

GRANT COUNTY COMMISSION
PETERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA 26847

GRANT COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

Date: July 8, 2025 Time: 9:00 a.m. Location: Conference Room
Grant County Courthouse

Commissioners:

Kevin Hagerty, President
Tyson Riggleman
Scotty Miley

Reporting:

Erin Camp, Grant County Press
Tiffany Hess, Grant County Press

Michelle Sites, County Administrator

1. Call to Order

President Hagerty called the regular meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Let the record show that Commissioner Miley was present by phone at 9:07 a.m.

2. Consent and Approval – County Administrator

a. Minutes

- Presented for approval were the minutes from the meeting held on June 24, 2025.

A motion was made to approve the minutes.

MOTION: Riggleman / unanimously approved

b. Budget Revisions

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| • 002 | Coal Severance | decrease | \$70,769 |
| • 448 | Annex | increase | \$70,769 |

A motion was made to approve the budget revisions to distribute surplus monies.

MOTION: Riggleman / unanimously approved

c. Board Appointments/Removals/Resignations

- The following appointment was presented:
 - Derek Nesselrodt was re-appointed to the Grant County Development Authority Board.

A motion was made to accept the above appointment.

MOTION: Riggleman / unanimously approved

3. Actions of the Clerk, Exonerations, Estates

Commission approved the following actions of the County Clerk:

Wills recorded in Clerk's Office:

- None

Wills admitted to probate:

- Joseph W. Harman, Jr.
- Ralph G. Layton

Qualification orders granted in the following estates:

- | | |
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| <u>Estate</u> | <u>Person Qualifying</u> |
| • Joseph W. Harman, Jr. | James Paul Geary II, Administrator CTA |
| • Ralph G. Layton | Ralph J. Layton, Co-Executor |
| | Larry Layton, Co-Executor |
| | Lacie Layton Geary, Co-Executrix |

Ancillary Administrations granted in the following estates:

- | | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| <u>Estate</u> | <u>Person Qualifying</u> |
| • Frederick Moomau | George B. Moomau, Administrator |

Small Estate Certificates and Authorizations granted in the following estates:
Estate
Person Qualifying

- None

A motion was made to approve the actions of the Clerk.

MOTION: Riggleman / unanimously approved

Waiver of Final Settlement:

- Waiver of Final Settlement in the estate of Dessie Westfall
- Waiver of Final Settlement in the estate of Frank L. Grier II

A motion was made to approve the Waiver of Final Settlement.

MOTION: Riggleman / unanimously approved

The following exoneration was presented this day:

- Kuykendall, Lori and Norman Grant 2024 \$24.07 p/h

A motion was made to approve the Exoneration.

MOTION: Riggleman / unanimously approved

4. Comments from the Public

Jeffrey Teter, EMS Director, appeared before the Commission to introduce five new hires to the Commissioners. Hunter Whetzel, Mark Arnold, Jeffrey Hottinger and Jeffrey Teter started their three-week training curriculum for the new hires. EMS will be fully staffed beginning July 20, 2025.

5. Scheduled Appointments

- a) Steve Wratchford, Sheriff of Grant County, to discuss the Court Security Grant Project.

Steve Wratchford appeared before the Commission to discuss his ideas and plans for the Court Security Grant Project. The funds from the Court House Security Grant are only for equipment. We have recently had some issues in the courthouse with a few individuals. Sheriff Wratchford spoke with Judge Cody Pancake regarding how many individuals will need to be hired for security. Together, they decided they will need a minimum of two people upstairs and one person for Magistrate Court. Several things are needed including a vehicle for transportation, certification for x-ray training and a column for a module to be used for six months to monitor and make sure no radiation is coming from the x-ray machine.

- b) Randy Parsons, Parks & Recreation and Maintenance Director, to discuss quote for resurfacing tennis courts and basketball courts in the Petersburg City Park.

Randy Parsons appeared before the Commission with a quote for resurfacing the tennis, pickleball and basketball courts at city park. The total for the tennis court and pickleball court is \$69,000. The basketball court is \$8,045. Resurfacing needs to be done in the summer months; however, the coating will be done overnight once it reaches a certain temperature. Petersburg High School is making a donation of \$10,000 and City of Petersburg is donating \$5,000 toward the resurfacing of the courts.

6. Correspondence

- a) Letter from Secretary of the Interior in reference to the Department of Interior issued payments under the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Program.
- b) Minutes of the Grant County PSD Regular Board Meeting of June 12, 2025.

7. Unfinished Business

- None

8. New Business

- a) Consideration for Signature the Contract between the Grant County Commission and Global Science & Technology, Inc. to provide Technology, Engineering and Consulting Services.

A motion was made to approve the signature of the contract between Grant County Commission and Global Science & Technology, Inc. to provide Technology, Engineering and Consulting Services.

MOTION: Riggleman / unanimously approved

- b) Consideration for Signature the Court Security Grant Contract Agreement between the Assistant Director of the Division of Administrative Services, Justice and Community Services Section and the Grant County Commission, the Standard Conditions and Assurances and additional paperwork for the Court Security Grant.

A motion was made to approve the Signature of the Security Grant Contract documents.

MOTION: Miley/ unanimously approved

9. Reports from Elected Officials

- None

10. Reports from County Commissioners

Commissioner Miley congratulated Randy Parsons and Shannon Kesner along with the Parks & Recreation team for a great July 4th.

Commissioner Riggleman stated Internet is installed at City Park. Next step is installing the switch and receiving the cameras. Training sessions from Steve Wrathford, Grant County Sheriff would be good. Commissioner Miley likes the training idea. Several years ago, a training was done for all courthouse employees and this would be a good refresher.

11. Approval of Expenses to be Considered for Payment (bills paid or to be paid, the invoices are available for public review by contacting the Grant County Clerk, 5 Highland Avenue, Petersburg, WV 26847, (304) 257-4550)

A motion was made to approve the expenses.

MOTION: Riggleman/ unanimously approved

12. Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn.

MOTION: Riggleman / unanimously approved


PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION

7-22-25
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, Lora Bennett, in vacation of the County Commission be approved:

1. Wills Recorded in the Clerk's Office:
 - None
2. Wills Admitted to Probate:
 - Joseph W. Harman, Jr.
 - Ralph G. Layton
3. Qualification Orders Granted in the Following Estates:

Estate
 - Joseph W. Harman, Jr.
 - Ralph G. Layton

Person Qualifying:
James Paul Geary II, Administrator CTA
Ralph J. Layton, Co-Executor
Larry Layton, Co-Executor
Lacie Layton-Geary, Co-Executrix
4. Ancillary Administrations Granted for the following Decedents:

Estate
 - Frederick Moomau

Person Qualifying:
George B. Moomau, Administrator
5. Small Estate Certificates and Authorizations Granted in the Following Estates:

Estate
 - None

Person Qualifying:

Approved this 8th day of July, 2025.



President

State of West Virginia
County of Grant
5 Highland Avenue
Petersburg, WV 26847

To the Honorable, the County of Grant County, WV

I, **Elizabeth Mallow**, Assessor hereby makes application for the correction of an erroneous assessment against **Kuykendall, Lori K. & Norman W.** in **Grant District** amounting to **\$ 24.07 p h Class III**, being taxes for the year of **2024** on **personal property number 20090301** valued at **3,000** for the following reason:

The taxpayer was assessed on a supplemental for 2024 but did not own the vehicle on July 1, 2024.

Upon application of a taxpayer who is aggrieved by an erroneous assessment. The Prosecuting Attorney having had reasonable notice Of the intentions and character of the corrections desired in said application, and being present and defending the interest of the State, County, District and the Court having heard the evidence, it is ordered That said the applicants are exonerated from the payment of taxes for the year, if same has not been paid and if paid, the Sheriff refund the same, the court being of opinion that: **Ticket No: 0200000101 S**

Exonerate: Value: 3,000 Taxes: \$ 24.07 p h Class III

The Clerk is directed to furnish a copy of this order, which, when properly endorsed, shall be a voucher for the Sheriff in his settlement.

Signature on File 6/27/2025
Taxpayer Date

Elizabeth Mallow 6/27/25
Assessor Date

[Signature] 6/27/25
Prosecuting Attorney Date

[Signature] 7-8-25
President Date