

**VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL
COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD APRIL 3, 2018
AT FOUR O'CLOCK P.M. IN THE TAZEWELL COUNTY
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL
VIRGINIA 24651**

**PRESENT: MAGGIE ASBURY, CHAIRPERSON
TRAVIS HACKWORTH, VICE CHAIRPERSON
CHARLES A. STACY, MEMBER
D. MICHAEL HYMES, MEMBER
TOM A. LESTER, JR., MEMBER
RUTH GROSECLOSE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ATTORNEY
PATRICIA GREEN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS: JIM TALBERT, CLINCH VALLEY
NEWS/RICHLANDS NEWS PRESS
WARREN HINKLE, THE VOICE NEWSPAPER**

ABSENT: NONE

Chairperson Asbury called the regular meeting to order and presided with all members in attendance and welcomed all those present. Supervisors Hackworth gave the invocation with Supervisor Hymes leading those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the April 3, 2018 agenda as amended.

MINUTES APPROVED

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the

Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the March 6, 2018 meeting minutes as written.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, and with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following items presented as "Consent Calendar". The matters requiring the issuance of warrants shall be issued by the County Administrator in accordance with this action and converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia:

Approved warrants for the month of March 2018

WARRANTS

March 2018

Payroll

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 143339 through 143373, and direct deposits totaling \$240,756.96 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending February 28, 2018, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 143375 through 143409, and direct deposits totaling \$230,182.47 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending March 15, 2018, be approved.

Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 482289 through 482407, for \$785,651.16 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of February 2018, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 482409 through 482420, for \$146,138.97 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending February 28, 2018, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 482422 through 482568, for \$269,016.42 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of March 2018, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 482570 through 482582, for \$127,835.62 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending March 15, 2018, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 802032 for \$1,500.00 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and 911 funds, covering operating expenses for the month of February 2018, be approved.

- Southern District - approved \$5,000 donation for the Lou Peery Sports Complex to assist with the purchase of new scoreboards
- Sheriff's Department
 - \$1,500.00 Walmart check - transferred from the Contingent Expenditure Account No. 91050-7041 to Account No. 31020-6010 - K9 donation
 - \$2,265.00 i.e. Circuit Court Check (\$2,015.00); Carley Crist Checks (\$250.00) to Account No. 31020-6001
 - Approved the amount of \$2,515.090 from the Contingent Expenditure Account No. 91050-7041 to Account No. K-9 Fund, 31020-6010 - Check received from Dominion Auto.
- Library Account
 - transferred the amounts from the Contingent Expenditure Account No. 91050-7041 to Account No. 7301-3099 and to Account No. 7301-6012
 - \$100.00 donation to Blfd. SRP
 - \$500.00 Town of Bluefield, VA
 - \$100.00 Barber, Vernon & Carloyn
 - \$100.00 donation to Blfd. SRP
 - \$155.40 Tazewell Lions Club to Acct. No. 7301-6012
- Northern District Fund
 - transferred \$10,500.00 from the Northern District Orphan Roads Account to the Northern District Fund and approve:
 - \$ 2500 to Abbs Valley Boissevain Elementary Field Trips
 - \$ 3000 to Falls Mills Fishing Club Spring Stocking
 - \$ 5000 to donation for the Lou Peery Sports Complex to assist with the purchase of new scoreboards
- Ratified and approved Joyce Engineering quote - 6 months service for the Landfill in the amount of \$25,195.00
- Authorized County Budget advertisement in the May 16, 2018 and May 23, 2018 local newspapers for June 5, 2018 Public Hearing
- Ratified closure of County Offices and County Courthouse - March 30, 2018 Good Friday

- Approved a transfer in the amount of \$1,800.00 from the Northwestern District Fund and \$1,800.00 from the Western District Fund to the Tourism Dept. 12060-5650 to pay for Tazewell County Welcome Signs that have been installed

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING

Upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby enters into an executive/closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section

- A(5) Prospective Business involving Project "Cyber"
- A(5) Prospective Business involving Project "Jonah"
- A(1) Personnel Matter involving the County Garage

RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted and by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby returns from the executive/closed meeting and hereby certifies the following resolution read by Supervisor Asbury:

CERTIFICATION OF THE EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors has convened an executive/closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative vote and in accordance with The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board of Supervisors that such executive/closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive/closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors. The Chairman called for a roll call vote with the following vote hereby recorded.

Ayes: All Five (5)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: None (0)

Absent during vote: None (0)

Report of Action:

There was no action to report as a result of the Executive/Closed Meeting.

SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY FOR TAZEWEEL COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Chase Collins, Assistant County Attorney, presented to the Board of Supervisors a Social Media Policy for county employees and officials.

The policy as presented is intended to promote positive use of social media/electronic communication by County employees and also is intended to protect the privacy and dignity of County employees and others, associated or doing business with the County, from any unlawful or unauthorized actions or words effectuated through online conduct on social media by County employees or through a guest post on a County authorized social media website or page and the policy will govern the standards by which information on behalf of the County must be coordinated with and posted to a County authorized social media website or page.

The Board of Supervisors deferred action on the consideration of approval of the Social Media Policy to the May 1, 2018 regular meeting.

COUNTY ENGINEER -- MATT ANDERSON

Matt Anderson, County Engineer - updated the BOS with the status of various projects. . He gave a building inspection report, the BOS approved \$4,840, i.e. (\$3,226.66 from Western District and \$1,613.34 from Eastern District) for VDOT bridge inspections, upon a motion Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and unanimously adopted. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

He presented a copy of the most recent Transportation Safety Commission Minutes and gave updates on various roads issues and ongoing road work. Other projects included a report on AASC Falls Mills; Project Biscuit; Clear Fork Flood Study and the New GIS Website. He also

gave a report of County Projects by District, i.e. Roads; IDA; Landfill; GIS; E&S Control and Permitting; Planning Commission; AASC; Drainage at Paradise Lane; Baseball Sports Complex. (Larry Blankenship) Baseball field Water & Sewer - Public Service Construction; Project Biscuit - sewer extension

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT

BARRY BROOKS

Emergency Services Committee - Barry Brooks, Director of Fire & EMS Operations - Updated the Board of Supervisors on the last E & S meeting i.e. Strategic Planning for the next 5 years- introducing a process using internal & external stakeholders from each area to take place in the Strategic Planning; First Responder Training for fire departments were discussed. He said he would invite a representative from VDOT to the next ESC meeting to review a collective plan during emergency issues (used the last snow storm as an example); Communication Committee to be appointed by the ESC Committee. Checks are finally being received for Emergency Services billing. Mr. Brooks also thanked the County inmates for helping clean as well as paint the 945 Community Room; he said "great job."

DAHMON BALL - PSA UPDATE

Dahmon Ball, PSA Administrator reported on the Greater Tazewell Regional WTP to the Town of Pocahontas Project (Phase IV). The Judge ordered in favor of the PSA /title right of entry possession; bids will be opened in June 2018; Billing started today on the Pocahontas Water project - customers will pay PSA and PSA will transfer money to Pocahontas; Tazewell to Divides Sewer Leachate Line Project 99% complete; Baptist Valley Sewer Project meeting was very productive, approximately 18 people were in attendance; mailings will be sent out to obtain interests; PSA went to Richmond on March 16, funding application for VDH - Pocahontas water distribution center system - should hear something within the next month or so. Debris on Clinch River Sewer Line Crossing issue - high water is preventing clean-up near Rogers Muffler Shop. Supervisor Lester questioned the process of sending PSA complaints he receives. Mr. Ball said to send all PSA complaints to the PSA office and he would respond.

JERRY MCREYNOLDS - TAZEWELL COUNTY AIRPORT

Jerry McReynolds, Airport Manager, reported on the large sinkholes at the Airport, engineers will come and do an assessment on the sinkholes. He said after the sinkholes are fixed, the Airport would be in good shape.

DAVE WOODARD - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM UPDATE

Dave Woodard gave a Community Development & Tourism update. He presented a hand-out outlining the status of various projects: i.e. preparing for tourist season; double checking for transient occupancy tax; developing mobile visitors center concepts; researching 3 dimensional marketing at the Visitor's Center; working on various grants, Marketing Leverage Program, VTC; Community Foundation of the Virginias; Shott Foundation; grant for a local foundation for MVC and one for Marketing Leverage to VTC; Community Development committee - first lunch meeting scheduled for April 26 at the American Legion Building in Tazewell, VA.

Supervisor Lester requested that the word "County" stand out more in the Welcome to Tazewell County signs. He said the sign in his part of the County appears to say "Welcome to Tazewell".

CUMBERLAND PLATEAU PLANNING DISTRICT

- LIAISON REPORT

Supervisor Stacy reported that Sunset Communications has a new finance partner for the project and a May 2018 closing is scheduled.

Supervisor Stacy requested that Patricia Green contact Jim Baldwin at CPPD and clarify representation on the Virginia Coalfield Coalition (VCC).

BUDGET COMMITTEE FY2018-19

Supervisor Hackworth and Supervisor Hymes, BOS members of the Tazewell County budget committee reported the budget for fiscal 2018-19 is \$3.4 million short. They have served on the budget committee over the years and said the upcoming budget for FY18-19 is a tough as it gets.

Supervisor Hackworth said the budget committee have been looking at revenues and costs savings. Supervisor Hymes stated that some things the Board have no control over that has caused the budget shortfall, such as the state mandating the purchase of new voting machines at a cost of \$250,000.00, as well as the decline in coal and gas severance taxes.

Supervisor Hackworth said he felt it was incumbent to take immediate action with regard to spending county funds, and, now upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby suspend all county spending and freeze all new hiring until July 1, 2018, such that no expenditures may be made without approval by the Tazewell County Administrator.

**JENNIFER BOURNE -
FAMILY CRISIS SERVICES -
SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH**

Jennifer Bourne, Family Crisis Services Director/Planner, Clinch Valley Community Action, Inc. requested that the Board of Supervisors proclaim the month of April 2018 as SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH in Tazewell County, Virginia.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts a resolution proclaiming the month of April 2018 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Tazewell County, Virginia:

PROCLAMATION

Sexual Assault Awareness Month calls attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and impacts every person in this community. Every day, women, men and children across Tazewell County experience the pain and trauma of sexual assault. From verbal harassment and intimidation to molestation and rape, this crime occurs far too frequently, goes unreported far too often, and leaves long-lasting physical and emotional scars. During Sexual Assault Awareness Month, we recommit ourselves not only to erasing the secrecy and shame surrounding sexual assault, but also to raising awareness, expanding support for victims, and strengthening our response.

Whereas, rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment harm our community, and statistics show one in five women and one in sixty-seven men will be sexually assaulted at some point in their lives (Smith et al., 2017); and

Whereas, child sexual abuse prevention must be a priority to confront the reality that one in six boys and one in four girls will experience a sexual assault before the age 18 (Dube et al., 2005); and

Whereas, on campus, one in five women and one in sixteen men are sexually assaulted during their time in college (Krebs, Lindquist, Warner, Fisher & Martin, 2007);

NOW, THEREFORE, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim April 2018 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and urge all residents of Tazewell County to embrace their voices to show their support for survivors, to stand up to victim blaming, to promote everyday consent, and to practice healthy communication with kids. The Board of Supervisors hereby join advocates and communities across the country in taking action to prevent sexual violence. April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and each day of the year is an opportunity to create change for the future.

Smith, S. G., Chen, J., Basile, K.C., Gilbert, L.K., Merrick, M.T., Patel, N., & Jain, A. (2017). National intimate partner and sexual violence survey: 2010-2012 state report. Retrieved from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control.: <http://www.cdc.gov/ViolencePrevention/pdf/NISVS-StateReportBook.pdf>

Dube, S. R., Anda, R. F., Whitfield, C.L., Brown, D. L., Felitti, V. J., Dong, M., & Giles, W. H. (2005). Long-term consequences of childhood sexual abuse by gender of victim. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, 28, 430–438. doi:10.1016/j.amepre.2005.01.015

Krebs, C. P., Lindquist, C. H., Warner, T. D., Fisher, B. S., & Martin, S. L. (2007) *The Campus Sexual Assault (CSA) Study (NCJ 221153)*. Retrieved from the National Criminal Justice Reference Service: <https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/221153.pdf>

Adapted from the National Sexual Violence Resource Center.

THS SCHOLASTIC TEAM

REQUEST FOR FUNDING

\$500.00 NORTHERN DISTRICT AND \$2,000.00 SOUTHERN DISTRICT

Michelle Brown, THS Scholastic Bowl Team Coach, introduced members of the THS Scholastic Team. The team will be going to Atlanta Georgia in May, Memorial Day Weekend to participate in National Competitions. The team has held fundraisers and other events to raise money, but still are short in funding.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$2,500.. (\$2,000 Southern District, \$500 Northern District (move from road fund to northern district fund) to cover the THS Scholastic Bowl Team, attn: Michelle Brown, Coach, 167 Cosby Lane, Tazewell, Virginia 24651 telephone (276) 988-6502.

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

SWCC ROBOTICS TEAM

The Upward Bound Robotics Team from Southwest Virginia Community College demonstrated their new robot. The robot is three times larger than their previous robot. The team is comprised of students from Tazewell, Richlands, Honaker, Twin Valley, Ridgeview and James Monroe. They recently competed against 60 teams at the District Championship in March at College Park Maryland,, where they brought home the Highest Seeded Rookie Team award and the Rookie Star Award. Now, the SWCC Robotics Team will participate in the World Championship event in Detroit Michigan April 24 - April 29, 2019 where they will have the opportunity to meet STEM professionals (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) from all over the world, i.e. Saudi Arabia, Mexico, The Netherlands, Asia and many more.

The Board congratulated the Robotics Team and wished them well in their World Championship competition. The College will pay for their upcoming trip. They received a round of applause from the audience. The Board of Supervisors joined the team for a photo.

COUNTY DEPUTY, BRIAN TRIPLETT - RECOGNIZED

Ms. Brenda Lester Sprinkle, a resident of Grundy, Virginia and a former resident of Abingdon, Virginia, said during her moving transition three years ago, she had a flat tire in the Western District of the County, more particularly, Route 19. Following her call to 911, Tazewell County Sheriff Deputy Brian Triplett was dispatched and he assisted her for nearly three (3) hours until her car was back on the road. Ms. Sprinkle stated that she felt like she had found an angel and she would like to honor Deputy Triplett for his kindness and honorable service, and on his behalf, she presented the check in the amount of \$150.00 to be used for one of the Sheriff Departments Projects in honor of Deputy Triplett. Sheriff Hieatt, Deputy Triplett, and Chief Deputy Harold Heatley were all present and joined Ms. Sprinkle for a photograph.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

ROGICH ROAD

Travis Bandy, 231 Gillespie Road, Pounding Mill, VA 24609, requested the status of a response from VDOT and Norfolk Southern - with regard to their support of a new railroad crossing for Gillespie Road. The RR tunnel is inundated by ice in the winter and floods in the spring making travel impossible. The Board of Supervisors at a previous meeting requested the Tazewell County Planning Commission to consider taking Gillespie Road into the County's Orphan Road System, ask the County Administrator to prepare a cost estimate for an alternate route for Rogich Road across the railroad tracks, and request the County Administrator to further send a letter of support to the Virginia Department of Transportation and Norfolk Southern supporting a new railroad crossing for the road. The County has not received a report on the request.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

GARY MOORE

Gary Moore, Moore Mountain Road, questioned the Board of Supervisors with regard to the \$3.4 million budget deficit. He wanted to know the status of Project Jonah; a proposed meat processing center; the Bluestone Building; the Sol-Smart Energy Program and a proposed ATV Trail from Mudfork to Lake Witten.

Ms. Green, County Administrator responded and said that Project Jonah was still a prospective business; the IDA is looking into the meat processing plant; the Shell Building at the Bluestone was a few days behind because of the weather; the BOS are actively marketing the facility and the RDA continues to work to extend the ATV trails in the Northern District. She said most of the economic development projects are confidential and can't be discussed due to the possible loss of grant funding is made public before completed.

APPOINTMENTS

Community Development Committee

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies the appointments of Claudine

Blankenship, Fred Lawless and Ellis Cole to the Tazewell County Community Development Committee.

Visionary Committee

And upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Barry Brooks to serve as a member of the Visionary Committee, previously known as the Comprehensive Plan Sub-Committee.

Supervisor Asbury requested that the Board of Supervisors submit their Comprehensive Plan comments to her as soon as possible.

MOWING BID -

AWARDED TO P.M. LAWN CARE

Following presentation of a mowing bid tabulation sheet by Patricia Green, County Administrator and upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby awards the 2018 Season Mowing bid to P.M. Lawn Care and Landscaping LLC, 1120 Beartown Road, Tazewell, VA 24651 to include; mowing of the following properties: Courthouse Complex; Public Safety Bldg; Community Facilities; Fairgrounds; Bluestone/Idea Park; Falls Mill Elementary; Commonwealth Atty.; Tazewell Library; Bluefield Library; Union Hall; Boissevain Miners and Bluestone Park and the weed eating bid to P.M. Lawn care for weed eating services at Cavitts Creek.

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

PROBATE TAX -

PUBLIC HEARING AUTHORIZED

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes a public hearing to consider the

implementation of a probate tax in Tazewell County, Virginia. The Circuit Court is not collecting a probate tax and most counties do. The revenue will depend on the size of the estates that go through probate annually.

SOL-SMART ENERGY PROGRAM

Supervisor Hackworth would like to see a sample Sol-Smart Energy Program resolution at the May 1, 2018 BOS meeting.

COAL BID -OLD STOKER COAL

LOCATED IN THE FORMER TAZEWELL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL/OLD SOCIAL SERVICES BUILDING, NOW THE TAZEWELL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors award a bid of \$7.00 per ton submitted for approximately 20 tons of stoker coal that is located in the former Tazewell Junior High School/Old Social Services building, now the Tazewell County Sheriff's Office, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors awarded James Byron Kulchar, 1399 Riverside Drive North Tazewell, VA 24630 the bid for the coal. Mr. Kulchar will be responsible for the removal of coal at his own expense, AS-IS, with no warranties of any kind or nature, express or implied.

PUBLIC HEARING - ROADWAY ABANDONMENT FOR ROUTE 711 FROM ROUTE 676 (BACK HOLLOW ROAD) TO DEAD END, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 0.22 MILES

Madam Chair called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised according to law entitled "PUBLIC HEARING - ROADWAY ABANDONMENT FOR ROUTE 711 FROM ROUTE 676 (BACK HOLLOW ROAD) TO DEAD END, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 0.22 MILES." She called for public comments from the floor three times and there being none she declared the public hearing closed.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopt a **RESOLUTION TO**

ABANDON VIRGINIA STATE SECONDARY ROUTE 711 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 33.2-909 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA (1950), AS AMENDED, TO WIT: ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 33.2-909 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA (1950), AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, a public notice was posted as prescribed under Section 33.2-909 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, announcing a public hearing to receive comments concerning abandoning the section of the road described below from the Virginia Secondary System of State Highways;

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation was provided the prescribed notice of this Board's intent to abandon the subject section of road; and

WHEREAS, after considering all the evidence available, the Board of Supervisors is satisfied that no public necessity exists for the continuance of the section of Virginia State Secondary Route 711, from Route 676 (Back Hollow Road) to a dead end, being a distance of 0.22 miles, and hereby deems that section of road is no longer necessary as a part of the Virginia Secondary System of State Highways;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors for Tazewell County, Virginia, does hereby **RESOLVE** to abandon the aforesaid section of Route 711, and accordingly removes it from the Virginia Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to Section 33.2-909 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

NOW THEREFORE, be it **FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Resident Administrator of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

It is so **RESOLVED** this 3rd day of April, 2018.

EASTERN DISTRICT FUNDS

**- REFUND TAXES SEDGEWOOD POOL PROPERTY \$600.32 &
GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL - EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION \$200.00**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve the amount of \$600.32 from the Eastern District Fund, payable to the Town of Bluefield, 112 Huffard Drive, Bluefield, VA 24605, Attn: Matt Freedman, Town Attorney.

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

**GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL - EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
\$200.00 EASTERN DISTRICT FUNDS**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$200.00 from the Eastern District Fund to Graham High School Educational Foundation, 210 Valley Dale Street, Bluefield Virginia 24605, attn: Joyce J. Johnston. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

ROTATION OF CHAIRPERSONS - REQUEST

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 4 to 1, with all members present and with Supervisor Hymes voting nay, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby resolve: In the spirit of open and transparent government, and with the hope of innovation and creativity, the Board of Supervisors resolve to encourage all boards and authorities, subject to BOS appointments, to rotate their Chairmanships through a

democratic process, and thereby select new chairpersons annually, with the expectation that no chairperson will serve two consecutive terms. And, that this Board resolve further that the Chairpersons of such Board be required to submit an annual update to this Board in person at the end of each fiscal year.

TAZEWELL HIGH SCHOOL DECA
\$1,000.00 SOUTHERN DISTRICT FUNDS

Upon motion of Supervisors Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Southern District Funds, payable to the Tazewell High School DECA, 167 Cosby Lane, Tazewell, Virginia 24651 telephone (276) 988-6502. This is for the State Leadership Conference, in Virginia Beach, Virginia. This conference is to challenge their skills against other marketing students across the state of Virginia

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

MAIN STREET MOMENTS -
ANNUAL EVENT

\$3,000.00 SOUTHERN DISTRICT FUNDS

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve the amount of \$3,000.00 from the Southern District Funds payable to Main Street Moments, c /o Town of Tazewell, PO Box 608, Tazewell, Virginia 24651 attn: Irma Mitchell. This will assist in the annual event activities.

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

RICHLANDS ELEMENTARY \$1,000.00

SOL TUTORING

Upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Northwestern District Funds, payable to the Richlands Elementary School, 309 East Front Street, Richlands, Virginia 24641, to assist with SOL Tutoring events. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

\$1650.00 NORTHERN DISTRICT FUNDS - MOWING OF HISTORIC POCAHONTAS CEMETERY - APRIL 18 THROUGH JUNE 18, 2018

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Hymes, and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$1,650.00 from the Northern District Funds, payable to the Town of Pocahontas, Virginia 24635, attn: Ben Gibson. This money will assist with mowing the Historic Pocahontas Cemetery from April 18 - June 18, 2018. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

**\$700.00 NORTHERN DISTRICT FUND -
MAINTENANCE OF POCAHONTAS WALKING TRAIL**

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$700.00 from the Northern District Funds to assist with the maintenance of the Pocahontas Walking Trail.

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

Supervisor Asbury requested the County Administrator, Patricia Green, determine if the inactive \$5,000 Tourist Train monies were ever transferred to the Town of Pocahontas account. Supervisor Asbury said the monies could be used for maintenance on the Pocahontas Walking Trail.

**\$700.00 NORTHERN DISTRICT FUND -
TOWN OF POCAHONTAS - FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION**

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$700.00 from the Northern District Fund, payable to the Town of Pocahontas, Virginia 24635, attn: Ben Gibson, and earmarked for the 4th of July, 2018 Celebration in Pocahontas, Virginia.

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION - PUBLIC NOTICE

The PRESS was requested to help get the word out about the Board of Equalization appointment dates beginning April 2 through June 28, 2018. Only a few appointments have been made and a low number of people are calling about their assessments.

DRUG COURT GRADUATES

Pat Green was requested to contact Cheryl Robinette concerning recognition to drug court graduates from the Board of Supervisors.

**FARM BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE APPT. ON THE IDA
NONVOTING MEMBER**

Rick Snapp from Burkes Garden was appointed as a liaison representative on the IDA, upon a motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0 and adopted unanimously. Pat Green will write a letter letting the Farm Bureau know that the Board of Supervisors can only provide a non-voting member on the IDA.

BLUESTONE RECREATION DEVELOPMENT

The Board of Supervisors recommended that two Board of Supervisor members, Charlie Stacy and Tom Lester and one IDA member, Kyle Hurt and one RDA member serve as a member of the Bluestone Recreation Development Committee.

The one RDA Member will be considered at the May 1, 2018 regular meeting.

BROADBAND INITIATIVE

Supervisor Lester voiced concern about the lack of access of broadband in Tazewell County. This concern will be addressed at the next Wireless Authority meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 12, 2018.

ADJOURN

Now, there being no further business to be addressed and upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adjourn this meeting.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 1, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

Margaret A. Asbury, Chairperson

By: RG

7:55 p.m.