

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Court House, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-sixth day of April 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 April 26, 2011, Board of Supervisor's monthly meeting to order.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE TO FLAG

The invocation was offered by Supervisor Jason Ramsey.

The pledge was led by Chairman Mrs. Hodock.

APRIL 26, 2011 MEETING AGENDA APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the April 26, 2011 meeting agenda with additions was made by Nick Asbury, seconded by Jason Ramsey.

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

APRIL 26, 2011 CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the April 26, 2011 Consent Agenda which consists of the bills for the month of April 2011 in the amount of \$261,351.10, payrolls issued March 31st and April 15, 2011, totaling \$181,803.58, reports from the Sheriff, Treasurer, Animal/Litter Control, Building Official, E-911, Public Works Director, Meals & Lodging and Recycling reports, were made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

SOCIAL SERVICES FEBRUARY 2011 REPORT APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the February 2011, Social Services' report in the amount of \$93,387.36, with the local allotment being \$17,721.05, 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 2011 REQUISITION APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve and appropriate the Bland County School Boards' May 2011 requisition, in the amount of \$800,000.00, to approve the meeting minutes of March 21, 2011, approve the check registers/vendor payments submitted for February 24, 2011, March 16, 2011 and March 17, 2011, was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

PROJECT MANAGER REPORTS

Audra Repass, Project Manager reported the Ceres grant project and the playground equipment grant have been completed.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Randy Moler, representative appeared with an update on the fitness equipment installed at the parks and the need of mulch.

Supervisor Mrs. Hodock requested a letter be sent to ABB in appreciation of the pick up and temporary storage of the fitness equipment recently installed at the playgrounds.

TREASURER'S REPORT

John Goins, Treasurer updated the Board in regard to the sale of county decals, dog tags, and the collection of real estate and personal property taxes.

Supervisor Mr. Blessing inquired if letters could be mailed to residents who have not purchased county decals.

APPOINTMENTS

Round the Mountain

*****MOTION to appoint Sam Wright to Round the Mountain, a one-yr term, effective July 1, 2011 was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Jason Ramsey

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

PUBIC COMMENTS

Crystal Breeding, of People, Incorporated, spoke to the Board on the free resources and advice available to help small businesses.

BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT APPROPRIATED

*****MOTION to appropriate to the Sheriff's 2010-2011 revenue and expenditure budgets, the \$500.00 Byrne Justice Grant received, with the local match being \$56.00, (to be found within their budget,) to purchase sheriff's department equipment, was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH WAIVER REQUEST APPROVED

*****MOTION to waive the sign permit fee of \$25.50 as requested by the Grace Baptist Church was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

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

DEPT. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GRANT APPROPRIATED

*****MOTION to appropriate the Virginia Department of Emergency Management 2010 State Homeland Security Program Grant of \$16,040.00 (regarding no local match) be appropriated to the sheriff's 2010-2011 revenue and expenditure budgets, for the purchase of a License Plate Reader, was made by Nick Asbury and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATES

The County Administrator presented the Key Economic Indicators showing Bland County's unemployment rate, for the month of February 2011, to be 6.2%, the lowest in Southwest Virginia.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CIVIC FUNDS APPROVED FOR ROCKY GAP COMMUNITY PARK

*****MOTION to fund two additional months expense (\$150.00) for porta johns for the Rocky Gap Community Park, to be paid out of the Board's Community, Civic Line, (Hodock), was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Nick Asbury.

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

VDOT SECONDARY ROAD SIX YR PLAN PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

Chair Mrs. Hodock opened the Public Hearing to receive public comment on the VDOT Secondary Six-Year Plan for the Fiscal Year 2011/12 and the Secondary System Construction Budget for 2011/12.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Shirley Cox, Kimberling Rd. resident, spoke regarding State Rt. 612 and the need of ditches, culverts and bridge repairs.

Valen Miller, Kimberling Rd. resident, spoke with the request of repairs to State Rt. 612.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

The Public Hearing was closed by Mrs. Hodock.

VDOT SECONDARY SIX-YR. PLAN RESOLUTION APPROVED

*****MOTION to adopt the VDOT Secondary Six-Year Plan for 2011/12 and the Secondary System Construction Budget for 2011/12 Resolution was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Nick Asbury.

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

REDISTRICTING ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

The Public Hearing to receive comment on the proposed County's Redistricting Ordinance was opened by Karen Hodock, Chair.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Valen Miller, Kimberling resident expressed concern of district line upon Rt. 611 and Rt. 612.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

With no additional comments, Mrs. Hodock closed the public hearing.

REDISTRICTING ORDINANCE PASSES

*****MOTION to approve the County's Redistricting Ordinance and submit to the Justice Department was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

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

CLOSED SESSION *****"Move to go into a closed session to discuss a Personnel Matter, pursuant to 2.2-3711-A, subparagraph 1, 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 May 9, 2011, 5:00 p.m.

Karen H. Hodock, Chairman

Eric R. Workman, County Administrator