

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-third day of July 2024 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent:

PRESENT: Keith Costello, Patrick Groseclose, Randy Johnson, and Stephen Kelley

ABSENT: none

ALSO PRESENT: Cameron Burton, County Administrator; Trenton Crewe, County Attorney; and Linda Miller, Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Keith Costello called the July 23, 2024, 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 Keith Costello. The invocation was offered by Cameron Burton.

JULY 23, 2024, AMENDED MEETING AGENDA

*****MOTION to approve the July 23, 2024, meeting agenda as amended with a Resolution certifying the end of the local state of emergency, Wythe Bland Foundation application, amendment of a motion from June 25, 2024, meeting and FY24-25 Mount Rogers Community Services Performance contract amendments was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Motion carried unanimously.

JULY 23, 2024, CONSENT AGENDA/SOCIAL SERVICES/SCHOOLS APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the July 23, 2024, consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of the June 25, 2024 regular meeting; payroll issued June 28, 2024 in the amount of \$141,963.59 and payroll issued July 16, 2024 in the amount of \$136,695.20; bills for the month of May in the amount of \$7,838.43; bills for the month of June in the amount of \$473,511.44; bills for the month of July in the amount of \$636,430.95; reports from the Treasurer, Building Official, Zoning, Clerk's Office and E911 Coordinator; appropriate the May 2024 Social Services' report in the amount of \$17,092.58 local allotment; and appropriate the Bland County School Board's August 2024 requisition in the amount of \$1,112,984.67; and approve the minutes for the June 13, 2024 regular meeting; approve payroll and vendor payments for June 2024 was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Patrick Groseclose.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS

RESOLUTION FOR THE KROGER NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution for participation in the proposed settlement of the Kroger National Opioid Settlement was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Stephen Kelley. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS CERTIFYING THE DECLARATION AND THE ENDING OF THE LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution certifying the declaration of the local state of emergency of a burn ban declared on June 28, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution certifying the end of the local state of emergency of a burn ban that ended on July 23, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION FOR VIRGINIA RETIREMENT SYSTEM (VRS) ENHANCED HAZARDOUS DUTY BENEFITS

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution for Enhanced Hazardous Duty Benefits for Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, and Emergency Medical Technicians effective on July 23, 2024, was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

YOUTH SPORTS COORDINATOR POSITION AND APPROPRIATION

*****MOTION to approve the new position of a Bland County Youth Sports Coordinator and appropriate \$10,000 to the Parks and Recreation budget to fund the position. was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

ASSISTANT COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY PART-TIME POSITION AND APPROPRIATION

*****MOTION to approve the new position of a part-time Assistant Commonwealth Attorney and appropriate \$60,000 to the Commonwealth Attorney budget to fund the position was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATION TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE'S FY25 BUDGET

*****MOTION to approve and appropriate \$1,830.00 in reimbursed funds from Mountain Community Action Program to the Commissioner of the Revenue's FY25 budget was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

WYTHE-BLAND FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATIONS

*****MOTION to approve the grant applications to the Wythe Bland Foundation was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Stephen Kelley. Motion carried unanimously.

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT FUND TRANSFER FOR FY25 AMENDED

*****MOTION to amend the transfer of \$3,600 from Recording and Indexing (21600-3198) to Salaries and Wages (21600-1100) for the FY25 Clerk of Circuit Court Budget was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

FY24-25 MOUNT ROGERS COMMUNITY SERVICES PERFORMANCE CONTRACT AMENDMENTS

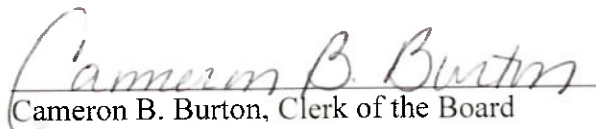
*****MOTION to approve the FY24-25 Community Services Performance Contract Amendments was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Stephen Kelley. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

*****MOTION to adjourn was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Motion carried unanimously.



Keith Costello, Chairman



Cameron B. Burton, Clerk of the Board