removals or resignations this day presented.

**3. Actions of the Clerk, Exonerations, Estates**

Commission approved the following actions of the County Clerk:

-Wills lodged in Clerk's Office:	Joseph Wade Fritts
-Wills admitted to probate:	Christopher Scripp Arlyn K. Haslacker Mary Ellen Miller Stephen D. Rexrode Darlene Leona Bonner

-Qualification orders granted in the following estates:

Phyllis Dolly, Administratrix in the Estate of Carl William Dolly  
Bobby G. Whetzel, Administrator in the Estate of Melissa Lynne Whetzel  
Judith Scripp, Executrix in the Estate of Christopher Scripp  
Rebecca Haslacker, Executrix in the Estate of Arlyn K. Haslacker  
Johnnie H. Rexrode, Jr., Administrator in the Estate of Bryant H. Rexrode

Ray S. Rexrode & Carolyn A. Weatherholtz, Co-Executors in the Estate of Mary Ellen Miller  
Roxanne V. Rexrode, Executor in the Estate of Stephen D. Rexrode  
Philip Bonner, Executor in the Estate of Darlene Leona Bonner

**MOTION: Riggleman**

Commission approved the following estate for closure:

Waiver of Final Settlement in the Estate of Martin J. Goldizen **MOTION: Berg**  
Waiver of Final Settlement in the Estate of Phyllis Jeanette Miller **MOTION: Berg**  
Waiver of Final Settlement in the Estate of George E. Quick, Jr. **MOTION: Berg**  
First and Final Settlement in the Estate of Thelma E. Rohrbaugh **MOTION: Berg**  
Waiver of Final Settlement in the Estate of Thomas Marshall Spiker **MOTION: Berg**

**4. Comments from the Public**

Michael Hipp appeared before the Commission. Mr. Hipp stated that he would like to honor Stephen Rexrode by naming the shooting range at Turner Park after Mr. Rexrode. Mr. Hipp stated that he would raise all of the money himself and it will not cost the county anything.

**5. Scheduled Appointments**

**a.** Frankie Weese and Gerald Sites appeared before the Commission to request funding for operation and maintenance of watershed dams. Mr. Weese stated that there are 17 dams in Grant County and they are all flood control dams. The Commission was presented with a list of items to be done in the upcoming year. Mr. Weese stated that they are asking for the same contribution as last year.

A Motion was made to allocate \$20,000.00 for the operation and maintenance of the dams in the next fiscal year's budget. **MOTION: Berg**

**b.** Jim Reel, Parks & Recreation Supervisor, appeared before the Commission to discuss a new building for Parks & Recreation and Maintenance Departments.

Jim stated that the county is in need of a storage building. He stated that there were two locations where a storage building could be placed. Jim stated that he will get some quotes.

**6. Correspondence**

- Request from Grant County Farmer's Market for \$1,500.00 for next fiscal year's budget
- Request from Potomac Valley Transit Authority for \$5,000.00 for next fiscal year's budget
- Minutes from Grant County Arts Council meeting of 1/12/2021

**7. Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

**8. New Business**

**a. Consideration for discussion and approval of the WV Communities Risk Pool 2021-2022 Insurance Renewal Proposal**

This document is signed every year. Michelle discussed some of the changes she made and stated that she felt the document was ready to submit so that the County can receive a quote before the next fiscal year.

A Motion was made to approve the proposal for the 2021-2022 WV Communities Risk Pool. **MOTION: Berg**

**b. Consideration for discussion and approval of the Mineral County Community Corrections Grant Resolution, Letter of Support & Agreement**

A Motion was made to approve and sign the Mineral County Community Corrections Grant Resolution, Letter of Support and Agreement. **MOTION: Riggleman**

**c. Consideration for discussion and approval of a resolution opposing House Bill 2015 and Senate Bill 12**

Commissioner Miley read the resolution on the record. (See attached copy)

A Motion was made to approve the resolution opposing House Bill 2015 and Senate Bill 12. **MOTION: Berg**

**9. Reports from Elected Officials**

Prosecuting Attorney John Ours appeared before the Commission. He requested executive session to discuss possible litigation.

A Motion as made to go into executive session pursuant to WV Code 6-9A-4 for possible litigation. **MOTION: Riggleman**

The Commission went into executive session at 4:10 p.m., and was out of executive session at 4:26 p.m., with no action taken.

**10. Reports from County Commissioners**

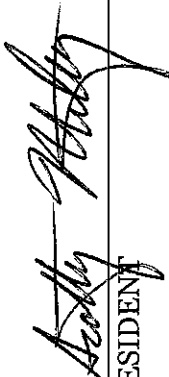
Commissioner Riggleman stated that Assistant Prosecutor, Brad Goldizen, is drafting a letter to the American Tower Corporation regarding the release of the covenant to the tower on Charlie's Knob.

**11. Approval of Expense to be Considered for Payment**

A Motion was made to approve the expenses as presented. **MOTION: Riggleman**

**12. Adjourn**

A Motion was made to adjourn. **MOTION: Riggleman**

  
PRESIDENT

ATTEST:  
  
CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION

03/09/2021  
DATE APPROVED

## IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF GRANT COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

The Grant County Commission hereby orders the following actions taken by the Grant County Clerk, Seymour V. Fisher, in vacation of the County Commission be approved:

## 1. Wills Lodged in the Clerk's Office:

Joseph Wade Fritts

## 2. Wills Admitted to Probate:

Christopher Scripp  
Arlyn K. Haslacker  
Mary Ellen Miller  
Stephen D. Rexrode  
Darlene Leona Bonner

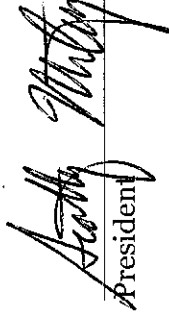
## 3. Qualification Orders Granted in the Following Estates:

EstatePerson Qualifying:

Carl William Dolly  
Melissa Lynne Whetzel  
Christopher Scripp  
Arlyn K. Haslacker  
Bryant H. Rexrode  
Mary Ellen Miller  
Stephen D. Rexrode  
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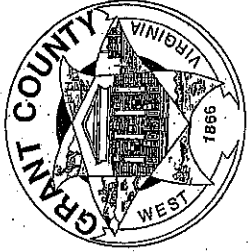
Phyllis Dolly, Administratrix  
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Rebecca Haslacker, Executrix  
Johnnie H. Rexrode, Jr., Administrator  
Ray S. Rexroad & Carolyn A. Weatherholtz, Co-Executors  
Rosanna V. Rexrode, Executor  
Philip Bonner, Executor

Approved this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2021.

  
Arathy Miller  
President

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February 23, 2021

Marty Allen Hatfield, M.S.  
Senior Criminal Justice Specialist  
West Virginia Division of Justice and Community Services (DJCS)  
1124 Smith Street, Suite 3100  
Charleston WV 25301-1323

**Re: Letter of Commitment**

Dear Mr. Hatfield,

I am writing you to show my commitment to the Mineral County Community Criminal Justice Board.

The Mineral County Community Corrections Program is aimed at providing an effective alternative to incarceration. This program provides an increased number of community-based sanctions, Alternative Sentencing, and treatment options to offenders, while reducing the total cost to provide corrections.

I fully support this grant proposal and will continue to serve on the board as required by the program guidelines.

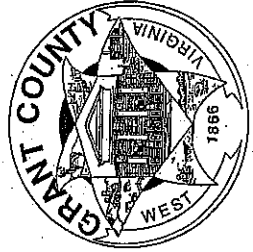
Thank you for your consideration of this grant proposal.

Sincerely,

Scotty W. Miley  
President  
Grant County Commission

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**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS: the Grant County Commission participates in the Mineral County Community Corrections Program; and

WHEREAS: a Mineral County Community Corrections Board was established pursuant with West Virginia State Code and is comprised of 100% of Mineral County residents; and


WHEREAS: West Virginia State Code §62-11-6(g) states, "If a community criminal justice board represents more than one county, the appointed membership of the board, excluding any ex officio members, shall include an equal number of members from each county, unless the county commission of each county agrees in writing otherwise."

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Grant County Commission relinquishes its right to equal representation on the Mineral County Community Corrections Board.

APPROVED and ADOPTED on this the twenty-third day of February, 2021.

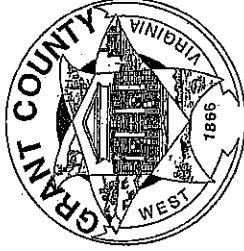
  
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COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Mineral County Commission has established the Mineral County Community Criminal Justice Board to develop and operate a Community Corrections Program (Day Report Center, {DRC}); and

WHEREAS, funding has been obtained through a state grant for the establishment and operation of a multi-county Community Corrections Program (DRC) within Mineral and Grant County, West Virginia; and

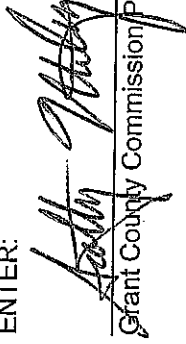
WHEREAS, the County Commission of Mineral County has endorsed the grant project and has committed local funds within their budget for the establishment, operation, and use of the Community Corrections Program (DRC).

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned for and on behalf of the Grant County Commission does hereby agree to the following terms and conditions for participation and support of the multi-county Community Corrections Program (DRC);

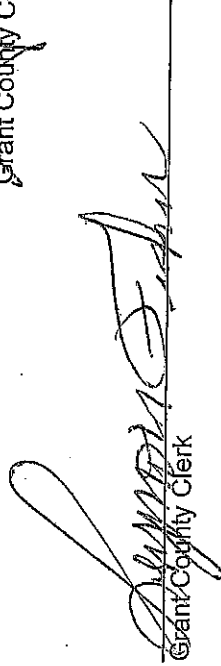
- 1) The County Commission of Grant County hereby agrees to pay fifty (50) percent of the required match for the State Community Corrections Grant awarded to the Mineral County Community Corrections Program. Mineral County Commission will pay the remaining fifty (50) percent of the required match.
- 2) Mineral County Commission will remain the fiscal agent for the Mineral County Community Corrections Program.
- 3) To meet this obligation the Grant County Commission hereby agrees to pay fifty (50) percent of the match on a monthly basis. The match will be divided into 12 payments. The Director of Mineral County Community Corrections will bill the Grant County Commission on the first of every month beginning July 1, 2021.
- 4) The parties agree that the monthly payment will be paid within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the monthly invoice and will be payable to the Mineral County Community Corrections Program and will be mailed to the attention of Tara Hockaday, P.O. Box 692, Keyser WV 26726.

ADOPTED this twenty-third day of February, 2021.

ENTER:

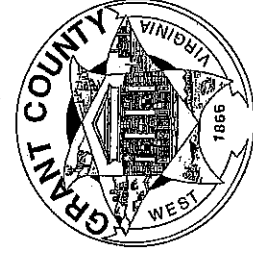
  
 Grant County Commission President

Attest:

  
 Grant County Clerk

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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 2015 and Senate Bill 12 was introduced in 2021 West Virginia Legislative Session.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 2015 and Senate Bill 12 add an undue burden on public health leaders, limit the power of Boards of Health and increases the liability on local government.

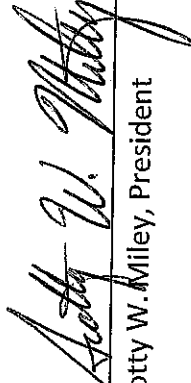
**WHEREAS**, the Grant County Commission recognizes that the Grant County Board of Health is appointed to make decisions that are best for the public health of Grant County and protect the citizens of Grant County.

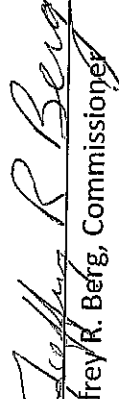
**WHEREAS**, the Grant County Board of Health set priorities to keep the citizens safe through vaccinations, HIV screenings, syringe exchange programs, public information campaigns, policies for proper protocol within our restaurants and sanitation services, water safety, and policies to protect everyone from other environmental dangers that impact us all.


**WHEREAS**, the Grant County Commission's position is that decisions on the direction of individual Boards of Health is best to remain with those who have a connection to and expertise in that area.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Grant Commission opposes the passing of House Bill 2015 and Senate Bill 12.

Adopted this twenty-third day of February, 2021.

  
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