

VIRGINIA: AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWell COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD SEPTEMBER 7, 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

MARGARET ASBURY, MEMBER
SHANNA PLASTER, MEMBER
CHARLES A. STACY, MEMBER
C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
CHASE D. COLLINS, COUNTY ATTORNEY
JENNIFER BOROWSKI, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS: JIM TALBERT, CLINCH VALLEY

ABSENT: D. MICHAEL HYMES, VICE CHAIRMAN

Chairman, Tom Lester called the regular meeting to order and presided with four members present and Supervisor Hymes absent.

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

AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the November 16, 2021 agenda as amended.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following items presented as "Consent Calendar". The matters requiring the issuance of warrants shall be issued by the County Administrator in accordance with this action and converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia:

WARRANTS October 2021

Payroll

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 145481 through 145497 and direct deposits totaling \$273,410.56 from the General, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending September 30, 2021, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 14599 through 145517, and direct deposits totaling \$266,370.64 from the General Fund, covering payroll for the various County agencies, for the period ending October 15, 2021, be approved.

Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 494893 through 495003 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$820,549.95 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, CARES, and ARPA funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued September 25, 2021, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 495005 through 495017 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$359,869.12 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending September 30, 2021 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 495019 through 495126 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$1,250,452.81 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, CARES, and ARPA funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued October 10, 2021, be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 495128 through 495141, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$139,636.06 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending October 15, 2021, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 802116 through 802117 for \$26,515.00 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, and Law Library, covering operating expenses for the month of September 2021, be approved

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No Warrants were issued from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, and Law Library funds, covering operating expenses for the month of October 2021.

- . Sheriff's Department – Transferred the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Sheriff Department Accounts as follows:
 - A. \$311.28 to Account No. 31020-1150 (Received from Cumberland Mountain Community Services; CITAC officer overtime)
 - B. \$230.00 to Account No. 31020-6001 received from Drive Smart VA for reimbursement for classes taken by Sgt. Conklin and Det. Baldrige.
 - C. \$502.48 to Account No. 31020-6001 received from Drive Smart VA for reimbursement for classes taken by Sgt. Conklin and Det. Baldrige.
 - D. \$5,575.50 (ck. # 4626) to Account No. 31020-6010 for the sale of guns by Regency Real Estate.

- . Sheriff's Department – Approved sale of service weapon, one (1) Glock 31.357, serial number #SNK840, to retiring Deputy Pat Belcher for \$1.00 pursuant to Section 59.1-148.3 of the Code of Virginia.
- A. Sheriff's Department – Approved for EMT Training Program stipend if certified by January 1, 2022 - \$2,500.00 per deputy
- B. 911 – Transfer the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the 911 Accounts as follows:
 - \$15.00 to Account No. 035600-8109-15 (donation ck# 3520 from Tazewell Family Health)
 - \$75.00 to Account No. 035600-8109-15 (donation ck# 1979 from Timothy Honaker)
 - \$30.00 to Account No. 035600-8109-15 (donation ck# 4568 from Judy Bowen)
- C. Circuit Court Clerk's Office – Transfer the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Circuit Court Clerk's Accounts as follows:
 - \$15,000.00 to Account No. 4-100-021060-1141 (Received from the Virginia Compensation Board) for the purpose of giving her staff a "bonus" in the amount of \$1,500.00 each.
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- D. Commissioner of Revenue – Transfer the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to the Commissioner of Revenue Accounts as follows:
 - \$250.00 to Account No. 012090-6001 (Received from Courthouse Retrieval System; ck#104749, dtd 10/07/21 for expenses involved with request on land values)
 - \$250.00 to Account No. 012090-6001 (Received from Black Knight INFOSERV, LLC; ck#276773, dtd 10/07/21 for expenses involved with request on land values)
- E. Tazewell County Animal Shelter – Transfer the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 4-100-091050-7041 to the Animal Shelter as follows:

- \$630.00 to Account No. 4-100-035070-3110 (Received from Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles) for the Animal Friendly License Plate Program to support sterilization of dogs and cats.
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- F. Treasurer of Tazewell County – Transfer from the Contingency Fund Account No. 4-100-091050-7023 to the Treasurer’s Budget Account No. 4-100-012130-6001 in the amount of \$11,232.00 for cigarette stamps ordered from Ashton Potter and paid on September 24, 2021.
- G. Ratified Poll to donate \$10,000.00 from Capital Contingency (Acct. # 4-100-91050-7023) to SRRA (Vendor # 2340) for Spearhead Trails to pay their bond for their Erosion & Sediment Control Plan for the OP Trail.
- H. Ratified Poll to donate \$2,500.00 from the Southern District Fund, payable to Tazewell High School Girls Basketball Team, 167 Cosby Lane, Tazewell, Virginia, 24605.
- I. Authorized \$3,000.00 to the Tazewell Band Boosters from the Southern District Fund to repair current or purchase new instruments.

FAIRGROUNDS ASSOCIATION

Viola Asbury gave a brief presentation to the board about the history of the Tazewell County Fair. She stated how the upcoming fair in 2022 will be the fair’s 150th anniversary. She asked the board for consideration of funding from each district, with hopes that the 150th anniversary fair would be the biggest and best fair to date. The board was then given a tour of the fairgrounds to see the newest improvements that have been made.

RECESS 3:55 PM

RECONVENE 4:28 PM AT 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWell, VA

ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER SUSPENDED

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby suspend Roberts Rules of Order for the purpose of rearranging the November 16, 2021 agenda format as needed.

KENNETH DUNFORD – DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING

RESOLUTION TO VACATE PORTION OF ROUTE 751 & ADD 0.19 MILES OF REDWOOD DRIVE TO BE ADDED TO VDOT SECONDARY SYSTEM

Mr. Dunford asked the board to vote on the resolution to vacate a portion of Route 751 originally was brought in front of the board in August. He also explained how VDOT has requested that 0.19 miles of Redwood Drive be added to the VDOT secondary system.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes resolution to vacate a portion of 751 and add 0.19 miles of Redwood Drive to the VDOT secondary system. Copies of which were in the agenda packet and are on file in the County Administrator's Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Mr. Dunford stated that there were proposals submitted for the Emergency Action Plan for Cavitts Creek Dam. He asked the board for authorization to enter into contract negotiations with the highest ranking company. He stated that the highest ranking company for this proposal was Thompson & Litton.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes Mr. Dunford to enter contract negotiations with Thompson & Litton for the Emergency Action Plan for Cavitts Creek Dam.

TRAILS

Mr. Dunford stated that he had a RFQ for the environmental work needed for the trails. He stated he received no bids on this issue. He also stated because of this, he will no longer need an interview committee for this issue.

APPROVAL TO PAY GRESS ENGINEERING INVOICE

\$1,992.50 FROM CONTINGENCY

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$1,992.50 for the Gress Engineering Invoice from Contingency (Acct#4-100-091050-7023.) This invoice is for "travel and meet, and to perform inspections of

Project Jonah. 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.

APPOINTMENTS

EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Jarred McFarland to the Emergency Services Committee .

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Rhudy Keith, Jr. to the Emergency Services Committee.

ANIMAL SHELTER BOARD

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints John Absher to the Animal Shelter Board.

CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY SERVICES

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints April Moorefield to the Cumberland Mountain Community Services Board of Directors.

COURTHOUSE GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Janette Wilson to the Courthouse Grounds Improvement Committee.

PROJECT CLAW UPDATE

County Administrator, Eric Young, explained that Project Claw is a commercial crawfish and lobster bait company in the Bluestone. He stated the company's building is almost complete.

He stated the company should be done with the building by the end of the month. Mr. Young stated the business is a home grown business and the first business in the Bluestone.

County Attorney, Chase Collins asked the Board to authorize Supervisors elect Aaron Gillespie and Andy Hrovatic to attend the executive closed session.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorize Aaron Gillespie and Andy Hrovatic to attend the executive closed session.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 4:45 PM

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

- A(5) Project Good Day
- A(29) Contract negotiations with Town of Richlands and Tazewell County PSA regarding project Jonah waste and sewer projects.
- A(29) Contract negotiations with Republic regarding Landfill management contract.
- A(29) Easement negotiations with Poca Land Company regarding OP Trail to Cavitt's Creek Park
- A(5) Discussion of potential new business, Project Frasier

A(29) Contract negotiations with City of Bristol regarding Regional Jail Arrangement was deferred to January

RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION – 6:30 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: One (1)

Absent during vote: None (0)

Report of Action: None (0)

NO ACTION WAS REPORTED

PUBLIC HEARING

\$43,000.00 FROM CARES ACT FUNDING

The Chairman called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised according to law regarding, “PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A BONUS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF TAZEWEILL COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE, TAZEWEILL COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, TAZEWEILL COUNTY MAINTENANCE, AND TAZEWEILL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION.”

Proposed Ordinance to Approve a Bonus for Certain Employees of Tazewell County Sheriff’s Office, Tazewell County Emergency Management, Tazewell County Maintenance, and Tazewell County Administration

No one rose to comment nor spoke via telephone. The chairman called three times and there being no more speakers, he closed the meeting.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$42,000.00 from CARES Act funds, for a onetime bonus of \$3,000.00 for fourteen (14) Tazewell County Sheriff’s Office Employees, \$2,000.00 for six (6) Tazewell County Emergency Management employees, \$1,000.00 for nine (9) Tazewell County Maintenance Employees, and \$500.00 for three (3) Tazewell County Administration employees. A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the County Administrator’s Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA 24651.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Supervisor Asbury welcomed the West Virginia Lady Red Devils and presented a resolution commending them on their achievements.

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts, "A RESOLUTION TO HONOR AND CONGRATULATE THE WEST VIRGINIA LADY RED DEVILS". A copy of the Resolution is on file in the County Administrator's Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE REPORT

County Administrator, Eric Young, presented a map of the proposed redistricting changes. He stated how Tazewell County received the Census six months late. He stated that the Redistricting Committee recommended Tazewell County keep the current five districts. Mr. Young stated that Tazewell County has about 40,429 residents. Divided between the five districts, this is roughly 8,086. Mr. Young stated the committee wanted to make minimal changes to not disrupt the voters. The committee decided to move the boundary between the Southern district and the Eastern district to the western end of Industry Road. Mr. Young stated that the committee also decided to move the boundary on Wardell Road to add more voters to the Western District. Other changes to make it more convenient to voters were on RT. 61- Nye Valley Road, small area of the Tip Top community, County Farm Road, and Bearwallow Road.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the administrator to advertise for a Redistricting Hearing for proposed changes.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Attorney to seek a certification of no objection letter from the Attorney General's office.

COVID UPDATE

County Administrator, Eric Young, stated that in November the Health Department gave Tazewell County a negative eighteen number. He stated that COVID numbers have not dropped and remain relatively steady. He stated Tazewell County is averaging 10 COVID cases a day. Mr. Young stated that he anticipates that there will be a spike in numbers after the Holiday season. He state the local hospitals are in good shape.

CARES ACT FUNDING UPDATE/AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT UPDATE

ARPA FUNDING

WORKFORCE PRESENTATION

\$200,000.00 FROM ARPA FUNDING

Tiffany Goff presented a small presentation of Workforce's CARS to Work Program and their Youth Program. She asked the board if they had any questions from the previous board meeting. She went over how participants must live in the county, have insurance, have a valid Virginia Driver's license, and fall within the income guidelines. She stated that most families in Tazewell County would qualify for these programs. Miss Goff requested funding for these programs. The funding asked for would be \$100,000.00 for the CARS program and \$100,000.00 for the youth program. These funds could come from ARPA funding. The board discussed the matter. Supervisor Stacy expressed reservations about the plan.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes \$200,000.00 from the ARPA funds for the Workforce CARS program and Youth Program.

Mr. Young suggested that the funding for these programs will come from the allocated \$90,000.00 of the FY22 childcare section and \$110,000.00 from the FY22 Business Recovery Section of ARPA funding.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes \$90,000.00 from the FY22 Childcare Section and \$110,000.00 from the FY22 Business Recovery Section of ARPA funding to be used to fund the Workforce CARS and Youth Programs.

CEDAR BLUFF ELEMENTARY

\$21,000.00 FROM ARPA FUNDING

Buffie Crabtree, Principal of Cedar Bluff Elementary, had requested and the board had approved funds of \$21,000.00 to Tazewell County Public Schools for replacement of older playground equipment.

Mr. Lester suggested funding the request from ARPA funds. The county Attorney and County Administrator expressed concerns that ARPA funds could not be used for such purpose.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$21,000.00 from ARPA funds, for funding new playground equipment for Cedar Bluff Elementary School, to be added to the consent calendar for December, contingent on legal review.

MOBILE GENERATOR

\$1,200 FROM ARPA FUNDING

County Administrator, Eric Young, explained that, as he had mentioned at the last meeting, the county needs a backup generator for mobile field hospital/vaccination clinics. He stated that now, however, the time line for delivery doesn't match up to the need. Mr. Young stated that Mr. White can purchase a power adapter pigtail so a mobile unit can be deployed.

He recommended that the \$1,200.00 funding for the generator/adaptor would come from the allocated Public Health Section of ARPA Funding.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$1,200.00 from the FY22 Public Health Section of ARPA funds, for funding the generator power adapter pigtail needed for the mobile field hospital/vaccination clinics.

CONSIDERATION OF GRANTS FOR LARGER EMPLOYERS

\$100,000.00 FROM ARPA FUNDING

County Administrator, Eric Young, opened up discussion about a consideration for grants to help larger employers of Tazewell County, companies with over 100 employees. Mr. Young stated that these larger companies will soon be hit with new COVID mandates for testing weekly. He stated that this will be a big hit financially to these larger companies. Supervisor Lester discussed how these larger employers have continued to be hit by the impact of COVID and have continued to keep the doors open. Supervisor Lester agreed with Mr. Young that the larger companies would need these grants to help with the new testing mandates. Supervisor Stacy expressed he had some reservations about giving grants to larger companies opposed to smaller businesses. Mr. Young requested \$200,000.00 for this purpose.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$100,000.00, \$25,000.00 per non-retail large employer, from the FY24 (third year) Business Recovery Section of ARPA funds for grants to the four non-retail larger employees in Tazewell County, who employ more than 100 persons.

STIPEND REQUEST FOR PSA

County Administrator, Mr. Young stated that he received a request from Mr. Ball of the PSA, that the PSA employees get the same stipend that other public service employees in the county had received. No motion was made.

PAYMENT FOR PROJECT JONAH TO THE PSA

\$404,000.00 FROM ARPA FUNDING

Mr. Young explained that the previously designated ARPA funds for the Jonah water project could be used for that purpose but would not count toward a federal grant match for the project, if designated as infrastructure funds. He suggested making the contribution through a different route.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$500,000.00, be transferred from the FY22 PSA Infrastructure section of ARPA funding to the FY22 Revenue Recovery section.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$500,000.00, be transferred from the FY22 Revenue Recovery section of ARPA funding to the boards General Fund and added to Capital Contingency Section of the boards FY22 Budget.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$404,000.00, from its Capital Contingency for payment to the Tazewell County PSA for water and waste water projects for Project Jonah.

FUNDING FOR COURT ROOM UPDATES

\$15,000.00 FROM ARPA FUNDING

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of up to \$15,000.00, from the FY23 IT Infrastructure Upgrade Section of ARPA funds for funding for the updated cameras and other “hands free” equipment for the Tazewell County Court Rooms.

CARES FUNDING

EMS REIMBURSEMENT PAY

Mr. Young stated that due to the sharp increase in COVID-19 cases in the fall, the county EMT's were sufficiently dedicated to fighting COVID such that reimbursing their pay from ARPA would be acceptable.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the continued reimbursement of EMS pay through December 31, 2021 from CARES Funding.

ADMINISTRATIVE

PURCHASE OF FIRE APPRATUS

\$10,000.00 FROM EMS CONTINGENCY

\$40,000.00 FROM FIRE APPARATUS

Mr. Young and Mr. Brooks both recommended donating funds to Tannersville Volunteer Fire Department for a \$50,000.00 fire apparatus. Mr. Young stated the county had budgeted \$40,000.00 for this purpose. Mr. Brooks agreed to take \$10,000.00 from the EMS Contingency. The Tannersville Volunteer Fire Department will purchase the fire apparatus then donate that back to Tazewell County so the county can put the apparatus on their insurance.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the EMS Contingency Account (Acct# 4-100-32040-7023) to the Fire Apparatus Account (Acct# 4-100-32010-8105) and to donate \$50,000.00 to the Tannersville Volunteer Fire Department from the Fire Apparatus Account for purchase of Fire Apparatus.

WORC GRANT UPDATE

County Administrator, Eric Young, explained the WORC grant was for the advanced welding center for the Tazewell County Vocational Center. This funding was for robotic equipment. Mr. Young stated the county got approval to buy the equipment. He also stated the equipment should arrive by February 2022. The first set of students should enter the program in March 2022. Mr. Young stated this program is for students and adults.

CAVITT'S CREEK TRAIL GRANT UPDATE

Mr. Young stated that the county was awarded a grant of \$150,000.00 from the state and \$100,000.00 from Cumberland Plateau for the Cavitt's Creek Trail. He stated the county is trying

to procure someone to do an environmental assessment of the trail. Mr. Young also stated that there needs to be an assessment of the diversity of the communities that will be benefited from the trail. He stated that hopefully by spring the county will be able to get started.

JUNK VEHICLES AT LANDFILL

County Administrator, Eric Young, stated that the landfill has multiple junk vehicles. He stated that he wants to procure a company that will take the vehicles off and sell the metal from these vehicles by the pound.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Administrator to accept the highest bid for the sale of junk vehicles for scrap metal at the landfill.

TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX

County Attorney, Chase Collins, stated the treasurer wanted to update the new transient occupancy tax ordinance to reflect the recent changes made by Virginia's General Assembly. He is requesting a public hearing be made for the December board meeting.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Attorney to hold a public hearing to address the new transient occupancy tax guidelines for December.

SRRA

\$10,000.00 FROM CAPITAL CONTINGENCY

Mr. Young stated that the Southwest Regional Recreation Authority recently was required by DEQ to erosion/sediment control permits for trail maintenance. He stated that when they do any maintenance or improvements, they must post a \$10,000.00 bond. Mr. Young stated this bond is in place in case there are any mistakes made; the county can then take this bond to pay to fix any mistakes. Mr. Young stated that the \$10,000.00 bond will be constantly needed, so they would be out of the \$10,000.00 permanently.

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$10,000.00 for bonding for SRRA from Capital Contingency.

BOARD CONCERNS

SUPERVISOR LESTER

RICHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

\$2,000.00 FROM WESTERN DISTRICT FUND

Upon motion of Supervisor Lester, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$2,000.00 from the Western District fund for the Richlands High School History Club field trip. 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

LABOR OF LOVE

\$2,000.00 FROM NORTHERN DISTRICT FUND

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Lester and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$2,000.00 from the Northern District fund for Labor of Love White Christmas. 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.

ATV SIGNS

\$71.46 FROM NORTHERN DISTRICT FUND

Upon motion of Supervisor Asbury, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$71.46 from the Northern District fund for No ATV Signs. 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 PLASTER

JEWELL RIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER

\$4,000.00 FROM NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT FUND

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$4,000.00 from the Northwestern fund for the Jewell Ridge Community Center for fireworks for Independence Day celebration. 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

GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL

\$1,000.00 FROM EASTERN DISTRICT FUND

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Eastern fund for the Graham High School Wrestling Team for equipment and lodging. 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.

\$2,248.90 FROM THE EASTERN DISTRICT

Transfer \$2,248.90 from the Eastern District Fund (4-100-091500-5699) to EMS Budget (032040-5510) for the purchase of Advanced Airway Larry Torso with Defibrillation Features.

Upon motion of Supervisor Stacy, seconded by Supervisor Asbury and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the amount of \$2,248.90 from the Eastern fund for the purchase of Advanced Airway Larry Torso with Defibrillation Features. 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.

PSA STIPEND

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Stacy and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hymes absent, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Attorney to hold a public hearing to address the new transient occupancy tax guidelines for December.

SECOND EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 9:08 PM

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

➤ **A(1) Three (3) Personnel Issues**

RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION – 10:33 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: One (1)

Absent during vote: None (0)

Report of Action: None (0)

NO ACTION WAS REPORTED

ADJOURN

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

Thomas A. Lester, Jr., Chair

By: JB

Adjourn time: 10:38 p.m.