

VIRGINIA: At a Regular Meeting of the Bland County Board of Supervisors held at the Smyth-Bland Regional Library conference room, Bland, Virginia on the sixteenth day of December 2003, the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Frank W. Chandler, Wade Blankenship, Robert O. Munsey, Danny Kinder

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator; Carol Hall, Secretary; Mike Beasaul, Assistant to County Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT: Frank Phipps and Marty Holloway – VDOT; several citizens

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Frank Chandler called the regular meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Supervisor Danny Kinder offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLIANCE

Mr. Chandler led the pledge of alliance to the flag.

BOARD APPROVED AGENDA

*****MOTION to approve the December 16, 2003 agenda as presented was made by Danny Kinder seconded by Wade Blankenship with Robert Munsey and Frank Chandler voting yes.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS RECOGNIZED

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution acknowledging James Dudley, Commonwealth Attorney; Randolph Davis, Commissioner of Revenue; and Melvin Cox, Sheriff on their years of service to the County was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

CONSENT AGENDA

*****MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Robert Munsey seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes. Items within the Consent Agenda included: 1) minutes of the regular meeting of November 25, 2003; 2) bills for the month of December 2003 in the amount of \$403,663.80; 3) payroll for November 30, 2003 and December 15, 2003 at a total of \$122,229.82 and 4) reports of the Treasurer, Sheriff, Commissioner of Revenue, Recycling Program, Building Official, Animal Control, Public Works and E-911 Coordinator.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Assistant Resident Engineer Marty Holloway appeared before the Board with an update on projects throughout the County to include: 1) 98 project bridge/sidewalk; and 2) advised that Rt. 644 does not qualify for historical structure.

SOCIAL SERVICES

****MOTION to approve the Social Services, October 2003 report in the amount of \$36,884.33 with the local share of \$5,676.84 was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Robert Munsey with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

SCHOOLS

*****MOTION to approve the schools January 2004 requisition in the amount of \$650,000.00 was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

SMYTH-BLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY

Library representative Harry Shupe appeared before the Board with an update on the circulation and activities of the library.

BASTIAN UNION CHURCH FIREWORKS PERMIT APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the Fireworks Permit and waive the permit fee as requested by the Bastian Union Church and authorize the Chairman to sign said permit was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Robert Munsey with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE RECOGNIZED

Randolph Davis was recognized and presented a framed resolution for his years of service as the Bland County Commissioner of Revenue.

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO NATURAL RESOURCE FUNDING ADOPTED

*****MOTION to adopt the Resolution in Opposition to the Natural Resource Funding based on fees which would be attached to water connection/solid waste /utility fees and such was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Robert Munsey with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF TAX REFORM COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA ADOPTED

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution in support of tax reform with the exception that the section on taxable income be removed was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Robert Munsey and Frank Chandler voting yes.

2004 PEPPERS FERRY REGIONAL WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT SEPTAGE MOU APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the 2004 Peppers Ferry Waste Water MOU was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Robert Munsey with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZED

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution recognizing Wade D. Blankenship for his 8 years of service as a Board of Supervisor was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Danny Kinder with Frank Chandler voting yes and Mr. Blankenship abstaining.

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution recognizing Danny L. Kinder for his 4 years of service as a Board of Supervisor was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Frank Chandler voting yes and Danny Kinder abstaining.

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution recognizing Robert O. Munsey for his 4 years of service as a Board of Supervisor was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Frank Chandler voting yes and Robert Munsey abstaining.

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution recognizing Frank W. Chandler for his 12 years of service as a Board of Supervisor was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Robert Munsey voting yes and Frank Chandler abstaining.

CLOSED SESSION

“Move to go into a closed session to discuss a personnel matter was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

“Move to return to Regular Session and waive the reading of the certification of a Closed Session but certify that only items announced by the Board were discussed in Closed Session was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR RECEIVES 3% RAISE

*****MOTION to increase the County Administrator's salary 3% in the sum of \$1800 effective January 15, 2004 based upon a six month evaluation was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Robert Munsey with Frank Chandler voting yes and Wade Blankenship voting no.

ADJOURNMENT This meeting was adjourned.

Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator