

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty seventh day of April 2010, at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Henry Blessing, Jason R. Ramsey, Karen Hodock, Nick Asbury

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Willie Howlett, County Administrator, Carol Hall, Deputy Administrator  
Paul Cassell, County Attorney

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mr. Blessing called the April 27, 2010 monthly meeting to order.

#### INVOCATION

#### PLEDGE TO FLAG

The invocation was offered and pledge to the flag was led by Jason Ramsey.

#### APRIL 27, 2010 MEETING AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

\*\*\*\*\* MOTION to approve the April 27, 2010 meeting agenda with additions was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Mr. Asbury, yes; Mr. Blessing, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; Mrs. Hodock, yes

#### APRIL 27, 2010 CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED AS PRESENTED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda as presented which consists of the bills for the month of April 2010, in the amount of \$187,991.18, payrolls of March 31, 2010 and April 16, 2010, totaling \$180,458.35, reports from the Sheriff, Treasurer, Animal/Litter Control, Building Official, E-911, Public Works Director, Meals & Lodging and Recycling were made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Nick Asbury.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen. Hodock, yes

#### SOCIAL SERVICES FEBRUARY 2010 REPORT APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the February 2010, Social Services report in the amount of \$61,317.34, with the local allotment of \$11,423.24, was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Nick Asbury.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes.

#### SCHOOLS MAY 2010 REQUISITION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve and appropriate the Bland County School Boards' May 2010 requisition in the amount of \$800,000.00, to approve the meeting minutes of March 8, 2010, March 22, 2010 and March 29, 2010 and approve the check registers of February 25, 2010, March 8, 2010 and March 10, 2010 and March 15, 2010, was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes.

#### SCHOOL BOARD'S REQUEST BOARD'S INPUT TO CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Tony Kennedy, School Board Chairman, appeared before the Board of Supervisors with four options for a school construction project.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

John Goins, Treasurer presented an update on the sale of County decals, dog tags and the collection of Real Estate and Personal Property taxes.

#### PROJECT MANAGER

Audra Repass, Project Manager advised she had contacted the State Library to obtain the County's 1861 charter and reported census' returns at 84%.

### LIBRARY REPORTS

Lois Shupe, representative reported the latest Library statistics.

### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Audra Repass, Project Manager, advised the receipt of a \$30,000 grant for equipment for recreation centers.

### ROUND THE MTN

Steve Hermansen updated the Board regarding the Artesian Trail Network.

### BUILDING OFFICIAL REPORTS

Joel Cagle, Building Official reported an update of office activities.

### APPOINTMENTS

#### Bland County Service Authority

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to reappoint Karen Hodock to the Service Authority, a 4 year term to expire 05-31-2014, was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Mr. Asbury, yes, Mr. Blessing, yes, Mr. Ramsey, yes, Mrs. Hodock, abstain.

#### Wytheville Community College

The appointment was tabled to the May 25, 2010 agenda.

### DROUGHT ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to schedule a Public Hearing for May 25, 2010 to adopt the proposed Drought Ordinance as required by Department of Environmental Quality and requested by Rodney Ratliff, Director of Public Works was made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Nick Asbury.

Roll vote: Mr. Asbury, yes, Mr. Blessing, yes, Mr. Ramsey, yes, Mrs. Hodock, yes

### BASTIAN UNION CHURCH PROPERTY USAGE APPLICATION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Bastian Union Church's property usage application to use the courthouse lawn on May 7, 2010 in observance of National Day of Prayer was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Mr. Asbury, yes, Mr. Blessing, yes, Mr. Ramsey, yes, Mrs. Hodock, yes

### COURTHOUSE SECURITY ADDITIONAL 2009-2010 APPROPRIATION FOR DISPATCHERS

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to appropriate \$7,500.00 to both the Revenue and Expenditure side of the Courthouse Security Fund's Fund 165, 2009-2010 budget, to fund dispatchers was made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Nick Asbury. Monies to be pulled from the fund balance.

Roll vote: Mr. Asbury, yes, Mr. Blessing, yes, Mr. Ramsey, abstain, Mrs. Hodock, yes

### COMMUNITY COURTS

Mrs. Hodock requested the County Attorney look into a Community Court.

### SIBLEY COMMUNICATIONS LLC C.U.P. PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

Chairman Mr. Blessing opened the Public Hearing to receive comments on the application of Sibley Communications, LLC to install a telecommunication tower upon East River Mountain.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were received.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

The Public Hearing was closed by Mr. Blessing.

SIBLEY COMMUNICATIONS, LLC. RECEIVES C.U.P. FOR TOWER

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Conditional Use Permit to Sibley Communications, LLC to install a self-porting telecommunication tower on Tax Map #11-A-3, upon East River Mtn, off State Rt. 598, with the twenty preapproved conditions and amending #12, to read, the county requires the posting of a surety bond in the amount of \$2,500.00 and condition #19, to provide Bland County antenna space on the tower, at no cost, at an evaluation of 130' or at another height to be determined jointly by the owners of the tower and the County's Emergency Service Staff to accommodate the County's Emergency Services and other County Communication needs was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Nick Asbury.

Roll vote: Mr. Asbury, yes, Mr. Blessing, yes, Mr. Ramsey, yes, Mrs. Hodock, yes

PENNINGTON PROCLAMATION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Fred Pennington Proclamation was made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Mr. Asbury, yes, Mr. Blessing, yes, Mr. Ramsey, yes, Mrs. Hodock, yes

CONTINUANCE

The meeting was continued until 4:30 p.m., April 28, to the Conference Room, Suite 201, for a 2010-2011 budget session.

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Henry M. Blessing, Chairman

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Willie Howlett, County Administrator