

NEW RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL JAIL AUTHORITY

September 12, 2025

Held at the New River Valley Regional Jail

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the New River Valley Regional Jail Authority was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Chairman Richard Chidester.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bland County:	Sheriff Ramsey
Carroll County:	Mr. Martin; Sheriff Kemp
Floyd County:	Sheriff Craig
Giles County:	Mr. Chidester; Sheriff Millirons
Grayson County:	Mr. Smith
Radford City:	Sheriff Armentrout
Wythe County:	Sheriff Cline

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Giles County:	Mr. Martin
Grayson County:	Ch. Dep Hash
Wythe County:	Mr. Hankins

STAFF & GUESTS PRESENT:

Superintendent Kimberly Haug
Dep. Superintendent Chris Loan
Major Daniel O'Dell
Steve Durbin-Sands, Anderson, Marks & Miller
Ms. Gracie Howard-Citizen
NRVRJ staff: Tonya Akers, Tim Clark; Lt. Wells

Prior to roll call, Chairman Chidester read a letter appointing Interim Sheriff Anthony Cline to serve as the Wythe County member due to Sheriff Charles Foster's retirement. An alternate will be appointed after the November 4, 2025 election.

Mr. Chidester introduced his guest Ms. Gracie Howard. She is a current Radford University student interning with his office.

B. ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Akers called roll and reported a quorum was present with (9) nine members and (3) three alternates.

C. APPROVAL OF JULY 2025 MINUTES:

Copies of the July minutes were emailed to each member. Chairman Chidester asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes as presented.

Motion: Sheriff Millirons made the motion to approve the July minutes as presented. Mr. Hankins seconded the motion.

Action: The motion passed unanimously.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

Superintendent Haug said the kitchen project is almost finished and we're currently moving equipment back in. Before and after photos were shown to the group to view the update. Once it is complete, Aramark will be covering the cost to remodel the ODR-Officers' Dining Room as a portion of their contract.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCIAL REPORT:

In Mr. Sweet's absence, Mr. Martin reviewed the monthly financial reports with the group.

Motion: Mr. Martin said there was a recommendation out of Finance to accept the monthly financial report as presented.

Action: Following a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

F. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Benefit for Officer Jason Edmonds:

Superintendent Haug reminded the group of the benefit lunch and auction being held September 14th for Officer Jason Edmonds. All proceeds from the benefit will be given to Jason & his family as he continues traveling to NC for cancer treatments.

Headcount:

The headcount today was 606.

Staffing

Superintendent Haug said we continue to hire and have lost a couple of employees this month. However, we are maintaining.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

Superintendent Haug asked for a closed session so staff could update members on a pending investigation. Chairman Chidester said he would entertain a motion need to enter into executive session.

Motion: Sheriff Armentrout made the motion to enter into executive session. Attorney Steve Durbin advised the group this would be pursuant to §2.2-3711A.19 of the Code of Virginia for discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity or specific cybersecurity threats or vulnerabilities and briefings by staff members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement or emergency service officials concerning actions taken to respond to such matters or a related threat to public safety; discussion of information excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 or 4 of §2.2-3705.2, where discussion in an open meeting would jeopardize the safety of any person or the security of any facility, building, structure, information technology system, or software program; or discussion of reports or plan related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure. Sheriff Millirons seconded the motion.

Action: The motion passed unanimously.

Executive session began at 10:21 am.

The motion was made at 10:34 am for the Authority come out of closed session and to certify that only matters permitted under §2.23711. A.19 of the Code of Virginia were discussed.

Motion: Mr. Hankins made the motion that the board come out of closed session and certify. Sheriff Craig seconded the motion.

Action: Following roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

H. OTHER BUSINESS OR INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

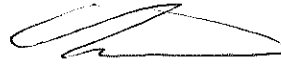
I. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Chidester asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Sheriff Millirons made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Smith seconded the motion.

Action: The motion passed unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a final horizontal stroke.

Chairman Richard Chidester