

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Court House, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-fifth day of January 2011 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

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

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Eric Workman, County Administrator, Carol J. Hall, Deputy Administrator,
Paul Cassell, County Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mrs. Hodock called the January 25, 2011, Board of Supervisor's monthly meeting to order.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE TO FLAG

The invocation and pledge was offered by Supervisor Jason Ramsey.

JANUARY 25, 2011 MEETING AGENDA APPROVED

IT WAS THE CONSENSUS of the Board to approve the January 25, 2011 meeting agenda with changes.

JANUARY 25, 2011 CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the January 25, 2011 Consent Agenda which consists of the bills for the month of January 2011 in the amount of \$269,317.53, payrolls issued December 29, 2010 and January 13, 2011, totaling \$176,0275.13, reports from the Sheriff, Treasurer, Animal/Litter Control, Building Official, E-911, Public Works Director, Meals & Lodging and Recycling, were made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Nick Asbury.

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

SOCIAL SERVICES NOVEMBER 2010 REPORT APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the November 2010, Social Services' report in the amount of \$60,789.14, with the local allotment of \$13,160.31, was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Nick Asbury.

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

The Department of Social Services' foster care program was recognized for ranking the highest in the Commonwealth for the fourth month in a row.

SCHOOLS JANUARY 2011 REQUISITION APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve and appropriate the Bland County School Boards' January 2011 requisition, in the amount of \$800,000.00, to approve the meeting minutes of December 21, 2010, check registers/vendor payments submitted for December 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.

COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE REPORTS

Cindy Wright, Commissioner of Revenue reported activities within the office to include assessments performed on January 1st and 2nd.

PROJECT MANAGER REPORTS

Audra Repass, Project Manager reported the equipment purchased for Parks and Recreation has arrived and would be installed in the spring 2011. Ms. Repass also presented a 2010 Year-in-Review, which included grant funding received and projects in progress during 2010, with projects scheduled to conclude in 2011.

SMYTH-BLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY

Lois Shupe, representative appeared with the latest statistics of the Library.

TREASURER'S REPORT

John Goins, Treasurer updated the Board on the collection of the 2010 Real Estate and Personal Property taxes and office activities.

COUNTY ATTORNEY UPDATE ON COMMUNITY COURTS

The County Attorney provided a summary on redistricting and an update on community court grant applications.

APPOINTMENTS

*****MOTION to reappoint Steve Hermansen to the New River Highlands Resource Conservation and Development Area, one year term of January 1, 2011 thru December 31, 2011 was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

CRIMINAL JUSTICE GRANT ACCEPTED

*****MOTION to accept and appropriate to the Sheriff's 2011 revenue and expenditure budgets, the Criminal Justice Grant in the amount of \$8,000.00, to purchase 8 tactical law enforcement vests, and batteries for the signboards, was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Nick Asbury. The grant requires no local match.

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

MELVIN ENTERPRISE INC. 2011-2012 SOLID WASTE CONTRACT APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the Melvin Enterprise Inc.'s proposal in the amount of \$210,024.24 for the 2011-2012 Solid Waste Contract was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, no.

PEPPER'S FERRY REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT 2011 CONTRACT APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the 2011 Pepper's Ferry Regional Wastewater Treatment contract was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES' SPECIAL ASSESSEMENT APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve VACo's special assessment request in the amount of \$1,000.00, to lobby against HB1588 and protect the current standard of proof in real estate and property assessment, pulling the funds from the Board's advertising line item, was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Nick Asbury.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, no; Henry Blessing, yes

BLAND HIGH SCHOOL PERMIT FEE WAIVER REQUEST APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the request of Bland High School for a waiver of a plumbing and miscellaneous permit fee (remodel bathroom) in the amount of \$35.70 was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

CROSSROADS REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL FACILITY AUTHORITY 2000-01 DIVIDEND PAID

The County Administrator advised the Board of the receipt of the Crossroads Regional Industrial Facility Authority Project 2001-01 dividend in the amount of \$170,000.00.

CLOSED SESSION *****“Move to go into a closed session to discuss a Real Property matter, pursuant to 2.2-3711-A, subparagraph 3, of the Code of Virginia was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

“Move to return to Regular Session, adopt the certification and waive the reading of the certification of a Closed Session but certify that only items announced by the Board were discussed was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

CONTINUANCE

The meeting was continued to February 1, 2011, 5:00 p.m.

Karen H. Hodock, Chairman

Eric R. Workman, County Administrator