

**VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD  
OF SUPERVISORS HELD NOVEMBER 9, 2017 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE  
TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION  
BUILDING, 108 EAST MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL VIRGINIA  
24651**

**PRESENT: JOHN M. ABSHER, CHAIR  
MAGGIE ASBURY, VICE CHAIR  
D. MICHAEL HYMES, MEMBER  
CHARLES A. STACY, MEMBER  
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  
OTHERS PRESENT: TOM LESTER, WESTERN DISTRICT BOS  
ELECT  
ABSENT: NONE**

The Chairman called the regular meeting to order and presided with all members in attendance and welcomed any visitors present.

Supervisor Hymes then welcomed Tom Lester, BOS elect, western district member, who will take office January 1, 2018.

Supervisor Hymes gave the invocation with Supervisor Hackworth leading those in the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

### **AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, 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 agenda format as amended.

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### **MINUTES APPROVED**

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 October 3, 2017 meeting minutes as written.

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### **CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVED**

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 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**

**September 2017**

**Payroll**

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 142962 through 142998, and direct deposits totaling \$234,955.57 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending September 30, 2017, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 143000 through 143037, and direct deposits totaling \$229,345.05 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending October 15, 2017, be approved.

**Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions**

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 480350 through 480501, for \$484,291.20 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 2017, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 480503 through 480516, for \$145,655.36 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending September 30, 2017, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 480518 through 480692, for \$1,416,330.71 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. 480694 through 480707, for \$128,326.20 from the General, and 911 Funds, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending October 15, 2017, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 802024 through 802025 for \$1,540.00 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and 911 funds, covering operating expenses for the month of September 2017, be approved.

➤ **Approved Coyote Claims**

- \$50.00 to Timothy Sparks, PO Box 1084, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 for 1 female coyote killed with a trap on 10/14/17
- \$50.00 to Jennifer Puckett, 600 R & P Road, Tazewell, VA 24651 for 1 female coyote killed with a rifle on 10/18/17
- \$100.00 to Avery McGlothlin, 1137 High Knob Rd. Vansant, VA 24656 for 2 female coyotes killed with a rifle on 10/4/17
- \$50.00 to Ron Wallace, 1020 Cripple Creek Road, Grundy, VA 24614 for 1 female coyote killed with a bow on 10/25/2017 (owns property in Tazewell County)
- \$50.00 to Stanley Hancock, 136 Stardust Lane, Tazewell, VA 24651 for 1 female coyote killed with a rifle on 11/4/2017.

➤ **Tourism Account**

- Transferred the amount of \$200.00 from the County's Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Tourism Travel Account No. 5510. This is a check received from the Town of Marion for trophy/Back of the Dragon

➤ **Southern District**

- Approved the amount of \$175.00 from the Southern District Fund Account to the Treasurer of Tazewell County, VA - to pay for Rotary Club - Nuckolls Hall rental fees for Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2017
- Approved the amount of \$100.00 from the Southern District Fund Account to the Treasurer of Tazewell County to pay for THS Prom Committee - Nuckolls Hall rental fees for Nov. 10, 2017

- Approved the amount of \$100.00 from the Southern District Fund Account to the Treasurer of Tazewell County to pay for Nuckolls Hall rental fees for benefit dinner on December 16, 2017

➤ **Sheriff's Department**

- Approved the amount of \$687.93 from the County's Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff's Acct. 31020-6009 (VACo reimbursement for damage to vehicle)
- Approved the following amounts from the County's Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff's Acct.'s (for checks received):  
\$100.00 from Harry Properties (31020-6010 (k9); C&P Rentals \$100.00 (31020-6010 (k-9); Tammy Allison \$250.00 (31020-6001); Hidta Reimbursement \$387.20 (31020-55510)
- Approved the amount of \$1,500.00 from the County's Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff's Acct, 31020-6010. Check from the Clinch Valley Medical Center for the K-9 Program.
- Approved the amount of \$150.00 from the County's Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff's Acct. 31020-6001 and \$355.00 from the County's Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff's Acct. 31020-6001 - One is from Circuit Court for restitution on a case and the second is for materials and research for an FOIA request.

➤ **Sheriff - Request to Surplus Vehicles**

- Declared Surplus a 2005 Ford Crown Victorian, VIN # 2FAHP71W95X174011 vehicle has 183,000 miles
- Declared Surplus a 2008 Chevrolet Impala VIN# 2G1WS553089187867 blown engine
- Declared Surplus a 2007 Ford Crown Victoria VIN# 2FAHP71W57X155185 vehicle has extremely high miles and rusting. Vehicle has excess of 150,000 miles. Vehicle is showing 136,000 miles however the cluster in the dash was replaced with

a cluster that was removed from a vehicle that was totaled (mileage showing in dash is inaccurate)

- Declared Surplus a 2008 Ford Crown Victoria VIN# 2FAFP71VX8X124935, vehicle in excess of 150,000 miles. Transmission gone.
- Declared Surplus a 2009 Chevrolet Impala VIN# 2G1WS57M891308117, blown head on engine
- Declared Surplus - Manufacturer: AM General Corporation - Manufacture date: 1983 Nomenclature: Truck, Van, 5 ton 6 X 6 M934 NSN: (National stock number): 2320-01-0478750 - To be auctioned off. It was received through the Military Surplus Program and the Sheriff no longer has any use for it.

➤ **Tazewell County Public Library**

- Approved the following amounts from the County's Contingent Expenditure and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Library Accounts for checks received:
  - \$8,160.00 -E-rate Check to Acct No. 7301-5230; \$500.00 - North Tazewell Lions Club to Acct. No. 7301-6012; \$300.00 - Charles Presley dba - the Lawn Ranger to Acct. No. 7301-3099

➤ **Commissioner of Revenue**

- Approved the amount of \$250.00 from the County's Contingent Expenditure and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Commissioner of Revenue's Acct. No. 012090-6001 - check received from Courthouse Retrieval System to offset FOIA request
- Approved the amount of \$200.00 to cover a late filing fee for a volunteer fire fighters tax exemption (John and Doris Blankenship).

➤ **Northwestern District Fund**

- Approved the amount of \$248.02 (Lowe's \$198.00 & Supplyworks \$50.02) from the Northwestern District Fund, to help pay for cleaning supplies for the Jewell Ridge community Center

- Ratified \$500.00 paid to the Richlands High School Basketball Program to help with uniforms.

➤ **Western and Northwestern District Fund**

- Approved \$112.50 from the Western District Fund and \$112.50 from the Northwestern District Fund to cover the costs of transportation for 3 buses at \$75.00 each to transport RHS seniors to tour SWCC

➤ **Northern District Fund**

- Approved \$306.86 from Northern District Fund to New Age Graphics, PO Box 1437, Wise VA 24293 for Signs Pocahontas Trail Signs.

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**BARRY BROOKS**

**DIRECTOR OF FIRE & EMS OPERATIONS**

**PRESENTED PLAQUES TO THE BOARD**

Barry Brooks, Director of Tazewell County Fire & EMS Operations presented to each member of the Board of Supervisors a plaque in recognition of their support of the County's EMS operations. Mr. Brooks also presented Ginny Dawson, with a plaque for her hard work during her position as ESC Secretary and for her guidance and organizational efforts with previous EMS parades and dinners. He then presented Frankie Kitts, County Garage Technician, with a plaque for his hard work in maintaining all the county fire department trucks and vehicles. Mr. Brooks then thanked everyone with a role in the County's EMS operations, stating their help and support does not go unnoticed.

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## 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 as follows:

- A(1) Personnel matter involving the position of Economic Development Director
- A(1) Personnel matter involving the County Attorney's office
- A(3) Property Disposition matter involving the Jewell Ridge School property
- A(3) Property Disposition matter involving the Cove Community Center

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~~\* A(3) Property Disposition—discussion regarding the disposition of publicly held real property involving the Tazewell County Fairgrounds.~~

- A (29) Discussion of an award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds - evaluation of proposals for Cavitts Creek Lodging
- A(7) Legal Consultation regarding a potential Revenue Sharing Agreement for the Hydroelectric Facility
- \* A(3) Property disposition involving the County Building Inspection Dept. Building

The Board invited Tom Lester, BOS elect to join them in the Executive/Closed meeting.



**RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION**

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 returns from the Executive/Closed meeting and hereby adopts the following Resolution:

**CERTIFICATION OF**

**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 five (5) Supervisor Stacy, Asbury, Hymes, Absher, Hackworth

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

**REPORT OF ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING:**

**CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TO THE TAZEWELL COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

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 a RESOLUTION CONVEYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TO THE TAZEWELL COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - conveying an additional three (3) ft. wide strip of property on the Westside of the building inspectors building and another two ft. wide strip along the Southside of the building to the IDA by approving the resolution as presented in the Executive Closed Session. A copy of the Resolution in a form as adopted is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference thereto.

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**JEWELL RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - TO THE JEWELL RIDGE RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

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 authorizes and directs the County Administrator to advertise for a public hearing to convey the former Jewell Ridge Elementary School to the Jewell Ridge Recreational Development Corporation and to consider exempting the property from real property taxation.

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## **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Supervisor Stacy welcomed Mike Thompson and his wife Chris. Mr. Thompson recently retired as the economic development director for Tazewell County and the Board of Supervisors wished to recognize him for his service.

Now, 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 presents Michael A. "Mike" Thompson with a resolution as set forth below:

### **RESOLUTION**

#### **ON THE RETIREMENT OF MICHAEL A. "MIKE" THOMPSON**



**WHEREAS**, Michael A. "Mike" Thompson, has resided in Tazewell County for forty three (43) years; and

**WHEREAS**, Mike graduated from Bluefield High School; attended VirginiaTech and received a Bachelor's Degree from Bluefield State College; and

**WHEREAS**, his family members include Wife-Chris, Son-Justin; Daughter-in-law Hailey; Daughter-Kelli; Son-in-law-David; four grandchildren - Connor, Melanie, Zachary and Madison; and

**WHEREAS**, Mike began his work with the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors on March 1, 2012 as the Business Services Representative/Marketing Specialist. He was promoted to Business Development and Support Services and promoted as Interim Economic Development Director and finally the Tazewell County Economic Development Director; and

**WHEREAS**, Mike announced his retirement with Tazewell County effective October 25, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, Mike has served the people of Tazewell County in many sectors and apart from his role as an employee of Tazewell County he held various management positions for 37 years at Pyott Boone, moving into the General Manager position for 16 years then promoted to Vice President, Contracts/Business Development; and

**WHEREAS**, Mike's passion is his love for God, family and service to others; and

**WHEREAS**, Mike is a member of the Fincastle Baptist Church, he served on the Finance Committee for five years; Building and Grounds Committee for three years, and served with the Assistant Adult Couples Sunday School class for several years; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his career of service to the people of Tazewell County, Virginia he has never failed to exhibit a selfless devotion to his duties, and has shown a continuing commitment to excellence to promote Tazewell County, Virginia and to improve its economy through the recruitment of industry, the procurement of loans and grants and the taking of numerous other actions relating to the promotion of economic development in Tazewell County, Virginia as well as providing a shining example of good citizenship; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County, Virginia do hereby commend and thank Michael A. "Mike" Thompson, for his years of exemplary service and further extend to him and his family the Board of Supervisors heartfelt wishes for many, many, years of good health, happiness and success in all future endeavors.

**ADOPTED AND PRESENTED THIS THE 9TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017**

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## **TAZEWELL LITTLE LEAGUE TEAMS**

### **THANKS TO BOS FOR FUNDING SUPPORT**

Members of the Tazewell Little League Boys and Girls Softball district champ teams were in attendance. Amy Childress, President of the Tazewell Little League and Hannah Hayes, 12 year softball player, thanked the Board of Supervisors for their funding support and read a list of the five teams that made it to State Championship games. Hannah told the Board

that their generous donations were sincerely appreciated and without their support the teams would not have been financially able to participate in the state competition games.

Supervisor Hymes said that the children present were the future of Tazewell County and he thanked all the team members, coaches and parents for their countless hours of volunteer service and hard work to help the Tazewell Little League Teams be successful. A round of applause was received on behalf of the Tazewell Little Leagues for all their accomplishments this season.

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### **COUNTY ENGINEER - MATT ANDERSON**

The County Engineer, Matt Anderson, updated the Board on various projects and requested that the Board consider approving resolutions in reference to the County's Revenue Sharing Program - a copy of the Resolutions in a form as adopted is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference thereto:

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 adopts a resolution of up to \$116,150 through the Virginia Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2018-19/2019-2020/Revenue Sharing Program for Route 19/460 Crossover - Pounding Mill Area; and

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 adopts a resolution of up to \$49,449 for Route 609 Widening Project near Route 19 Intersection; and

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts a resolution of up to \$105,771 for Structural Overlay of Route 637 from Route 631 to Route 636; 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 a resolution of up to \$124,879 for Structural Overlay of Route 645 from Route 16 to Route 831;

And further, upon motion of 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 resolution approving the transfer of Surplus Revenue Sharing Funds to other projects:

**WHEREAS**, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors (Board) received Revenue Sharing funds for the following projects which are now complete and have a surplus of funds remaining, and,

- Project 9999-092-R85, UPC 105664                      Surplus \$374
- Project 9999-092-R93, UPC 107230                      Surplus \$297
- Project 9999-092-R94, UPC 107231                      Surplus \$10,286

**WHEREAS**, the Board wishes to transfer the above surplus funds to on-going Revenue Sharing funded Project 999-092-R97, UPC 108743, which is in need of additional funds,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board that the above surplus funds be transferred to Project 9999-092-R97, UPC 108743,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Residency Administrator for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

#### **OTHER ROAD PROJECTS**

Jeff Buchanan, VDOT reported that he would work with the Town of Richlands and County on the congestion and drainage issues at the Richlands School Complex. The Board also heard from Jeff Buchanan on the School Route abandonments.

## **SCHOOL ROUTES - ABANDONMENT**

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves to close Pocahontas High School Road Rt. 644 at a minimum and approved the renumbering of Angel Lane and Rivermont, but did not take action on Thompson Valley and Bandy School Roads.

Matt Anderson reported on the following road issues and ongoing work for all road types:

- Clinic Road
  - Ongoing. Awaiting receipt of 3 additional easements
  - Richlands School Complex - Supposed to meet with Town of Richlands and VDOT regarding potential solutions for the congestion and drainage issues. Supervisor Hackworth questioned the possibly of making the road a one-way street.
  - Roadwork
- Tyler Street- Utilizing staff on repairs/stone application
  - other issues will be completed based on available funding and quotes that have been received.
- 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 - Meeting with contractors onsite today

Supervisor Hackworth also mentioned the icy roads several weeks ago near the cuts in Cedar Bluff, VA. Supervisor Hackworth said there were approximately six wrecks

that morning and he requested that VDOT monitor the road situations in that area when temperatures drop.

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**FALLEN WARRIORS - MEMORIAL WALL - \$5,000.00 (\$1,000 EACH DISTRICT)**

Members of the Fallen Warriors, Inc., Alfred Wicks, Ernie Lowe and Roger Young, all retired members of the Military, showed a display of a temporary memorial wall that includes the names of 770+ MIA/KIA service men and women from our area, Tazewell, Buchanan and Russell. The Wall is a tribute to the local men and women who have paid the ultimate sacrifice. The goal of the Fallen Warriors is to invest in a more permanent weather-friendly wall for Southwest Virginia, with the ability to include additional counties. The startup costs will be approximately \$15,000.00. Mr. Wicks said that Fallen Warriors, Inc. is made up of volunteers who are veterans and supporters who provide service to veterans. The group's hopes are to grow as a non-profit organization and to help better educate people with ways to pay respect to veterans and to sponsor and support social educational and charitable programs in our communities.

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisors 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 \$5,000.00 (\$1,000 from each of the five districts), payable to the Fallen Warriors, Inc. 205 Outre Street, Tazewell, VA 24651, attn: Alfred Wicks. Supervisor Hymes stated that he wanted the Wall on display at the Tazewell County Courthouse grounds at least one time a year. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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## **TAZEWELL TODAY**

### **\$800.00 (\$160.00 FROM EACH DISTRICT)**

Upon request of Irma Mitchell, President of Tazewell Today, and 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 amount of \$800.00 (\$160.00 from each of the five district funds), payable to Tazewell Today, PO Box 297, Tazewell VA 24651, attn: Irma Mitchell. This will cover transportation costs for area bands to take part in the Town of Tazewell Christmas Parade, 2017. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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## **PEDDLERS ORDINANCE**

The Board of Supervisors requested that the Tazewell County Planning Commission consider a proposed Peddler's Ordinance and to consider an amount of sales that would require a business license. Supervisor Hymes is concerned about peddler's setting up on road sides and in shopping centers that take away sales from area businesses. He said the county needs to protect area businesses and peddler's should have to pay taxes like everyone else. The Board suggested that a sales amount be established that would require a business license.

## **IDA - LIAISON REPORT**

Supervisor Hymes, on behalf of the IDA, reported that there are several interesting projects going on in Tazewell County.

The Economic Development/Tourism Report was deferred to the December 5, 2017 meeting.

## **RDA - LIAISON REPORT**

Supervisor Asbury reported that the ATV- Free Ride Day was a huge success and that over 200 new riders enjoyed the event.

## **PSA REPORT**

Dahmon Ball, PSA Administrator did not appear to give a report.

## **AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

Jerry McReynolds, Airport Authority Manager was present, but did not have anything to report. He said that he provided the Board with a written report prior to the meeting.

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## **BAPTIST VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**ALF - FIRE TRUCK HOSES - \$6,033.10 (WESTERN DISTRICT \$3,016.55)**

**NORTHERN DISTRICT \$3,016.55)**

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 approves the amount of \$6,033.10 (Western District, \$3,016.55 and Northern District \$3,016.55), payable to the Baptist Valley Volunteer Fire Department, 5748 Baptist Valley Road, North Tazewell, VA 24630. Telephone 988-2444.

This will be used for needed equipment, hoses etc. for ALF fire truck, per Barry Brooks. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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## **RFP - CONTRACT GRANT WRITER FOR TAZEWEEL COUNTY**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs that an RFP be drafted for a proposed Grant Writer (contractor) for Tazewell County and presented to the Board for review at their December 5, 2017 meeting.

Barry Brooks addressed a proposed Bluestone Public Safety Complex- to be funded with possible grant monies (Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program).

Barry Brooks will let the BOS know an approximate cost for a Helicopter Landing Zone in Thompson Valley.

Supervisor Stacy requested that Barry Brooks contact Leslie Catron with the Town of Bluefield regarding a project.

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**FIVE MINUTE RECESS**

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

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**APPOINTMENTS**

**Board of Equalization - Nominees**

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 nominates John Reece Strong, 168 Sandy Lane, Richlands, VA 24641 as an alternate to the Tazewell County Board of Equalization and further nominates Troy William "J.R." Absher, PO Box 190, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 and Kenneth Franklin, PO Box 243, Pocahontas, VA 24635 to serve as members of the Tazewell County Board of Equalization. One (1) alternate was deferred to the December 5, 2017 meeting.

**Tazewell County Emergency Services Committee**

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 Keith Reynolds, 200 Washington Square, Richlands, VA 24641 as a member of the Tazewell County Emergency Services Committee with a one year, commencing November 1, 2017 and expiring October 31, 2018.

**Ninth District Development Financing, Inc.**

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 Dave Woodard, Tourism Coordinator, 163 Walnut Street, Bluefield, VA 24605 as a member of the Ninth District Development

Financing, Inc, with a term effective immediately and expiring June 30, 2019 (2 year term); this appointment fills the unexpired term of Mike Thompson who retired.

**SW Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP)**

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 Mike Dennis, Commonwealth's Attorney, PO Box 946, Tazewell, VA 24651 as a member of the Southwest Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program, with a term effective December 1, 2017 to December 1, 2018. This appointment fills the expiring term of Kathryn Mooney Gallagher effective November 30, 2017.

**Wireless Service Authority**

One appointment to the Tazewell County Wireless Service Authority to fill the unexpired term of Vince Shumate who resigned was deferred to the December 5, 2017 regular meeting.

**Community Development Committee**

Two members from each district to study and identify community development needs was deferred to the January 2018 meeting.

**Cumberland Plateau Planning District Commission**

Upon motion of 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 appoints J.R. Absher, PO Box 190, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 as a member of the Cumberland Plateau Planning District Commission, with a term effective January 1, 2018 and expiring December 31, 2018 (One (1) year term). This appointment fills the expiring term of Seth R. White, effective December 31, 2017.

And, further, 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 D. Michael Hymes, PO Box 7, Tazewell, VA 24651 to the Cumberland Plateau Planning District Commission with a term effective January 1, 2018 and expiring December 31, 2021. This appointment coincides with Supervisor Hymes elected term of office and fills the expiring term of John M. Absher.

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**BIKOL NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (BNNA)**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

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 that a Public Hearing be held in January 2018 to consider the exemption of real estate taxation for the property known as the BIKOL National Association of America (BNAA).

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**AMENDED SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE TO BE PRESENTED**

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 requested that the County Attorney draft an Ordinance for their review at the December 5, 2017 meeting to consider amending the County's Subdivision Ordinance to require notice to adjoining property owners before granting a variance.

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**SPECTRUM CABLE TV FRANCHISE - UPDATE**

The County Attorney, Eric Young reported that negotiations for the Spectrum TV Cable Franchise is ongoing. He said with regard to discussions about the return of WCYB (Bristol) to the Spectrum Cable line-up, he thinks the County should approach them and offer to let Tazewell County transmit the signal.

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**ADVERTISING COSTS -  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

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 adopts a resolution asking that citizens reimburse the County for advertising costs if a vacation of property, abandonment, tax exemptions, etc. is requested by a private sector.

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**GRAHAM YOUTH G-MEN - RECREATION LEAGUE**

**\$750.00 EASTERN AND \$750.00 NORTHERN**

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 (\$750.00 Western and \$750.00 Northern) payable to the Bluefield Virginia Youth Recreation League, c/o Ron Holt, PO Box 1354, Bluefield, VA 24605. This money will be used to assist with the purchase of a scoreboard for Graham High School Practice Field. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**SHEPARD'S LANE - PUBLIC HEARING**

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 for the January 2018 meeting to consider the inclusion of Shepard's Lane into the Orphan Road Program, per recommendation of the Tazewell County Planning Commission.

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**DEED OF VACATION - OAK STREET**

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 approves a DEED OF VACATION - an unimproved forty-foot (40') public right of way identified as "Oak Street" and dedicated by a PLAT recorded in the Tazewell County Circuit Court Clerk's Office, in Plat Book, 2, page 163 - Thomas O'Quinn, Richard Brewster and Regina Brewster, (Grantees). A copy of the DEED OF VACATION AS APPROVED AND AS EXECUTED, is on file in the office of the County Administrator and incorporated hereby by reference thereto.

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**VDOT FUNDING FLEXIBILITY RESOLUTION**

The Board of Supervisors deferred to the December 5, 2017 regular meeting a proposed resolution regarding VDOT Funding Flexibility.

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**TREE ON BLUEBIRD STREET**

The Board of Supervisors deferred to the December 5, 2017 regular meeting discussion regarding a tree on Bluebird Street.

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**COURTHOUSE/ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING PARKING**

With regard to the recent discussions concerning the reserved parking at the County Administrative Building and County Courthouse, Supervisor Stacy suggested that Judge Barringer be invited to attend the December 5, 2017 meeting to address the issue once more.

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**OTHER BOARD CONCERNS**

Supervisor Hackworth would like to know if there is any legislation for education tax deductions/credits for private schools.

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Health Dept. Septic Systems - Request for File or Information Search - Supervisor Hackworth said Brian Stanley with VHD (Tazewell County) was going to use a policy similar to Washington County's.

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Supervisor Hymes mentioned AEP's small rate reduction effective late Nov. 2017.

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The Board of Supervisors deferred the request for payment of the Back of the Dragon Expenses of \$6,204.19 to the Dec. 5 meeting. Supervisor Hymes wants to know "what is it?"

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**\$2,500.00 TO UNITED WAY OF SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA**

**(\$500.00 FROM EACH DISTRICT FUND)**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Hackworth and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, and 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 (\$500.00 from each district fund), payable to United Way of Southwest Virginia, P.O. Box 644 Abingdon, VA 24212, attn: Travis W. Staton. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF TAZEWELL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, and with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts a resolution in support of Tazewell County Public Schools as set forth below:

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF  
TAZEWELL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**WHEREAS**, funding is essential for allowing Tazewell County Public Schools to provide the highest quality education to every student it serves;

**WHEREAS**, the School system's State and Federal funding declined precipitously over the last decade due to declining populations;

**WHEREAS**, despite declining revenues and increasing costs of other services, the Board responded by consistently increasing local funding for Tazewell County Public Schools, with annual appropriations exceeding State requirements;

**WHEREAS**, the School System anticipates further decreases in State and Federal funding, tied to population, which the Board of Supervisors may not be able to offset;

**WHEREAS**, whereas the School Board has openly discussed closing certain schools to save costs and cover the shortfall;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors is optimistic that potential economic developments which have recently become increasingly likely, including but not limited to project Jonah and the Dominion Hydroelectric Plant.



**WHEREAS**, the Dominion power plant could mean Eight Million Dollars in annual Revenues to the County and up to two thousand jobs, and Jonah could mean up to Two Million Dollars in Revenues and up to one hundred and thirty jobs.

**WHEREAS**, either of those projects will change the school funding dynamic by providing an increase in local property tax revenues, which would enhance local funding for schools, and increasing school age populations in the County, which would enhance State funding for schools;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Board of Supervisors, hereby **RESOLVE** to request that the Tazewell County School Board defer any decision on closing schools until Dominion has made a final decision on whether to locate its Hydroelectric Plant in the County or until Project Jonah decides whether or not is project will proceed in Tazewell County.

**IT IS SO RESOLVED** this the 9th day of November, 2017.

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#### **945 ACCOUNT BALANCE**

Supervisor Asbury feels the money she contributed from the Northern District fund to the 945 Account as loans should be returned to the Northern District fund.

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#### **TAZEWELL WRESTLING CLUB**

**\$2,750.00 (\$1,000 Northern, Southern \$750, Eastern \$500, Western \$500)**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$2,750.00 (\$1,000 Northern, \$750 Southern, \$500 Eastern and \$500 Western), payable to the Tazewell Wrestling Club, 112 New Haven Road, North Tazewell, Virginia 24630 for a competition tournament legal mat. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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#### **LABOR OF LOVE - WHITE CHRISTMAS**

**\$2,250 (\$1,000 Northern, Southern \$500, Western \$250, Northwestern \$250, Eastern \$250)**

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 approves the amount of \$2,250.00 (\$1,000 Northern District; \$500 Southern District; \$250 Western District; \$250 Northwestern District; \$250 Eastern District), payable to Labor of Love, White Christmas, Attn: Rene Steele, Labor of Love Mission, P.O. Box 386, North Tazewell, VA, 24630 - Phone: (276) 988-3704. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**TAZEWELL HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL BOOSTERS**

**\$1,000.00 SOUTHERN DISTRICT**

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 \$1,000.00 from the Southern District fund, payable to the Tazewell High School Basketball Boosters, 102 Ridgecrest Drive, North Tazewell, VA 24630, attn: Alicia Rowe, President. This will be used for equipment needs. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**THS PROJECT GRADUATION -**

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

**(THE \$500 WILL BE USED FOR PEN & INK DUFF DRAWINGS)**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amount of \$2,500.00 (\$2,000 Southern District and \$500 Northern District) payable to the Tazewell High School Project Graduation 2018 (\$500.00 of which will be used for the Pen & Ink Duff Drawings). The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue

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**TAZEWELL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE -**

**OKTOBREWFEEST 2018 \$2,500.00 (\$2,000 Western & \$500 Southern)**

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 \$2,500.00 (\$2,000 Western District and \$500 Southern District), payable to the Tazewell Chamber of Commerce - earmark for the 2018 TAZEWELL MAIN STREET OKTOBREWFEEST.. Tazewell Area Chamber of Commerce, P O Box 672, Tazewell, VA 24651 -- Phone: (276) 988-5091. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**SWCC - EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS**

**\$2,500.00 (\$500 FROM EACH DISTRICT FUND)**

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 approves the amount of \$2,500.00 ( \$500.00 from each district fund), payable to the SWCC Educational Foundation Festival of the Arts, PO Box SVCC, Richlands, VA 24641. Tazewell, VA 24630, attn: Alicia Rowe, President. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**\$5,000.00 FROM THE NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT FUND TO THE TAZEWELL COUNTY IDA FOR TRAFFIC STUDY**

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 approves the amount of \$5,000.00 from the Northwestern District Fund to the Tazewell County IDA for a traffic study (Intersection at Claypool Hill). The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant or transfer funds in accordance with this matter and/or which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**\$5,000.00 FROM THE WESTERN DISTRICT FUND TO RAVEN ELEMENTARY**

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 \$5,000.00 from the Western District Fund, payable to the Raven Elementary School, 22 School Street Raven, VA 24639 attn: Ann Walls, for the end of the school year events and trips. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant or transfer funds in accordance with this matter and/or which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**RICHLANDS LADY BLUES SOFTBALL**

**\$1,500.00 (\$750 WESTERN AND \$750 NORTHWESTERN)**

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 \$1,500.00 (\$750.00 Western and \$750 Northwestern) payable to the Richlands Lady Blues Softball, Attn. Dave Lamie (Dave Lamie will pick up the check). The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**RICHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL PROGRAM**

**\$1,500.00 (\$750 WESTERN AND \$750 NORTHWESTERN)**

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 approves the amount of \$1,500.00 (\$750 Western and \$750 Northwestern), payable to the Richlands Girls Basketball Program (new shoes) Attn: Aaron Lowe (Aaron Lowe will pick up the check). The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**TOWN OF CEDAR BLUFF, VIRGINIA**

**\$15,000.00 FROM THE WESTERN DISTRICT FUNDS FOR THE CEDAR BLUFF  
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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 approves the amount of \$15,000.00 from the Western District Fund, payable to the Town of Cedar Bluff, Virginia Fire Department 24609 - for fire department needs, Attn: Jim McGlothlin (John Absher will hand-deliver check). The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this matter and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

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**ADJOURN**

Now, there being no further business to be transacted and upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adjourns this meeting to December 5, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

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John M. Absher, Chair

by: RG

Adjourn time 9:40 p.m.