

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-fourth day of November 2015 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Henry Blessing, Randy Johnson, Karen Hodock

ABSENT: Nick Asbury

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Karen Hodock called the November 24, 2015 Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting to order.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The invocation was offered by Henry Blessing. Karen Hodock, Chairperson led the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

Eric Workman prayed for the family of Nick Asbury.

NOVEMBER 24, 2015 MEETING AGENDA

*****MOTION to approve the agenda with the addition of a proposed personnel change was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

NOVEMBER 24, 2015 CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the November 24, 2015 Consent Agenda which consisted of the minutes of the October 27, 2015 regular meeting; payroll issued 10-30-2015 in the amount of \$119,733.36; payroll issued 11-16-2015 in the amount of \$118,492.77; bills for the month of October, 2015 in the amount of \$196,273.54; bills for the month of November 2015 in the amount of \$329,342.92; reports from the Treasurer, E911, Project Manager, Animal Control, Building Official, Public Works Director, and Meals & Lodging was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

SOCIAL SERVICES SEPTEMBER 2015 REPORT APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the September 2015 Social Services' report in the amount of \$79,298.46 with the local allotment of \$10,074.79 was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

SCHOOL'S DECEMBER 2015 REQUISITION

*****MOTION to approve and appropriate the Bland County School Board's December 2015 requisition in the amount of \$608,351.38; regular meeting October 15, 2015; check registers/vendor payments submitted for October 2015 was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION'S REPORTS

Stacy Grady Bland County General Registrar

Stacy Grady made a presentation to the Board of Supervisors concerning transitioning to Optical/Digital Scan voting equipment.

*****MOTION to have a public hearing, finalize the draft of new ordinances and to research funding to purchase the Optical/Digital Scan voting equipment was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

Parks and Recreation

Randy Moler gave an update to the Board of Supervisors that included the following: grant has been approved to purchase playground equipment for the Bastian area; the equipment will be bought during winter for a savings and stored until spring.

Smyth/Bland Regional Library

Cameron Burton gave an update to the Board of Supervisors as follows: 4087 children have been reached through different programs at the library; 2900 books have been checked out; 2000 movies; 236 Halloween visitors; the mobile library is going well – going to head start and Steps of Faith Academy; Senior Citizens will be holding their Friday meetings at the library; Christmas party is December 5, 1:00 – 3:00, there will be an ugly Christmas Sweater Contest.

Treasurer

John Goins, Treasurer updated the Board of Supervisors as follows: the office has been very busy with the collection of 2015 taxes; the due date for tax payments has been extended to December 7; delinquent tax list should be ready by December 1st; DMV stop should be in place by the first of the year; supplemental billing of taxes has gone out.

*****MOTION to approve the publishing of the list of delinquent taxes in the Bland Messenger was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS

PROCLAMATION

Recognizing November 2015 as Adoption Awareness Month

*****MOTION to approve the proclamation recognizing November 2015 as Adoption Awareness Month was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EDUCATION POOL REIMBURSEMENT

*****MOTION to reimburse Jenna Dunn \$2,000.00 from the Local Government Education Pool was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL POLICY AND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

*****MOTION to approve the Personnel Policy and the Memorandum of Understanding with Constitutional Officers was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

EMERGENCY OPERATION PLAN

*****MOTION to approve the emergency operation plan for the County of Bland was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION

*****MOTION to approve the resolution of adopting the Emergency Operation Plan for the County of Bland was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote passed unanimously.

WYTHE/BLAND GRANTS FALL OF 2015

*****MOTION to approve the following Wythe/Bland Foundation Fall grants:

- Parks and Recreation playground equipment - \$15,000.00
- Bland County Extension Office - \$8,000.00

was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote on this motion was as follows: Henry Blessing, yes; Randy Johnson, abstain; Karen Hodock, yes; and. The motion passed.

FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUNDS

*****MOTION to approve an additional appropriation to the Commonwealth Attorney's budget in the amount of \$2,000.00 was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

FULL TIME EMERGENCY SERVICES E911 COORDINATOR

*****MOTION to approve the Emergency Services and E911 Coordinator become a full time position effective January 1, 2016 was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Randy Johnson.

Vote passed unanimously.

SUPERVISORS TIME

Randy Johnson thanked everyone for coming.

Henry Blessing extended condolences to Mr. Asbury in the death of his father.

ADJOURNED

*****MOTION to adjourn was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Karen Hodock, Chairman

Eric Workman, Clerk of the Board