

**VIRGINIA: At a regular meeting of the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors held November 8, 2012 in the Tazewell County Administration Building, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651**

**PRESENT: D. Michael Hymes, Chair**  
**John Absher, Vice Chair**  
**Seth R. White, Member**  
**Charles A. Stacy, Member**  
**Thomas B. Childress, Member (Interim)**  
**James H. Spencer, III - County Administrator**  
**C. Eric Young, County Attorney**  
**Patricia Green, Assistant County Administrator**  
**Ruth Groseclose, Administrative Assistant**  
**Members of the Press: Warren Hinkle, Tazewell County Free Press;**  
**Jim Talbert, Clinch Valley News/Richlands News Press; David Byrd,**  
**The Voice**

**ABSENT: None**

The Chairman, D. Michael Hymes, called the regular meeting to order and presided, with all members in attendance. He welcomed those present.

Supervisor White gave the invocation with Supervisor Absher leading those present in the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

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**AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED**

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor White 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 agenda as amended – amendments included an A-7, legal matter involving an M.O.U. for the Natural Gas project.

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## **MINUTES APPROVED**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor White and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Absher abstaining, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the minutes of the October 2, 2012 Board of Supervisors meeting as written. Supervisor Absher abstained because he did not attend the October 2, 2012 regular meeting.

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## **EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, 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 as set forth below:

- A(3) Property Disposition regarding Raven Theater property
- A(7) Legal Matter – Consultation with legal counsel regarding Memorandum of Understanding # 2 with Bluefield College regarding Dental School.
- A (7) Legal Matter – Consultation with legal counsel regarding Coal & Gas Severance 2013 legislation.
- A-1 Personnel – one (1) matter regarding the Engineering Department
- A-6 Investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the county would be adversely affected involving potential contract with Weldon Cooper Center.
- A-6 Investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where if made public initially, the financial interest of the county would be adversely affected involving a Support Agreement and Moral Obligation Resolution for the IDA's refinance of a \$3,000,000 line of credit to pay for the completion of the Bluestone Phase IA.

## **RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION**

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor White 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 adopts the following certification of resolution read by Supervisor Absher:

### **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 Tazewell County 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: Supervisor Childress, Stacy, Absher, Hymes and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Absent during vote: None

**REPORT OF ACTION:**

**LINE OF CREDIT – NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000,000**

**IDA's REFINANCE OF BLUESTONE PARK CONSTRUCTION –  
FIRST BANK & TRUST COMPANY**

Upon motion of Supervisor White 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 approve the Support Agreement and the Moral Obligation Resolution for the IDA's refinance of their line of credit, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00 for the Bluestone Park Construction in accordance with First Bank & Trust Company's commitment letter dated October 17, 2012 and that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes, empowers and directs the Chairman, or Vice-Chairman of the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors and the County Administrator to execute any documents necessary for the same.

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**NATURAL GAS PROJECT – IDA TO PROCEED**

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, seconded by Supervisor White 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, empowers and directs the

Tazewell County Industrial Development Authority (IDA), to proceed with a natural gas project to serve the Western and Northwestern District and that the Board of Supervisors hereby further authorizes the Tazewell County Public Service Authority (PSA) to study potential gas service in the Southern and Northern Districts; and that the Joint Committee be dissolved as a result of their preliminary work being complete, and the Board of Supervisors hereby further thank the members for their service.

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**VIRTUAL MARKETING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (VMAP)  
STATE-WIDE AWARD**

Chairman Hymes introduced county employees present who were involved in the development of the Virtual Marketing Assistance Program (VMAP), Jim Spencer, County Administrator; Ms. Whitney Parsons; Sam Wolford and with Sean Hagy absent.

Now, 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 presented:

**CONGRATULATIONS  
VIRTUAL MARKETING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (VMAP)  
STATE-WIDE AWARD**



**WHEREAS**, Tazewell County's on-line Virtual Marketing Assistance Program website for Tazewell County won a state award as the most innovative use of technology in economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, James H. Spencer, III – Tazewell County Administrator, while attending a marketing training class by the International Economic Development Council and preparing for a visit from the Governor to Southwest Virginia developed the Virtual Marketing Assistance Program Idea. The program was to develop a high definition video for each participating business that can be used by the business to market themselves. The County would use the videos in a business directory to market the County and the videos can be used to educate children and workforce on the careers available in Tazewell County; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Spencer solicited the help of the Tazewell County's Technology Department to implement the innovative program; and

**WHEREAS**, Tazewell County employees worked diligently to make VMAP a success developing the website, under the direction and collaborative efforts of Sam Wolford, Director of Public Safety and Technology; Ms. Whitney Parsons a student at Bluefield State College (Tazewell County part-time employee) scheduler for filming sessions as well as data collection and development for the businesses; and Sean Hagy – Tazewell County Computer Systems Specialist who designed the VMAP logo, developed the website as well as being the videographer for the participating businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the new Virtual Marketing Assistance Program (VMAP) took home first place in the Governor's Award for Innovative Use of Technology in Economic Development at the Commonwealth of Virginia's Innovative Technology Symposium (COVITS) beating out organizations including the University of VA and the city of Richmond; and

**WHEREAS**, Universities, towns, cities, counties and state departments from all across the Commonwealth participated in the event; and

**WHEREAS**, the honors did not stop there, the new VMAP project received the "2012 SWVTC – High Tech Excellence- In Government Award" during the Southwest Virginia Technology Council's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Banquet & Gala held October 25 on the campus of the Virginia Highlands Community College in Abingdon. Virginia's Secretary of Commerce and Trade, Jim Cheng, was on hand to help celebrate the "Year of the Entrepreneur"; and

**WHEREAS**, VMAP is a virtual video business directory for Tazewell County businesses that will help market Tazewell County products through Social Media and other outlets; and

**WHEREAS**, Tazewell County prides itself in being a partner with local business and industry and the award will showcase Tazewell County's innovative approach to economic development and help serve as a tool to better educate our workforce and children as to the careers available in Tazewell County; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors are indeed proud of this AWARD and hereby acknowledges Tazewell County Administrator, James H. Spencer, III and County employees, Sam Wolford, Ms. Whitney Parsons and Sean Hagy for their expertise, initiative and professionalism and does hereby

thank them for their hard-work and in helping to show the world that Tazewell County is a great place to do business. **JOB WELL DONE!**

**CONGRATULATIONS! ADOPTED AND PRESENTED THIS THE 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2012**

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**CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVED**

Upon motion of Supervisor White 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 following items presented as “Consent Calendar”. 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**

**October 2012**

**Payroll**

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 136587 through 136652 and direct deposits totaling \$222,251.19 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending September 30, 2012, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 136654 through 136719 and direct deposits totaling \$335,266.35 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending October 15, 2012 be approved.

**Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions**

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 458597 through 458761, for \$1,649,179.94 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library and 911 Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies for the month of September 2012, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 458763 through 458775, for \$159,461.60 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending September 30, 2012 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 458777 through 458937, for \$1,445,924.41 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 2012, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 458939 through 458948 for \$106,693.68 from the General Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending October 15, 2012, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 801723 through 801726 for \$23,731.04 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and 911 funds, covering operating expenses for the month of September 2012, be approved.

- Approved coyote claims in the amount of \$350.00
  - ▶ \$100.00 to James Dickens, PO Box 15, Horsepen, VA 24619 for 2 coyotes killed with a gun on October 6, 2012
  - ▶ \$50.00 to Johnny Horn, 904 Goss Road, Bluefield, VA 24605 for 1 coyote killed with a trap on October 16, 2012
  - ▶ \$50.00 to Johnny Horn, 904 Goss Road, Bluefield, VA 24605 for 1 coyote killed with a trap on October 21, 2012
  - ▶ \$150.00 to Larry Lambert, Sr. 401 Plymouth Hollow Road, North Tazewell, VA 24630 for 3 coyotes killed on October 10, 2012 with a rifle.
- Ratified approval of the Griffith Deed of Dedication – Gap Store Fire Station
- Ratified the amount of \$850.00 from Southern District Funds payable to Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce for two(2) scholarships Leadership Mercer/Tazewell County
- Ratified approval to reimburse the Town of Pocahontas in the amount of \$7,950.00 for repairs to the Pocahontas Precinct –this is from the \$25,000 approved for upgrades to precincts in FY12-13.
- Ratified approval of low bid of \$39,564.70 (base-bid) to Branson Construction for the construction of the Convenience Center at Thompson Valley.
- Ratified letter of support: Re-designation of SWVA Emergency Medical Services as the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council for Southwest Virginia
- Ratified approval of the County Telephone Services Contract with Advance Network Systems

- Approved Route 851 Resolution – Addition to VDOT’s Secondary System.
- Approved to pay \$18,900 from the Reassessment Fund – Account No. 91050-7025 (Wingate Appraisals for additional work related to gas well assessments)
- Approved to increase the funding for Cumberland Plateau Housing Authority in the amount \$521.00 for the current year funding, FY13 for payment to CPHA board members.
- Approved to pay electoral board members at FY12 rates
- Adopted a resolution – Emergency Declaration due to snow storm

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**SHERIFF FRED NEWMAN – WASHINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA  
PRESENTATION OF ACCREDITATION AWARD RECEIVED BY THE  
TAZEWELL COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE**

Chairman Hymes introduced and welcomed Washington County, Virginia Sheriff, Fred Newman. Mr. Newman is a member of the Professional Standards Committee and said that Tazewell County Sheriff Brian Hieatt and his department successfully completed the recertification process for the Virginia Law Enforcement Accreditation Program and presented the certificate/honor to Sheriff Hieatt and his department which signifies a commitment to law enforcement excellence. Sheriff Brian Hieatt, along with many law enforcement officers received a round of applause from the audience and from the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Newman said the Tazewell County’s Sheriff’s Department is among an elite group of law enforcement agencies – with only four counties in Southwest Virginia receiving the accreditation, i.e. Washington, Wise, City of Bristol and Tazewell County. Tazewell County first accomplished this award in 2008. The award is achieved by operating the highest level of professional performance based on objective standards used to measure performance by sheriff departments in Virginia. Sheriff Hieatt said the award was a special accomplishment and takes the efforts of every member of the department to keep the accredited standings. Sheriff Hieatt said the accreditation is not a requirement, but he feels that citizens of Tazewell County deserve the greatest services from its Sheriff’s Department.

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## **MOUNTAIN KIDS – INCORPORATED**

Greg P. Edwards, a representative from Dominion Educational Partnership, as well as representatives from Mountain Kids, Inc. attended the meeting with Mr. Edwards announcing Mountain Kids, Inc. receipt of \$3,000 to extend outdoor adventure camps at Clinch River Farms. Sara Hudson Sheets, Executive Director was present and gave a brief explanation of the hands-on camp that will use resources in Tazewell County to teach basic skills of energy. Mountain Kids, Inc. was chosen for the grant out of \$2,000,000 in requests for an eleven (11) state region with the evaluation process through a very competitive process. Members of the Board congratulated Mountain Kids, Inc. and thanked Mr. Edwards for Dominion’s support and for selecting a Tazewell County organization as the recipient of the grant award.

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## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

The chairman then called for citizen comments from the floor.

Mrs. Deborah Stockton, Grassy Spur Road, Bandy, Virginia 24602 spoke and questioned the importance of the County’s application of the Crooked Road application and the designation for 19 counties. She said she was not in any way opposed to the goals of the Crooked Road in terms of music promotion or arts. She said music was a vital part of her life. But, she was concerned about the potential implications regarding land-use decisions as well as the large sum of money from the federal government that will be used as un-do influence for other county venues. Mrs. Stockton said she just wanted to know the reason for the Board’s support of the Crooked Road application.

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

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## **PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

### **-MINITOR STREET**

The Chairman called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised accordingly to law entitled “ORDINANCE ACCEPTING MINITOR STREET” into the County’s Orphan Road System. Minitor Street is located off Bottom Road, on the Southern Side of U.S. Highway Route 460 at or near Raven, ,Virginia. The affected owners of adjoining property

are Norman W. Arrington, Estel W. and Amanda J. Clifton, Roy L. Coleman, Jack A. and Joetta K. Ray, and Woosley, Inc. The road serves twenty three (23) homes and extends a distance of approximately four hundred (400) ft. A copy of the proposed ordinance is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia.

Now, the Chairman called for public comments from the floor with regard to the public hearing. The following persons commented on the proposed ordinance:

- Estelle Clifton, 293 Bottom Road, Raven, VA – in support of the proposed project.
- Roy D. Cole, Bottom Road, 255 Bottom Road, Raven, VA- questioned the Boards intent of the project – just wanted to make sure the county was not going to take additional right of way.
- Thomas Woosley, 144 Woosley Street, Cedar Bluff, VA – just wanted to make sure the right of way would stay the same.
- Supervisor Seth White stated that he spoke to Mr. Arrington to clarify the Boards intent with regard to paving only the existing property. He said he would make sure that the right of way is accurate with the County Administrator requested to speak with VDOT officials to evaluate the right of ways and possible drainage issues.

Now, the Chairman called for further comments from the floor with regard to the subject public hearing and there being none he declared the public hearing closed. Then, 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 adopts AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING MINITOR STREET into the County’s Orphan Road System. A copy of the complete ordinance in the form as hereby adopted is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

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**PUBLIC HEARING – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REENACT CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 11, SECTIONS 3-28 THROUGH 3-38 REGARDING DOG TAGS**

The Chairman called to order a Public Hearing that was duly advertised according to law, entitled “ AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND RENNACT CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE

II, SECTIONS 3-28 THROUGH 3-38 REGARDING DOG TAGS.” The proposed ordinance, if adopted would enable residents to purchase dog tags that are valid for a three (3) year period.

Now, the Chairman called for public comments from the floor with regard to the subject public hearing. The County Attorney, Eric Young, gave a brief explanation of the foregoing ordinance stating that the ordinance as proposed would create a dog tag licensing system that would save dog owners’ money over a three (3) period and to be concurrent with rabies vaccinations. The ordinance would also become effective December 1, 2013 because the dog tags for this fiscal year have already been ordered.

The Chairman then called for public comments from the floor and there being none, he declared the public hearing closed.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Absher, 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 AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REENACT CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 3-28 THROUGH 3-38 REGARDING DOG TAGS – and further that a copy of the ordinance shall be effective December 1, 2013. A complete copy of the ordinance in a form as hereby adopted is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

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**AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY BEING A PORTION OF TORONTO STREET**

The Chairman brought to discussion an Ordinance to Vacate the Public Right of Way being a Portion of Toronto Street in the Osborne – Huffman Subdivision near Doran in Tazewell County, Virginia – Northwestern District of Tazewell County, Virginia; beginning at Lots 10, Block 3, Lot 15, and Block 4 to the intersection with Miami Street. The Public Hearing on this subject public hearing was held on October 2, 2012 by the Board of Supervisors but deferred to this date in order for the County Attorney sufficient time to rewrite the proposed ordinance relative to changing the footage “L – Shape” of the Ordinance of Vacation.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor White, seconded by Supervisor Childress 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 adopts AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY BEING A PORTION OF TORONTO STREET, located in the Northwestern District of Tazewell County – that portion of Toronto Street in the Osborne-Huffman Subdivision as shown on a plat recorded in the Tazewell County Circuit Court’s Office in Deed Book 172, pages 206 as described as follows: From the Northwest corner of Lot Ten(10), Block 3 then running East approximately 176 feet to the North East corner of Lot Sixteen (16), Block 3, then running South along the North East boundary of Lot Sixteen (16), Block 3, approximately 67 feet to a point then running West to the South West corner of Lot Three, Block 4, then running North approximately 96 feet to the North West corner of Lot Six (6) Block 4, then running West approximately 193 feet to the South West corner of Lot Fifteen (15), Block 4, then running South to the point of beginning. A copy of the complete ordinance in a form as hereby adopted is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia.

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## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

### **LIAISONS REPORT**

#### **Emergency Services Report**

Supervisor Stacy reported that the Emergency Services Committee did not meet in October, but gave an update on various Emergency Services activities:

- Fire & EMS Study – a report on the study will be forthcoming. A team from the Virginia Fire Services Board met with county fire and rescue officials and visited county fire and rescue facilities Oct. 3-5, 2012. A report as a result of the visit will be presented in the near future.
- Burn Building – the County is waiting to hear from neighboring counties as well as towns to see if they plan to contribute funds to the facility.

#### **Industrial Development Authority (IDA)**

Supervisor White stated the IDA continues to move forward with the Natural Gas Project.

### **Planning Commission**

There was nothing to report as a result of the last Planning Commission meeting; however, Supervisor Childress stated the November meeting would be held Tuesday November 13, 2012 instead of November 8, due to the Board of Supervisors meeting this date.

### **School Board**

Patricia Green stated there was nothing to report with regard to the School Board Committee.

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## **APPOINTMENTS**

### **TALL STRUCTURES APPEALS BOARD**

One northwestern district appointment was deferred.

### **TAZEWELL COUNTY TOURISM**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor White 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 the following individuals to serve as ad-hoc members of the Tazewell County Tourism Committee, with a term effective immediately and expiring June 30, 2014 – Ad hoc members are now permitted to vote on local issues:

- John Blankenship, VPI Extension Office, PO Box 229, Tazewell, VA 24651
- Charlotte Whitted, 3663 Crab Orchard Road, Tazewell, VA 24651

### **TAZEWELL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

Upon motion of Supervisor Absher, 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 Thomas B. Childress, PO Box 391, Pocahontas, Virginia 24651 as the Board of Supervisors representative of the Planning Commission with a term effective immediately and expiring December 31, 2013.

Upon motion of Supervisor Childress, 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

Ann Robinson, PO Box 11, Falls Mills, VA 24613, as the northern district representative of the Tazewell County Planning Commission. This appointment fills the unexpired term of Thomas B. Childress – June 30, 2013.

**TAZEWELL COUNTY ROAD VIEWERS**

One appointment to the Tazewell County Road Viewers, northwestern district was deferred.

**COMMUNITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOARD**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, 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 appoints Melanie Menefee, Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney, PO Box 946, Tazewell, Virginia 24651 to serve as the County's representative on the Community Criminal Justice Board of Southwest Community Corrections to be effective December 1, 2012.

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**TOURISM STRATEGIC PLAN**

The Tourism Strategic Plan was presented to the Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in September. The Board suggested at the September meeting that the Tourism Committee clarify Section 2.A & 3.A in the proposed Tourism Strategic Plan i.e. 40% increase in their budget and the full-time tourism director position. The Chairman also recommended that the Plan indentify/list each annual festival in the County.

Now, with those changes made as recommended, and incorporated in the Tourism Strategic Plan and upon motion of Supervisor Childress, seconded by Supervisor White 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 Tourism Strategic Plan as revised. The Plan as adopted will enable the County to be used as a tool to continue with tourism goals and objectives. A copy of the Tourism Strategic Plan as hereby approved is on file in the office of the County Administrator and in the office of the Economic Development Corridor.

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**VIRGINIA ENTERPRISE ZONE – ORDINANCE ADOPTED**

Following a public hearing on the proposed Ordinance to Adjust the Boundaries of the Enterprise Zone for Tazewell County, and upon motion of Supervisor White, 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 AN ORDINANCE TO ADJUST THE BOUNDARIES OF THE ENTERPRISE ZONE FOR TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA, as well as the MAPS as presented this date and signed by the County Administrator. The ordinance as adopted no longer remove properties in the Richlands area as previously advertised. The Enterprise Zone designation entitles the owners of properties within the zone to certain tax incentives. A copy of the ordinance in a form as hereby adopted as well as the MAPS are on file in the office of the County Administrator, 108 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

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**RABIES CLINIC**

The County Administrator reported the free dog and cat rabies vaccination clinic scheduled for November 10, 2012 at various locations in the County. A flyer was on hand that outlined the areas and times of the vaccination clinic.

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**SIDE WALK PROJECT –  
JOINT EFFORTS WITH TOWN OF TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA**

Following presentation by the County Administrator, and upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Childress 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 authorizes and directs the County Administrator to work with the town of Tazewell, Virginia in efforts to accomplish new construction/renovations/repairs to the Town's sidewalks, more particularity, from the east end of the County Administration Building to the Courthouse – as well the construction of a handicap ramp on the front/street entrance of the County Administration Building. The County/Board of Supervisors will pay approximately \$12,000 for the construction costs associated with the side-walk project with the Town of Tazewell – Maintenance's Dept. responsible for the labor. The County Administrator is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to take the necessary actions in

accordance herewith, and further issue said warrants as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks in accordance herewith this action.

**ORPHAN ROADS PAVING PROJECTS 2012-2013  
BIDS AWARDED TO HUNTER PAVING**

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 following Coal Road Improvement 2012 – 2103 Bituminous Asphalt (Plant Mix) district fund projects with add alternate(s), and hereby awards the bid to Hunter Paving, Inc. PO Box 349, Pounding Mill, VA 24637 as the lowest responsive bidder. The list of roads as hereby approved is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference thereto. The County Administrator is further directed to take the necessary actions as may be necessary and appropriate to enter into execute all documents relative to this action, with said warrants be issued and converted to negotiable checks in accordance herewith:

**COAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT - PAVING SCHEDULE BID RESULTS**

District	Western	Southern	Northern	Northwestern	Eastern
Lot Number	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Base Bids - A</b>	-				
Hunter Paving	→ \$22,365.00	→ \$9,975.00		→ \$2,205.00	→ \$13,545.00
W&L Paving	\$33,015.00	\$15,675.00		\$3,990.00	\$19,995.00
<b>Additive Alternate Bids - B</b>	-				
Hunter Paving	→ \$12,810.00		→ \$27,930.00	→ \$37,905.00	
W&L Paving	\$18,910.00		\$41,230.00	\$55,955.00	
<b>Total Winning Bid - (A+B)</b>					
Hunter Paving	\$35,175.00	\$9,975.00	\$27,930.00	\$40,110.00	\$13,545.00
<b>Total Allotted Funding (C) (Coal Road Improvement)</b>	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00
<b>Funds Remaining (C - (A+B))</b>	\$39,825.00	\$65,025.00	\$47,070.00	\$34,890.00	\$61,455.00

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**PRECINCT – CHANGES**

**PUBLIC HEARING AUTHORIZED**

Upon motion of Supervisor Childress, 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 and directs the County Administrator to advertise for a public hearing for December 4, 2012 to consider adopting AN ORDINANCE MOVING THE FALLS MILLS PRECINCT TO THE FELLOWSHIP HALL PREVIOUSLY APPROVED IN APRIL 2011 AND RELOCATING THE ENTIRE CHURCH HOUSE HOLLOW AREA TO THE BISHOP PRECINCT.

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**UNCLAIMED EVIDENCE – SHERIFF’S DEPT**

**PUBLIC HEARING AUTHORIZED**

Upon motion of Supervisor White, 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 and directs the County Administrator to advertise for a public hearing for December 4, 2012 to consider adopting an ORDINANCE TO PERMIT THE SHERIFF TO AUCTION UNCLAIMED EVIDENCE AND OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF UNCLAIMED EVIDENCE WHICH IS NO LONGER NECESSARY FOR ANY CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

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**LIMIT JURISDICTION OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE ORDINANCE BY EXCLUDING INSECT, MOLD OR BACTERIAL “INFESTATIONS” AND NON-STRUCTURAL SAFETY DEFECTS IN OCCUPIED DWELLINGS**

Consideration of holding a public hearing to Limit Jurisdiction of property maintenance ordinance by excluding insect, mold or bacterial “infestations” and non-structural safety defects in occupied dwellings was deferred to the December 4, 2012 meeting. The Board wanted more information regarding the proposed ordinance prior to a public hearing being scheduled.

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**WESTERN DISTRICT RECREATION FUNDS**

**\$1,500.00 – FOUR SEASON YMCA**

**UNDER PRIVILEGED PROJECT**

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 Recreation Fund, payable to the Four Seasons YMCA, 106 Gratton Road, Tazewell, Virginia 24651 for the Under Privileged Children's project/sliding scale. 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.

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**US POSTAL SERVICES PROPOSED CLOSURES**

Supervisor Childress requested that the County update its letter to the US Postal Service and copy local congresspersons and state representatives voicing the Boards' dismay with regard to the proposed hourly cut-backs at the Pocahontas Post office as well as voicing the Boards' opposition to the closures of any post offices in Tazewell County.

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Supervisor White reported on a recent CPPD conference he attended in Nevada and while there he met with the Executive Director of Mineral County, NV who had great ideas on marketing copper and other minerals. He suggested the County reach out to her for ideas on ways to possibly market natural resources in Tazewell County.

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Supervisor White invited everyone to the Richlands Veterans Day Parade.

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Supervisor Hymes requested that the Board consider donations to the Pocahontas Prison Christmas for Children Project and the Labor of Love Mission's White Christmas. Donations will be considered by the Board and ratified December 4, 2012.

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**SOUTHERN DISTRICT FUND –  
\$500.00 - VETERANS DAY PARADE**

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 \$500.00 from the Southern District Fund, to assist in the Veterans Day Parade activities scheduled for Nov. 11, 2012 (Town of Tazewell) – contact person: Lynn Quillen. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action to Tazewell Veterans Day Parade, First Community Bank, PO Box 628, Tazewell, Virginia 24651, and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**FIRE SERVICES FOR WITTEN VALLEY, VA**

Supervisor Hymes requested that the County Administrator meet with the Sheriff's Dept. and 911 to see if the fire service area for Witten Valley can be changed. He stated that folks in the Witten Valley Community are paying high insurance premiums due to the lack of a fire station in the community. He suggested that Thompson Valley Fire Department be a satellite station for Witten Valley. However, the fire services maps will need to be modified. The Tazewell County Fire & Rescue Services was previously serving the Witten Valley Community. This matter will be addressed December 4. The County Administrator was also requested to prepare a map of the proposed area for review by the Board.

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**BURKES GARDEN CABLE FRANCHISE**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Childress 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 authorizes and directs the County Administrator to advertise a public hearing to consider the establishment of a Cable Television Franchise for Burkes Garden, Virginia. Mr. Fred Lawless was on hand and stated that the community qualified because it was an independent carrier of telephone services.

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### **CAMP 31**

The County Administrator stated he spoke to Jennifer Boyd in Senator Puckett's office as well as Delegate Will Morefield regarding the Board's request that the Department of Corrections (DOC) facility in Gratton/Camp 31 be donated to Tazewell County for economic development purposes. Both are going to diligently work to try and accomplish same.

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### **LETTER OF THANKS – COUNTY REGISTRAR & ELECTORAL BOARD**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, and with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, hereby directs the County Administrator to send a letter of thanks and confidence to the Registrar's office and to members of the Electoral Board with regard to their expertise to ensure the integrity of the electoral process in Tazewell County.

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### **BUCKHORN STREET/ROAD**

Supervisor Hymes requested the County Engineer to gather addresses and phone numbers of residents on Buck Horn Street in order to schedule a community meeting to address the Buck Horn Street/road matter.

### **ADJOURN**

Now, there being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor White 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 adjourn this meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2012.

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D. Michael Hymes, Chairman

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ADJOURN 8:41 p.m.