

VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD MAY 3, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 108 EAST MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL VIRGINIA 24651

**PRESENT: D. MICHAEL HYMES, CHAIRPERSON
JOHN M. ABSHER, VICE CHAIRPERSON
CHARLES A. STACY, MEMBER
MAGGIE ASBURY, MEMBER
TRAVIS HACKWORTH, MEMBER
C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ATTORNEY
SHELIA WEIMER, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
PATRICIA GREEN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
RUTH GROSECLOSE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS: JIM TALBERT, CLINCH VALLEY NEWS/RICHLANDS NEWS PRESS; WARREN HINKLE, THE VOICE NEWSPAPER; CONNIE BAILEY, TAZEWELL COUNTY FREE PRESS**

ABSENT: NONE

The Chairman, D. Michael Hymes, called the regular meeting to order and presided, with all members in attendance. Supervisor Hackworth gave the invocation with Supervisor Stacy leading those present in the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

The Chairman then welcomed those present to the regular scheduled meeting.

AGENDA APPROVED

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the agenda format as amended.

Attorney Fred Harman was added to the agenda to request approval of a property division in Cove Creek and a personnel matter was added to the Executive Session, pursuant to VA Code Section 2.2-3711 A-1 involving the I.T. Director.

MINUTES APPROVED AS WRITTEN

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the April 5, 2016 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes as written.

PROPERTY SUBDIVISION VACATION OF COVE CREEK LOT 53

Fred Harman, Attorney, was present for Diamond Back Ridge, LLC and requested that property located in the Cove Creek Subdivision, previously approved to be subdivided into Lot 53A and 53B now be vacated and have just one Lot 53. Both 53A and 53B were bought by the same person. The buyers now wish to vacate the subdivision and have one lot. Mr. Harman stated that the particular plat being vacated was Plat 49, Pages 21-24. The property owners intend to build a house on the property. Mr. Harman appeared before the Tazewell County Planning Commission on April 14, 2016 and presented same, which was unanimously approved by the Planning Commission.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the vacation of Lot No 53 A and Lot No 53 B located in the Cove Creek Subdivision and made into one Lot, No. 53. A copy of the Plat in a form as hereby approved is on file in the office of the County Engineer, Main Street and recorded in the Clerk of the Circuit Court's Office in the Tazewell County Court House, Tazewell, VA 24651.

MONTHLY UPDATES

County Engineer - Matt Anderson

Matt Anderson, County Engineer, gave a brief update on the following projects:

Clinic Road (VDOT will look at ways to reduce costs); AEP for Cavitts Creek Cabins - AEP line trucks will be here the end of the week (power for the cabin) but rain has delayed the delivery of cabins; Matt will update Supervisor Hackworth on Miami and Torando Street when he has time to look at the roads; FEMA Flood Study -additional costs will be needed for mapping; Buckhorn Road - the project is on-going, drainage improvement calculations have been submitted to VDOT and contractor has indicated his availability to start work; Comprehensive Plan - a draft was given to the PC for their review; Supervisor Absher questioned Curt Breeding's request for repairs to Simmons Road, a completed petition is needed. Briefly discussed issues on Shawver Street (near Gun Club Road) in the Eastern District.

Economic Development/Business and Development Support Services - Mike Thompson

Mike Thompson, Economic Development Director, gave an update on the Entrepreneur Express Workshop held May 3, 2016. He said it was a very good business and management workshop; Announced the Ribbon Cutting for the Center for Excellence, May 17, 2016 from 9 to 12 noon. He then gave the visits/views report for the new Economic Development Website-Tazewell County Website, i.e. r unique visitors/number of visits/views/hits, etc. Another section was added to the County Website - Under Quality of Life, Healthcare in Tazewell County was added. His department is working on another link that will give information on sports and recreation. The Board thanked Mr. Thompson for his hard work and diligence to promote county-wide economic development in Tazewell County.

Public Service Authority (PSA) Report - Supervisor Hackworth on behalf of Dahmon Ball

Dahmon Ball, PSA Administrator was absent. The PSA report given by Supervisor Hackworth (liaison for PSA). A public hearing was held on the 2016 proposed rate increase at the PSA office on May 2, 2016. Approximately 10 speakers were heard (No action was taken by the PSA); Claypool Hill Wastewater Treatment Plant is complete; The Greater Tazewell WTP to Pocahontas Project Phase II & III pump stations 1 & 2 are on schedule, should be completed in July 2016; Phase IV design has started on the Town's water line rehabilitation (funding

announcements from DHCD will be made in July 2016); The Tazewell to the Divides Sewer Leachate Line Project design is nearing completion - a final design meeting with DEQ will be held Thursday, May 12; The project should be bid out in August 2016 and final construction scheduled for September 2017.

Airport Report - Written Submitted by Jerry McReynolds

Jerry McReynolds, Airport Manager did not attend the meeting, but provided a report to the Board, via email, prior to the meeting on various projects taking place at the County Airport. Mr. McReynolds indicated in the report that the Airport is in excellent condition and represents Tazewell County in a most impressive manner and that the Airport Authority was very thankful for the support of the Board of Supervisors and welcomed their visits anytime. A copy of the complete report is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main St. Tazewell, VA 24651.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby enters into an executive/closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711:

- *A-7 Legal matter - regarding potential litigation between BVU and Cumberland Plateau*
- *A-5 Prospective Business or Industry where no previous announcement has been made involving Gas Project*
- *A-1 Personnel matter - involving the I.T. Director*

RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby returns from the Executive/Closed Meeting and further hereby adopts the following Certification of Resolution read by Supervisor Hymes:

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors has convened an executive/closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative vote and in accordance with The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board of Supervisors that such executive/closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive/closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors. The Chairman called for a roll call vote with the following vote hereby recorded.

Ayes: Five - Supervisor Stacy, Asbury, Hymes, Absher, Hackworth

Nays: None

Absent: None

Absent during vote: None

Action:

There was no action to report as a result of the Executive/Closed Meeting held this date.

PUBLIC HEARING

BANNER CIRCLE -

ORDINANCE ADOPTED ACCEPTING BANNER CIRCLE INTO THE COUNTY'S ORPHAN ROAD PROGRAM

The Chairman called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised according to law entitled "An ordinance to consider accepting a portion of Banner Circle Road into the County's Orphan Road System." Banner Circle is located northeast of Falls Mill Lake and intersects on the north side of Mud Fork Road, at or near Falls Mills, Tazewell County, Virginia. The affected owners of adjoining property are George H. and Delores A. Banner, Wanda F. Shrader, Everett and Linda Faye Billips and Darrell Wayne and Melissa Faye Price. The portion of the road to be accepted serves four (4) homes, extends a distance of approximately four hundred eighty (480)

feet and is twenty (20) feet wide. A copy of the ordinance in a form as advertised was posted at the front door of the County Courthouse, Main Street, Tazewell and a copy on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, VA 24651.

Now, the Chairman called for public comments from the floor regarding Banner Circle Road.

The following people spoke in reference to the proposed acceptance of the road into the County Orphan Road System:

- Wanda F. Shrader, 175 Banner Circle, requested that the Board of Supervisors take the road into the County's road system due to the poor condition of the road and the many needed repairs to the road and because of the many elderly living there. The road has very large holes and the drainage problems causing flooding issues.
- Mrs. Delores Banner, requested the Board take the road into the County's road system due to the deplorable condition. Mrs. Banner owns a trailer park on Banner Road and her income is dependent upon the rent from the trailers. She said the road is in terrible condition and the road is tearing up cars and the renters are moving out because of the poor road. Mrs. Banner said that her care-giver rents from her as well and provides her with transportation to the doctor, grocery store and other needed trips. She requested that the County accept the road into the County system and make the necessary repairs.

Now, the Chairman called for further comments from the floor three (3) times and there being none he declared the public hearing closed.

Then, upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the following ordinance accepting Banner Circle into the County's Orphan Road Program:

WHEREAS, the Board desires to further develop the County's economy and in all ways otherwise enhance the standard of living for its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes a transportation infrastructure is the foundation of our economy; and

WHEREAS, the Tazewell County Planning Commission has recommended acceptance of a portion of Banner Circle into the County Road system;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby accepts a portion of Banner Circle Road, located northeast of Falls Mills Lake, intersecting on the north side with Mud Fork Road, at or near Falls Mills, Tazewell County, Virginia, bounded by the properties of George H. and Delores A. Banner, Wanda F. Shrader, Everett and Linda Faye Billips and Darrell Wayne and Melissa Faye Price, to extend a distance of approximately four hundred eighty (480) feet from said intersection, along the course as shown on the attached map.

It is further resolved that the Board's acceptance is conditioned upon approval of the right of way by the County Attorney and all other qualifications set forth in the County's Orphan Road Ordinance.

A copy of the ordinance in a form as hereby adopted is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference thereto.

CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVED

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following items presented as "Consent Calendar". The matters requiring the issuance of warrants shall be issued by the County Administrator in accordance with this action and converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia:

WARRANTS April 2016

Payroll

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 141242 through 141294 and direct deposits totaling \$360,474.68 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending March 31, 2016, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 141296 through 141350 and direct deposits totaling \$370,456.36 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending April 15, 2016, be approved.

Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 473996 through 474136, for \$375,260.03 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of March 2016, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 474138 through 474151, for \$150,302.64 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending March 31, 2016, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 474153 through 474318, for \$1,968,866.99 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of April 2016, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 474320 through 474333, for \$133,423.38 from the General Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending April 15, 2016, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 801934 through 801938 for \$206,573.88 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and 911 funds, covering operating expenses for the month of March 2016, be approved.

- Authorized and directed the County Administrator to transfer monies between County funds and departments as may be necessary through June 30, 2016
- Victim/Witness Assistance Program - approved the amount of \$14,805.00 (15% from VOCA (federal budget increase) from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to various accounts in the Victim/Witness Budget, i.e. Compensation \$5,664.00; Travel \$619.00; Equipment \$1,700.00; Printing \$6,822.00 (flow through funding)
- Ratified BOS Poll to approve change order to EPC's contract to update survey for Cavitts Creek Park to take into account cabin sites and access road for a cost not to exceed \$7,500.00.
- Ratified BOS Poll to purchase traffic counters in the amount of \$2,199.00 (4 pack) and paid from County's Contingency Fund.

- Southern District - approved the following for various activities:
 - *Summerfest - Approved \$200.00 for Bounce House - Bldg. Inspection fees*
 - *Summerfest - Approved the amount of \$75.00 for Nuckolls Hall rental as back-up site for the Main Street concert in case of rain on July 22, 2016*
 - *Dept. of Social Services - Foster Care event at Nuckolls Hall - approved \$100.00 for rental for May 15, 2016*
 - *THS Basketball - Ratified \$1,000.00*
 - *North Tazewell Elementary - Ratified \$500.00 for 5th grade field trip to Pigeon Forge*
 - Falls Mills Fish Club - ratified the amount of \$5,000.00 (\$3,000 Northern; \$500 Southern; \$500 Northwestern; \$500 Eastern and \$500 Western)
 - Sheriff's Department - approved the amount of \$40.00 from the County's Contingent Expenditures & Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff's Acct. No. 31020-6001 - restitution on ICAC case
 - Ratified waving of Landfill tipping fees for demolition of one of VDOT's salt domes off Route 460
 - Ratified waving of Landfill tipping fees for Town of Richlands - Section House debris
 - Tazewell County Public Library- transferred the amount of \$400.00 from the County's Contingent Expenditures & Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Library Account No. 7301-099 as donations received, i.e. \$100.00 Rish Equipment Company; \$50.00 United Country Riverside Realty; \$50.00 De Courcy, Felicia; \$100.00 Crab Orchard Veterinary Services, Inc.; \$100.00 Richlands Funeral Company.
 - Tazewell County School Board - ratified the amount of \$300,000.00 from the following accounts to the Food Service Category, i.e. \$96,000.00 from Administration; \$189,000.00 from Instruction and \$15,000.00 from Transportation.
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VDOT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

The Chairman, D. Michael Hymes, called to order a JOINT PUBLIC HEARING with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) that was duly advertised in accordance with Section 33.1-70.01 of the Code of Virginia - in the Board Meeting Room of the Tazewell County Administration Building, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651. The purpose of this public hearing was to receive public comment on the proposed Secondary Six-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2016/17 through 2021/22 in Tazewell County and on the Secondary System Construction Budget for Fiscal Year 2016/17. Copies of the proposed Plan and Budget were made available for review at the Lebanon Residency Office of the Virginia Department of Transportation, located at 1067 *Fincastle Road, Lebanon, Virginia 24266* or at the Tazewell County offices located 108 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

All projects in the Secondary Six-Year Plan that are eligible for federal funds will be included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which documents how Virginia will obligate federal transportation funds.

The Chairman then called for public comments from the floor with regard to the Public Joint Public Hearing.

John Watson, Resident Administrator, Lebanon Residency was present to review with the Board the list of Secondary System Construction Program Projects in dollars for FY2017-18 through 2021-22. A copy of the Secondary System Construction Program's list of projects is attached hereto and incorporated hereby by reference thereto.

Supervisor Absher questioned the possibility of VDOT taking over Eva's Walk in Wardell - repairs and snow removal is made now by the homeowner's association. The subdivision is currently maintained by an HOA.

Supervisor Asbury questioned the status of repairs on Route 696. Mr. Watson said the project is moving forward, however the weather is causing some delays with scheduling. Supervisor Asbury reminded Mr. Watson of their upcoming appointment.

Supervisor Asbury also thanked VDOT for placing larger STOP signs in the Baptist Valley area.

Mr. Bill Osborne, Tannersville, VA requested that VDOT look at a drainage issue on Route 91 next to the bridge across from Little Tumbling.

Now, the Chairman then called for additional comments from the floor with regard to the joint public hearing and there being none he declared the public hearing closed and upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

**APPROVAL OF SECONDARY HIGHWAY SIX-YEAR PLAN (2016/17 THROUGH
2021/22)**

AND CONSTRUCTION PRIORITY LIST (2015/16)

TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, Sections 33.1-23 and 33.1-23.4 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, provides the opportunity for each county to work with the Virginia Department of Transportation in developing a Secondary Six-Year Road Plan, and

WHEREAS, this Board had previously agreed to assist in the preparation of this Plan, in accordance with the Virginia Department of Transportation policies and procedures, and participated in a public hearing on the proposed Plan (2016/17 through 2021/22) as well as the Construction Priority List (2016/17) on May 3, 2016, after duly advertised so that all citizens of the County had the opportunity to participate in said hearing and to make comments and recommendations concerning the proposed Plan and Priority List, and

WHEREAS, John R. Watson, Residency Administrator, Virginia Department of Transportation, appeared before the Board and recommended approval of the Six-Year Plan for Secondary Roads (2016/17 through 2021/22) and the Construction Priority List (2016/17) for Tazewell County, Virginia.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County, Virginia that since said Plan appears to be in the best interests of the Secondary Road System in Tazewell County and of the citizens residing on the Secondary System, said Secondary Six-Year Plan (2016/17 through 2021/22) and Construction Priority List (2016/17) are hereby approved as presented at the public hearing.

DONE this the 3rd day of May, 2016.

**CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF ROUTE 609 IN WARDELL
- JUNE 13, 2016**

Then, upon motion of Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the following resolution authorizing the closure of a portion of Route 609 in Wardell on approximately June 13, 2016 to replace existing elliptical corrugated metal pipe with new pre-fabricated concrete box culvert:

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation has deemed it necessary to close a portion of Route 609 (Wardell Road) at approximately 2.17 mile east of Route 19 to replace existing elliptical corrugated metal pipe with new pre-fabricated concrete box culvert, and ;

WHEREAS, the work is planned to begin on approximately June 13th, 2016, weather permitting, with the work taking approximately one week to complete, and

WHEREAS, detours will be along Route 603 (College Estates/Mountain Road) to Route 1050 (Spring Hill Road) to Rt. 19, and Route 91 (Maiden Springs Road) to Rt. 608 (Laurel Mountain Road) to Rt. 637 (Pounding Mill Branch) to Rt. 19.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby concurs with the Virginia Department of Transportation's decision to close a portion of Route 609 to traffic in June 2016 until the installation of the new box culvert is complete.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Residency Administrator for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

VDOT -

REVENUE SHARING FUNDS PROJECT

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Absher and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the following RESOLUTION FOR TRANSFER OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS:

RESOLUTION FOR TRANSFER OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

WHEREAS, Tazewell County has an existing Revenue Sharing project, UPC 107230 (project 9999-092-R93 – FY16 Structural Rehabilitation of Various Routes), which is currently not fully funded and is in need of approximately \$1,300,000 to be fully funded, and,

WHEREAS, Tazewell County has an existing Revenue Sharing project, UPC 105664 (project 9999-092-R85 - FY15 Structural Rehabilitation of Various Routes), which is complete and has a surplus of Revenue Sharing funds of at least \$1,300,000, and,

WHEREAS, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors (Board) wishes to utilize all or a portion of the available surplus Revenue Sharing funds to fully fund UPC 107230 so that it may be advertised,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board that a transfer of surplus Revenue Sharing funds be made from UPC 105664 to UPC 107230 in order to fully fund and advertise that project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Residency Administrator for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

**SAFETY STUDY -
FOR SPEED REDUCTION
3185 ROAD RIDGE TPK**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts a resolution requesting VDOT to perform a Safety Study for a reduction in speed on 3185 Road Ridge Tpk - contact James Sisk, 276-345-1010.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors recognizes the crucial need to request that the Virginia Department of Transportation investigate and conduct a *safety study* for the purposes of performing a safety study to consider reducing the speed on Route 618 from the F & M Convenient Store to the Buchanan County line for a distance of approximately 12 miles. There is no speed sign and the curves and mountainous terrain present a hazardous situation when motorists are traveling at high rates of speed. The contact person is James Sisk, 276-345-1010, address, 3185 Jewell Ridge Tpk. who lives across from the Road Ridge Assembly of God and there is a straight stretch with a hump and it lacks sight distance.

WHEREAS The Board of Supervisors feels this is an urgent situation that needs VDOT's immediate attention.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby requests that the safety study be conducted as soon as possible and the results from those findings be reported to the Board of Supervisors.

This resolution was adopted by a unanimous roll call vote with five (5) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) abstentions, and with no members absent.

A request for "Children at Play" signs were also requested for the area of 3185 Jewell Ridge Tpk. but Mr. Watson said VDOT no longer place these types of signs unless they warranted a recreational gathering area, such as a swimming pool, park, etc. in an area of 35

mph or less. However, he said the County could buy the signs and they would be put up only if the criteria is met.

ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER SUSPENDED - TO ALLOW COMMENTS FROM THE SHCOOL BOARD

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby suspends Roberts Rules of Order to allow time for the Tazewell County School Board to speak, if anyone from the school board was present wanting to do so.

SCHOOL BOARD FUNDING LOCAL FUNDING APPROVED FY16-17

Now, following discussion of local funding for the Tazewell County School System for FY16-17, and a brief statement from Jim Kade, Human Services Supervisor for the School System, reporting that the School System had experienced an approximate \$1 million increase in health insurance premiums. He said the budget was tight and the school system would appreciate any consideration for the board of supervisors could give them.

Patricia Green, County Administrator, said the county is \$500,000 short of funding to balance the FY16-17 proposed budget. She said the real estate taxes are about the same as last year, but the personal property and machinery and tools taxes are down almost \$700,000. She reiterated from a report last month, that the coal severance funding/taxes are down almost \$1,000,000 and the Regional Jail bill is projected at \$4,800,000 almost \$800,00 over the current years bill. The County will be looking at insurance options for employees one of which is self-insurance to deal with the increase in health care. Board members reiterated the need for additional cuts to county funds and mentioned ways to possibly balance the budget. He said the budget committee has agreed to cut 20 percent from each district fund.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves a local funding amount to the Tazewell County School Board in the amount of \$14,298,738.00, this amount at 125% , and is an additional increase in local funding from last year of \$384,063.00. The Board of Supervisors

further agree to allow the school system to carry over any left over funding from the current year's budget to the FY16-17 budget. Supervisor Hymes said the Board of Supervisors would talk about additional funding at the last meeting in June if additional money could be found.

**FOUR SEASONS YMCA - ANNUAL CAMPAIGN
- SHAWN DURHAM**

Shawn Durham representing the Four Seasons YMCA , presented the YMCA Strategic Plan for 2016-2017. Mr. Durham said the YMCA's mission was to put Christian Principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all. The YMCA serves the people in Tazewell, Russell and surrounding counties and serve a diverse group of people, consciously removing economic barriers to make sure the Y is for everyone. The Y is financially sustained by membership and program fees, contributions, and grants. Mr. Durham said specific strategies for the Y include strengthen and understanding the image of FSYMCA as a charitable organization and a community leader; strengthen funding streams; make the Y a great place to volunteer; make the Y a great place to work; and to grow membership - creating and implementing promotions for new member drives; review fees and financial assistance programs to insure the Y is accessible to everyone. The Y currently has 45 part-time and 9 full-time employees. With regard to the YMCA's Annual Campaign funding request, Supervisor Hymes requested a breakdown of YMCA members by district. This will be presented at the June 7, 2016 meeting.

VFW POST 7136 - REQUEST FOR FUNDING

A request for funding for the VFW Post 7136 was recapped by Timothy Joyce, Commander, to hear the Board of Supervisors decision with regard to providing funds for the VFW Post 7136 in Tazewell. This request was heard at the April 5 meeting of the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Hymes said he would commit \$3,000 in the new fiscal year with Supervisor Asbury pledging the amount of \$500 in the new fiscal year. Housing homeless vets will need to be addressed by the Department of Veterans Affairs. The apartment over the VFW Post 7136 in Tazewell must be up to Code for VETS to live in. An application for work on the VFW apartment by Group Cares will be provided to Mr. Joyce by Sally Rash. This matter will be addressed again at the June 28, 2016 regular meeting.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS UNSCHEDULED -
FUNDING REQUEST FOR CADET ACTIVITIES**

Caleb Cruey, on behalf of the Richlands High School JROTC, requested funding to support Cadet activities. He said necessary funding was needed to help with recreational opportunities. The JROTC is in its 20th year at RHS and this year alone the Cadets have preformed over 880 hours of community service in 47 separate events.

Mr. Cruey presented a letter from Senior Aerospace Science Instructor, Dale Van De Van, Major, USAF (retired) seeking funding for the Cadets as well as providing a brief summary of Cadet activities and accomplishments.

**\$750.00 FROM WESTERN DISTRICT FUNDS -
RHS VA-961 AFJROTC**

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$750.00 from the Western District Fund, payable to the VA - 961 AFJROTC RHS, 138 Tornado Alley, Richlands, VA 24641. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

Timothy Joyce, Commander, VFW Post 7136 suggested that Mr. Cruey contact Richlands VFW Post (Steve Whitt) for a possible donation to the RHS- ROTC.

SLADE SISTER CONCERNS

Barbara Slade, Springville, VA and her sister, Betty Slade spoke from the audience and voiced concerns about the drug situation in Tazewell County, Virginia. Ms. Barbara Slade urged the County to find ways to educate the citizens on the seriousness of the drug problem in Tazewell County and to hopefully find ways to reduce the drug problems here. Ms. Slade said that she submitted a letter to the Board in March with regard to their concerns and wanted to know if the board had any solutions.

BILL OSBORNE

Bill Osborne, Tannersville, VA spoke about the importance of appointing a knowledgeable and responsible person who could participate and attend the Upper Tennessee River Round Table meetings. He mentioned the concerns with the Chesapeake Bay Watershed that effects us in many ways but said the Gulf of Mexico Watershed will be a big issue for our waters ways that need to be addressed.

MATT WYNN

Matthew Wynn, 128 Lake Witten Road, North Tazewell, VA 24630 requested that the Board of Supervisors continue to find a way to help save his property in order for him to secure his dream of constructing a house on the property that his mother left him.

TEN (10) MINUTE RECESS

The Chairman called for a recess of ten (10) minutes after which the meeting was duly reconvened.

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR LIAISON REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION-

Supervisor Stacy reported that the Planning Commission is working on revisions to the Comprehensive Plan and it is nearing completion.

With regard to the Zoning Ordinance he said following the public hearing on the proposed Zoning Ordinance the Planning Commission's Subcommittee wanted to keep fresh in their minds the comments made at the public meetings and they wanted to review the comments in order to be able to address the comments made if necessary. He said the zoning ordinance has been on the shelf for 20 years and he suspects it will be taken off the shelf again in the near future, and when that happens, he wanted to make sure that all the comments heard about the proposed zoning ordinance be documented and evaluated.

Supervisor Stacy voiced disappointment with a recent Press article about Zoning and said he wished that the press member would have talked to him first before printing the article.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (IDA)

Supervisor Hymes said the IDA is working on various projects. The IDA recently closed on the Pocahontas High School building and the old Health Dept. Building.

CPPD

Supervisor Absher reported that the CPPD continues to work with BVU (Opi-net division) and Sunset Digital. An agreement is under review for Sunset Digital to expand its services for potential new customers in the counties of Lee, Wise, Washington, Russell, Dickenson, Buchanan, Tazewell, Smyth, Bland and Wythe. Supervisor Absher said the CPPD will meet again May 19, 2016 to address the Sunset Digital proposal.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Supervisor Stacy and Supervisor Hackworth represents the BOS on the County's Budget Committee and said the committee will continue to meet to address the many budget woes the county is facing.

RECREATION DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (RDA)

Supervisor Asbury on behalf of the Recreation Development Authority (RDA) reported that new ATV signs have been installed; the filmmakers will be on site Monday, May 9. Trailhead Resort - thirteen (13) new cabins have been installed; Soft opening will be held May 16, 2016. Six to Eight people will be hired for operation of the Resort.

ESC CONCERNS

Supervisor Hymes reported that the Emergency Services Committee's attendance policy will be reviewed by the County Attorney. The Fire & Rescue Appreciation Dinner scheduled for October 15, 2016 is needing an additional \$5,000.00 from the Board of Supervisors. A ESC Mission/Vision Statement was provided to each BOS member; monies for 2 new fire trucks was questioned. The County Administrator reported that there is no money available in the present or proposed budget for new fire trucks, but there is \$80,000 for used fire trucks in FY17.

REASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**APPOINTED**

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Supervisor Hymes, Supervisor

Hackworth and Dave Anderson, Commissioner of the Revenue to serve as the committee to review the RFP's for the General Reassessment for Real Property in Tazewell County, Virginia. The RFP's are due May 20, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

TOURISM COMMITTEE - REGULAR MEETING DATES TO BE ADDRESSED

Supervisor Hymes requested that the County Administrator set up a regular Tourism Committee calendar for members to review. He said the committee is having quorum difficulties and it is sometimes hard for some people to meet during the day.

TOURISM APPOINTMENTS - AD HOC DEFERRED

Two (2) Tourism Ad Hoc member appointments were deferred to the June 7, 2016 regular meeting.

UPPER TENNESSEE RIVER ROUNDTABLE (UTRR)

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Absher and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints William "Bill" Osborne, 328 Little Tumbling Creek Road, Tannersville, VA 24377, to the Upper Tennessee River Roundtable (UTRR) effective immediately. This appointment replaces Kenneth Dunford on the UTRR since he resigned his position on the committee.

RECREATION AND PARKS FACILITIES AUTHORITY (RDA)

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Joey Stiltner, 112 New Haven Road, North Tazewell, VA 24630 as a member of the Recreation and Parks Facilities Authority (RDA), with a term effective immediately and expiring June 30, 2018 (fills the unexpired term of Tabitha D. French who resigned).

ICS-401 TRAINING FOR EXECUTIVE/SENIOR OFFICIALS

ICS - 401 Training was held on April 18, 2016 from 5 to 8 in the County BOS Meeting Room. The class provided county executive/senior officials with roles in case of an

emergency(s) in the county. Willy Richardson, with the VA Department of Emergency Management taught the class which was very information that focused on Incident Command System overviews for elected and appointed personnel. Supervisor Stacy said that he was very pleased with the training session.

COUNTY EMPLOYEE HOSPITALIZATION COVERAGE

The County Administrator said that with the increase in costs for employee hospitalization, changes are being considered for the upcoming year. A decision will need to be made on employee insurance/group coverage by the June 7, 2016 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING AUTHORIZED - FOR TAZEWELL COUNTY BUDGET, FY16-17

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the County Administrator to advertise for a public hearing to hear concerns regarding the Proposed Budget for the County of Tazewell, Virginia for Fy16-17.

PUBLIC HEARING AUTHORIZED - BISHOP POLLING PLACE

Upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the County Administrator to advertise for a public hearing to hear concerns to consider relocating the Bishop, Virginia polling place to the Alexandria United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall due to poor condition of the Bishop Union Hall (current polling place).

SURPLUS VEHICLE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the

Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby declares as surplus a 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe VIN#1GNUKAE01AR274046 in an even exchange through Ramey Automotive for a 2011 Chevrolet.

POCAHONTAS, VIRGINIA POST OFFICE

LETTER OF SUPPORT

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes a letter of support to improve, revitalize and restore the Pocahontas, Virginia Post Office that was recently closed due to safety concerns. Copies of same will be sent to Federal Officials, Kaine, Warner and Griffith and US Postal Service Operations, as well as state and local officials.

NORTHERN DISTRICT

\$500.00 TO POCAHONTAS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$500.00 from the Northern District Fund, payable to the Pocahontas Volunteer Fire Company, attn: Kenneth Buchanan to assist with their July 4th Celebration Fund Raiser. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

AMERICAN LEGION POST #14

\$250.00 TO AMERICAN LEGION FUND WORK/VETERANS

**\$250.00 TO DESIGNATE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A.L. POST AT
POCAHONTAS STATE CORRECTIONAL CENTER**

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following amounts from the

Northern District Fund to the American Legion Post No. 14, Pocahontas, Virginia 24635, attn: Curtis Gillespie, as set forth below. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia:

- \$250.00 to the American Legion Fund Work/Veterans
- \$250.00 Designated for the establishment of A.L. Post at the Pocahontas State Correctional Center.

Should the Post at the Pocahontas Correction Center not be established with the assistance of A.L.Post # 14, the \$250.00 (or remaining amount) will be allotted to A.L. Post # 14.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Asbury said the Center for Christian Action was having their 30th Anniversary on May 6, 2016 - 6:00 p.m. at the Rescue 945 Facility. Sister Libby & Sister Rose will be in attendance.

Supervisor Asbury, reported, as a reminded May 7, 2016 is Kids Fish Day Cavitts Creek and May 12 is Kids Fish Day at the Falls Mills Lake.

RICHLANDS MIDDLE SCHOOL FCCLA

\$1,000.00 WESTERN; \$500.00 N.WESTERN; \$250.00 EASTERN

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Western, \$500.00 from the Northwestern, \$250.00 from the Eastern for a total \$1,750.00 to the Richlands Middle School, FCCLA. Attn. Mark Singleton. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

**TAZEWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL- KNOXVILLE ZOO FIELD TRIP
FOR - 4 YR OLD AT RISK PROGRAM -
\$500.00 SOUTHERN - \$250.00 NORTHERN**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$500.00 from the Southern District and \$250.00 from the Northern District, payable to Tazewell Elementary School - contribution for the field trip to the Knoxville Zoo - 4 yr. old At Risk Program. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT -
TRANSFERS APPROVED**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Absher and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following Southern District Transfers, Orphan Road , from Account 41010 - 3310 - 3 to Account 91800-5699 Various Southern District Accounts in the amount of \$12,795.00. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to transfer these funds in accordance herewith.

**WESTERN DISTRICT -
TRANSFERS APPROVED**

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by as vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following Western District Transfers, Orphan Road, from Account 41010-3310-4 Coal Severance Fund, to Account 91030-8109-4 in the amount of \$13,591.00. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to transfer these funds in accordance herewith.

BUY LOCAL INITIATIVE

Supervisor Stacy's "Buy Local Initiative" ways to get the word out among local businesses will be discussed at the June 7, 2016 meeting. The County Administrator said she would discuss with Mike Thompson possible ways to link the Economic Development Website with "buy local" products. It was also proposed that local businesses become EVA certified as a networking tool for local purchases.

The Board also requested that two BOS members, the County Administrator and the Economic Development Director visit local businesses to encourage them and show the County's support.

**RICHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL - PROJECT GRADUATION \$1,500.00
(\$1,000.00 WESTERN AND \$500.00 NORTHWESTERN)**

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Western District Fund and the amount of \$500.00 from the Northwestern District Fund) payable to the Richlands High School - Project Graduation. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to transfer these funds in accordance herewith.

ADJOURN

Now, there being no further business to be transacted and upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adjourns this meeting.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

D. Michael Hymes, Its Chair

Adjourn time: 9:30 p.m.

By: Rg