

NEW RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL JAIL AUTHORITY
November 14, 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:	Mrs. Burton
	Floyd County:	Sheriff Craig
	Giles County:	Mr. Chidester
	Grayson County:	Mr. Smith; Sheriff Vaughan
	Pulaski County:	Mr. Sweet
	Wythe County:	Sheriff Cline; Mr. Vaught

ALTERNATES PRESENT:	Carroll County:	Ch. Dep. Edwards
	Wythe County:	Mr. Hankins

STAFF & GUESTS PRESENT:	Superintendent Kimberly Haug
	Dep. Superintendent Chris Loan
	Major Daniel O'Dell
	Steve Durbin-Sands, Anderson, Marks & Miller
	NRVRJ staff: Tonya Akers, Tim Clark; Lt. Matt Wells

Mr. Chidester read an email from Sheriff Anthony Cline announcing Chief Deputy Hody Viars as his alternate for Wythe County effective December 1, 2025

B. ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Akers called roll and reported a quorum present with (8) eight members and (2) two alternates.

C. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2025 MINUTES:

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

Motion: Mr. Vaught made the motion to approve the September minutes as presented. Sheriff Vaughan seconded the motion.

Action: The motion passed unanimously.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

None

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Sweet reviewed the monthly financials with the group. We're currently tracking 25% of revenues collected vs 36% in expenditures due to a delay in receivables. Four jurisdictions paid after the report was prepared at the first part of November totaling \$256,000 and also the state was a little tardy in their payment to the jail of \$709,000.

In our adopted FY 2025-26 budget, we have a ADP of 630. October was good with our high-water mark of 625. Unfortunately, as of today, we're at 588. We have some issues with the FCC that we need to look out for regarding telephones and we will be talking more about that in future meetings. At this point, we've collected nothing from our telephone vendor so our legal counsel will be reviewing our contract. If we make adjustments with that receivable, receive a payment of \$500,000 and the remainder paid monthly, then it shouldn't affect our cash flow if we can get that taken care of soon.

Motion: Mr. Sweet 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:

Superintendent Haug gave the headcount as 588.

We have no major projects happening right now. We continue to gain and lose employees. As with all the jurisdictions, we continue to actively hire but have lost several employees over the last few months.

Mr. Chidester asked if the transportation situation was now under control. The Superintendent said since we've been tracking it, there has been an average of 2-3 times between board meetings when transportation officers weren't available. Typically, it is due to the number of inmates we have in the hospital. The last time we had to notify the jurisdictions of no transportation, we had 5 inmates in the hospital which immediately removes 5 officers off shift to stay with them. If this happens during the day, we can send some daylight people and not hurt transports...but in the evening hours that's not possible.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

H. OTHER BUSINESS OR INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Sweet requested the board's consideration to prepare resolutions for all of our retiring board members (Mr. Mitch Smith, Mr. Brian Vaught and Sheriff Richard Vaughan) to be part of the meeting minutes and presented to them. He asked that we have those prepared for the next board meeting thanking them for their contributions to this Authority and the region.

Mr. Vaught thanked Superintendent Haug for everything she has done for the jail. He appreciates her, Tonya and said God Bless the men and women that work here.

Sheriff Vaughan said that when he joined the board 18 years ago, he felt like he had joined a construction team. At every Authority meeting there was always a Design & Construction meeting held as it was during the \$50 million expansion so it was a learning process the first few years. He said the jail has come a long way and he's proud of where it is today.

Mr. Smith said he's been part of this board for 16-17 years now. He also remembers the construction days when he first came in and he enjoyed being a part of it. He thanked Superintendent Haug and Tonya for all they do. Thanks to all the men and women that work here for the service that they do keeping our communities and this place safe.

I. ADJOURNMENT:

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

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

Action: The motion passed unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.



Chairman Richard Chidester