VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-third day of November 2021 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent:

PRESENT: Karen Hodock, Randy Johnson, Stephen Kelley, and Adam Kidd

ABSENT: none

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Eric Workman, County Administrator; Paul Cassell, County Attorney; and Linda Miller, Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Stephen Kelley called the November 23, 2021, 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 Stephen Kelley. The invocation was offered by Dr. Eric Workman.

NOVEMBER 23, 2021, AMENDED MEETING AGENDA

*****MOTION to approve the November 23, 2021, meeting agenda amended with addition of executive session to discuss real estate was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd.

Motion passed unanimously.

NOVEMBER 23, 2021, CONSENT AGENDA/SOCIAL SERVICES/SCHOOLS APPROVED ******MOTION to approve the November 23, 2021 consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of the October 26, 2021 regular meeting and minutes of the November 15, 2021 continued meeting; payroll issued 10-29-2021 in the amount of \$111,851.68 and payroll issued 11-16-2021 in the amount of \$140,072.76; bills for the month of October 2021 in the amount of \$114,113.93 and bills for the month of November 2021 in the amount of \$277,867.97; reports from the Treasurer, Sheriff, Project Coordinator, Building Official, and E911 Coordinator; appropriate the September 2021 Social Services' report in the amount of \$12,929.97 local allotment; and appropriate the Bland County School Board's December 2021 requisition in the amount of \$809,712.83; approve payroll and vendor payments for October 2021; and approve minutes of the October 5, 2021 regular meeting was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Ms. Hodock – yea; Mr. Kidd – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers.

REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL FACILITY AUTHORITY (RIFA) PUBLIC HEARING

Dr. Workman updated the board concerning the formation of a Regional Industrial Facility Authority (RIFA) with Bland, Smyth, and Washington Counties.

Chairman Stephen Kelley opened the public hearing.

No speakers.

Chairman Stephen Kelley closed the public hearing.

*****MOTION to adopt the ordinances associated with Chapter 2, Article VII, creating the Pathway Regional Industrial Facilities Authority effective December 1, 2021 was made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Hodock – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kidd – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea Motion passed unanimously.

*****MOTION to adopt the agreement creating the Pathway Regional Industrial Facility Authority (PRIFA) was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kidd – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Ms. Hodock – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea Motion passed unanimously.

*****MOTION to adopt the Pathway Regional Industrial Facility participation agreement and to authorize the County Administrator to sign was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Ms. Hodock – yea; Mr. Kidd – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea

Motion passed unanimously.

*****MOTION to appoint Randy Johnson as the Board of Supervisors Representative to an initial four-year term ending 12/31/2025, David Dillow as the Bland County EDA Representative to an initial term of two years ending 12/31/2023, and the County Administrator by title to the Pathway Regional Industrial Facility Authority was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kidd – yea; Ms. Hodock – yea; Mr. Johnson – abstain; and Mr. Kelley – yea

Motion passed.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS

HOLIDAY AND MEETING CALENDAR

*****MOTION to adopt the Holiday and Meeting Calendar amendments for 2021 was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd.

Motion passed unanimously.

TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAXATION

*****MOTION to authorize a public hearing for proposed modifications of the Transient Occupancy Ordinances to bring them in line with modifications to State Code was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS VIRGINIA OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND AND SETTLEMENT

*****MOTION to adopt a resolution approving Bland County's participation in the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation and direct the County Attorney and the County Administrator to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the County's participation was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kidd – yea; Ms. Hodock – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea Motion passed unanimously.

*****MOTION to adopt a resolution approving the County's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid related claims against McKesson, Cardinal Health, Amerisourcebergen, Janssen, and their related corporate entities, and directing the County Attorney and County Administrator to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the County's participation in the settlements was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kidd – yea; Ms. Hodock – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea Motion passed unanimously.

NEWSLETTER

*****MOTION to approve the County's quarterly newsletter was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd.

Motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

*****Move to go into an executive session to discuss personnel matters: annual evaluation of the County Administrator, pursuant to 2.2-3711-A paragraph 3 and 5 of the Code of Virginia was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR SESSION

*****Move to return to regular session was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd.

Motion passed unanimously.

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

*****Move to adopt the Certification of Executive Session 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 Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kidd – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Ms. Hodock – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>ADJOURN</u>

*****MOTION to adjourn was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd. Motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 5:00 pm in the Bland County Courthouse.

Stephen Kelley, Chairman

Eric Workman, Clerk of the Board

