VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD JUNE 2, 2015 AT 6:00
P.M. IN THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
BUILDING, 108 EAST MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL VIRGINIA
24651

PRESENT: SETH R. WHITE, CHAIR

J. GARLAND ROBERTS, VICE CHAIR

CHARLES A. STACY, MEMBER

JOHN ABSHER, MEMBER

D. MICHAEL HYMES, MEMBER

C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ATTORNEY

PATRICIA GREEN, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

RUTH GROSECLOSE, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS: JIM TALBERT, CLINCH VALLEY

NEWS/RICHLANDS NEWS PRESS; WARREN HINKLE, THE

#### ABSENT: NONE

The Chairman, Seth R. White, called the regular meeting to order with all members in attendance. Supervisor Absher gave the invocation with Supervisor Hymes leading those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag.

The Chairman then welcomed visitors present.

#### AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

**VOICE NEWSPAPER** 

Upon motion of Supervisor Roberts, 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 the June 2, 2015 agenda as amended.

#### MINUTES APPROVED AS WRITTEN

Upon motion of Supervisor Roberts, 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 May 5, 2015 meeting minutes as written.

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#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Mike Thompson, Interim Economic Development Director, gave an update on various economic development activities. He said he would resume the Skills Gap Analysis Study in July because he has devoted the majority of time this month on the Enterprise Zone; the public hearing will be held this date. The Strategic and Business Plan continues to be developed. Supervisor Stacy suggested he set a target date to meet with Richmond folks on the Plan. The Center of Excellence will commence at the Workforce Center following the adoption of the County Budget. The project is getting great exposure and nothing but praise.

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#### **COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT**

Matt Anderson, County Engineer, gave a monthly report with regard to the County Engineering/Building Department.

- ➤ The FEMA Flood Study proposals will be evaluated and reviewed by the Committee, i.e. Supervisor Hymes and Supervisor Roberts represents the BOS on the Committee.
- ➤ County staff met with Joyce Engineering to go over topographic mapping and field plans with regard to the life of the County Landfill. Joyce will provide guidance on filling for the next 12-18 months. A conservative estimate of 10-15 years remaining in the current permitted area with estimates approximately 40 years of capacity beyond without having to permit Phase IV area.
- Speed Study on Addison Road Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Roberts and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts a resolution requesting a speed study on Addison Road located in the Western District.

- Orphan Roads Engineer's office continues to study various orphan roads issues and provide recommendations with regard to needed work for possible inclusion in the Orphan Road Program.
- Coal Camp estimates for repairs needed should be presented during the August meeting.
- ➤ Banner Circle repairs possible estimates will be submitted to Supervisor Roberts
- ➤ Supervisor Absher requested a review of Earls Branch Road for possible repairs Lana Ball contact person, 276-245-0325, as well as checking VDOT cones on Thru Drive

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#### PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY UPDATE -

#### **DAHMON BALL**

Dahmon Ball, PSA Administrator, gave an update on the Claypool Wastewater Treatment Plant, i.e. 78 % Complete in time & 82 % in value with a September 2015 completion date. Construction bids to be advertised in mid June for the Greater Tazewell Regional Water Treatment Plant; Phase 4 funding announcement should be mid July 2015. An agreement is in place to take water to the Town of Pocahontas; Tazewell Divides Leachate Line - field surveys ongoing; Boissevain Trail Head W/S - almost complete; Turner Hollow Road Project waiting for funding amount.

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#### **EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING**

Upon motion of Supervisor Roberts 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 enters into an Executive/Closed Meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia:

- A (6) Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the government unit would adversely affect the Western District Natural Gas Project.
- A (7) Legal Consultation regarding PBE grant repayment

• A (3) Property Disposition - involving the Jewell Ridge Development Center

 A (3) Property Disposition - involving the former Falls Mills School Property or portions thereof

• A (3) Property Acquisition - involving the Baptist Valley Convenience Area

• A(5) Prospective Business involving Project Jonah

■ A(5) Prospective Business involving Project BW

• A(1) Personnel matter involving the I.T. Department

#### RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION

Upon motion of Supervisor Roberts, 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 returns from the Executive/Closed Meeting and hereby adopts a Resolution of Certification:

## CERTIFICATION OF 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: Stacy, Roberts, White, Absher and Hymes

Nays: None

Absent during vote: None

Absent during meeting: None

#### REPORT OF ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING --FALLS MILLS SCHOOL - TWO (2) ACRE LOT

Upon motion of Supervisor Roberts, 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 advertisement for the sale of a two (2) acre lot adjacent to the Falls Mills School Property and upon of receipt of the bids, the Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider selling the property to the highest bidder.

#### JEWELL RIDGE RECREATION CORPORATION - TREES

Upon motion of Supervisor White, 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 Jewell Ridge Development Corporation to cut trees and create parking for the 4th of July Event, contingent upon the Interim County Administrator approving the specific trees to be cut.

#### **DRUG COURT -**

#### \$200,000.00 FROM DRUG SETTLEMENT PROGRAM

Dennis Lee, Tazewell County Commonwealth's Attorney, gave a brief history of the Tazewell County's Drug Court Program and presented a check in the amount of \$200,000.00 to Cheryl Robinette, Tazewell County Drug Court Coordinator. The \$200,000.00 was part of the drug settlement from Abbot Laboratories. Mr. Lee commended Ms. Robinette for her hard work and dedication to the program. He also thanked Major Harold Heatley and Sheriff Hieatt for their role in the program and Attorney Jim Short, as well as his staff in the Commonwealth's Attorney's office. He said the Drug Court was not an easy program because of its stringent guidelines, such as frequent drug testing, required counseling, attending meetings with the Circuit Court Judge and other requirements. He said violations in the program result in jail time and possible removal from the Drug Court Program. Dennis Lee acknowledged the importance of the program, especially for the approximate one dozen young women who have been part of the program while pregnant. He said the babies were born drug-free and without the program they might not be with us now.

Ms. Robinette spoke and thanked the Board for their support of the program. The program is operated with no state funding and with a very few outside sources.

Members of the Board applauded the efforts of the Drug Court and commended them for giving people with addictions a second chance at life.

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#### CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVED

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher 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:

## WARRANTS APPROVED AS PAID May 2015

#### **Payroll**

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 140096 through 140145 and direct deposits totaling \$357,339.87 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending April 30, 2015, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 140147 through 140198 and direct deposits totaling \$364,555.70 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending May 15, 2015, be approved.

#### **Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions**

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 469927 through 470070, for \$360,225.82 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of April 2015, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 470072 through 470086, for \$152,981.50 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending April 30, 2015, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 470088 through 470265, for \$511,445.78 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of May 2015, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 470267 through 470283, for \$138,324.03 from the General Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending May 15, 2015, be approved.

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No Warrants were issued from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and 911 funds, covering operating expenses for the month of April 2015.

- Library Account approved the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures & Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Library Account No. 7301-3099 as donations received:
  - > \$1000.00 Target Corporation
  - > \$100.00 New Peoples Bank
  - ➤ \$ 30.00 Huffman Insurance Agency
  - ➤ \$100.00 Carillion Clinic
  - > \$200.00 Fincastle Garden Club
- North Tazewell Girl Scout Troop 7457-7458-7460 and a \$150.00 donation from Tazewell North Tazewell Girl Scout Troop 7457-7458-7460 and a \$150.00 donation from the Women of Moose for Project Lifesaver from the Contingent Expenditures & Grant Account 91050-7041 to Account Project Lifesaver, Account No 035600-8109-19, to purchase tracking bracelets and operating supplies.
- Sheriff's Department transferred the amount of \$75.00 and the amount of \$50.00 from the Contingent Expenditures & Grant Account 91050-7041 to Account Project Lifesaver, Account No. 035600-8109-19 to purchase tracking bracelets and operating supplies.
- Sheriff's Department transferred the amount of \$1,329.50 VML Check and the amount of \$1,300.00 from Cunningham Brothers and \$1,852.07 from the Contingent Expenditures & Grant Account 91050-7041 to Account No. 31020-6009 Vehicle Supplies and Repairs.
- Western District Fund ratified the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Western District Fund to the Richlands Chamber of Commerce for the Richlands Festival.
- Southern District approved the amount of \$400.00 and \$250.00 respectively for Fairground Rental fees for the Chamber of Commerce Spring Expo held May 16, 2015.
- Southern District approved the amount of \$13,550.40 from the Southern District Orphan Road Fund to Southern District Fund to cover deficient.
- CSA Account Authorized a transfer from the Contingent Grant Account to the CSA Account in the amount of \$229,202. 00.

- Northern District approved the amount of \$1,500.00 to the Town of Pocahontas, VA mowing Little League Baseball Field
- Northern District approved the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Tazewell County Fair Association defraying expenses for capital improvement upgrades
- Ratified Western & Northwestern District funds to Richlands High School Band Drill Practice \$1,700.00 (\$850.00 from Western & \$850.00 from Northwestern) Attn: Glenna Brown 971-1675
- Ratified Western & Northwestern District funds to Raven Elementary School Bicycle Program \$1,200.00 (\$600.00 Western & \$600.00 Northwestern) Attn: Ann Walls 202-0432
- Ratified Western & Northwestern funds to Cedar Bluff Elementary End of Year Events \$2,500.00 (\$1,250.00 Western & \$1,250.00 Northwestern) SOL Torturing, Snacks, 600 Club T-shirts, Breakfast, etc.

## PUBLIC HEARING - TO AUTHORIZE AN APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF A VIRGINIA ENTERPRISE ZONE IN TAZEWELL COUNTY

The Chairman, Seth R. White, called to order a PUBLIC HEARING to hear concerns regarding the County's consider of approving an application to the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development for an award of a Virginia Enterprise Zone. The County Attorney explained if awarded to Tazewell County, the Board of Supervisors would be authorized by the Commonwealth to later enact an ordinance providing local tax incentives to new and expanding businesses who invest in real property improvements and hire additional employees in Tazewell County. The incentives would include but not be limited to grants equal to the businesses' increase in local real and personal property taxes resulting from their expansion. The incentives would only be available to businesses located in designated areas of the County, called the Enterprise Zone. The application includes a proposal that the Board of Supervisors will enact a future ordinance to redefine the current enterprise zone by adding additional properties and removing others currently in the zone. A copy of the proposed incentives for the Virginia Enterprise Zone Businesses was provided to the Board and attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as well as the Proposed Tazewell County Enterprise

Zone Maps for the Tazewell/Richlands/Cedar Bluff/Bluefield areas is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, VA 24651.

The Chairman thanked Mike Thompson, Interim Economic Development Director for his hard work on the application process in order to promote and expand local business incentives in Tazewell County.

Now, the Chairman called for further comments from the floor three times and there being none, he declared the Public Hearing closed.

Eric Young, County Attorney then presented to the Board a revised resolution authorizing the application for designation of a Virginia Enterprise Zone in Tazewell County.

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 adopts the following resolution as amended:

### "A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION OF A VIRGINIA ENTERPRISE ZONE IN TAZEWELL COUNTY"

**WHEREAS** the Board has established by previous ordinances an Enterprise Zone for Tazewell County;

WHEREAS to further encourage the economic development of the County the Board desires to apply for authorization from the Commonwealth to participate in the Virginia Enterprise Zone Program and, if permitted, to establish local incentives, as described on the attached Exhibit, and establish zone boundaries, as shown on the attached map;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Interim County Administrator to submit an application for Tazewell County's inclusion in the Virginia Enterprise Zone program and, hereby, expresses its intent to enact such future ordinances as may be necessary to establish Zone incentives and establish the Zone boundaries as proposed in the application as described on the attached Exhibit and Maps. The Board also resolves that the attached Exhibit and Maps hereby are incorporated into this resolution. The Board further resolves to authorize the Interim County Administrator, or her designee, to submit any documentation necessary to support said application.

**RECORDED VOTE:** 5 to 0

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stacy, Roberts, White, Absher, Hymes

MEMBERS ABSENT: None (0)

 AYES:
 Five (5)

 NAYS:
 None (0)

 ABSTENTIONS:
 None (0)

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#### TAZEWELL COUNTY BUDGET PRESENTATION

#### FY2015-16

Ms. Arlene Matney, Accounting & Budget Director presented a summary of the Proposed FY15-16 Tazewell County Budget Ordinance. The budget ordinance as proposed for FY15-16 showed Total Adjusted Expenditures at \$114,709,305.00. This is a decrease of 1.1% from the FY14-15 County Budget. A copy of the budget presentation in a form as presented is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia and incorporated herein by reference thereto.

Now, the Chairman, Seth R. White, called to order a PUBLIC HEARING that was duly advertised according to law, entitled, Tazewell County Proposed Budget Ordinance FY2015-16.

The County of Tazewell's recommended budget synopsis is prepared and published for informative and fiscal planning purposes only. The inclusion in the budget ordinance of any item or items does not constitute an obligation or commitment on the part of the Board of Supervisors of this County to appropriate any funds for that item or purpose. The budget ordinance is presented on the basis of the estimates prepared by the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors/Budget Committee, and requests submitted to the County Administrator by other offices and department heads of the County. There is no allocation or designation for that purpose of any funds of the County for any purpose until there has been an appropriation for that purpose by the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County, Virginia. The budget ordinance is for informative and fiscal planning purposes only and will not be approved, adopted or ratified by the Board of Supervisors until at least seven (7) days after the Public Hearing with an anticipated adoption date of June 25, 2015. This Public Hearing is held pursuant to Section 15.2-2500 -15.2-2508 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, and is for the purpose of allowing the public to question and comment on the proposed budgets. A copy of the complete budget ordinance is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia and posted outside the Circuit Court Clerk's Office door of the County Courthouse on Main Street in Tazewell, Virginia. It is posted on the County's website ww.tazewellcounty.org. All citizens of Tazewell County Virginia have the right to attend and state their views thereon,

subject to reasonable time limits as shall be determined by the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors.

Now, the Chairman called for public comments from the floor with regard to the budget hearing.

The names of the following individuals spoke with reference to the proposed budget:

1. Mr. William A. Perkins, 784 Buckhorn St. North Tazewell, VA 24630 - requested repairs to Buckhorn Street, located in the North Tazewell area Dial Rock Community. The road has continuous run-off causing wash-outs. He would like the County to help with ditch-lines and the placement of gravel. He would like for the road to be considered in the Tazewell County Orphan Road Program. Mr. Perkins presented pictures of the drainage issues.

Supervisor Hymes said the County Engineer, Matt Anderson has worked to get the costs estimates down on the road project, at approximately \$125,000.00. Mr. Perkins was invited to attend the June 2015 recessed meeting when the Board of Supervisors considers the adoption of the FY2015-16 Budget.

2. Jerry Blackburn, 1260 Burton Hollow Road, Tazewell, VA 24630 - questioned various properties the County has proposed to sale - i.e. two acres adjacent to the Falls Mills School property and the sale of the old Tazewell County Health Department Building on Ben Bolt in Tazewell, VA. for \$125,000.00 when the property was assessed at \$600,000.00.

The County Attorney Eric Young explained that the IDA entered into an agreement with Southwest Virginia Community Health System (SVCHS) - who plans to place a health center in the old Health Dept. building that will offer affordable health care to low and moderate income citizens, as well as 19 jobs. Mr. Young said that he building was appraised 2008 twice by a Roanoke firm for \$450,000.00. However, some interior problems were studied and addressed and the IDA agreed to sell the building for \$125,000.00 and to consider the \$325,000.00 difference to be a contribution to the health facility, however, there are conditions that must be met and the offer letter only stands to September 1, 2015. Mr. Young said he would give Mr. Blackburn a copy of the offer letter.

Mr. Blackburn voiced disappointment that the County failed to inform citizens about the old health department building's property transactions and said he hoped the IDA wasn't handling the Falls Mills property for the County.

3. Dr. Mark Estepp, President of SVCC and thanked the Board of Supervisors for their continued support. He said the college serves approximately 1,311 students from Tazewell County - 37% of total enrollment. He said almost 82% of students from Tazewell County enrolled in a program as SWCC receives some sort of financial aid to attend the college. Dr. Estepp said SWCC's enrollment grew the most for community colleges in the State. Dual enrollment continues to grow. Supervisor Stacy questioned if SWCC had any alternative programs/roles with regard to recovery/educational efforts for persons with substance abuse. Dr. Estepp said not particularly, but SWCC already have programs for pregnant and parenting students, but there are no state or federal curriculums/educational funding for substance abuse recovery programs at the college, but the SWCC continuously look and reach out for programs that concentrate on students with particular needs, for example Plugged In. Advanced Manufacturing Classes are being offered as well to assist welders and other manufacturing occupations.

He said with regard to pregnant and parenting curriculums, you either pay for their education now or pay for them in other ways later.

4. Bobby Shew, Peeled Chestnuts Mt., Pocahontas, VA 24635 - requested that the Board reconsider funding Historic Pocahontas monies in the County Budget. He said Historic Pocahontas continues to try to promote tourism in Pocahontas and the monies are needed to help keep the buildings and properties in repair.

Now, the Chairman called for public comments from the floor three (3) times with regard to the Public Hearing. And, there being none, he declared the public hearing closed.

The Chairman said the Board would consider the adoption of the budget at a recessed meeting later this month to be scheduled at the close of this meeting.

#### **RECESS**

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

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#### FCCLA - RICHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

#### PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM - 1,000.00

Alexis Bales, FCCLA State Vice President, and a freshman at Richlands High School, requested funding assistance from the Board to help her with training/travel money to help her with her officer duties as FCCLA State Vice President for FY15. Now, upon motion of Supervisor White, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following amounts from District Funds, payable to the Virginia FCCLA Leadership Foundation, attention, Debbie Will, Co-specialist, at 6245 Greenwick Drive Glen Allen, Virginia 23059. The Interim County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant and which will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia:

>	Northern	\$300.00

Eastern \$100.00

Northwestern \$200.00

Western \$200.00

Southern <u>\$200.00</u>

\$ 1,000.00

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#### CITIZEN COMMENTS UNSCHEDULED --

#### BAPTIST VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

#### - VA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY GRANT \$4,900.00 REQUESTED

Justin Griffith, Baptist Valley Fire Department, requested \$4,900.00 from the Board as matching grant funds from the Virginia Department of Forestry. September 1, 2015 is the deadline for the grant. The Board requested that the matter be presented to the Emergency Services Committee and a recommendation from them be made to Board of Supervisors regarding same.

#### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LIAISON REPORTS**

#### **Planning Commission -**

Supervisor Stacy had nothing to report on behalf of the Planning Commission.

#### IDA -

Supervisor White had nothing to report on behalf of the Tazewell County Industrial Development Authority (IDA)

#### RDA -

Supervisor Roberts reported the RDA's approval of \$18,000.00 in capital expenditures to SARA to refurbish parts of the trail ATV Trail that was destroyed by weather and timbering. Permits sold to ride the trail are good for one year and the permits can be used for the trail in Scott County as well.

#### CPPD -

Supervisor White said the CPPD regionalization efforts are on-going. With regard to the County's landfill - one good benefit from these efforts could be localities working together to combat problems such as landfill/solid waste management on a regional basis saving the County a lot of money for many years.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

Upon motions made, seconded and duly passed the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints/reappoints the following members to serve on various Tazewell County Boards/Authorities:

#### Southwest Virginia Health Authority -

Appointed Donna Murray, PO Box 875, Tazewell, VA 24651 to fill the term of Mr. Eli Jones who resigned with a term commencing immediately.

#### Tazewell County Airport -

Appointed Bruce Remines, 317 Gulfport Drive, Bluefield, VA 24605 to fill the unexpired term of Debra Stockton who resigned, with a term effective immediately and expiring December 31, 2016.

Deferred one appointment to fill the unexpired term of Jim Honaker who passed away.

Tazewell County Animal Shelter -

Reappointed Warren Hinkle, Elizabeth Smith - four (4) year terms effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2019.

#### Clinch Valley Community Action -

Reappointed Shelia Weimer, Ramona Simmons, Dave Larimer - deferred Mr. Bev Smith and Wanda Lowe - one (1) year term effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2019.

<u>Southwest VA Community College</u> - appointed Bruce Russell, Sr. PO Box 956, Richlands, VA 24641 to fill expiring term of Kathleen Payne, with a term effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2019 (four (4) year term)

#### Cumberland Plateau Planning District -

Reappointed John Biggs and Doug Ratliff, with a term effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2016 (one (1) year term)

#### Tazewell County Fire-Rescue, Inc.- Board of Directors

Reappointed Jim Talbert and Michael Hymes with a term effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2017 (two (2) year term)

#### Industrial Development Authority (IDA)

Reappointed Curtis Gillespie and Monte Rife with a term effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2019 (four (4) year term)

#### **Tazewell County Planning Commission**

Reappointed Jason Herndon with a term commencing July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2019 (four (4) year term)

#### <u>Tazewell County Recreation and Parks Facility Authority (RDA)</u>

Reappointed Patricia Green, Charlotte Whitted and appointed Tabitha Dillon French to fill the expiring term of Patsy Pauley with a term commencing July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2018 (three (3) year term)

#### Tall Structures Appeals Board

Reappointed Kay Bayless with a term commencing July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2020 (five (5) year term)

#### Ninth District Development Financing, Inc.

Reappointed Mike Thompson with a term effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2017 (two (2) year term)

**Tourism Development Committee** 

Deferred Mike Brown to June 30, 2015

**Transportation Safety Commission** 

Reappointed Jack Asbury, Jonathan Roberts, Ray Howell with a term effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2018 (three (3) year term)

**Tazewell County Road Viewers** 

Deferred one Southern to fill expiring term of Paul Brewster who passed away. Reappointed Howell, Slade, Sparks and Whited with a term effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2016 (one (1) year term)

#### TOWN OF POCAHONTAS - PROPOSAL FOR ANNEXATION

The County Attorney, Eric Young received a letter from the Town of Pocahontas, Virginia requesting that the County consider approval of an adjustment to the boundary line to include all of the old Pocahontas High School property. A map was presented showing the areas in question. The Town feels that additional resources will be forthcoming as a result of persons utilization the Spear Head Trail. The town requested that two other parcels owned by Donald E. Kates, II and Virginia Ann Kates be considered for annexation as well as the Town of Pocahontas Cemetery.

The Board of Supervisors directed that a committee be established to include the County Attorney and town officials to address the annexation request. The County Attorney said that certain requirements have to be met such as public hearings and notification of residents that may be affected by the annexation. This matter will addressed at the August 4, 2015 regular meeting.

BUCHANAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## REQUEST TAZEWELL COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTORS TO INSPECT AMUSEMENT DEVICES IN BUCHANAN COUNTY

As a result of a letter of request from Buchanan County Board of Supervisors to the Board of Supervisors, and upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor Roberts 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 an Indemnity Resolution/Agreement with Buchanan County, Virginia approving the use of the Tazewell County's Building Inspector to inspect amusement devices in Buchanan County, Virginia. The County Attorney, Eric Young is hereby further directed to draft for signatures the Indemnity Resolution/Agreement. A copy of same once executed will be attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference thereto.

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#### INSURANCE CONSULTANT BIDS

The Interim County Administrator, Patricia Green, reported that the committee for the Insurance Consultant Bids met on Friday, May 30 and ranked the firms either 1 or 2. The insurance firm when selected will look at ways to combine the county insurance with other government entities in order to receive better rates. Now, upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Roberts 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 declares USI Insurance Services, LLC to be the highest ranked proposer and authorizes the committee to negotiate and contract with them to develop a plan to be considered in the FY16-17 Budget.

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#### **GUARDRAIL UPDATE**

The Interim County Administrator, Patricia Green reported that she contacted the Chairman of the Highway Safety Committee for an update on guardrail needs. She was told that the Transportation Safety Committee usually does not meet in the summer, but a special meeting could possibly be called to look at potential guardrail projects.

#### \$1,600.00 (\$320.00 FROM EACH OF THE FIVE(5) DISTRICTS)

The Board of Supervisors received a funding request from John W. Blankenship, Jr. for the 2015 Tazewell County Extension ANR Bus Tour to South Carolina and Georgia. The group will depart from the Tazewell Extension Office on Thursday, July 23, 2015.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, 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 \$1,600.00 (\$320.00 from each of the five (5) district funds), payable to VCE, Tazewell County Office, PO Box 229, Tazewell, VA 24651 to assist with the Virginia Cooperative Extension - ANR Bus Tour in July 2015 to South Carolina and Georgia. The Interim County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant and which will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia:

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# GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL - GHS PROJECT GRADUATION \$1,500.00 FROM EASTERN DISTRICT FUNDS

<sup>1</sup>Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Roberts 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 GHS Project Graduation, attn: Mr. O'Neal. Bluefield, VA 24605. The Interim County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance herewith and which will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

#### **RICHLANDS TEEN CENTER -**

#### \$7,000.00 NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

Upon motion of Supervisor White, 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 \$7,000.00 from the Northwestern District Fund, payable to the Richland Teen Center, Richlands, Virginia 24641.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Supervisor Stacy informed the Interim County Administrator on June 3, 2015 not to issue the \$1,500.00 GHS because he previously approved monies for this cause. This was an oversight on his part.

The Interim County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant and which will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia:

# NORTHERN DISTRICT FUNDS BANDY COMMUNITY CENTER \$500.00 BISHOP FIRE DEPARTMENT \$200.00

Upon motion of Supervisor Roberts, 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 as set forth below from the Northern District Funds. The Interim County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance herewith and which will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

- ➤ \$500.00 from Northern District to the Bandy Community Center to help buy a Play Fort for the Children
- ➤ \$200.00 from the Northern District Fund to the Bishop Fire Department, Bishop, VA to help patch holes in the road in Bishop

#### SOUTHERN DISTRICT

#### \$16,000.00 FROM SOUTHERN DISTRICT ROAD FUND

#### TO SOUTHERN DISTRICT FUNDS

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Absher 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 a transfer in the amount of \$16,000.00 from the Southern District Road Fund to the Southern District Fund. The Interim County Administrator is hereby authorized to make this transfer in accordance herewith.

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# MASTERS OF SCIENCE NURSING PROGRAM - BLUEFIELD COLLEGE FUNDING REQUEST DEFERRED TO JUNE 30, 2015

A request to assist with donations to use as a grant match for the new Masters of Science Nursing program at Bluefield College was deferred to the June 30, 2015 recessed meeting.

#### ATV TRAIL - PROMOTION THEREOF

Supervisor Roberts said he wants continuous promotion of the Trails, i.e. Spearhead, Hatfield Trails and has implemented a joint meeting with the Mercer County Commissioner to address ways to accomplish unity with regard to same. Delegate Morefield and Mike Thompson have been notified of his intentions as well.

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#### TAZEWELL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Supervisor Hymes requested that Tazewell Community Hospital be commended for their recent five (5) Star Rating. The contact person: K. Dowdy.

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#### COMMENTS BY SUPERVISOR WHITE REGARDING SURVEILLANCE BY FORMER COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Chairman White said he wanted to comment about what has been going on in the County Administration Building with regard to the former Spencer office and the news about the surveillance cameras and possibly audio recordings and the fact that county employees, as well as BOS members and other people were filmed without their knowledge over the last four (4) years. He said no member of this Board or any previous Board member that he knew of was aware of the cameras and the equipment. Supervisor White wanted the employees and the public to know that this Board would have never granted anyone permission to spy on them and would have never authorized the equipment or the purchase of the equipment. Mr. White said it was a sad day when employees come to work and expect a level of privacy with their boss and find out their private conversations, perhaps about certain family matters or other private matters were not confidential after all. He said the investigation continues, and the Board, as well as county employees continue to cooperate with law enforcement on this matter. Mr. White said there were a lot of County employees who would like to comment, but not speak publically at this meeting. He said he wanted to be a voice for them and to let the Board know that they were not happy about the situation.

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Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Roberts 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 future county roads to be worked by the PSA as part of the PSA's Baptist Valley - Right of Way loan repayment arrangement be approved by the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors as may be applicable on the BOS monthly agenda - Consent Calendar.

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#### NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT FUNDS \$1,250.00

#### **WESTERN DISTRICT FUNDS \$1,250.00**

#### \$2,500.00 TOTAL TO RICHLANDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upon motion of Supervisor White, 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 \$2,500.00 (\$1,250.00 Northwestern & \$1,250.00 Western) payable to the Richlands Elementary School - Bicycle Program, 309 East Front Street, Richlands, VA 24641 (telephone - 964-4112). The Interim County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance herewith and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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#### RECESS TO JUNE 30, 2015

Now, there being no further business to be transacted and upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Roberts and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor there and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby recesses the meeting to June 30, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to adopt the County Budget and to consider other matters as may properly come before the Board of Supervisors.

The Board of Supervisors plan to cancel the July 7, 2015 regular meeting thereby July meeting items will be included on the June 30, 2015 agenda.

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Seth R. White, Its Chairman

By: RG

9:14 p.m.