

VIRGINIA: AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD AUGUST 3, 2021 AT FOUR O'CLOCK P.M. IN THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA 24651

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

ABSENT: NONE

Chairman, Tom Lester called the regular meeting to order and presided with all members present.

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

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.

AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

The County Administrator added an item to Executive Session: A(3) Property Disposition Regarding Property on Main Street.

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 August 3, 2021 agenda as amended.

MINUTES APPROVED AS WRITTEN

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 March 16th, June 1st, and June 29th Tazewell County Board of Supervisors meeting minutes as written.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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 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:

A.

WARRANTS July 2021

Payroll

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 145368 through 145383, and direct deposits totaling \$255,507.97 from the General, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending June 30, 2021, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 145385 through 145399, and direct deposits totaling \$267,886.42 from the General Fund, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending July 15, 2021, be approved.

Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 494079 through 494215, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$577,926.13 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and CARES funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued June 28, 2021, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 494218 through 494234, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$471,222.48 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending June 30, 2021, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 494236 through 494361, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$1,093,242.01 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and CARES funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued July 12, 2021, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 494363 through 494373, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$142,136.56 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending July 15, 2021, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 802112 through 802113 for \$35,008.00 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, and Law Library, covering operating expenses for the month of June 2021, be approved.

- B. Sheriff's Department – Transferred the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff Department Accounts as follows:
- \$371.36 to Account No. 31020-5510 (received from Virginia Sheriffs' Institute, Inc.)
 - \$476.07 to Account No. 31020-6009 (received from VACORP)
 - \$1,000.00 to Account No. 310206010 (received from Keep Virginia Beautiful)
- C. Sheriff's Department – Declared Surplus:
- 2007 Ford E-350 truck. VIN#1FDWE35F6YHB35602
 - 2011 Ford Crown Victorian. VIN#2FABP7BV8BX127742
 - 2010 Ford Crown Victoria. VIN#2FABP7BV4AX115330
 - 2009 Ford Crown Victoria. VIN#2FAHP71V69X142486
 - 2004 Ford Explorer. VIN#1FMDU62K54UA84625
 - 2004 Ford F-350. VIN#1FTSW31P44ED37350
 - 2004 Ford Crown Victoria. VIN#2FAFP74W54X156450
- D. Sheriff's Department – Authorized the donation of a 2007 Ford F-150 to the Clearfork Fire Department.
- E. 911 Department - Transferred the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the 911 Department Accounts as follows:
- \$3,000.00 to Account No. 035600-8109-15 (received from the Alzheimer's Foundation of America)
- F. Authorized the amount of \$3,495.32 from the Southern District Funds payable to the Clearfork Fire Department, 7004 Clearfork Road, Bastian, VA 24314. These monies go towards paying mechanic work on their fire engine. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.
- G. Ratified email poll authorizing and directing the County Administrator and AJ Robinson to submit an application in the open round of CPROP grants to Cumberland Plateau in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the Cavitts Creek Trail project. The project was discussed at the June 1st and June 29th Board of Supervisor meetings.
- H. Ratified email poll appointing Dr. Mike J. Henry to the Courthouse Grounds Improvement Committee.

- I. Ratified poll authorizing the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Western District Fund and \$1,000.00 from the Northwestern District Fund for a total amount of \$2,000.00 payable to the Richlands Recreation Park, 126 Rec Park Road, Richlands, VA 24641. These funds go towards the Back2School Bash Weekend event for Richlands Community Children. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.
 - J. Authorized a transfer in the amount of \$30,000.00 from the Capital Projects Contingency Account No. 091050-7008 (within the General Fund Budget) to the Economic Development Budget Account No. 12050-5680.
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KENNETH DUNFORD – DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING SET WITH PLANNING COMMISSION – CONSIDERATION OF AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Director of Engineering updated the Board regarding the revenue sharing application that deals with safety improvements along Pounding Mill Branch intersection. Mr. Dunford said that the pre-application had been screened through and continued on to the next step. He brought it to the Boards attention that they would have to amend the Comprehensive Plan to include the changes in the final packet for October. Mr. Dunford requested to hold a joint public hearing with the Planning Commission at the September meeting to have the Plan amended.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster 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 Attorney to advertise for a joint public hearing with the Planning Commission to be held on September 7th at a time to be determined to consider amending the Comprehensive Plan.

AAA PAVING AND SEALING, INC. – PAVING \$14,175.00 FROM COAL ROAD FUND

DOMINION DRIVEWAY & PARKING LOT PAVING, INC. – PAVING \$2,403.00 FROM COAL ROAD FUND

Mr. Dunford discussed issues regarding the paving contracts with AAA Paving and Sealing, Inc. and Dominion Driveway & Parking Lot Paving, Inc. He stated when he received the invoices he noticed that both contractors had went over on the authorized amounts without approval from the Board or Engineering Department. AAA Paving went over \$78,000.00 but only billed the County for \$28,000.00 of the increase. Dominion Paving went over \$2,403.00. The County Administrator and Board had a lengthy discussion.

The County Administrator recommended that the Board pay the entire \$2,403.00 overage to Dominion because it was a small amount and a safety measure that was taken by widening the asphalt at an intersection. He also recommended not paying all of the AAA overage because they had to go back and fix poor work they done previously.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster 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 \$14,175.00 from the Coal Road Fund payable to AAA Paving and Sealing, Inc., PO Box 975, Princeton, WV 24740 and upon further motion authorizes the amount of \$2,403.00 from the Coal Road Fund payable to Dominion Driveway & Parking Lot Paving, Inc., 2927 Adria Road, North Tazewell, VA 24630. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrants in accordance with this action and which said warrants will be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

The Board then had a lengthy discussion about automobile junkyards in Tazewell County, specifically in Raven and Abbs Valley.

Then the Board talked about a citizen complaint they had received regarding the Tannersville convenience area site; pictures were shown of the mess. Mr. Young commented that Santek has recently been bought out by Republic and the County will now have to solve issues like these on its own. Republic does not cleanup around dumpsters, fix fences, or lay down gravel. They are only contractually obligated to come and load the dumpster and leave.

AGENDA ITEM ADDED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The County Attorney requested to add an item to Executive Session: A(29) MOU with Southwest Regional Recreation 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 add item A(29) MOU with Southwest Regional Recreation Authority to Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 4:35 PM

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, 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(1) Personnel regarding the Appointment of an Executive Director for the Cumberland Plateau Industrial Facilities Authority
- A(1) Employee in the Engineering Department

- A(1) Personnel in Administration
- A(3) Property Disposition Courthouse Space
- A(3) Property Disposition Animal Shelter
- A(3) Property Disposition Regarding Property on Main Street.
- A(29) Negotiations with Santeck/Republic regarding potential amendments to the Public Private Partnership Agreement for landfill management
- A(29) MOU with Southwest Regional Recreation Authority.

RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION – 5:58 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: Five (5)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: None (0)

Absent during vote: None (0)

Report of Action: Two (2)

APPROVED MOU BETWEEN TAZEWELL COUNTY AND THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL RECREATION AUTHORITY

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Plaster 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 Memorandum of Understanding between Tazewell County and the Southwest Regional Recreation Authority, as presented in Executive Session, authorizing the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - CUMBERLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

\$30,000.00 CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUND

Upon motion of Supervisor Hymes, seconded by Chairman 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 contributes \$30,000.00 to the Cumberland Industrial Facilities Authority to be used for the appointment of an Executive Director for said Authority. Said contribution shall come from the Capital Contingency Fund.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

GAVIN LEE – 2A STATE SHOT PUT CHAMPION AND 2A STATE DISCUS CHAMPION

Supervisor Hymes welcomed Tazewell High School graduate Gavin Lee and presented a resolution commending him for his achievements as the 2A State Shot Put Champion and 2A State Discus Champion.

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 COMMENDING GAVIN LEE AS STATE CHAMPION FOR THE YEAR 2021”. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the County Administrator’s Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

KATIE BENSON – 2A STATE 3200 METER RACE CHAMPION

Supervisor Stacy welcomed Graham High School graduate Katie Benson and presented a resolution commending her for her achievements as the 2A State 3200 Meter Race Champion.

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 adopts, “A RESOLUTION COMMENDING KATIE BENSON AS STATE CHAMPION FOR THE YEAR 2021”. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the County Administrator’s Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

ADOPTED ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CIGARETTE TAX IN TAZEWEILL COUNTY, VIRGINIA AT AN EFFECTIVE RATE EQUAL TO \$0.25 PER PACK BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022

The County Attorney recalled advertising for a public hearing that was held on June 1st to establish a cigarette tax in Tazewell County. Mr. Collins explained that prior to the most recent session of the General Assembly; counties were not enabled to do so. However, towns and cities were allowed to establish a cigarette tax. In an effort to increase local revenues, the General

Assembly lifted the prohibition and now allows counties to impose taxes on cigarettes. The County advertised the cigarette tax at \$0.02 per cigarette which gives \$0.40 per pack. At the public hearing, business owners were concerned that the tax may be too high and drive business away. He presented figures that were given to him and Bluefield, Virginia had approximately \$300,000.00 of revenue off of a \$0.12 and half cent per pack tax on cigarettes. The Board did the math and it came out to about 2,400,000 packs.

Mr. Young explained that the Board advertised the tax at \$0.40 because it was the maximum allowed amount and they didn't know what the Board would decide. The County Administrator recalled the convenient store owner, Mike Davidson, who attended the hearing and voiced concern about the proposed tax. Mr. Davidson previously provided information from wholesale manufacturers showing that there are approximately 611,000 cartons of cigarettes sold in Tazewell County. Mr. Young said that the Board requested that he pick a tax rate that was most likely to bring in \$500,000.00 in revenue that is necessary to fund our EMS and at the same time minimize the impact on the local market. He explained the math saying that they took \$500,000.00 in target revenue and divided it by the estimated number of packs sold to give them a tax per pack of cigarettes. Mr. Young emphasized that the towns have exclusive taxing authority and that the 611,000 cartons of cigarettes reported includes the whole county including towns. This meant the 611,000 number included sales the Board could not tax. He said to determine how much of this they could actually tax they deducted the number of cartons sold in the towns. By doing this, they were able to determine that on average over the last two years there were approximately 406,000 cartons sold in the towns. He said they subtracted this figure from 611,000 in the county as a whole and it yielded carton estimate at around 205,000. Mr. Young commented that there are ten packs in one carton. He further broke down the formula and said that they took \$500,000.00 and divided it by \$2,047,917.27 cartons times 10 to come to a tax rate of \$0.24 per pack of cigarettes. This tax amount should bring in the wanted half a million in revenue.

CIGARETTE TAX INFORMATION

	Cartons of Cigarettes Sold FY2020	Packs of Cigarettes Sold FY2020	Revenue Collected on Cigarette Sales FY2020	Tax Rate Per Pack	Vendors
Town of Bluefield	246,016	2,460,160	\$ 307,520.00	\$ 0.125	10
Town of Cedar Bluff	8,964	89,640	\$ 8,964.00	\$ 0.10	1
Town of Pocahontas	2,530	25,300	\$ 2,024.00	\$ 0.08	1
Town of Richlands	80,370	803,700	\$ 80,370.00	\$ 0.10	5
Town of Tazewell	67,500	675,000	\$ 202,500.00	\$ 0.30	11
	405,380	4,053,800	\$ 601,378.00		
	Cartons of Cigarettes Sold FY2021 Thru 5/31/21	Packs of Cigarettes Sold FY2021 Thru 5/31/21	Revenue Collected on Cigarette Sales Thru 5/31/21	Tax Rate Per Pack	Vendors
Town of Bluefield	219,177	2,191,770	\$ 273,971.25	\$ 0.125	10
Town of Cedar Bluff	4,500	45,000	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 0.10	1
Town of Pocahontas	1,518	15,180	\$ 1,214.40	\$ 0.08	1
Town of Richlands	76,140	761,400	\$ 76,140.00	\$ 0.10	5
Town of Tazewell	72,000	720,000	\$ 216,000.00	\$ 0.40	11
	373,335	3,733,350	571,826		
CALCULATIONS BASED ON THIS INFORMATION					
FY21 Annualized # Cartons Sold:	407,274.55				
Avg Cartons sold over 2 Years:	<u>406,327.27</u>				
Average Cartons X 10 = # Packs:	4,063,272.73				
Calculated # of "Cartons" Sold in County:	204,791.73				
Calculated # of "Packs" Sold in County:	2,047,917.27				
Tax Per Pack to meet Revenue Goal:	\$ 0.24				

Mr. Young said that the County probably has around \$25,000.00 to \$40,000.00 in enforcement costs because they are moving a part time code enforcement officer from the sheriff's office to a full time position to enforce the Ordinance. The Treasurer will have to order stamps for this and administer the program. The County is asking for one more cent per pack to pay for these costs. Mr. Young then discussed the chart above. Mr. Young pointed out that Tazewell County receives a lot of business from people coming over from West Virginia. He commented that our gas taxes are less. Mr. Young said the County budgeted for \$250,000.00 this year because we didn't have plans to make the Ordinance effective until January 1, 2022. This will allow the Treasurer time to get the stamps and the Sheriff time to get his personnel lined up and establish procedures and to get our merchants ready for the adjustment.

Upon motion of Chairman Lester, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes abstaining, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts, "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CIGARETTE TAX IN TAZEVELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA," at an effective rate equal to \$0.25 per pack beginning on January 1, 2022. A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the County Administrator's Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA 24651.

Supervisor Asbury questioned Hymes and asked if he had abstained from voting to pass the Cigarette Tax Ordinance. The Chairman called for a roll call vote regarding the Ordinance with Supervisors Plaster, Stacy, Asbury, and Lester voting aye and Supervisor Hymes abstaining.

EMS DISCUSSION

Supervisor Hymes said that the County needed to understand that it does not have enough EMS crews and that they do not have enough equipment. He said this was the reasoning for passing the Cigarette Tax Ordinance. Hymes discussed emergency call statistics. In January through June of 2020 there were 1,400 calls to 911 in Tazewell County and for the whole year there were a total of 2,400 emergency calls placed. He commented that the Sheriff's Office and 911 Department have said that if the County receives more than two 911 calls in one area they struggle to respond to any additional emergencies.

CARES ACT FUNDING

The County Administrator provided a brief update on CARES Act spending. Mr. Young recalled the Board last fall approving the purchase of sheriff's office vehicles in the amount of \$200,000.00 from CARES Act funding. The County believes the custom tailored vehicles was a good use of the funding due to the concerns of COVID-19 because of sheriff's office employees having to do a lot of long distance transports for juveniles and adults. He said that the auditors are questioning this decision and suggested that the County instead use the funding to pay their EMT's throughout the remainder of the year and to reimburse the CARES Act fund for the Sheriff's Office vehicles. Mr. Young said this does not make any net difference to the budget or CARES fund.

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 reimbursing the CARES Act fund in the amount of \$200,000.00 that was used for Sheriff's Office transport vehicles and using the funds to pay for EMT salaries throughout the remainder of the year.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT UPDATE

RATIFIED POLL EMT AND PARAMEDIC PAY

AUTHORIZING UP TO \$90,000.00 FROM ARPA FUNDS

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 ratifies a poll authorizing up to \$90,000.00 per year for the next three years from ARPA funds for enhanced EMT and Paramedic pay.

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ARPA BUDGET PRESENTATION

Tazewell County ARPA Funding Proposed Budget Requests			
Line Item/Request	FY22	FY23	FY24
	\$ 3,761,451.00	\$ 2,296,451.00	\$ 1,827,201.00
Public Health Contingency/Wage Reimbursement/Revenue Recovery	\$ 686,601.00	\$ 686,601.00	\$ 686,601.00
Telehealth Support	\$ 300,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Childcare	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,000.00
Benefit Reimbursement	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Enhanced Pay for EMS Workers	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
E911 Communication Software Licensing (Smart 911 & RAVE Alert)	\$ 25,600.00	\$ 25,600.00	\$ 25,600.00
PSA Infrastructure (Project Jonah)	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -
CSA Foster Care	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
Business Recovery	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 320,000.00	\$ 180,000.00
SANS Unit (I.T. Data Storage)	\$ 300,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Monthly COVID Advertising	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
Tourism Advertising/Marketing	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
EMS Ventilator Equipment	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
EMS I.T. Equipment Update	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Secondary Fire Extrication Gear	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Richlands Ambulance Grant Match	\$ -	\$ 55,000.00	\$ -
Emergency Management/PPE	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
COVID Cleaning Supplies	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Keyless Entry Updates (Countywide)	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Parks & Recreation (Handsfree Updates)	\$ 14,250.00	\$ 14,250.00	\$ -
Broadband Updates (Countywide)	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
I.T. Infrastructure Upgrade (Countywide)	\$ -	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -
Phone System Upgrade (Countywide)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,000.00
E911/Emergency Response Road Sign Installation	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Fire/EMS ATV (Mobile Clinic/Emergency Response)	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL :	\$		7,885,103.00
Net of Budget vs Actual:	\$		-

The County Administrator presented the above proposed ARPA funding requests. The County will have three years to spend these funds. Mr. Young commented that the budget will change along the way but this was a starting point to start applying this money to help recover from the pandemic.

At the time of the meeting, the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) reported an average of five COVID cases per day over the past seven days. Mr. Young expects a resurgence of this virus in fall and winter. The Delta variant seems to be mutating faster than we are able to keep up with. The county's vaccination rate is stuck at 41% and Mr. Young said unless we get this number pushed up to around a 60% vaccination rate or more citizens are still going to be vulnerable to the virus. The Public Health Contingency/Wage Reimbursement/Revenue Recovery funds will go towards dealing with the virus and paying emergency management personnel to continue to manage this over the next three years. He commented that if in 2024 the virus is a distant memory then the County would be able to draw down money from the Revenue Recovery fund to use for other County purposes.

Mr. Young said that telemedicine is the future and that the County is going to try and setup a telemedicine center in the Bluefield area. The County has been working with Carillion to try and get this to come to fruition; Supervisor Hymes is on their Committee as well and is instrumental in helping this along. A telemedicine clinic would be a tremendous asset to the County especially since Bluefield Regional Medical Center is now closed. The County Administrator said telemedicine will allow people to see doctors that are not physically in Tazewell County over the internet and nurse practitioners would be present to run the tests at the request of the doctor. Hopefully our citizens will not have to travel to places such as Roanoke or Bristol to see a specialist anymore. This can help cut down on COVID cases due to less travel and less time spent in a doctor's office.

The County Administrator discussed ARPA funds that will be dedicated to combat the childcare availability crisis. The workforce in Tazewell County is short enough as it is and it loses people out of the workforce because they cannot provide daycare for their kids. Mr. Young said that they can support an economic recovery if the County helps fund daycare for kids. During the pandemic this issue only worsened for parents who needed daycare services for their children during virtual days when school wasn't in session.

Mr. Young said that Benefit Reimbursement allows the County to reinsure its health insurance plan for losses sustained in this process. He commented that they received a bill this month for \$190,000.00 for COVID care for one person.

E911 Communication Software Licensing is for an updated technology that the Sheriff's Department had requested.

Mr. Young said that the County is allowed to use ARPA funding towards infrastructure such as water and sewer. The County has plans to put funding towards PSA Infrastructure (Project Jonah). Mr. Young commented that there would be over 200 jobs available going in with Project Jonah and it will require about \$9,000,000.00 of improvements to water and sewer systems in the western part of the county. The County believes they will receive grants from

state and federal sources for about six to seven million of this. Mr. Young said that the County will still have to put some money towards this project. In FY22 the County plans to put \$1,000,000.00 towards this purpose. By FY23 the County hopes that it will be able to do something for the Greater Tazewell Water Project. Improvements are needed to the Town of Tazewell Water Lines and it has caused a burden pushing water through the Town of Pocahontas through their system. A project is planned to replace a lot of their water lines and keep this from happening, hopefully the County can contribute. He made clear that the County was not allowed to use this funding to fix and repair roads.

Funding going towards CSA Foster Care will help out with the increase cost burden of one-third more of Tazewell County children being placed in foster care than usual.

Business Recovery covers broad categories and the County is unsure on exactly how to distribute these funds yet. Mr. Young recalled the County doing several grants to small businesses and a couple of grants to large businesses. He said this would take some thought and discussion as to how the Board wants to help our businesses.

The SANS Unit was needed for the I.T. Department for County email purposes.

Monthly COVID Advertising funding will be used to publicize COVID vaccinations and health safety tips.

Mr. Young stated that tourism related industries such as lodging and restaurants took a really big hit during the pandemic. This will use funding to promote tourism in Tazewell County.

EMS Ventilator Equipment will be bought to place on the three ambulances bought last year with CARES Act funding. Funding will also go towards EMS I.T. equipment updates. Money will also go towards secondary fire extrication gear to be used by fire crews to lesson or prevent COVID exposure.

Mr. Young discussed the Richlands Ambulance Grant Match fund. He explained that Richlands is going to apply for a grant to pay for an ambulance with the match being for \$55,000.00. The County agreed that it would pay the match for them if they could get the grant since they provide our EMS services.

Emergency Management PPE and COVID Cleaning Supplies fund will go towards things such as hand sanitizers, soaps, masks, etc.

The County would like to move towards keyless entries using ID badges to get into its buildings. This would help to cut down on COVID exposures. The County would also like to update facilities at their parks and recreation sites to have hands free restrooms. This would save on water and electricity as well as minimizing COVID exposure.

The County Administrator reported that the County has already committed \$150,000.00 to Starlink for satellite services. Mr. Young said that the Cumberland Plateau is applying for another VATI grant for Point Broadband to continue extending broadband services in the county.

Cumberland Plateau is confident they will receive the grant funding especially if they can show that the member counties are putting money on the table for this. He explained if the County contributed \$100,000.00 from ARPA funds they would receive several million dollars. The grant's purpose and goal is to provide universal broadband coverage. In FY23 the County plans to contribute \$150,000.00 more to expand broadband services to areas that hadn't yet received the service.

Mr. Young said that the County needed I.T. infrastructure upgrades. In 2023 the County plans to spend \$200,000.00 to upgrade their phone system. The system will be 14 years old by this time.

Mr. Young says they will use funding to do an audit on all 911 signs. During the pandemic it became clear that there was an issue and it made it difficult for emergency personnel to find where they needed to go. They County will go out and replace the missing signs.

The County plans to use ARPA funds to purchase an ATV. The vehicle will come in handy at mobile vaccination clinics to move supplies around and can also be used for other County functions.

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, "TAZEWELL COUNTY ARPA FUNDING PROPOSED BUDGET REQUESTS," as presented by the County Administrator.

CUMBERLAND PLATEAU – VATI GRANT APPLICATION MATCH

\$100,000.00 ARPA FUNDING

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 authorizes the amount of \$100,000.00 from ARPA funding as budgeted to go towards the Cumberland Plateau match for their VATI grant application. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

FIRE AND EMS ANNUAL APPRECIATION DINNER

UP TO \$3,500.00 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 35050-5520 AND ARPA FUNDS

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 authorizes an amount up to \$3,500.00 with \$2,500.00 of the amount coming from Account No. 35050-5520 and the remaining \$1,000.00 if needed coming from ARPA funds.

STARLINK – SATELLITE INTERNET CONTRACT

\$200,000.00 ARPA FUNDING

Upon motion of Chairman Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Plaster 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 \$200,000.00 from ARPA funding payable to the Appalachian Council for Innovation (with whom we actually will contract for use of the Starlink Satellite) on the condition that the County receives a \$50,000.00 credit for the VCEDA grant. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

SCHEDULED CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. Betty Wallace, 315 Riverside Drive, North Tazewell, VA – approached the Board to discuss past and future Juneteenth celebration's. The first Juneteenth celebration in Tazewell County was held in 2019 and was hosted by Bill Bunch. Mr. Bunch approached the Board in 2019 on behalf of the African American community to request funding; the Board sponsored \$1,600.00 to fund the celebration that year. Ms. Wallace had someone pass out 2021 Juneteenth programs to the Board as she discussed all of the events and activities that they had this year. The event included free food, displays, music, fun and games, talent, rich history, and celebration. She said there was a huge turnout. The Chairman and County Administrator asked them 501c3 questions. The treasurer of the organization said that they have an account under the name of Friends of Juneteenth. Supervisor Stacy explained the workings of governmental funding and how the organization will need to complete some steps before they are able to become a line item within the County budget. He said they will guide them through the process. The County Administrator said that they will have to have some nonprofit to donate to. They took Ms. Wallace contact information to get in touch with her.
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UNSCHEDULED CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. Bill Bunch, 444 Dorsey Lane, Tazewell, VA 24651 - talked about how wonderful this year's Juneteenth celebration was and how he was excited for future celebrations. Mr. Bunch made known that he was running for the seat of Southern District Supervisor. He then expressed contempt that the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved an unspecified resolution. Mr. Bunch spoke passionately about his thoughts on climate change and the negative impact of coal. The Chairman clarified that the Board did not have any comments about the environment and simply supported VCEDA which is an economic development authority.
2. Fred Lawless, 4230 Gose Mill Road, Tazewell, VA 24651 - spoke on behalf of the Burkes Garden Fire Department. He thanked the Board, County Administrator, and

Emergency Services Director for the support that was given to the fire department to replace the 1976 decommissioned vehicle. The vehicle was replaced with a 2005 Ford F-550 that was purchased in May.

3. Michelle and Marqueita of the organization Amonate Always updated the Board that they have been approved for a 501c3. Michelle said that they have been receiving bids in for houses that they have permission to tear down and clear off. The County Attorney discussed the recent tax sale held on July 16th at the courthouse steps. Amonate Always was able to purchase some of these properties in Amonate and have already started working on cleaning them up. The Board discussed ways that they could fund the organization to help with their cleanup efforts. One of the organizations next goals will be to learn how they can receive grant funding to build playgrounds and recreational parks in Amonate.

AMONATE ALWAYS - COMMUNITY CLEANUP

\$6,500.00.00 FROM CAPITAL CONTINGENCY

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 authorizes the amount of \$6,500.00 from the Capital Contingency Account payable to Amonate Always, 2157 Johnsons Branch Road, Bandy, Virginia 24602; attn: Michaelle Gravely. The monies will go towards cleaning up Amonate. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

4. Charles Hoss Kitts, 2268 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, VA - talked about attending a DMME listening session. Mr. Kitts mentioned a woman who pitched the idea of putting a farm based recovery center in Tazewell County. At the end of the session he said that Economic Director, Timothy Danielson commented to the lady that the County was talking to someone and taking care of this. Mr. Kitts spoke with Mr. Danielson after the meeting to ask questions regarding what he had heard. Mr. Danielson informed him that he was not liable to disclose any information. The Board was unsure of what project Mr. Danielson may have been referencing but believes there may have been some miscommunication between Mr. Danielson and Mr. Kitts. The County Administrator explained why the County is unable to disclose certain details. The State awards money through the Governor's Office to businesses to locate to certain localities and that they are the ones who make the announcements. If the County tells people prior to the business coming then the County loses its eligibility for State money, so it is the County's policy not to disclose who the business is until they have approval from the State.
5. Connie Bailey Kitts, 2268 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, VA - continued the conversation about recovery centers and asked to be invited by the IDA to talk with them about this. Supervisor Asbury made her aware that IDA meetings are open to the public and that the next meeting would be the following Wednesday at 2:00 pm.

**PUBLIC HEARING – 2020-2021 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
VIRGINIA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE**

The County Attorney recalled the first round of Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) grant funding for \$800,000.00 to be used for businesses affected by COVID-19. The funding was available for businesses to utilize to pay their rent and mortgage payments. Mr. Collins said that the IDA had received approximately seventy-five to eighty applications which they are still working through. He commented that the applicants can receive a maximum of up to \$10,000.00.

Mr. Collins said that the DHCD Grant Administrator advised the County a couple of months ago that there was another \$800,000.00 coming open in grant money for businesses that were created before March 12, 2020. As before, this grant will also help businesses make rent and mortgage payments. One new thing this grant will allow if for business owners who own their own real estate and don't make rent or mortgage the ability to apply for funding towards non-governmental utilities. The caveat to this is Richlands owns its own power company and the PSA are considered a governmental utility.

County Attorney, Collins stated that pursuant to this, DHCD requires a second public hearing to advertise the program that requests that small businesses, women owned businesses, and minority owned business come forward for consideration.

The Chairman called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised regarding, "2020-2021 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT VIRGINIA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE".

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

Supervisor Hymes mentioned a minority who applied for the first round of grant funding. The person said they had been told by the County that they would be one of the last businesses to be approved because of an issue with the business owner's application. Hymes compared the criteria for the second round of grant funding to the first round, stating it appeared to be the same. The first round of funding applied to businesses only in operation before March 12, 2020. He questioned what would happen if someone had opened a business in April 2020 and attempted to make it through the pandemic receiving no money. The County Administrator stated that the idea was to help businesses who were shutdown to recover but if someone opened a business during the pandemic the business owner would have been aware of the surrounding concerns. Mr. Young mentioned the idea of helping such businesses with ARPA funding.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, 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 adopts a Resolution of Support for Virginia Community Development Block Grant Funding for COVID-19 Response in an amount up to \$800,000.00 and authorizes the County Administrator to: 1) Issue a formal letter requesting additional funding for the Block Grant project; 2) Certify and sign an updated Environmental

Exemption Certification (Appendix #2B); 3) Execute documentation for a complete annual Fair Housing study, and further authorize the County Attorney to revise MOUs and Contracts between the Board of Supervisors and DHCD and the Board and any other governmental bodies to achieve the purposes of distributing the funding.

APPOINTMENTS

EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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 appoints Shanna Plaster to the Emergency Services Committee to serve as a representative of the Board of Supervisors.

RECREATION AND PARKS FACILITY AUTHORITY (RDA)

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 appoints Carolyn Wimmer, 1685 Salina Road, North Tazewell, Virginia 24630 to serve as a member of the Recreation and Parks Facility Authority with a term starting immediately and expiring on June 30, 2024 (3) year term. This appointment replaces the expired term of Joey Stiltner.

CLINCH RIVER VALLEY INITIATIVE (CRVI)

Mr. Young contacted AJ Robinson to see if she had a recommendation for the CRVI appointment. Mrs. Robinson has not been able to find anyone interested in the seat yet but recommended that the person be from the western district. Chairman Lester recommended John Absher but asked to speak with him first before making a decision.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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 appoints Collin O'Donnell, 137 Stockton Street, Bluefield, VA 24605 to serve as a member of the Tourism Development Committee with a term commencing immediately and expiring on June 30, 2023. This appointment fills the expired term of Terri Kammer.

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 Dedra Cox, 263 Mission Church Road, Bluefield, VA 24605 to serve as a member of the Tourism Development Committee with a term

commencing immediately and expiring on June 30, 2023. This appointment fills the expired term of Roger Scarberry.

Upon motion of Chairman Lester, 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 reappoints Sarah Romeo, 612 Indian Paint Road, Pounding Mill, VA 24637 to serve as a member of the Tourism Development Committee with a term commencing immediately and expiring on June 30, 2023.

PUBLIC HEARING SET – TO CONSIDER STREET NAMING AT BLUESTONE

The County Administrator said that Project Claw is in the process of constructing its new crawfish bait company in the Bluestone and that they need a designated delivery address. At the moment the street parallel to highway 460 is called Shannondale. Mr. Young said that the Addressing Coordinator for 911 is not happy with this because an ambulance or fire truck would not know which way to go in the event of an emergency when they got to the end of the boulevard. The Addressing Coordinator recommended assigning a separate name to the street but the IDA likes the name Shannondale and does not want to change it. Mr. Young's suggested compromise was to name them East Shannondale and West Shannondale. The County Attorney said in order to enact a name change a public hearing would need to be held with a public comment period following.

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 authorizes and directs the County Attorney to advertise for a public hearing, September 7th at a time to be determined to hear concerns regarding street naming at the Bluestone.

COURTHOUSE GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

Supervisor Plaster said that the Courthouse Grounds Improvement Committee had their first meeting and that it went well. The Committee was established to strive to accomplish projects to enhance the scenic beauty around the Courthouse and strive to create a sense of community using the Courthouse as a focal point. She said that there were several suggestions discussed amongst the members. One suggestion was to honor an African American who came out of slavery and became an attorney who could not practice in Virginia but would travel to McDowell County to work. Another suggestion was an African American man who came out of slavery to become a teacher who influenced a lot of people who were on the Committee. Both of these men lived long lives, living over 100 years. The Committee will meet again to discuss further plans.

REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE UPDATE

The County Administrator notified the Board that the Redistricting Committee had recently held its first meeting. Mr. Young stated that nine out of fifteen members attended the meeting. He announced that the County is still waiting on 2020 census data to come in but expects that later in the month they will have the raw data showing population figures. The statistical breakdown that the County needs to meet the State standards of redistricting to avoid any kind of racial gerrymandering will probably not be available until September. He commented that early voting starts on September 17th, which will also create a challenge.

Upon motion of Chairman 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 appoints Joe Blair McGlothlin, PO Box 71, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 to serve as a town representative on the Redistricting Committee.

TAZEWELL COUNTY FAIR – BUDGET FUNDING REQUEST

\$7,500.00 FROM CAPITAL CONTINGENCY

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 \$7,500.00 from the Capital Contingency Account, payable to the Tazewell County Fair Association. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

BOARD CONCERNS

SUPERVISOR HYMES

911 EMS RESPONSE AVAILABILITY

Supervisor Hymes talked about the negative impact that the shutdown of Bluefield Hospital has caused our residents. He stated that this has caused an ambulance crisis and that ambulance availability for transferring people to Carilion or Richlands hospital is becoming more and more limited. Hymes said that due to the lack of ambulances Carilion has to fly patients out if a transfer is necessary. This creates a tremendous burden to the patient due to the enormous bill they will receive.

The County Administrator commented that it was a staffing issue. Supervisor Stacy stated that the County must figure out how to make emergency personnel pay more competitive to draw in qualified applicants and to be able to keep them.

DILAPIDATED BUILDINGS OFFICER

Supervisor Hymes pointed out that Mercer County has a dilapidated buildings officer and stated he would like to see Tazewell County get one. He recalled Dave White several years ago filling this type of role but wondered what happened to our demolition program. Mr. Young said that the program was first initiated around 2009 with a funded amount of \$100,000.00 in the account to pay for demolitions. He explained that as the years went on the County kept cutting the budget for demolitions and they ended up rolling the funding into the emergency management account to deal with whatever crisis was going on at the time. The program eventually fizzled out. Mr. Young said this type of program takes a lot of funding. As an example, he talked about people's homes that have burnt down and how most usually pocket the insurance money instead of using the coverage to demolish the remaining structure. Mr. Young suggested a legislative proposal that would require insurance companies to get approval from the County that the building has been demolished or paid directly to the County to demolish the structure.

DIAMOND DAWGS BASEBALL, INC. – TOURNAMENT FEES AND FALL, SPRING, AND SUMMER TOURNAMENT PACKAGES FOR 2022 TRAVEL**\$1,000.00 FROM SOUTHERN DISTRICT FUND**

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 authorizes the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Southern District fund, payable to the Diamond Dawgs Baseball, Inc., 205 Cherry Hills Drive, Tazewell, Virginia 24651; attn: Heather Kitts. These monies go towards funding for their tournament fees and the upcoming fall, spring and summer tournament packages for 2022 travel seasons. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

SUPERVISOR ASBURY

Supervisor Asbury requested that Ms. Parsons do a Resolution at the next meeting in recognition and honor of 13 year old Tristen Shupe who is a 2nd time second year Virginia State Shooting Champion.

TAZEWELL FOOTBALL BOOSTERS INC. – EQUIPMENT, UNIFORMS, CLEANING SUPPLIES, ETC.**\$1,000.00 FROM NORTHERN DISTRICT FUND****\$1,000.00 FROM SOUTHERN DISTRICT FUND**

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 authorizes the amounts of \$1,000.00 from the

Northern District fund and \$1,000.00 from the Southern District fund for a total amount of \$2,000.00 payable to the Tazewell Football Boosters, Inc., PO Box 1176, North Tazewell, Virginia 24630. These monies go towards funding Tazewell sports with equipment, uniforms, cleaning supplies, facility upkeep, and continuous maintenance. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

TAZEWELL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS – VOLLEYBALL UNIFORMS

\$630.00 FROM NORTHERN DISTRICT FUND

\$630.00 FROM SOUTHERN DISTRICT FUND

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 authorizes the amounts of \$630.00 from the Northern District fund and \$630.00 from the Southern District fund for a total amount of \$1,260.00 payable to Tazewell High School Athletics, 112 New Haven Road, North Tazewell, Virginia 24630; attn: Joey Stiltner. These monies go towards purchasing uniforms for the girls volleyball team. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

TAZEWELL FOOTBALL BOOSTERS – STADIUM BANNER

\$250.00 FROM NORTHERN DISTRICT FUND

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 authorizes the amount of \$250.00 from the Northern District fund, payable to the Tazewell Football Boosters, PO Box 1176, North Tazewell, VA 24630; attn: Tanya Mullins. These monies go towards purchasing stadium banners. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

TOWN OF POCAHONTAS ROADS DISCUSSION

Supervisor Hymes recalled the CST Committee approving East and West Water street paving in Pocahontas contingent on the Town allowing ATV riders the availability to park at the baseball field, that has been closed off. Supervisor Asbury said she met with the baseball team and they told her that they lease the lot and have paid for the use of it for two years. The Lady Red Devils told her of the need they had for the parking space for their tournaments and practices. Asbury said the Pocahontas Mayor, Ben Gibson told her that the problem had been worked out already. Supervisor Hymes made Mrs. Asbury aware that Curt Breeding of the CST

Committee had his concerns because of the trail. Mr. Young said he would get in touch with Kenneth Dunford and Ben Gibson to discuss the matter further.

SUPERVISOR PLASTER

RICHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL BAND – BAND COMPETITION

\$600.00 FROM NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

\$600.00 FROM WESTERN DISTRICT

\$600.00 FROM NORTHERN DISTRICT

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, 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 amounts of \$600.00 from the Northwestern District fund, \$600.00 from the Western District Fund, and \$600.00 from the Northern District fund for a total amount of \$1,800.00 payable to the RHS Band, PO Box 88, Richlands, VA 24641; Lisa Mitchell. These monies go towards the band competition that other Tazewell County high schools will be competing in as well. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

SUPERVISOR STACY

EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Supervisor Stacy said it had been brought to his attention that they did not have any representation from someone on the EMS side on the Emergency Services Committee. He suggested appointing Matt Whited from the Richlands Rescue Squad. Mr. Young discussed ESC by-laws and said that the County could amend them to add an EMS representative.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster 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 amendment of the Emergency Services Committee by-laws to add an additional seat to the Emergency Services Committee and appoints Matt Whited to serve as a member of the Emergency Services Committee with a term starting immediately and expiring on October 31, 2021.

BLUEFIELD VIRGINIA YOUTH RECREATION LEAGUE – NEEDED EQUIPMENT

\$1,500.00 FROM EASTERN DISTRICT FUND

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster 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 \$1,500.00 from the Eastern District fund, payable to the Bluefield Virginia Youth Recreation League, PO Box 1354, Bluefield, VA 24605; attn: Jason Mulkey. These monies go towards needed equipment. The

County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to issue said warrant in accordance with this action and which said warrant will be converted to negotiable check by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

ADJOURN

Now, there being no further business to be transacted the Board of Supervisors hereby adjourns this meeting to September 7, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

Thomas A. Lester, Jr., Chair

By: WP

Adjourn time: 8:24 p.m.