

VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD DECEMBER 5, 2017 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL VIRGINIA 24651

**PRESENT: JOHN M. ABSHER, CHAIR
MAGGIE ASBURY, VICE CHAIR
D. MICHAEL HYMES, MEMBER
CHARLES A. STACY, MEMBER (arrived a few minutes late)
TRAVIS HACKWORTH, MEMBER
C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ATTORNEY
PATRICIA GREEN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
RUTH GROSECLOSE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
WHITNEY PARSONS, AUDIO/SOUND
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS: JIM TALBERT, CLINCH VALLEY NEWS/RICHLANDS NEWS PRESS; WARREN HINKLE, THE VOICE NEWSPAPER
TOM LESTER, TCBOS ELECT**

ABSENT: NONE

The Chairman called the regular meeting to order and presided. Supervisor Stacy arrived at the meeting a few minutes late.

Supervisor Asbury gave the invocation with Supervisor Hymes leading those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

AGENDA APPROVED

Then upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, 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 approve the December 5, 2017 agenda format as amended.

MINUTES APPROVED

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth 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 November 9, 2017 meeting minutes as written.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Stacy absent, 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 the warrants as paid for the month of November 2017

WARRANTS

November 2017

Payroll

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 143039 through 143073, and direct deposits totaling \$236,582.65 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending October 31, 2017, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 143075 through 143111, and direct deposits totaling \$227,489.52 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending November 15, 2017, be approved.

Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 480709 through 480864, for \$351,336.55 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of October 2017, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 480866 through 480877, for \$144,457.41 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending October 31, 2017, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 480879 through 481026, for \$831,765.93 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of November 2017, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 481226 through 481238, for \$133,133.03 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending November 15, 2017, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 802026 through 802028 for \$2,400.00 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and 911 funds, covering operating expenses for the month of October 2017, be approved

- Coyote claim - Approved the amount of \$450.00 payable to Rodney Ruble, 1477 Big Branch Road, Bluefield, VA 24605 for 9 female coyotes killed with a trap on 11/21/2017
- Approved the amount of \$50.00 payable to Clinton Bell, 1987 Cove Road, Tazewell, VA 24651 for 1 female coyote killed with a snare on 11/28/2017
- Approved the amount of \$100.00 payable to Brandon Tegeler, 150 Camp Evangel Road, Pounding Mill, VA 24637 for 2 female coyotes killed with a rifle on 11/28/2017
- Approved the amount of \$50.00 payable to Timothy Sparks, PO Box 1084, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609, for 1 female coyotes killed with a trap on 11/23/2017
- Authorized to close the County Offices from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wed. December 13, 2017 for the Tazewell County Annual Employee Christmas Dinner at Nuckolls Hall

- Ratified a request for the Circuit Court Judge to approve a 30 day extension for the Tazewell County Reassessment
 - Approved \$525.00 to the Crab Orchard Veterinary Services, Tazewell, VA as money received from DMV - Sterilization Program for FY2017
 - Ratified the amount of \$750.00 from the Western district fund, paid to the Richlands High School Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders
 - Ratified the following amounts from the Western district fund, payable to:
 - \$2,000.00 to the Town of Cedar Bluff - Fire Truck Striping
 - \$2,000.00 to the Raven Theater
 - \$1,500.00 to Richlands High School - earmark for the Richlands Youth Baseball Club
 - Southern District Fund - Approved \$5,000.00 payable to Historic Crab Orchard Museum
 - Commissioner of Revenue - approved the amount of \$250.00 from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account 91050-7041 to the Commissioner of Revenue Account 12090-6001 Office Supplies - as monies received from Black Knight Real Estate Data Solutions, LLC
 - Sheriff's Department
 - Approved the amount of \$1,971.00 from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to Account No. 31020-6009 - monies received from VACo for Jackson accident
 - Approved the amount of \$752.16 (2 checks each for \$376.08 from HIDTA Reimbursement) from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account to line item 31020-5510 Travel & Training
 - Approved the amount of \$412.38 (2 checks, \$206.36 and \$206.02) from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account to line item 31020-5510 Travel and Training; and the amount of \$1,500.00 (2 checks, \$1,000.00 and \$500.00) from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account to line 31020-6010 Police Supplies
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RECESS

The Chairman called for a recess until 5:50 p.m. after which the meeting was duly reconvened.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION - JOHN M. ABSHER

Supervisor Hackworth acknowledged Supervisor John M. Absher for his service to Tazewell County as a member of the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors from January 2010 to December 31, 2017. The Board presented Supervisor Absher with a plaque honoring him for his eight years as a County Supervisor.

Supervisor Absher's family were in attendance and joined the Board of Supervisors for a photo.

MATT ANDERSON - COUNTY ENGINEER

Matt Anderson, County Engineer, presented an update on various projects taking place.

Mr. Anderson did not recommend the County's adoption of a resolution of support for VDOT Funding Flexibility (as submitted by Scott County); Supervisor Asbury reported the need for guardrail in the Dryfork community. Mr. Anderson said possibly in next year's schedule. The costs are extremely high for the removal of brush on the Fincastle Farms bridge - estimated at \$11,000 plus. The Board discussed other ways to remove the brush.

The County Engineer will be advertising a pre-bid conference for the Fincastle Farms Bridge the week of Dec. 5. A public hearing will need to be re-advertised for next year, 2018 to vacate the bridge.

Peddler's Ordinance - Public Hearing should be authorized for the January Organizational meeting - January 9; Covington Road - Matt will schedule paving for a small section of road there (possibly extending a few feet).

Other road projects include:

- Clinic Road - - Ongoing. Awaiting receipt of 2 of 3 additional easements
- Richlands School Complex - Scheduled to meet with Town of Richlands and VDOT regarding potential solutions for the congestion at the school complex and drainage issues.

- Other road will be completed based on available funding and quotes that have been received
 - Tyler Street- Utilizing staff on repairs/stone application
 - Bluejay Street - Utilizing staff on repairs
 - Hickory street - Utilizing staff on stone application/grading
 - College Park Road - Utilize staff to install speed limit signs.
 - Moose Street - Will look at for paving
 - Fincastle Farms Bridge - Preparation of Bidding Documents almost complete
 - Buckhorn Street - Need to finalize design information with VDOT
 - Fincastle Farms Brush Removal - Costs extremely high, meeting with other contractors.
 - Fincastle Farms Bridge - Will be advertising pre-bid conference this week.

PUBLIC HEARING AUTHORIZED FOR PEDDLER'S ORDINANCE

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth 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 and directs the County Administrator to advertise for a public hearing to hear concerns regarding a proposed Peddler's Ordinance for Tazewell County.

DAHMON BALL - TAZEWELL COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY UPDATE

Dahmon Ball, PSA Administrator presented the Board with an update on various PSA Projects. Below is a list of projects as presented:

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Greater Tazewell Regional WTP to Town of Pocahontas Project (Phase IV)

There is a 90% Design Review meeting scheduled for December 18, 2017. The PSA has received an additional grant in the amount of \$75,000 from the Southwest VA Regional Water/Wastewater Fund for this project.

Tazewell to Divides Sewer Leachate Line Project

Contract I - McFall Excavating - Gravity and Force Main Sewer

The Contractor is approximately 86% complete in time and 70% complete in value. The Substantial Completion is scheduled for February 5, 2018.

Contract II - McFall Excavating - Landfill Leachate Pump Station

The Contractor is approximately 98% complete in time (with time extension) and 99% complete in value. The Substantial Completion is scheduled for January 7, 2018.

Contract III - Boggs Municipal Services - Witten Mill Sewer Lift Station

The Contractor is approximately 93% complete in time and 85% complete in value. The Substantial Completion date is tentatively scheduled for January 9, 2018.

Capital Improvements Plan

The Preliminary Engineering Report has been completed and submitted to the Virginia Department of Health. The pump station site needs to be finalized to start the environmental review process.

Baptist Valley Sewer Project

Due to the holidays and other circumstances, the proposed Community Meeting will be scheduled in early January 2018.

Fort Witten Assisting Pump Station

The 90% Design Review meeting was held on November 30, 2017. The PSA has received an additional grant in the amount of \$75,000 from the Southwest VA Regional Water/Wastewater Fund for this project.

Ascue Road Water Line Extension

Thompson & Litton has completed the Letter Report PER. They still need to do hydraulic analysis work for the potential fire flow in the proposed area.

Supervisor Hymes questioned the site at Wittens Mill. Mr. Ball said the project was moving forward and the County Attorney was working to complete the land purchase.

DAVE WOODARD - TOURISM UPDATE

Dave Woodard, Tourism Director presented the Annual Tourism Report for Tazewell County, Virginia. He reported that sales are up in most sections, as well as attendance in all attractions; lodging is up in most establishments; Back of the Dragon Traffic is up; foot traffic has tripled in the Visitors Center; Request for information has increased; mail outs have increased; new businesses has increased; number of tourism related jobs has increased; the BOS will send a letter to members of the Spearhead Trail voicing the County's displeasure with the increase in fees/passes -stating that it puts Tazewell County at a disadvantage compared to WV. Mr. Woodard will be attending various ATV meetings/tradeshows as well as motorcycle shows in the coming year. Mr. Woodard will continue to work on the placement of the Welcome Signs in Tazewell County. The signs have been ordered and will be placed once received; however, signs for Bluefield and Tazewell are on the backburner.

SPEARHEAD TRAIL -

LETTER TO SPEARHEAD BOARD OBJECTING FEE INCREASE

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 authorizes and directs that a letter be drafted and mailed to Spearhead Trails Board/Committee voicing the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors displeasure with the increase in fees/passes. Supervisor Hymes said the increase in fees puts Tazewell County at a disadvantage compared to West Virginia.

AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Jerry McReynolds, Manager of the Tazewell County Airport was present. He did not have anything new to report, but stated that everything was good at the Airport and the Airport was well positioned to assist the County in future economic development plans and the Airport staff stands by to do whatever the Board of Supervisors deem necessary to assist in meeting their goals in growth.

TCBOS LIAISON

IDA - Supervisor Hymes had nothing to report; CPPD - Charlie Stacy gave a brief report on GO Virginia; It is up & running but none of the localities know what projects are going to be included. Fire & EMS Operations - Barry Brooks is on vacation through December 15. Ms. Green sent each BOS member of the Thompson Valley helicopter landing site; she is also working on ways to find an RFP for a grant writer.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Pam Meade, Executive Director, Tazewell Area of Commerce expressed the importance of moving forward with a County-wide Chamber. Having one Chamber would be a stronger voice for any kind of issue and it would be stronger as well as having only one membership fee. She said a full-time director would be required to carry out the necessary responsibilities of a County-wide Chamber. Supervisor Hackworth thanked Chamber Directors, Pam Meade and Ginger Branton for their hard work.

CITIZEN COMMENTS--**Tazewell County Career and Technical Center**

Spott Steele; Ms. Cook, and Rod Gillespie, Tazewell County Career and Technical center presented information on the Career and Technical Education CTE Camps and gave a short PowerPoint on the many accomplishments as a result of the Camps. They spoke of the importance of having a trade. The Masonry class went to Greenbrier County, WV last year following the June 2016 flood and laid a foundation in White Sulpher Springs. The masonry crew were featured in the Building Safety Journal for their hard work on "Hope Village". The Tazewell County Career & Technical Center is dedicated to preparing students for successful employment, and developing their lifelong learning abilities.

The Board acknowledged their efforts and good work and mentioned the importance of being "trade certified". There's a skills gap in today's work force and they commended the TCC & Technical Center principal and instructors for all their hard work and training efforts. The CTE Camps prepares youth and adults for a wide range of high-wage, high-skill, high-demand careers.

Lexie Bales, Richlands High School FCCLA

Lexie Bales, Richlands High School FCCLA Chapter President - thanked the Board for the donation that allowed her to attend the FCCLA Washington DC - Capitol Leadership and National Cluster meetings. She met with Congressman Griffith; Senator Mark Warner and Tim Kaine and told them about her experiences and how the experiences affected her life and how it inspired her to be a leader.

Doug Roberts, Jewell Ridge, VA

Doug Roberts, Jewell Ridge, VA - thanked the Board for their consideration of donating the former Jewell Ridge School to the Jewell Ridge Recreation Development corporation as well as the Board consideration of exempting the property from real estate taxes. A public hearing will be in January 2018. The Board also agreed to include the Jewell Ridge Library in the donation and tax exemption.

Brent Harrison - Trail Head Resorts

Brent Harrison, Trail Head Resorts - Voiced his displeasure with the Spearhead Trail raising its ticket prices. He said the Trial Head Resort works hard to get people in here to ride the Trails and it would become difficult to get riders if price increase. He said they want the people to enjoy the Trial and he hoped that the Spearhead Trail and SARA would work together to do a little more for this end of the Trail System.

Pat Martin, Tazewell, VA - Animal Shelter

Pat Martin, Tazewell, VA - heard from Ms. Martin with regard to the delay in opening the new Animal Shelter. Ms. Martin and Ms. W. Hinkle indicated that the Animal Shelter had to be open by April 2018 or the State would impose heavy fines per day on the County. Ms. Green reported that the County has a cash flow problem right now and the County is working on a slower pace with the Animal Shelter until funds become available. Ms. Martin wanted to know if the County could solicit/accept donations for the Animal Shelter.

Jim Talbert, a member of the Tazewell County Animal Shelter mentioned that Chase Collins, Assistant County Attorney is looking into the possibly of creating a entity, i.e. "Friends of the Tazewell County Animal Shelter" that could become a 501c3 organization, whereby the entity could except donations to help offset Animal Shelter costs. He said the Assistant County Attorney is scheduled to make a report at the next Animal Shelter meeting.

FIVE MINUTE RECESS

The Chairman called for a five (5) minute recess after which the meeting was duly reconvened.

OTHER CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mike Dennis, Commonwealth's Attorney

Mike Dennis, Commonwealth's Attorney, spoke with regard to Ms. Green's upcoming evaluation as County Administrator. He spoke highly of Ms. Green and said it was a pleasure to work with her. He said she was a true supporter of Tazewell County and well with the employees and is good to them, and he hoped the Board of Supervisors would allow her to continue in the position as County Administrator.

Mr. Dennis also said it was good to see the Tazewell County Career and Technical Center working on such great things to help students have promising careers.

APPOINTMENTS

Tazewell County Airport Authority -

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 reappoints James Pruitt, 1533 Red Root Ridge Road, Raven, VA 24639 to serve as a member of the Tazewell County Airport Authority, with a term effective immediately and expiring December 31, 2020 (3 year term).

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 reappoints Carolyn Barber, 607 Marion Avenue, Tazewell, VA 24651 as a member of the Tazewell County Airport Authority with a term effective immediately and expiring December 31, 2020 (3 year term).

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, 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 reappoints Pete Vance, 119 E. Hillcrest Drive, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 as a member of the Tazewell County Airport Authority, with a term effective immediately and expiring December 31, 2020 (3 year term).

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 reappoints Curt Gillespie, 2013 Kimball Ave, Bluefield, VA 24605 to serve as a member of the Tazewell County Airport Authority, with a term commencing immediately and expiring December 31, 2020 (3 year term).

Supervisor Hymes said the Mack Payne did not wish to be reappointed to the Airport Authority for another term. His appointment will be placed on the January 2018 meeting agenda. Appointments are also needed to represent the Town of Bluefield and the Town of Richlands. The towns will be notified of this need accordingly.

Community Policy and Management Team

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth 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 Tom Lester, 194 E. Hillcrest, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609, to the Tazewell County Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT). This appointment fills the expiring term of Supervisor John Absher, effective December 31, 2017.

Cumberland Mountain Community Services Board

Upon motion Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth 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 reappoints Carol Patteson, 280 Peakwood Drive, Tazewell, VA 24651 with a term effective January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2020.

New River Highlands RC&D Council

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 reappoints Jack Asbury, PO Box 139, Bluefield, VA 24605 as a member of the New River Highlands RC & D Council for a term 1 year, effective January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2018.

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Public Service Authority (PSA)

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 appoints Richard Smith, 207 Terry Drive, Richlands, VA 24641, as a member of the Tazewell County Public Service Authority, (PSA), with a term commencing January 1, 2018 and expiring December 31, 2021 (4 year term).

Tazewell County Social Services Board

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor t hereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Rene Steele, 4330 Witten Mill Road, North Tazewell, VA 24630, as a member of the Tazewell County Social Services Board, with a term effective January 1, 2018 and expiring December 31, 2021 (4 year term).

Wireless Service Authority

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, 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 appoints Bill Tabor, PO Box 112, Boissevain, VA 24606 to the Tazewell County Wireless Service Authority, with a term commencing immediately and expiring June 30, 2018. The appointment fills the unexpired term of Vince Shumate who resigned.

Board of Equalization -Alternate Member

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 appoints Bill Gillespie, 191 Clinch Mt. Road, Tazewell, VA 24651 as an alternate member of the Tazewell County Board of Equalization with a term expiring September 30, 2018.

Richlands Business Incubator Board

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 dissolves the Richlands Business Incubator Board (RBI). The RBI Board is no longer needed. The Appalachian One-Stop Workforce Center is now in operation there and have their own board.

SPECTRUM CABLE

The County Attorney reported that the Spectrum Cable committee is still in negotiations

and Spectrum plans to meet with regard to rebroadcasting WCYB Bristol.

TREE ON BLUEBIRD

The County Attorney, Eric Young, reported that he visited the area in question and could not find a pine tree on Bluebird Street that was causing a pine needle nuisance.

REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

And further, upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Darrell Addison as a member of the Regional Industrial Development Authority and request that he send his Agricultural Bio to the County.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING

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 enters into an Executive/Closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711, to wit: And, further hereby allows BOS elect member Tom Lester to observe the Executive/closed meeting:

- A(3) Potential expansion of existing business involving EPC
- A(7) Legal matter regarding the Hydroelectric Plant Revenue Sharing Agreement
- A(1) Personnel matter involving the position of Economic Development
- A(1) Personnel matter involving the County Administrator - annual evaluation
- A (1) Personnel matter involving the County Attorney - annual evaluation
- A(3) Property Acquisition regarding the Baptist valley Convenience area

RETURN/CERTIFICATION REPORT OF ACTION

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 n one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby returns from the Executive/Closed Meeting and hereby adopts the following resolution:

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING

TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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 Ayes - Supervisor Stacy, Asbury, Hymes, Absher, Hackworth

Nays: None

Absent: None

Absent during vote: None

Report of Action as a result of the Executive/Closed Meeting:

JEWELL RIDGE SCHOOL -

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER DONATING TO THE JEWELL RIDGE SCHOOL AND LIBRARY TO THE JEWELL RIDGE RECREATION DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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 authorizes and directs the County Administrator to advertise for a public hearing to hear comments regarding the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors intent to convey the Jewell Ridge Elementary School and the Jewell Ridge Library to the Jewell Ridge Recreation Development Corporation, and to allow an exemption of real estate taxation for the properties. The Jewell Ridge Development Corporation desires to utilize the Jewell Ridge Library and the Jewell Ridge Elementary School for activities and events to enrich the Jewell Ridge community.

**JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF DELEGATE JAMES W. MOREFIELD'S
STATE INCOME TAX INCENTIVE**

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 adopts a joint resolution supporting Delegate Morefield's Tax Bill - for the purpose of increasing economic development opportunities for residents in our region.

And, further 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 approves a letter, to be signed by the Chairman of this Board, in support of a proposed Regional Agricultural Industrial Park for Southwest Virginia - the Park would allow the County to capitalize on the under utilization of our agricultural community and provide new employment for opportunities for residents of Tazewell, Russell and Buchanan County, Virginia.

REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

And further, upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Darrell Addison as a member of the Regional Industrial Development Authority and request that he send his Agricultural Bio to the County.

**BAPTIST VALLEY CONVENIENCE AREA -
BARNES AND LINDA KIDD**

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Absher 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 amend the license agreement with Barnes and Linda Kidd for the Baptist Valley Convenience Area to include additional property to be occupied by the County in exchange for increasing the rent from \$1,500.00 per year to \$2,000.00 per year and extending the term of the agreement for another three years. A copy of the license agreement in a form as adopted is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA 24651 and incorporated herein by reference thereto.

GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING TEAM

\$1,500.00 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 \$1,500.00 from the Eastern District Fund, payable to the Graham High School Wrestling Team, 210 Valleydale, Bluefield, VA 24605, Att. Tim Woodward, Coach - (telephone 276-326-1235). This is a donation to the GHS Wrestling Team. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

CLINCH VALLEY COMMUNITY ACTION, INC.

\$1,250.00 (\$250.00 FROM EACH OF THE FIVE (5) DISTRICT FUNDS)

FOR THE BIG GIVE CAMPAIGN - FAMILY CRISIS SERVICES

Upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Absher 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 \$250.00 from each of the five districts, for a total of \$1,250.00 payable to the Clinch Valley Community Action, Inc. c/o Jennifer Bourne, PO Box 188, North Tazewell, VA 24651 for the BIG GIVE CAMPAIGN - FAMILY CRISIS SERVICES. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

TAZEWELL CHAMBER ANNUAL DINNER -

MONIES AUTHORIZED MONIES FOR TABLE

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth 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 monies for a table at the Tazewell Chamber Dinner. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said

warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

FOSTER PARENTS - CHRISTMAS

\$1,200.00 (\$240 FROM EACH DISTRICT FUND)

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 approves the amount of \$1,200.00 (\$240.00 from each district fund), payable to the Tazewell County Foster Parent Association - Kids Christmas, Attn: David Taylor, Department of Social Services, PO Box 149, Tazewell, VA 24651.

The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

CEDAR BLUFF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

\$1,500.00 FROM THE WESTERN DISTRICT FUND

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, 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 approves the amount of \$1,500.00 from the Western District Fund, payable to the Cedar Bluff Elementary School, 1089 Cedar Valley Drive, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

WESTERN DISTRICT FUND BALANCE -

TRANSFER TO TAZEWELL COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER ACCOUNT

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, 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 remaining monies in the Western District Fund that are eligible for transfer, be transferred to the Tazewell County Animal Shelter

Account. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to transfer these monies in accordance herewith.

Supervisor Stacy requested that a letter of thanks be included in each employee 12/15/2017 paycheck thanking them for a good job and for all their hard work.

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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 adjourns this meeting.

The Organizational Meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

John M. Absher, Chair

By: RG
10:15 p.m.