

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty fourth day of January 2023 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent:

PRESENT: Keith Costello, Randy Johnson, Stephen Kelley, and Adam Kidd

ABSENT: none

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Eric Workman, County Administrator; Paul Cassell, County Attorney; Rodney Ratliff, Deputy County Administrator; Joel Cagle, Planning Commission Secretary; Teresa Tolbert, Director of Finance and Linda Miller, Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Adam Kidd called the January 24, 2023, Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting to order.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

The pledge of allegiance to the United States flag was led by Chairman Adam Kidd. The invocation was offered by Dr. Eric Workman.

JANUARY 24, 2023, MEETING AGENDA AMENDED

*****MOTION to approve January 24, 2023, meeting agenda with amendment of FY23 budget amendment revision was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Keith Costello.
Motion passed unanimously.

JANUARY 24, 2023, CONSENT AGENDA/SOCIAL SERVICES/SCHOOLS APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the January 24, 2023 consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of the December 20, 2022 regular meeting, minutes of the continued meetings of January 3, January 13, and January 16, 2023; payroll issued 12-30-2022 in the amount of \$115,133.68 and payroll issued 01-13-2023 in the amount of \$114,158.31; bills for the month of October 2022 in the amount of \$9,926.23; bills for the month of November 2022 in the amount of \$98,258.25 and \$11,376.29; bills for the month of December 2022 in the amount of \$324,619.08 and \$87,971.02; bills for the month of January 2023 in the amount of \$254,380.68; reports from the Treasurer, Sheriff, Project Coordinator, Building Official, E911 Coordinator and Zoning; appropriate the November 2022 Social Services' report in the amount of \$13,647.23 local allotment; and appropriate the Bland County School Board's February 2023 requisition in the amount of \$887,126.08; approve payroll and vendor payments for December 2022; and approve minutes of the December 8, 2022 regular meeting and adopt a proclamation of recognition of Hon. Rebecca Johnson was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Randy Johnson.
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley- yea; Mr. Johnson - yea; Mr. Costello - yea; and Mr. Kidd - yea
Motion passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATION (Adopted in previous motion)

Dr. Eric Workman presented the proclamation of recognition and a Bland County flag to the Hon. Rebecca Johnson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Gordon Jones, Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates, presented the FY22 Financial Review and Audit.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS

MILEAGE RATE

*****MOTION to adopt the mileage reimbursement rate of \$0.655 per mile effective January 1, 2023, to coincide with the IRS rate change was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Randy Johnson.
Motion passed unanimously.

FY23 BUDGET AMENDMENT

*****MOTION to amend the FY23 budget with an additional appropriation of \$81,061 in revenues and expenditures for the following departments: Parks and Recreation \$6,829; Clerk of

Circuit Court \$24,232; Library \$50,000; and IT budget transfer from the IT Services Contract line to IT Payroll lines created the IT Technician position as a full-time county position was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Keith Costello.
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Costello – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea and Mr. Kidd - yea.
Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING REQUESTED FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 50-76

*****MOTION to authorize the County Administrator to advertise for a public hearing associated with the proposed amendment to Section 50-76 of the Ordinances of the County of Bland, Eligibility Requirements for Exemption was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Keith Costello.
Motion passed unanimously.

PERMIT FEES WAIVED

*****MOTION to waive the permit fees for blanket permit #1-2023 for the County of Bland in the amount of \$30.60 was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Keith Costello.
Motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

*****Move to go into an executive session to discuss personnel matters: County Administrator applicant review and transition with current administrator, pursuant to 2.2-3711-A paragraph 1 of the Code of Virginia was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Stephen Kelley.
Motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR SESSION

*****Move to return to regular session was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Keith Costello.
Motion passed unanimously.

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

*****Move to adopt the Certification of Executive Meeting pursuant to the provisions for Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia and the reading of certification of an executive session to certify that only items announced by the Board were discussed was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Keith Costello.
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Costello – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Kidd – yea.
Motion passed unanimously.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

*****MOTION to authorize the County Attorney to prepare the modification in accordance with the proposal made to the County Administrator's Employment Agreement of Dr. Workman and to authorize the Chairman to sign on the County's behalf was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Stephen Kelley.
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Costello – yea; and Mr. Kidd– yea.
Motion passed unanimously.

RECESS

Recess until January 25, 2023, at 4:30 pm at Cooperative Extension Office for continued County Administrator Interviews.



Adam Kidd, Chairman



Eric Workman, Clerk of the Board