

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-fourth day of January, 2017 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent:

PRESENT: Nick Asbury, Adam Kidd, Randy Johnson, Karen Hodock

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Eric Workman, County Administrator; Trent Crewe, County Attorney; Sharon May, Deputy Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Nick Asbury called the January 24, 2017 Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting to order.

INVOCATION  
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The invocation was offered by Eric Workman. Nick Asbury, Chairman, led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

JANUARY 24, 2017 MEETING AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS

\*\*\*MOTION to approve the agenda with the following additions: Workforce Investment Ordinance and Agreement and the moral obligation agreement between the County of Bland and the Virginia Small Business Financing Authority was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd.

Vote passed unanimously.

JANUARY 24, 2017 CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

\*\*\*MOTION to approve the January 24, 2017 Consent Agenda which consisted of the minutes of the December 27, 2016 regular meeting; minutes of the January 3, 2017 organizational meeting; payroll issued 12-29-2016 in the amount of \$80,321.13; payroll issued 01-12-2017 in the amount of \$80,550.58; bills for the month of October 2016 in the amount of \$74,487.99; bills for the month of December, 2016 in the amount of \$75,738.51; bills for the month of January, 2017 in the amount of \$192,846.56; reports from the Treasurer, Project Manager, Building Official, Public Works Director, Sheriff, Animal Control, E911 and Meals & Lodging was made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

SOCIAL SERVICES NOVEMBER 2016 REPORT APPROVED

\*\*\*MOTION to approve the November 2016 Social Service's report in the amount of \$84,793.71 with the local allotment of \$11,101.63 was made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Adam Kidd.

Vote passed unanimously.

SCHOOL'S FEBRUARY 2017 REQUISITION

\*\*\*MOTION to approve and appropriate the Bland County School Board's February 2017 requisition in the amount of \$687,036.09; regular meetings minutes of December 15, 2016, organizational meeting minutes of January 4, 2017 and budget work session meeting minutes of January 4, 2017 was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Vote passed unanimously.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS REPORTS  
RC&D

Steve Hermansen stated that the director of the RC&D would be in contact with County Administration about the Fire Wise Program.

Sheriff

Tom Roseberry updated the Board as follows: 2015/2016 Comparison of Citations – 1,200 for 2015 and 2,900 for 2016; traffic citation for 2015 were 632 and for 2016 were 2270; criminal arrest for 2015 were 2 and for 2016 were 26 arrest and 41 drug charges; 2016 confiscated a

Camaro with a clear lien, Nissan SUV, Dodge SUV, \$2700.00 in cash; last Thursday Meth Lab bust with 5 labs; one lab was operating -with 8 felonies on a male and female; 10 indictments in 2016

Randy Johnson asks if the Sheriff's department had the right equipment to go into a meth lab?

Tom Roseberry stated no, that is why the department relies on the State Police and the hazmat team to do the cleanup.

Tom Roseberry thanked the Board of Supervisors and Eric Workman for their support.

Karen Hodock asked about Bland County's participation in the Appalachia Drug Program?

Tom Roseberry said he would consider this program.

#### BLAND COUNTY SCHOOL

Scott Meade updated the Board as follows: Thanked everyone; General Assembly is considering 4 bills affecting education - 3 of them are about discipline; school is upgrading the security system at the schools; revamping a committee to work on school operations; enrollment in Bland County Schools continues to drop; Karen Hodock made Scott Meade aware that the road at the school in Rocky Gap was closed to traffic; school signs are up and operating.

#### TREASURER

John Goins gave an update as follows: his office has been very busy collecting and posting payments; about 88% of real estate and 86% personal property have been collected; published the judicial sale including 9 sales; since that time, there have been payments made and now there are 6 properties included in the sale; 225 dog tags were sold in 2016; Juan Garcia is helping to implement the DMV Stop.

Randy Johnson asked how long are the term for the payment plans?

John Goins State per State code 36 months with the knowledge that if only the minimum is paid that the current taxes are delinquent.

Randy Johnson asked if people were adhering to their payment plans?

John Goins stated that there were a couple people who will be receiving letters due to nonpayment and if they don't catch up their payment then their properties will go into the process of being sold.

Adam Kidd asked if there was a way to track how much had been collected since the decision was made to have property sales for delinquent taxes.

John Goins stated that he would prepare a report to show the amount of collection.

#### APPOINTMENTS

\*\*\*\*MOTION to reappoint Adam Kidd and Karen Hodock as alternate to the District III Governmental Cooperative for a one year term to expire 12-31-2017; reappoint Wade Hall to the Planning Commission for a four year term to expire 09-30-20; reappoint Eric Workman to the Ninth District Development Fund for a four year term to expire 12-31-20; reappoint Nick Asbury and to appoint Adam Kidd to the County of Bland School Facilities Committee for a one year term to expire 12-31-2017 was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd.

Vote passed unanimously.

#### PUBLIC HEARING WORKFORCE INVESTMENT

Nick Asbury, Chairman, opened the public hearing.

No public speakers.

Nick Asbury, Chairman, closed the public hearing.

\*\*\*\*MOTION to adopt the Ordinance reforming, amending and re-establishing the workforce investment area consortium as the Workforce Development Area Consortium, a Joint Entity between the Counties of Bland, Carroll, Floyd, Giles, Grayson, Galax and Radford, Virginia was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT

\*\*\*\*MOTION to adopt the New River/Mt. Rogers Workforce Development Area Consortium Agreement was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEM  
TRASH ADJUSTMENTS

\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the trash adjustments for October – December 2016 in the amount of \$1,173.97 was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Vote passed unanimously.

FY 18 BUDGET MEETING CALENDAR

\*\*\*\*MOTION to adopt the FY18 budget meeting calendar was made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

MORAL OBLIGATION AGREEMENT

\*\*\*\*MOTION to adopt the moral obligation agreement between the County of Bland and the Virginia Small Business Financing Authority was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Eric Workman updated the Board of Supervisors as follows: Rocky Gap Greenway Project is under way and we have received another \$50,000 in grant money for that project; grant application has been submitted to expand wireless internet to Hollybrook; Dispatch received \$102,000 in grant funds to upgrade the radios; 2016 year in review report.

Karen Hodock asked if the 2016 year in review could be published on the county website.

Eric Workman agreed to take care of this.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' TIME

Karen Hodock thanked Eric Workman, Tom Roseberry, Constitutional Officers and the School Board who make Bland County a great place to live.

Randy Johnson thanked everyone.

Adam Kidd thanked Eric Workman and all the Constitutional Officers, their staff and our staff. He thanked everyone for all they do. He thanked the school board and the staff, he knows their job is not easy at times. Adam stated that he is very excited to be working on the new school committee. He stated that he would make sure that this committee is a proactive team. Nick Asbury thanked Eric Workman, Tom Roseberry, Scott Meade, Jerri Harman, Steve Hermanson, John Goins and Brandon Anders.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

\*\*\*\*Move to go into an executive session to discuss a Personnel and Legal Consultation, pursuant to 2.2-3711-A, paragraph 1. Personnel of the Code of Virginia was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

\*\*\*\*Move to return to Regular Session, adopt the certification and waive the reading of the certification of an Executive Session but certify that nothing was discussed, due to the need to amend the motion, by the Board was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson

Vote on this motion was as follows: Adam Kidd, yes; Randy Johnson, yes; Karen Hodock, yes, and Nick Asbury, yes. The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

\*\*\*\*Move to go into an executive session to discuss a Personnel and Legal Consultation, pursuant to 2.2-3711-A, paragraph 7. Consultation with legal counsel of the Code of Virginia was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

\*\*\*\*Move to return to Regular Session, adopt the certification of the executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of Section 2. 2-3711.A of the Code of Virginia. and Whereas, the Bland County Board of Supervisors has convened an executive meeting on January 24, 2017 pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; Whereas, Section 2.2-3711.A of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Bland County Board of Supervisors that such executive meeting was conducted in conformity with the Virginia law; Now, Therefore, be it resolved that the Bland County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, 1. only public business matter lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements of Virginia Law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this Certification Resolution applies; and 2. only such public business matter as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Bland County Board of Supervisors was made by Adam Kidd and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Vote on this motion was as follows: Adam Kidd, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Randy Johnson, yes and Nick Asbury, yes. The motion passed.

ADJOURN

\*\*\*\*MOTION to adjourn was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Adam Kidd.

Vote passed unanimously.

  
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Nick Asbury, Chairman

  
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Eric Workman, Clerk of the Board