

VIRGINIA: AT A RECESSED MEETING OF THE TAZEWell COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 AT FOUR O'CLOCK P.M. IN THE TAZEWell COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWell, VIRGINIA 24651

PRESENT: CHARLES A. STACY, CHAIRMAN
TOM A. LESTER, JR., VICE CHAIRMAN
MARGARET ASBURY, MEMBER
D. MICHAEL HYMES, MEMBER
C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
CHASE D. COLLINS, COUNTY ATTORNEY
WHITNEY PARSONS, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
DAVE WHITE, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
ARLENE MATNEY, BUDGET AND FINANCE DIRECTOR
BARRY BROOKS, DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND EMS OPERATIONS
GINNY DAWSON, CARES ACT ADMINISTRATOR
DENISE HARMAN, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
A.J. ROBINSON, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TOURISM
BRIAN HIEATT, SHERIFF
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS: JIM TALBERT, CLINCH VALLEY NEWS/RICHLANDS NEWS PRESS; WARREN HINKLE, THE VOICE NEWSPAPER (present by phone)

ABSENT: TRAVIS HACKWORTH, MEMBER

Chairman, Charles Stacy called the recessed meeting to order.

The Chairman welcomed those in attendance and citizens who were participating by conference call. Citizens were able to call in and participate in the meeting by calling (425) 436-6388 and entering the access code 836650.

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

AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the September 17, 2020 agenda as amended.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth absent from the meeting, 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:

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

- \$500.00 to Acct. 12210-6009 (received from Brushfork Recycling)

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

- \$175.00 to Acct. 31020-5520 (received from Diversified Marketing Services Inc.)

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

- \$500.00 to Acct. 7301-6012 (received from Tazewell Lions Club)

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

- \$250.00 to Acct. 12090-6001 (received from CoreLogic Solutions, LLC, ck#7432880 dated 09-10-2020)

- Surplussed 1985 Arrow Fire Engine and 1985 Ford 900 Tanker Fire Engine
- Transferred \$75,000.00 from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to Account No. 32040-6007-1 (CARES Act funds given to Tazewell County EMS for pandemic related purchases as requested by Barry Brooks and approved by the CARES Act Committee.)

SPECIAL PRESENTATION**RESOLUTION - GO GOLD FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS**

Supervisor Asbury read and presented the Resolution to Ms. Jill Rasnick from the T.J. Rasnick Foundation.

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Hymes and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the RESOLUTION GO GOLD FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS. The Resolution declares September 25, 2020 as GO GOLD day in Tazewell, Virginia as an observance of all the children who are suffering or have suffered with cancer. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the County Administration Building, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA 24651.

CARES ACT SPENDING PRESENTATION

The County Administrator gave an informative presentation regarding the CARES Act Funding received by the County. Mr. Young informed the Board that the County received \$3.541 million in CARES funding for “Round One” and received an additional \$3.541 million for “Round Two” in August and that all funds must be spent by December 30, 2020 and that any funds not spent must be returned. Mr. Young then proceeded to present the Board with information regarding how the CARES Act funding was categorized and dispersed.

Mr. Young asked for direction from the Board on how to spend the “Round Two” funding stating that staff had met to make recommendations on how to appropriate those funds.

Mr. Young provided a breakdown of those recommendations to the Board for discussion:

- Broad Band Projects with Point, Spectrum, and Others = \$700,000.00
Mr. Young explained that there were some providers that could not commit to completing the projects prior to December 30th and stated that we may not be able to spend the entire amount.
- Reimbursement to the Tazewell County School Board for the purchase of PPE and Computer Equipment for distance learning = \$700,000.00
Mr. Young explained that the Tazewell County School Board received funding from the state as well but they had longer to spend their received money. He stated that by

providing the School Board with this funding now, that it would help them in the next fiscal year.

- Three Ambulances for TCEMS (Station 1 & 2, plus reserve) = \$660,000.00

Mr. Young let the Board know that this was important for not only the County but would give us the ability to back up the Towns if needed when we had known COVID patients that needed transport.

- Rent & Utility Assistance for citizens laid off starting March 15, 2020 = \$40,000.00

Mr. Young let the Board know that under the CARES Act we were able to assist citizens who have a need due to being displaced or laid off due to COVID. He stated that Clinch Valley Community Action already has a program in place to assist citizens in need and suggested that we give the suggested amount to CVCA to provide assistance to those citizens who need assistance during this pandemic granted that they have been displaced or in need after March 15, 2020 in order to comply with the regulations set forth under the CARES Act.

- Tazewell County COVID safe transport vehicle = \$50,000.00

Mr. Young stated that the Sheriff's office had requested two COVID safe transport vehicles for their department. Supervisor Hymes and Supervisor Lester stated that they believed the request was for four vehicles not two. Mr. Young stated that he misunderstood the request. Mr. Young proceeded to explain to the Board that this was what he needed was guidance and approval to move forward with spending the funds so that we meet the deadline. Mr. Young also explained that if we increased the amount of money we gave to the Sheriff's Office that we would need to decrease that amount in other areas.

- United Way Daycare Assistance Match = \$150,000.00

Mr. Young presented to the Board that there are several families that are facing issues with daycare in the County due to the adjustment in school hours and other factors. He explained that by giving this money to the United Way they would provide assistance to parents who have to place their kids in daycare and would also assist the daycare centers. There was extensive discussion about funding the daycare centers with focus on Kirk's Blessings.

- TCEMS Backup Crew; COVID Response = \$40,000.00

Mr. Young stated that by having a backup crew to cover the County and even the Towns that will move part time employees to a full time status through December to provide assistance if there are crews that are exposed to COVID. The Chairman asked what their function would be and Mr. Young explained that they would provide whatever assistance would be needed during this time.

- Stationary Fumigation Machine for Courthouse = \$30,000.00

Mr. Young reminded the Board about a \$47,000.00 dollar grant that was awarded to the County for the purchase of two fumigation machines for the Courthouse. He continued to explain that those machines purchased under that grant were to be used ONLY at the Courthouse. He went on to say that by purchasing an additional machine we would have one for each floor and this one that could be used in other areas throughout the County as needed.

- De-Contamination Extractors for Fire & EMS = \$50,000.00

Mr. Young explained that this request came from the Fire & EMS Director to address the need to properly de-contaminate the turn out gear of the Fire Departments. These are specific washing machines designed for turn out gear to remove carcinogens and help prevent the spread of COVID. Supervisor Hymes asked where they would be located and Mr. Brooks explained that they would be placed in a place where they may be used by multiple agencies. Supervisor Hymes asked if they would be available for everyone and not just the towns. Mr. Brooks stated that most of the towns already have these machines at their stations. Supervisor Hymes then proceed to ask Mr. Brooks about PPE requests from Fire Departments and how that was being handled. Mr. Brooks and Mr. White stated that was part of the money allocated from Round One: COVID Preparedness.

Mr. Young stated that the remaining three categories (Business Assistance in addition to \$1.13 million from Round One, Reimbursement to County for wages dedicated to COVID, and Reserve for Public Health Costs/Outbreaks/Deadline Extensions) were a “catch-all” and explained that reimbursement to County for wages dedicated to COVID were to cover the cost of employing those whose jobs have been substantially dedicated to COVID response and management of the pandemic. Those employees included: Eric Young, David White, Barry Brooks, AJ Robinson, and Ginny Dawson and would also include the stipend paid to custodians who have been cleaning the courthouse.

There was discussion about the best ways to spend any remaining funds so that we are not sending any of the money back. There was also discussion about “hero pay” and how the money may be better spent on capital expenditures. Mr. Young stated that he’d hate to give out the money and then we find our self in situation where we needed it for an outbreak or some other unforeseen need.

Mr. Young moved on to discuss supplemental requests. First was a request by the constitutional officers for “hero’s pay” in the amount of \$208,000.00. Supervisor Hymes asked if that amount included the PSA in which Mr. Young advised that it did not and including the PSA would be approximately another \$85,000.00. Supervisor Hymes then asked if the \$208,000.00

included everyone in “this building” (County Administration Building). Mr. Young stated that the amount included only the constitutional officers. Mr. Young stated then that if some type of pay was going to be given to the folks at the courthouse then he would hope something would be done for the people in the administrative building as well. Further discussion took place about this topic.

Southwest Virginia Community College made a request that Mr. Young presented to the Board. The board agreed that their request was valid except for \$5,000.00 for marketing funds for workforce programs aimed at COVID displaced workers and \$7,000.00 for Forced Air Hoods for Welding as these did not meet the parameters set forth under the CARES Act. This decreased the request from \$34,000.00 to \$22,000.00. Supervisor Lester stated that he should abstain from any comments or votes on this matter.

Davis House made a request for approximately \$44,000.00 with \$9,459.65 for PPE supplies and \$35,070.00 to improve upon a mobile home to use as quarantine housing. Mr. Young stated that the committee was okay with approving the PPE request but was not okay with the \$35,000.00 for improving the existing building. Mr. Young then explained that the County had plans for individuals who needed quarantine housing with the cabins at Cavitt’s Creek being an option.

Mr. Young stated that Judge Patterson is requesting “hands free evidence system” with video monitoring that would allow pictures of evidence to be shown rather than passed around to the jurors. Mr. Young stated that for courtroom one the cost would be \$46,000.00 and courtroom two would be \$32,000.00 totaling \$78,000.00 request. There was discussion about this request. Chairman Stacy requested that this request be tabled.

Mr. Young then asked if the Board wanted to go back and talk about “Round Two” or would they rather talk about the Round One, Phase III Business Assistance. The Board stated they wanted to talk about the Round One Business Assistance money.

Proposed Distribution of Round One, Phase III funds, Business Assistance:

Mr. Young stated that the IDA was given \$131,000.00 but they were asked not to spend it took under advisement their recommendations. Mr. Young continued to explain the remaining money left in Business Assistance including some money that the IDA had given back to be used for advertising.

Mr. Young continued to make suggestions as to how to break down the remaining \$1,000,000.00 which included, rapid business response, forgiving of loans through VCEDA, an additional \$100,000.00 to the IDA for small business loan forgiveness, another \$100,000.00 for

those who had previously paid off loans. There was extensive discussion about how to determine which loans to forgive. The Board suggested speaking about the businesses that owe money in executive session. Mr. Young stated that he did not know the status of the loans and deferred to Denise Harmon who did not have that information with her at the time.

Mr. Young continued to discuss the spending of the additional funds for Business Recovery which included assistance for larger businesses of 25 or more employees as a fail-safe and the possibility of a new loan program that would target only businesses with 25 or fewer employees and referred to the handout provided to explain the how those awards would be calculated but with a maximum amount for the grants.

The Board continued discussion about the amount of money the IDA would provide to small businesses with specific discussion on Four Winds Plantation, Crisp Family Coaches, and Kirk's Blessings. These discussions resulted in a motion to amend some of the amounts given to these businesses by the IDA for assistance under the CARES Act.

Mr. Young continued by asking how the Board wanted to continue and the Board stated they wanted to finish out Round One. Mr. Collins suggested going back to look at the IDA money and how it should be decided. Chairman Stacy asked if there were more funds available to make corrections to the small businesses amount. The Board discussed each of the businesses at length and how much each of them received and how each amount were determined based on the location of the business and whether they felt the amount the requested was justified based on how they were negativity impacted due to COVID. There was a lengthy discussion about the businesses that applied again specifically talking at length about Kirk's Blessings.

Mr. Collins asked the Board to consider carefully what the businesses have applied funding for so that everything is covered under the CARES Act. Chairman Stacy asked what would happen if we funded them based on the number of employees but their application is for loss of revenue. Supervisor Hymes suggested that we fund them at \$1,500.00 per person employed. There was discussion about how that would apply between the towns and the County. The Board stated that none of the businesses should have fallen through any cracks based on a lack of funding to the towns. Mrs. Harmon spoke to the Board about concerns some businesses made because they are located in the towns rather than the County.

Supervisor Hymes suggested that all the funding come from the County instead of giving additional funding to the towns to distribute to the businesses. Mrs. Robinson stated that the towns she spoke to preferred that all Small Business Assistance be handled at a County level. Mr. Young advised that the IDA rolled \$30,000.00 back into the Phase III pot and that we could take \$18,000.00 from that money and roll it back to the IDA to make sure everyone is funding.

Supervisor Lester asked about a couple of businesses that did not receive funding because they are non-profit and there was discussion about that amongst the Board. There was discussion about whether or not Four Winds Plantation was in operation.

Upon motion by Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby moves to strike the return of \$30,000.00 from the IDA for advertising from the consent calendar.

Mr. Young then advised that with that \$30,000.00 freed up the Board was free to use it to fund some of the businesses previously discussed such as Crisp Family Coach and Kirk's Blessings. There was discussion about the application process and making sure that businesses knew what they were allowed to ask for under the CARES Act. The Board was informed by Mrs. Robinson, Mr. Collins, and Mr. Young that the towns as well as the businesses that applied for assistance were made aware of what costs and expenses were able to be funded under the CARES Act with loss of revenue not being an eligible expense. Mrs. Robison stated that she had spoken with Margie Douglas about the possibility of a workshop for applicants for the next round of funding. Further discussion on why larger businesses and non-profit organizations were not funded continued.

Mrs. Matney advised the Board that all those who receive funding under the CARES Act are subject to an audit where they will be required to produce proof of how funding was spent and that it was spent on things allowed under the CARES Act.

APPROVED IDA'S RECOMMENDATIONS SUBJECT TO FOUR WINDS PLANTATION GRANT AMENDMENT

More discussion about Four Winds Plantation in regards to the amount requested. Four Winds Plantation's application was reviewed by the Board.

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Chairman Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the IDA's recommendations subject to amending the Four Winds Plantation grant from \$13,500.00 to \$5,000.00.

REALLOCATED \$30,000.00 INDICATED FOR ADVERTISING PHASE III TO GIVE \$15,000.00 TO KIRK'S BLESSINGS AND \$3,750.00 TO CRISP TRANSPORTATION AS A GRANT, PLACING THE REMAINDER INTO THE PHASE III FUND

Upon motion of Chairman Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reallocates the \$30,000 which was previously indicated for advertising Phase III and authorizes \$15,000.00 to Kirk's Blessings as a grant and authorizes \$3,750.00 to

Crisp Transportation as a grant and deposit the remainder into the Phase III fund.

Mr. Young stated that checks can begin being cut by the IDA. Mr. Collins stated that he would draft the letters. Supervisor Stacy proposed that an invitation be extended to those businesses to come in and sign the agreement while picking up their checks.

Discussion moved onto the proposed distribution of Round One, Phase III so that Round One funding could be closed out before moving onto proposed distribution of Round Two funding. The Board referenced the handout given by the County Administrator.

- 1) Distribute the Phase I funds as previously approved by the IDA was considered done
- 2) Distribute additional funds to other Phase I applicants who qualify by the same Phase I formula was considered done.
- 3) The Board discussed allocating \$100,000.00 to the IDA to forgive loans IDA made to small businesses in June with VCEDA funds
- 4) Allocate \$100,000.00 to IDA to forgive additional small loans made by IDA with local funds and
- 5) The Board tabled the allocation of \$100,000.00 to IDA for grants for small businesses who paid off their loans to the IDA within the 12 months preceding March 1, 2020 until their October meeting.
- 6) Allocate \$500,000.00 to IDA for grants to Manufacturing Employers, including repayment of previous debts owed to IDA and VCEDA to keep down operating costs and maintain employment in executive session.

AGENDA ITEMS ADDED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Lester with a vote of 4 to 0, with supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors added topic A(29) specifically regarding the VCEDA loans totaling \$100,000.00 for COVID-19 preparedness to executive session.

Upon motion by Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors added topic A(29) IDA loans made to small businesses to executive session.

Mr. Young proceeded to dismiss the staff that was present for the meeting due to their involvement with the CARES Act.

The Board moved forward with discussion to finalize decisions on supplemental requests from Round One, Phase II (Public Health)

DAVIS HOUSE REQUEST – PPE

\$9,459.65 ROUND ONE PHASE II

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Lester with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors approves the Davis House request for PPE in the amount of \$9,459.65.

SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUEST

\$22,000.00 ROUND ONE PHASE II

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 3 to 0, with Supervisor Lester abstaining and Supervisor Hackworth absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves \$22,000.00 of the requested \$34,000.00 excluding the \$5,000.00 for marketing for displaced workers and \$7,000.00 for welding hoods requested by Southwest Virginia Community College.

The Board then addressed the requests from the PSA, Constitutional Officers and anything involving “Hero’s Pay” to be tabled until the October meeting.

Mr. Young then asked the Board if they wanted to go back and deal with Round Two appropriations or move onto Executive Session. The Board chose to skip that section until after executive session.

ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER SUSPENDED

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Lester with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth begin absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby suspend Roberts Rules of Order for the purpose of moving past Round Two Proposed Expenditures on the agenda into Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 6:24 PM

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby enters into an Executive/Closed meeting, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711:

- A(1) Project Jonah
- A(29) Contract Negotiations regarding SVCC Scholarship Agreement
- A(29) Negotiations regarding Justice Easement for ATV Trails

- A(29) VCEDA loans totaling \$100,000.00 for COVID-19 preparedness
- A(29) Loans made to small businesses

RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION – 8:21 PM

**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: Four (4)
Nays: None (0)
Absent: None (0)
Absent during vote: None (0)
Report of Action: Twelve (12)

AUTHORIZED \$250,000.00 TRANSFER FROM ROUND TWO CARES FUNDS INTO ROUND ONE, PHASE III

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury, with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes the transfer of \$250,000.00 from Round Two of the CARES funds into Round One, Phase III.

AUTHORIZED \$99,400.00 FROM PHASE III OF ROUND ONE FOR DEBT FORGIVENESS FOR BUSINESSES WHO RECEIVED LOANS FROM IDA

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes the appropriation of \$99,400.00 from Phase III of Round One for debt forgiveness for the businesses who received loans from the Tazewell County IDA under the Tazewell County Together Opportunity fund which was financed from a VCEDA loan.

AUTHORIZED A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$30,457.62 TO THE IDA FOR LOAN FORGIVENESS TO FISHER & COMPANY AND REAL MCCOY CABINS

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes a total amount of \$30,457.62 to the Tazewell County IDA for loan forgiveness to Fisher & Company in the amount of \$8,000.00 and Real McCoy Cabins in the amount of \$22,457.62.

AUTHORIZED \$650,000.00 FROM ROUND ONE, PHASE III TO IDA FOR DEBT RELIEF AND GRANTS TO LARGER EMPLOYERS

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Hymes with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes \$650,000.00 from Round One, Phase III to the Tazewell County IDA for debt relief and grants to larger employers including those who received loans from VCEDA and that those allocations by the IDA would be subject to approval by the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors.

AUTHORIZED \$250,000.00 TO THE IDA FOR GRANTS TO SMALL BUSINESSES WHO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE THIS FALL

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes \$250,000.00 to the Tazewell County IDA for grants to small businesses who apply for assistance this Fall.

AMENDED PREVIOUS MOTION TO INCLUDE THAT FINAL APPROPRIATIONS BY THE IDA BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE TAZEWEILL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THAT THEY FOLLOW BOARDS FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Lester with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors amends the previous motion to include that final appropriations by the IDA be

subject to approval by the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors and that the Board instructs the IDA that:

1. Only businesses with 25 or fewer employees be eligible
2. The amount of the award for each employer would be calculated on a per employee basis
3. The minimum grant would be \$1,000.00 and the maximum grant would be \$10,000.00
4. Eligible expenses would include, rent, AEP bills, phone bills, gas bills, internet bills, and PPE expenses as well as mortgage payments
5. Retailers who experienced an increase in gross sales in the second quarter of 2020 as compared to the second quarter of 2019 would not be eligible.

AUTHORIZED UP TO \$650,000.00 FOR BROADBAND PROJECTS FROM CARES ACT ROUND TWO

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes an amount up to \$650,000.00 for Broadband projects from CARES Act Round Two.

AUTHORIZED \$50,000.00 FROM CARES ACT ROUND TWO – MOBILE HOTSPOTS; AUTHORIZED \$700,000.00 TO TCPS FOR PPE AND COMPUTERS; AND AUTHORIZED UP TO \$660,000.00 TO TAZEWEILL EMS FOR PURCHASE OF THREE (3) AMBULANCES

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes \$50,000.00 for mobile hotspots from CARES Act Round Two, \$700,000.00 to Tazewell County Public Schools for PPE and computers in addition to the \$1.4 million they are eligible for from the state, and three ambulances to be purchased by Tazewell County EMS with an amount not to exceed \$660,000.00.

APPROVED A RENT AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO BE ADMINISTERED BY CVCA

\$40,000.00 CARES ACT ROUND TWO FUNDS

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors approves a Rent and Utility Assistance program from CARES Act Round Two funds in the amount of \$40,000.00 to be administered by Clinch Valley Community Action and such grants will not exceed \$400.00 in value each and persons eligible for those grants will be persons whom were laid off after March 1, 2020.

AUTHORIZED \$200,000.00 TO SHERIFF'S OFFICE – FOUR TRANSPORT VEHICLES; AUTHORIZED \$150,000.00 UNITED WAY DAYCARE ASSISTANCE MATCH; AUTHORIZED \$40,000.00 TO TAZEWELL COUNTY EMS BACKUP CREW; AUTHORIZED \$30,000.00 TO COURTHOUSE FOR FUMIGATION MACHINE; AUTHORIZED \$50,000.00 TO FIRE & EMS FOR DE-CONTAMINATION EXTRACTORS – FROM CARES ACT ROUND TWO

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Lester with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes \$200,000.00 to the Tazewell County Sheriff's Office for four transport vehicles; \$150,000.00 for the United Way Daycare assistance match; \$40,000.00 for Tazewell County EMS backup crew for COVID response; \$30,000.00 for a stationary fumigation machine for the Tazewell County Courthouse; and \$50,000.00 for de-contamination extractors for Fire & EMS all from CARES Act Round Two.

AUTHORIZED \$350,000.00 TRANSFER FROM CARES ACT ROUND TWO FUNDS TO GENERAL FUND AS REIMBURSEMENT

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Hymes with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes a transfer in the amount of \$350,000.00 from the CARES Act Round Two funds to the Tazewell County General Fund as reimbursement for County expenses including personnel whose jobs are substantially dedicated to combat the COVID virus and it's impacts.

AUTHORIZED TO PLACE REMAINING CARES ACT ROUND TWO FUNDS INTO A RESERVE

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes to place the remaining funds of CARES Act Round Two into a reserve for public health costs, future outbreaks or an extension deadline.

APPOINTMENTS

VIRGINIA COALFIELD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The County Administrator informed the Board that Jonathan Belcher from the Virginia Coalfield Economic Development Authority (VCEDA) contacted the County and stated that based on performance in Coal & Gas production in the fast fiscal year that Tazewell County is entitled to one seat on the VCEDA board to be appointed by the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors. Mr. Young then advised that Tazewell County has surpassed Wise County in Coal

& Gas productive primarily due to Buchanan One Coal Mine mining within Tazewell County jurisdiction. The appointment to the VCEDA board is a four 4 year term.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent for the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors appoints Supervisor Mike Hymes to the VCEDA Board with a term commencing immediately and expiring on June 30, 2024.

CUMBERLAND PLATEAU PLANNING COMMISSION DISTRICT

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors appoint Supervisor Hackworth to the Cumberland Plateau Planning Commission District with a term commencing immediately and expiring on December 31, 2023. This term coincides with his elected term of office.

APPROVED HVAC SYSTEM CARES CHANGE ORDER

The County Administrator explained to the Board that when we did the HVAC update at the courthouse the company owed us a credit of approximately \$19,200.00 because not as many structural changes need to be made to the building as originally anticipated and that the County had replaced some of the ceiling units prior to this project therefore the project was overestimated. Mr. Young then explained that the company in exchange for the \$19,200.00 credit offered to update the system with more air turn over and a clean air system that helps prevent the spread of disease. Because of this change and its impact of helping prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus the cost of \$19,200.00 was eligible to be reimbursed to the county from CARES Act funding to cover the cost of these upgrades.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Hymes with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the change order for the HVAC system for the Tazewell County Courthouse with funds being taken from the Round Two contingency for Future Outbreaks/Public Health from the CARES Act Funds.

MORRIS KNOB TOWER PURCHASE

AUTHORIZED AN AMOUNT UP TO \$3,500.00 FROM CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUND

Mr. Young informed the Board that 911 that dispatches under the Sheriff's Office had plans to purchase an existing tower located on Morris Knob owned by Eddie Folks. Mr. Folks

has offered to sell the tower to the County for \$100.00. Mr. Young continued that the tower would be used to place a redundant antenna on for backup communications. In 2011 the site went down and the county lost 80% of all communications because Morris Knob is the primary communication location for Tazewell County. Mr. Young explained that the tower needed some improvements with the guide wires and some work to secure the tower for it to be operational. Tazewell County Communications requested \$2,000.00 to purchase and secure the tower which did not include the purchase or installation of an antenna to place on the tower. The County Administrator then suggested that the Board approve up to \$3,500.00 to Tazewell County Communications from the Capital Contingency Fund to cover all costs needed to make the tower operational. Supervisor Hymes asked if GigaBeam could place anything on the tower to use it as well and Mr. Young stated that would be looked into.

Upon motion by Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Supervisor Asbury with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes an amount up to \$3,500.00 to be spent from the capital contingency fund for the purchase, securing and antenna for tower located on Morris Knob to serve as a redundant antenna for Tazewell County's primary communications.

BOARD CONCERNS

SUPERVISOR ASBURY

WILLIE ROGER GRIFFITH BRIDGE DEDICATION

Supervisor Asbury stated the Board had previously made a resolution to dedicate a bridge in Bishop after Willie Roger Griffith in memorial of him. She stated that the dedication would take place on September 18th, 2020 at 2:00pm if anyone would like to attend.

SUPERVISOR HYMES

COVE COMMUNITY CENTER HOTSPOT

Supervisor Hymes led with concerns about a mobile hotspot needed at the Cove Community Center. He asked Mr. Young the County Administrator to research what is needed to get a mobile hotspot placed there and report that back to the Board in October.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – BALLISTIC SHIELDS

AUTHORIZED AN AMOUNT UP TO \$9,000.00 FROM CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUND

Supervisor Hymes continued with his next concern stating that he had spoken to Major Harold Heatley with the Tazewell County Sheriff's office and found that that they had been out

in the community trying to raise funding to purchase six ballistic shields for their department. Supervisor Hymes stated that each shield costs \$1,500.00. Mr. Young stated that the Sheriff's Office did not make a request for the current budget to make such a purchase but that the County should be able to cover that cost from the Capital Contingency Fund.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Hymes with a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth being absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors authorizes up to \$9,000.00 from the Capital Contingency Fund to be used for the purchase of six Ballistic Shields for the Tazewell County Sheriff's Office.

LAREDO STREET

Supervisor Hymes stated that Kenneth Dunford was to be checking with VDOT in regards to an issue raised by Ms. Patterson who lives at 246 Laredo Street in Rolling Hills Subdivision. Supervisor Hymes states that there is a potential drainage issue there that is resulting in Ms. Patterson's driveway to be destroyed numerous times. Supervisor Hymes requested that Mr. Young follow up with Mr. Dunford in regards to this matter.

CHAIRMAN STACY

POSSIBLE BALLISTIC SHIELDS PRESENTATION

Chairman Stacy suggested that upon purchase of the Ballistic Shields the Sheriff's Office be presented those shields by the Board. Supervisor Stacy stated that any show of public support for the work and dedication of the Sheriff's Office would be a good thing.

UNSCHEDULED CITIZEN COMMENTS

BROADBAND CONCERNS IN ABBS VALLEY

1. Cody Howell a resident of Tazewell County living on Rosenbaum Road voiced concerns that he and several others in that specific area have no available or reliable internet service which is a cause for concern for several of the citizens due to telemedicine concerns, as well as virtual learning capabilities.
2. Marty Walker then spoke stating that he had spoken to Comcast Communications and for \$25,000.00 they can provide service to that area.

Mr. Young stated that he would look into the concerns and the County has been working for years to get service to areas that do not have it.

3. Wendy Walker, Marty Walker's wife spoke and asked if research could be made public to residents of research that was conducted to get reliable internet service to their area. Mrs. Walker gave her address 1997 Rosenbaum Road.

The Board asked if Mr. Walker could send something to the County Administrator where Comcast quoted the \$25,000.00 price to provide service. Mr. Walker stated he would get that info to Mr. Young.

ADJOURN

Now, there being no further business to be transacted and upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hackworth absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adjourns this meeting to October 6, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Charles A. Stacy, Chair

By: WP/GD

Adjourn time: 9:04 p.m.