

VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD APRIL 2, 2019 AT FOUR O'CLOCK P.M. IN THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL VIRGINIA 24651

PRESENT: TRAVIS HACKWORTH, CHAIRMAN
CHARLES A. STACY, VICE CHAIRMAN
MARGARET ASBURY, MEMBER
D. MICHAEL HYMES, MEMBER
TOM A. LESTER, JR., MEMBER
WHITNEY PARSONS, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
CHASE D. COLLINS, INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS: JIM TALBERT, CLINCH VALLEY NEWS/RICHLANDS NEWS PRESS AND WARREN HINKLE, THE VOICE NEWSPAPER

ABSENT: NONE

Chairman, Travis Hackworth called the regular meeting to order and presided, with all members in attendance.

Supervisor Stacy gave the invocation followed by The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag led by Supervisor Lester.

AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

The County Administrator had an addition to the Consent Calendar to close out the Damage Stamp Fund per request of Treasurer, David Larimer. Mr. Larimer's letter addressed to Mr. Young stated that the fund has a balance of \$41.56 and has been inactive for many years. Upon advice of our auditors, Mr. Larimer recommended the balance be transferred back to the General Operating Fund. A copy of the letter is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

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 accepts the addition to the Consent Calendar and approves the April 2, 2019 agenda format as amended.

MINUTES APPROVED

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 March 5, 2019 meeting minutes as written.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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 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 March 2019

Payroll

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 144098 through 144122, and direct deposits totaling \$231,887.53 from the General, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending February 28, 2019, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 144124 through 144148, and direct deposits totaling \$229,670.97 from the General Fund, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending March 15, 2019, be approved.

Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 485806 through 485911, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$254,413.76 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, and Law Library, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued February 25, 2019, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 485913 through 485927, for \$150,368.96 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending February 28, 2019, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 485929 through 486034, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$685,337.47 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay and Law Library Funds, covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued March 11, 2019, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 486036 through 486051, for \$129,905.25 from the General Fund, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending March 15, 2019, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 802051 through 802052 for \$43,250.00 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, and Law Library, covering operating expenses for the month of February 2019, be approved.

Approved Coyote Claims:

- \$50.00 to Kevin B. Rose, 254 Naples Drive, Tazewell, VA 24651, for 1 female coyote killed by trapping on 3-6-2019.
- \$100.00 to Ronald Workman, Jr., 202 Doak Street, Bluefield, VA 24605, for 2 female coyotes killed by rifle on 3-28-2019

Library Account – Transferred the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Library Accounts as follows:

- \$25.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Carol Weaver)
- \$50.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Mary J. Lowe)
- \$50.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Gizele Bowen)
- \$50.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Laura Rinehart)
- \$100.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Robert A. White)
- \$100.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Glenn Catron)
- \$200.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Mary J. Lowe)
- \$250.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Renata Wade)
- \$100.00 to Acct. 7301-6012 (received from Robert A. White)
- \$35.00 to Acct. 7301-6012 (received from Bryan Warden)
- \$25.00 to Acct. 7301-3009 (received from Craig James)
- \$30.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Vivian James)
- \$50.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Ellen Harrison)
- \$80.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from J.W. Chaney)
- \$100.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Joyce Gillespie)
- \$100.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Robert Thornberry)
- \$100.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from Josephine Cannon)
- \$120.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (cash in Memory of J. McPherson)
- \$200.00 to Acct. 7301-3099 (received from R Coffee Ltd)
- \$870.08 to Acct. 7301-6012 (received from Infobase Holdings)

Sheriff's Department – Transferred the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff Department Accounts as follows:

- \$2,015.82 to Acct. 31020-8015 (Clifford Glover's wreck)
- Approved to send 1983 AM General green Truck M934, Serial No. 53400252 to auction.

- Approved to send 1987 American Motors green camouflage Humvee, Serial No. 039382 to auction.
- Approved to send 1987 American Motors tan Humvee, Serial No. 041181 to auction.
- Authorized a transfer in the amount of \$500.00 from the Contingent Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Northwestern District fund account 91700-5699-42 (\$250.00) and the Western District fund account 91900-5699-42 (\$250.00) for a total of \$500.00. These monies were approved during the November 7, 2018 meeting to be sent to the Richlands Little League Team for their building fund. The check was inadvertently sent and cashed by the Richlands HS Lady Blues Basketball Team account. This transfer will cover the check to be written and sent to the Richlands Little League.
 - Authorized the amount of \$250.00 from the Western District Fund and \$250.00 from the Northwestern District Fund, for a total of \$500.00 payable to the Richlands Little League, P.O. Box 1737, Richlands, VA 24641; earmarked Building Fund. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.
- Authorized the closure of the Damage Stamp Fund and approved the transfer of \$41.56 back to the General Operating Fund. A copy of the Treasurer's letter is attached hereto these minutes an incorporated herein by reference thereto.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 4:07 P.M.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby enters into an Executive/Closed meeting, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711:

- A(29) Contract negotiations with Santek
- A(29) Contract negotiations with the Town of Richlands for Fire and EMS protection
- A(29) Leases for the Cooperative Extension and Registrar's Office
- A(5) Discussion of Project Homestead
- A(5) Project EEG
- A(7) Legal Consultation regarding SVAM Grant
- A(5) Project Bullet
- A(29) Contract negotiations with the Town of Tazewell regarding EMS services

RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION – 6:06 P.M.

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, 2.2-3711 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.

The Chair called for a roll call Vote on the Certification:

Ayes: All Five (5)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: None (0)

Absent during vote: None (0)

REPORT OF ACTION:

AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTION OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VIRGINIA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE AND TAZEWELL COUNTY REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Stacy 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 authorize the execution for a lease agreement for the Tazewell County office of the Virginia Cooperative Extension and a lease agreement for the Tazewell County Registrar's Office in substantially the same form as presented by the Interim County Attorney tonight. A copy is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Supervisor Hackworth noted that the Board would be returning back into executive session later in the evening to discuss items that hadn't been discussed yet. Those items were:

- A(5) Discussion of Project Homestead
- A(5) Project EEG

KENNETH DUNFORD – INTERIM DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING

Mr. Dunford announced to the Board that the paving bids were in and directed them to review over the tabulation sheet included in their packets. There were four bidders and the two companies that were chosen were Quality Paving and Four Seasons, LLC. As the Board reviewed over the tabulation sheet, Mr. Dunford explained that the total amount of money quoted by the bidders came in higher at a difference of \$20,883.20 more than what the CST Committee had approved. Upon recommendation of Mr. Young, Mr. Dunford asked the Board to approve the contracts contingent upon the Coal and Gas Road Improvement Committee's approval.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve the contracts contingent upon approval from the Coal and Gas Road Improvement Committee. A copy is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Mr. Dunford also updated the Board about the Richlands School Complex, the Clear Fork Flood Study, Clinic Road, Rogich Road, Landfill Management Plan, Recycling Plan, and a Project Map.

BARRY BROOKS – DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND EMS OPERATIONS

The Board reviewed in depth over the monthly EMS Billing Receivables Detailed Report and Monthly Deposit Record provided by Mr. Brooks.

Supervisor Hackworth questioned if the Burn Law was still in place and Mr. Brooks responded that it was.

Mr. Brooks then discussed meeting with Mr. Gillespie, Ms. Beavers, and Deputy Bowman about potentially forming an EMT/Pharm Tech class at the Tazewell County Vocational Center for high school students. He hopes the plan works out and that they are able to find an instructor.

Additionally, Mr. Brooks also discussed to the Board about the Technology Grant he received in recent months and told them that a Division 4 chief would be teaching a course to the local fire chiefs to show them the proper way to use the new reporting system.

Lastly, Mr. Brooks reported that he turned in the Core for Life money disbursements to Mrs. Matney and that they would go out the 1st of April.

SUPERVISOR MARGARET A. ASBURY - IDA LIAISON

Supervisor Asbury reported that the IDA recently made loans to the project regarding the old Pocahontas High School cafeteria and to the Real McCoy Cabins in Pocahontas. She stated the signing would hopefully be the following week.

PAM WARDEN – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

The Economic Development Manager reported that the career fair held on March 6th at Nuckolls Hall was successful and approximately 125 people were in attendance.

Mrs. Warden notified the Board that the next VCEDA meeting would be held on April 18th. She went on to discuss various projects that she is working on that include The Lost Pearl, American Dirt, and MSS Web's Spa and Boutique. Mrs. Warden then announced that the Lawrence Brother's received a 600,000 loan from VCEDA which would create an additional 29-30 job in the area and noted that they have 100% health insurance coverage.

In closing, Mrs. Warden presented a video to the Board that she had been working on with a company called Mancuso Entertainment, which was made possible by a grant received from VCEDA. The video showcased and promoted several businesses in Tazewell County.

The Board applauded Mrs. Warden for the time and effort she had put into getting the video created.

DAVID WOODARD – TOURISM AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

David Woodard announced that the, Love Tazewell County Campaign, 50 Days of Love will kick off on June 3rd. The Tourism Department has been working hard to make sure that they will have 50 continuous days of events. Mr. Woodard noted that there are over 50 locally owned businesses that will be participating in the 50 Days of Love.

The Mobile Visitors Center has been wrapped and will go to Clinch Valley Printing for the inside to be done. The Career and Technical Center was also close to completing the Mobile Love Letters. Mr. Woodard hopes the Mobile Visitors Center will be finished by June 3rd for the 50 Days of Love.

Mr. Woodard discussed the tourism website, www.visittazewellcounty.org, and stated that the website quotes were due that week to redesign the tourism website and make it more user-friendly and functional.

Mr. Woodard announced that A.J. Robinson, Marketing Specialist, was once again awarded a full paid scholarship to Southeastern Tourism Marketing College for the summer for year two of three. Last year Mrs. Robinson received the VTC scholarship.

**RED ASH SIGN LANDSCAPING
\$1,000.00 NORTHWESTERN**

David Woodard discussed advertising for bidders on Facebook to perform landscaping work for the Red Ash sign in Supervisor Hackworth's district. He announced that they reached out to several different landscapers and had one bidder. Mr. Woodard asked for the Board's approval of the single bidder's quote in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth abstaining, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Northwestern District Fund payable to Marthanna Nichols, P.O. Box 878, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609. Said 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.

SUPERVISOR MARGARET A. ASBURY - RDA LIAISON

Supervisor Asbury reported that Curtis Breeding was the new chairman of the RDA.

She also announced that the annual Coal Miners Memorial Candlelight Ceremony would be held on April 27th at 6:00 P.M. and earlier on that day VDOT would be holding the Route 102 bridge naming ceremony in memory of Thomas Burns Childress at 3:00 P.M.

CPPD LIAISON - SUPERVISOR HYMES AND SUPERVISOR STACY

Supervisor Stacy mentioned him, Pam Warden, and the County Administrator meeting with Jim Baldwin earlier that day. They discussed various projects in Tazewell County and whether they were projects that could be funded.

BUDGET COMMITTEE - SUPERVISOR HACKWORTH AND SUPERVISOR STACY

Chairman, Travis Hackworth briefed that Supervisor Stacy was not in attendance during the budget meeting due to a funeral but that they had gotten almost all department requests in and that the requests were under review. He stated that they plan to have another budget meeting soon.

SCHEDULED CITIZEN COMMENTS**SHERIFF BRIAN HIEATT – LITTERING**

Sheriff Brian Hieatt talked about littering throughout the County and the cameras that have been put in place around the County as a deterrent. He then presented a video showcasing several individuals that were caught littering and/or stealing the cameras. These individuals were charged.

Sheriff Hieatt continued discussing littering and a social media challenge named, [#trashtag](#) that has gone viral. After seeing the challenge he challenged people throughout the community and in his own department to take part in it. Mr. Hieatt showed before and after pictures of those from his department that went to Jumps Road and spent 3 hours picking up trash and that they ended up with 65 bags. Sheriff Hieatt says then they report it to VDOT and they come and pick up the trash and take it to the landfill.

SHAWN DURHAM – TAZEVELL FOUR SEASONS YMCA

Shawn Durham, CEO of the Four Seasons YMCA, thanked the Board for their years of support as well as the community. He reported that all YMCA's raise their operating budget by 10% every year which allows them to keep their nonprofit sectors. He stated that the money goes into their financial assistance and scholarship programs. This allows many people coming to the YMCA to be able to access a lot of their programming.

Mr. Durham announced that the Tazewell YMCA will be celebrating 10 years on June 22, 2019 and that they are anticipating welcoming their one millionth guest soon. He says special things are planned for the day they reach that goal.

**JENNIFER BOURNE – CLINCH VALLEY COMMUNITY ACTION
SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH**

Jennifer Bourne, Family Crisis Services Director/Planner, Clinch Valley Community Action, Inc. requested that the Board of Supervisors proclaim the month of April 2019 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Tazewell County, Virginia. Supervisor Asbury read the proclamation.

Now, 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 adopts a resolution proclaiming the month of April 2019 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Tazewell County, Virginia. A copy of the proclamation in a form as hereby adopted is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

PUBLIC HEARING 7:19 P.M. – 7:29 P.M.**THROUGH TRUCK TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS ROUTE 644 (HORSEPEN ROAD)**

The Interim County Attorney, Mr. Collins, stated that Mr. Buchanan from VDOT has advised that the Board adopt a formal resolution, as a first step, that requests a traffic safety study from VDOT for the purpose of implementing through truck restrictions upon Virginia Secondary Route 644 (Horsepen Road).

Mr. Collins explained that the proposed 3.9 mile restricted section of Virginia Secondary Route 644 (Horsepen Road) would begin at the intersection of Virginia Secondary Route 644 (Horsepen Road) and West Virginia Route 161 (Skygusty Highway), and would end at the intersection of Virginia Secondary Route 644 (Horsepen Road) and Virginia Route 16 (Stoney Ridge Road).

Mr. Collins further explained that the proposed alternate truck route would begin on West Virginia Route 161 (Skygusty Highway) at the intersection of Virginia Secondary Route 644 (Horsepen Road), then traveling west-southwest along West Virginia Route 161 to its intersection with West Virginia Route 16 (Rocket Boys Drive), then traveling south from West

Virginia Route 16 crossing into Virginia by Virginia Route 16 (Stoney Ridge Road), then traveling east-southeast along Virginia Route 16 ending at its intersection with Virginia Secondary Route 644 (Horsepen Road). Mr. Collins stated that the alternate truck route would be 6.97 miles and that the proposed through truck restriction would prohibit trucks based on the results of the traffic safety study to be completed by VDOT, based upon length and curvature of the trucks so affected.

Chairman Hackworth called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised according to law entitled, “Through Truck Traffic Restrictions Route 644 (Horsepen Road)”.

Now, the Chairman called for public comments from the floor with regard to the public hearing. The following people commented:

(Video footage and photos of coal trucks were previously provided to Ms. Parsons and displayed during the public hearing)

- 1) Linda Day, 1721 Horsepen Road, Tazewell, VA 24651 approached the Board out of concern for all Horsepen Road travelers. Her daughter and son-in-law since the last BOS meeting had almost gotten ran over by a coal truck and she warned that there are no places to pull off of the road to get out of the way from the coal trucks. Ms. Day also expressed concern for motorcyclists and school busses on the road and referenced a photo showing skid marks on the road where the truckers would attempt to come to an abrupt stop. She then read a passage from a book regarding CDL licenses that stated a vehicle traveling 55mph would travel a minimum of 415-419 ft. before it could stop. She stated that there wasn't 419 ft. to the next curve.

Ms. Day handed the Board a letter from Minister, Walter Schwitzerlett who travels Horsepen Road on a weekly basis. A copy of Mr. Schwitzerlett's letter is attached hereto these minutes and incorporated herein by reference thereto.

- 2) Connie Shrader, 1562 Horsepen Road, Tazewell, VA 24651 stated she had contacted the State Police and asked if there was anything that they would do about the coal truckers and she said they responded that they didn't have enough man power to send out and monitor Horsepen Road.

Supervisor Hymes stated he agreed with the residents that Horsepen Road should not be a coal hauling road. Mr. Hymes questioned if the road had been paved since the last BOS meeting and the woman stated that it had and that it looked great. She was concerned though because there are no places to pull off the road to avoid getting hit by the coal trucks.

Now, the Chairman called for additional comments from the floor three times and there being none, he declared the public hearing closed.

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 Requesting a Traffic Safety Study from the Virginia Department of Transportation for the Purpose of Implementing Through Truck Restrictions Upon Virginia Secondary Route 644 (Horsepen Road)”. A copy of the Resolution can be found on file at the County Administration Office.

UNSCHEDULED CITIZEN COMMENTS

- 1) Greg Deskins, president of the Tazewell County Education Association, 136 Saint Andrews, Tazewell, VA 24651, discussed his concerns regarding the school system budget and recapped the hardships of the County’s budget crisis the previous fiscal year. He hopes the budget is better this year and that they will receive the full 5% but if not that the Board at least works with the school system to give 3%.
- 2) Travis Bandy, 231 Gillespie Road, discussed safety concerns regarding Rogich Road and the railroad. Mr. Bandy suggested getting all parties together to meet and do something before something bad happens. Supervisor Hackworth mentioned Chase working on getting the easements and then directed Supervisor Lester to get in contact with Delegate Morefield.

APPOINTMENTS

AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD

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 appoints Danny Newman, P.O. Box 52, Tazewell, VA 24651, to serve as a member of the Airport Authority Board, with a term commencing immediately and ending December 31, 2020. This appointment replaces the unexpired term of Carolyn Barber.

CUMBERLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

Upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints Darrell Addison, 502 Lakepark Drive, Richlands, VA 24641, to serve as a member of the Cumberland Industrial Facilities Authority, with a term continuing and ending April 30, 2023.

LIBRARY OF TRUSTEES BOARD

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Tom Brewster, 172 Angel Lane,

Falls Mills, VA 24613, to serve as a member of the Library of Trustees Board, with a term commencing immediately and ending January 31, 2023. This appointment replaces the unexpired term of Beth Quesinberry.

PSA LIAISON

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Michael D. Hymes, P.O. Box 7, Tazewell, VA 24651, to serve as a liaison for the PSA.

TAZEWELL COUNTY CLEANUP DAY

The County Administrator discussed planning with Supervisor Asbury to designate a county cleanup day. He said Santek agreed to donate \$1,500.00 to cleanup day which would supply materials and vests. Supervisor Asbury suggested each Supervisor find volunteer's and place them at multiple locations in their districts to participate in cleanup day as well as including other organizations and churches. She also mentioned coordinating with VDOT so that they would be able to pick up the trash.

Mr. Young stated that they have not set a date yet but will work to find a date that works for everyone.

SCOPE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (FY2019)

County Administrator, Mr. Young directed the Board to review over the Scope for Professional Environmental Services (FY2019) located in their packets. He explained that the company was formally known as Joyce Engineering but was now known as LaBella Associates. The company assists the County with permitting applications for Santek as well as footprint issues. Upon the direction of Mr. Dunford, Mr. Young requested that the Board approve the additional \$5,000.00 that was quoted for LaBella to continue to assist the County.

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 approve the contract changes with an increase of \$5,000.00 presented to them in the document entitled, Scope for Professional Environmental Services (FY2019), with LaBella Associates. A copy is on file in the office of the County Administrator, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

SOLAR PROGRAM FOR COUNTY BUILDINGS

The County Administrator explained that Appalachian Voices had a grant to assessments for structures in the various counties that might be a likely candidate for solar energy and that they contacted him and offered to do a study. The study included the Courthouse, Sheriff's Office, and community facilities building.

He explained that the solar panels would be placed on the front lawn of the Sheriff's Office, on the roof of the Courthouse, and on the lot in front of the community facilities building. Mr. Young stated the proposed project would cost around \$500,000.00 - \$600,000.00 and take 20 years to see a return investment. He mentioned he didn't find this to be effective and sent the proposals to Southland Energy for their review. Southland Energy will make a recommendation as a part of their proposal as well as other energy saving alternatives.

Supervisor Hackworth commented that solar energy is expensive and by the time the County receives its return there would be better versions available.

SOUTHLAND ENERGY - CONSIDERATION OF PPEA BOND REQUIREMENTS APPROVED

Mr. Young explained that the Public Private Procurement Act Policy adopted in 2002 allows parties to bid projects on terms rather than cost. He stated that without PPEA the lowest bid would have to be accepted which could be an insufficient statistic. The policy requires the bidder to provide their financial statements from the last 2 years to determine if they're able to handle the project. Southland Energy requested that their financial statements remain confidential which Mr. Young explained that the County cannot do because any bid awarded is public knowledge. However, Mr. Young says that it is possible to waive it and request a letter from a bank or bond company saying that Southland Energy would post a bond equal to the amount of the completion of the project. He said it would be acceptable in lieu of financial statements.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve to accept the preapproval for a bond letter in the amount of the bid in lieu of financial statements from Southland Energy on their unsolicited proposal.

SCHOOL BOARD CONCERNS - SUPERVISOR LESTER

Supervisor Lester stated that after last year's stressful budget season one of the lessons he learned was the funding of the school system. He suggested that the BOS and School Board start working together now so that there won't be another situation like there was the previous year.

The County Administrator mentioned that Mrs. Matney and he started working earlier on the budget in December 2018. He started talking about the budgeting process and stated that some things have to fall together. He explained that they don't know up front what insurance costs will be and what the State is planning to give the school system. Mr. Young said it would be a good idea to have a meeting. He suggested a joint committee to discuss the school budget.

Mr. Young clarified that just because there were tax increases last year that it doesn't mean the budget is back to normal. He explained that the increases were to fund the government as budgeted for this year. The decal money basically replaced the one time recovery for self property taxes the County had and then the budget presented assumed the 2% of the 100 tax rate

increase. The County didn't set revenue rates that would restore everybody's cuts. Further he explained that the County has worked throughout the process to find and make a way that the teachers can receive their pay raises and capture the state money for the teachers as best as the County can.

**MOWING BID
AWARDED TO P.M. LAWCARE**

Following presentation of a mowing bid tabulation sheet by Chase Collins, Interim County Attorney and upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby awards the 2019 Season Mowing bid to P.M. Lawncare and Landscaping LLC, 1120 Beartown Road, Tazewell, VA 24651 to include; mowing of the following properties: Courthouse Complex, Public Safety Bldg, Community Facilities, Fairground, Bluestone/IDEA Park, Commonwealth Att., Tazewell Library, Bluefield Library, Old Union Hall; Boissevain Miners Park, Bluestone Industrial Park, Lake Witten, and Rescue 945. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 8:20 P.M.

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:

- A(5) Discussion of Project Homestead
- A(5) Project EEG

RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION – 9:32 P.M.

**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, 2.2-3711 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.

The Chair called for a roll call Vote on the Certification:

Ayes: All Five (5)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: None (0)

Absent during vote: None (0)

Report of Action: None (0)

BOARD CONCERNS

SUPERVISOR HYMES

TAZEWELL COUNTY CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER STATE SKILLS USA COMPETITION

\$1,000.00 EASTERN

\$402.00 WESTERN

\$402.00 NORTHWESTERN

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 the amount of \$402.00 from the Western District Fund, \$402.00 from the Northwestern District Fund, and \$1,000.00 from the Eastern District Fund, for a total of \$1,804.00 payable to the Tazewell County Career & Technical Center, 260 Advantage Drive, Tazewell, VA 24651, attn: Cynthia L. Beavers and earmarked for the State SkillsUSA competition being held on April 12-13, 2019 in Virginia Beach. Said 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.

NOTE: The Southern District Fund is in a deficit and will transfer \$500.00 to the Eastern District Fund from FY20 Southern District Funds after July 1, 2019.

TAZEWELL HIGH SCHOOL - DECA INTERNATIONAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE AND COMPETITON

\$500.00 SOUTHERN

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 the amount of \$500.00 from the Southern District Fund payable to Tazewell High School, 167 Cosby Lane, Tazewell County, VA 24651, attn: Gretchen Cline; earmarked for DECA. The money will fund Sierra Parsons to attend the International Career Development Conference and Competition. Said 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.

NOTE: The Southern District Fund is in a deficit and will transfer \$500.00 to the Eastern District Fund from FY20 Southern District Funds after July 1, 2019.

SUPERVISOR ASBURY

TOWN OF POCAHONTAS – HISTORIC POCAHONTAS CEMETERY MOWING

\$1,600.00 NORTHERN

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 authorizes the amount of \$1,600.00 from the Northern District Fund, payable to the Town of Pocahontas, Virginia 24635, attn: Ben Gibson. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

NOTE: The Northern District Fund is in a deficit and will utilize the money that will be received from Supervisor Asbury's reimbursement from the PSA settlement - Pocahontas Water Project.

ABBS VALLEY BOISSEVAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL END OF THE YEAR FIELD TRIPS

\$500.00 NORTHERN

Upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$500.00 from the Northern District Fund, payable to Abbs Valley Boissevain Elementary School, 7030 Abbs Valley Road, Bluefield, VA 24605, attn: Amy Boone. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

NOTE: The Northern District Fund is in a deficit and will utilize the money that will be received from Supervisor Asbury's reimbursement from the PSA settlement - Pocahontas Water Project.

TOWN OF POCAHONTAS – ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT**\$500.00 NORTHERN**

Upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$500.00 from the Northern District Fund, payable to the Town of Pocahontas, P.O. Box 704, Pocahontas VA 24635, attn: Karen LaFon. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action at such time as may be necessary and appropriate and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia 24651.

NOTE: The Northern District Fund is in a deficit and will utilize the money that will be received from Supervisor Asbury's reimbursement from the PSA settlement - Pocahontas Water Project.

TOWN OF BLUEFIELD VIRGINIA - SCHOOL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM**\$5,000.00 EASTERN**

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 authorizes the amount of \$5,000.00 from the Eastern District Fund, payable to Town of Bluefield, P.O. Box 1026, Bluefield, VA 24605 attn: Mike Watson. These funds will provide an instant path of communication between 4 schools located in the Town of Bluefield, Town dispatch, and school resource officers. Said 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.

NOTE: The Northern District Fund is in a deficit and will utilize the money that will be received from Supervisor Asbury's portion of the PSA settlement – Pocahontas Water Project to reimburse \$2,500 to the Eastern District Fund.

SUPERVISOR STACY**GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC FOUNDATION
TABLE SPONSOR BANQUET****\$200.00 EASTERN**

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 authorizes the amount of \$200.00 from the Eastern District Fund, payable to the GHS Academic Foundation, 210 Valleydale Street, Bluefield, VA 24605, attn: Joyce Johnston. Said 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.

GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL – GIRLS TENNIS

\$250.00 EASTERN

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 authorizes the amount of \$250.00 from the Eastern District Fund, payable to Graham High School Girls Tennis, 210 Valleydale Street, Bluefield, VA 24605, attn: Courtney Oxford. Said 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. These funds will go towards new uniforms.

GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL SWIM TEAM AA STATE SWIM MEET EXPENSES

\$250.00 EASTERN

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 authorizes the amount of \$250.00 from the Eastern District Fund, payable to Graham High School, 210 Valleydale Street, Bluefield, VA 24605, attn: Dee Shoemaker; earmarked for GHS State Swim. Said 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.

SUPERVISOR LESTER

Supervisor Lester questioned if anyone had talked with the Electoral Board regarding the Pounding Mill and Wardell voting precincts. Interim County Attorney, Chase Collins, said he hadn't had a chance but would voice Supervisor Lester's concerns to the Electoral Board.

Mr. Young said that Mr. Earls has been looking for a new location with better parking for the upcoming election and then following this election they would be looking for a more permanent location.

SUPERVISOR HACKWORTH**TOWN OF RICHLANDS - RICHLANDS SECTION FOREMAN HOUSE
\$5,000.00 FROM CAPITAL PROJECTS CONTINGENCY 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 authorizes a check in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the Capital Projects Contingency Fund Account No. 91050-7008 payable to the Town of Richlands, 200 Washington Square, Richlands, VA 24641; earmarked Richlands Section Foreman House. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

ADJOURN

Now, upon motion of Supervisor Hackworth, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, this meeting is hereby adjourned.

Travis Hackworth, Chair

by: WP

Adjourn time 9:54 p.m.