

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-second day of August 2023 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent:

PRESENT: Keith Costello, Randy Johnson, and Stephen Kelley

ABSENT: Need appointment of District I representative

ALSO PRESENT: Cameron Burton, County Administrator; Paul Cassell, County Attorney; and Linda Miller, Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Stephen Kelley called the August 22, 2023, 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 Cameron Burton.

AUGUST 22, 2023, MEETING AGENDA AMENDED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve August 22, 2023, meeting agenda as amended with a request for public hearing, adoption of PPTRA percentage, and appointment of District I member to the Board of Supervisors was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Keith Costello. Motion passed.

AUGUST 22, 2023, CONSENT AGENDA/SOCIAL SERVICES/SCHOOLS APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the August 22, 2023 consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of the July 25, 2023 regular meeting, minutes of the continued meeting of August 3, 2023; payroll issued July 31, 2023 in the amount of \$131,751.59 and payroll issued August 16, 2023 in the amount of \$121,979.63; bills for the month of June 2023 in the amount of \$6,582.28; bills for the month of July 2023 in the amount of \$89,024.10; bills for the month of August in the amount of \$219,134.63; reports from the Treasurer, Sheriff, Animal Control, Project Coordinator, Building Official, E911 Coordinator and Zoning; appropriate the June 2023 Social Services' report in the amount of \$15,211.34 local allotment; and appropriate the Bland County School Board's September 2023 requisition in the amount of \$904,850.58; approve payroll and vendor payments for July 2023; and approve minutes of the July 13, 2023 regular meeting made by Keith Costello and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Costello – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea  
Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Philip Buttery requested that the Board consider having a Parks and Recreation Department position to coordinate the youth sports in the County and providing some funding.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS

FY23 BUDGET TRANSFERS AND SUPPLEMENTS

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to adopt the FY23 County Budget transfers and supplements in the amount of \$984,098.75 with \$795,177.75 as supplemental appropriations was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Keith Costello.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Costello – yea; and Mr. Kelley – yea. Motion passed.

FY24 BUDGET AMENDMENT

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to amend the FY24 Bland County Budget with \$61,000 additional appropriations to maintenance dept. was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Costello – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Kelley - yea. Motion passed.

NEWSLETTER

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the quarterly county newsletter was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Randy Johnson. Motion passed.

HOLIDAY CALENDAR 2023

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to adopt the proposed Holiday and Meeting Calendar amendments was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Randy Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.

ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the entertainment permit for the Mountain Top Holiness Church's tent revival for dates of September 8 through September 29, 2023, with waiver of all fees was made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Costello. Motion passed.

EDA TRANSFER/APPROPRIATION

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to transfer and appropriate \$50,000 from EDA fund to renovations of Building #9 was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Randy Johnson.  
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Costello – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Kelley - yea. Motion passed.

ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING ON FY23/FY24 COUNTY BUDGET AMENDMENTS

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the advertisement of a public hearing on amendments to FY23/FY24 County and School Budgets was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Keith Costello. Motion passed.

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT (PPTRA) RATE ADOPTED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to adopt the PPTRA rate of 29.67% was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Randy Johnson.  
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Costello – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Kelley - yea. Motion passed.

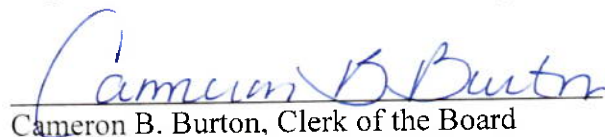
APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR DISTRICT I

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to appoint Patrick Groseclose to serve as a member of the Board of Supervisors for District 1 (Sharon) per VA Code 24.2-228 was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Keith Costello.  
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Costello – yea; and Mr. Kelley - yea. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimous consensus to adjourn the meeting.

  
Stephen Kelley, Chairman

  
Cameron B. Burton, Clerk of the Board