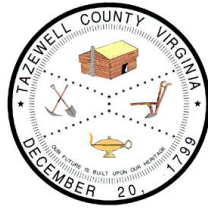


TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING



REVISED

June 27, 2024 – 4:00 P.M. (Thursday)

**197 MAIN STREET
TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA 24651**

Members of the public also have an option to participate by telephone by calling [\(425\) 436-6388](tel:4254366388), and entering "836650" as the access code when prompted.

Time	Subject	Pg
4:00 pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call to Order 2. Pledge and Invocation 3. Welcome 4. Consideration of approving the agenda format (additions/deletions) 5. Approval of meeting minutes from June 4, 2024 	5
4:15 pm	<p>6. Consent Calendar <i>(All items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine matters. The following items may be enacted by one motion, with the concurrence of the Board of Supervisors, a member may request that an item be removed for further discussion)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Warrants B. County Departments - Transfer the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to various department accounts as shown on the attached table. C. Consider ratifying poll to increase Cavitts Creek cabins rentals (\$100 Fri/Sat w/ no minimum stay) and \$75 (Sun-Thurs) D. Consider ratifying poll to transfer \$38,538.00 from Utilities line item to Buildings/Grounds to purchase mower for Cavitts Creek Park E. Consider ratifying poll to apply unused ARPA funds of \$30,000.00 to match flood study grant for stream obstruction assessment F. Consider ratifying poll to donate \$3000.00 from Northwestern District fund to Town of Richlands for Freedom Festival fireworks G. Consider ratifying poll to donate \$2500.00 from Eastern District funds for ROW brush removal on Fincastle Farms Road 	19 20
4:20 pm	<p>7. Department Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Kenneth Dunford – Engineering Report 	21

4:30 pm	8. Special Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Greg DeGray resolution ▶ Kevin Murray resolution ▶ Nelson Blankenship resolution 	28 29 30
5:00 pm	9. Executive/Closed Meeting – Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ A(29) Contract negotiations regarding Rt. 16 billboards ▶ A(29) Contact Negotiations with Republic regarding change order request number three for landfill construction. ▶ A(29) Contract negotiations with Capital Waste Services regarding landfill management agreement ▶ A(5) Discussion regarding Project CSI II incentives ▶ A(29) Contract negotiations regarding Springville Fire Station design ▶ A(29) Contract negotiations with Pocahontas Land Company regarding ATV trail easements 	
7:00 pm	10. Return/Certification/Return of Action	
	11. Public Hearings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ None 	
7:05 pm	12. Citizen Comments Scheduled This portion of the agenda is set aside for citizens wishing to comment on County issues who have previously requested to speak at the meeting pursuant to the three (3) minute limit to communications. Paul Smith – Woodall Street <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Ginger Cates – Historic Pocahontas ▶ Paul Smith – Woodall St. ▶ Dale Keen – Woodall St. ▶ Phillip Robinson – Woodall St. 	
7:25 pm	13. Unscheduled Citizen Comments (Two (2) minutes per speaker)	
7:30 pm	14. Tazewell County Budget FY24-25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Budget Committee Update B. Consideration of ordinance reducing personal property assessment ratio C. Presentation of staff proposed changes to the advertised budget D. Discussion regarding the staff proposed amendments to the proposed County Budget Ordinance, FY24-25 E. Consideration of approving staff recommended amendments to the FY24-25 proposed budget F. Board requested changes to proposed FY2025 budget G. Consideration of approving tax levies for calendar year 2024 	

	<p>H. Consideration of adopting an “Ordinance approving the FY24-25 Budget Ordinance, adopting local tax levies, and budget for the County of Tazewell, Virginia for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, to be effective on July 1, 2024 at 12:01 a.m. as hereby amended.”</p> <p>I. Consideration of approving an annual appropriation for the operation of all General County Agency budgets, for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 at 12:01 a.m.</p> <p>J. Consideration of approving budget transfers/appropriations as may be necessary from surplus accounts, etc. to close all such accounts for the fiscal year, FY24-25</p> <p>K. Consideration of approving categorical funding for Tazewell County School Budget FY24-25</p>	
8:30 pm	<p>15. Administrative/Financial/County Projects Update</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consider ratifying poll to approve \$2,500.00 donation to Tazewell County Fair Association for OTR Derby event 2. Tazewell County Fair funding 3. Grant matches/flood study grant matches 4. Opioid Committee update 5. Consider approving AEP agreement Cavitts Creek bath house 6. Consider imposing burn ban 7. Appointments: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Fire/Rescue b. New River Highlands c. Upper East Tennessee River Roundtable d. RDA e. Tazewell Community Health Systems Advisory Board f. Tourism Committee 	<p>31</p> <p>32</p> <p>33</p> <p>35</p> <p>36</p>
9:00 pm	<p>16. <u>Board Concerns</u></p> <p>Supervisor Gillespie:</p> <p>▶</p> <p>Supervisor Plaster:</p> <p>▶</p> <p>Supervisor Cruvey:</p> <p>▶ Ordinance for speed limit reduction</p> <p>Supervisor Presley:</p> <p>▶ Sanders House funding request</p> <p>Supervisor Hrovatic:</p> <p>▶</p>	<p>38</p>

9:30 pm	17. Second Executive/Closed Meeting – Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 (if necessary) ▶ A(1) Personnel – County Administrator annual evaluation ▶ A(1) Personnel – County Attorney annual evaluation ▶ A(1) Personnel in Finance Department ▶ A(1) Personnel in Operations	
11:00 pm	18. Return/Certification/Report of Action (if necessary)	
11:05 pm	19. Other business as may properly come before the Board	
11:15 pm	20. Adjourn The meeting is adjourned until Tuesday, August 6, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.	

VIRGINIA: AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD JUNE 4, 2024 AT FOUR O'CLOCK P.M. IN THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA 24651

PRESENT: ANDY HROVATIC, CHAIRMAN
AARON GILLESPIE, VICE-CHAIRPERSON
KYLE CRUEY, MEMBER
CHUCK PRESLEY, MEMBER
SHANNA PLASTER, MEMBER
C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
CHASE D. COLLINS, COUNTY ATTORNEY
SUSAN JEWELL, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS: WARREN HINKLE, THE VOICE

ABSENT:

MINUTES

Chairman, Andy Hrovatic called the regular meeting to order and presided with all other members present.

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

Chairman Hrovatic 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 Chairperson called for any additions to the agenda.

Supervisor Hrovatic asked to add the presentation of newly purchased AEDs to the Bandy Volunteer Fire Department to the agenda.

Upon motion of Supervisor Presley, seconded by Supervisor Cruey 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 approved the June 4, 2024 amended agenda with additions/deletions, a copy of which is available at the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

MINUTES APPROVED AS WRITTEN

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 minutes from the May 7, 2024 meeting. A copy is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the items listed in the table and the Warrants as presented in the "Consent Calendar", which is attached to the agenda. The County Administrator is authorized to issue warrants in accordance with this action and said warrants shall be converted to negotiable checks by the Treasurer of Tazewell County, Virginia.

<p>Consent Calendar (All items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine matters. The following items may be enacted by one motion, with the concurrence of the Board of Supervisors, a member may request that an item be removed for further discussion)</p> <p>A. Approval of Warrants</p> <p>B. County Departments - Transfer the following amounts from the Contingent Expenditures and Grant Account No. 91050-7041 to various department accounts as shown on the attached table.</p> <p>C. Consider approval of refund in the amount of \$4,243.75 to Smith Sales & Service for the return of unused cigarette stamps</p> <p>D. Consider approval of pay increase for Maggie Buskill to \$46,489.36 (achieved Master Certification)</p> <p>E. Consider approval of pay increase for Wes Lambert to \$52,316.54 (achieved Master Certification)</p>

**Consent Calendar Items
June 4, 2024 Meeting**

Source	Dept	Check #	To Acct	Amt	Description
C of VA	TCSO	25399143	31020-5510	\$373.59	Reimbursement
C of VA	TCSO	25383654	31020-6001	\$147.50	Reimbursement
COR Assoc Career Dev	COR	1102	12090-5510	\$200.00	Reimbursement
	TCSO	355801	035600-8109-16	\$1039.47	Peer Support/Critical Incident
	TCSO	1580	035660-8109-16	\$20.00	Peer Support/Critical Incident
CMCS	TCSO	243594	31020-1150	\$1599.60	Reimbursement
C of VA	TCSO	25440443	General fund	\$124.75	Reimbursement (Corey Hicks)
C of VA	TCSO	25440067	General fund	\$373.59	Reimbursement (James Doud)
VaCorp Claims	TCSO	598472	31020-6009	\$3043.89	2023 Ford Interceptor repair
VaCorp Claims	TCSO	598471	31020-6009	\$6088.00	2015 Explorer repair
	CVCA		91050-7041 to 33060-4017	\$21871.00	Comm Corrections Grant
Cecil Gillespie	TCPL		7301.6012	\$1000.00	Donation

County Administrator, Eric Young, explained that the proposed salary increase for the employees in the Commissioner of the Revenue office is based upon recent completion of Master Certification classes.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Supervisor Cruey presented Barry Brooks, Fire/EMS Director, and members of the Bandy Volunteer Fire Department with AEDs for the department's use.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Engineering – Kenneth Dunford

“Safer Streets for All” Grant

Mr. Dunford announced that the CST approved a \$92,000.00 grant match for this program, which will be paid for with CST funds.

Upon motion of Supervisor Presley, 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 accepts the Safer Streets for All Grant match and approves the \$92,000.00 match to be funded by CST over two fiscal years.

Road paving

Mr. Dunford shared that the road paving schedule is complete, with approximately 60 roads on the list to be paved this year, at a cost of \$605,095.00.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 \$605,095.00 for road paving with the money coming from CST funds.

Eric Young responded to a question from Supervisor Presley regarding how CST funds come about and are used. He stated that the funds are paid from a tax on coal and gas produced in the County.

Amonate

According to Mr. Dunford, VDOT plans to work on some road drainage issues in Amonate at a cost of \$40,000.00 with the money coming from CST funds.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 \$40,000.00 for VDOT to repair road drainage issues in Amonate from CST funds.

Library

Mr. Dunford announced that a contract with a contractor has been signed to complete the library wall construction. He indicated that the start date is approximately June 18, with a 90-day completion time.

Supervisor Hrovatic asked for an update on the cell construction at the landfill. Mr. Dunford advised that project is on track.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 4:20 pm

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Cruet and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof, the Board invites all persons necessary to conduct business in this session and enters into an Executive/Closed meeting, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711:

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| <p>Executive/Closed Meeting – Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ A(29) Contract negotiation with SEH regarding Springville FD design ▶ A(29) Procurement evaluation regarding School Facilities study ▶ A(5) Discussion regarding Project CSI II incentives ▶ A(7) Legal consultation regarding Baptist Valley polling place lease ▶ A(7) – Board of Equalization orders |
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RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION – 6:05 pm

The Board of Supervisors returned to public session and Chairman Hrovatic read the following certification:

**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:
- One (1)

ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruet, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 County Attorney to commence litigation, including injunctive relief if such litigation is necessary, to ensure operation of the Mundy Town voting precinct during calendar year 2024.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

AuBree Wimmer resolution

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Cruely and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve the presentation of a resolution to Aubree Wimmer. A copy of the resolution is available at the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Budget Presentation – Eric Young

County Administrator, Eric Young, presented a program outlining the proposed FY25 budget. He explained that the Budget Committee used tax cuts and savings from FY24 to help close the 4.2m projected deficit. He also explained some costs for FY25 had not increased as much as previously expected.

A copy of the presentation and proposed budget are available at the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearing regarding an Ordinance to Repeal and Reenact Chapter 6 of the Tazewell County Code of Ordinances – The Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance of Tazewell County, Virginia

The Chairman called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised according to law regarding an Ordinance to Repeal and Reenact Chapter 6 of the Tazewell County Code of Ordinances – The Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance of Tazewell County, Virginia.

County Attorney, Chase Collins, explained the purpose of the proposed ordinance, which must be adopted by July 1, 2024.

The Chairman called for public comments from the floor.

The Chairman called a second and third time for additional public comments from the floor. There were no comments.

The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruely, seconded by Supervisor Gillespie 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 an Ordinance to Repeal and Reenact Chapter 6 of the Tazewell County Code of Ordinances – The Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance of Tazewell County, Virginia. A copy of the Ordinance is available at the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Public Hearing regarding Tazewell County FY25 Proposed Budget

The Chairman called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised according to law regarding the Tazewell County FY25 Proposed Budget.

The Chairman called for public comments from the floor.

Laura Mollo, Richlands, Virginia spoke regarding the budget. A copy of her comments is hereby made a part of the minutes of this meeting and is on file at the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

James Wade of Paintlick spoke regarding the TCPS budget.

Russell Stowers, Tazewell, Virginia spoke regarding the need for adequate funds to operate the fire/EMS department.

The Chairman called a second and third time for additional public comments from the floor. There were no additional comments.

The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Eric Young explained that no vote can be taken until ten (10) days after the public hearing and that the final budget will be voted on at the second June meeting.

OTHER:

Carryover funds

Supervisor Cruey introduced a motion to dispose of district funds and that each supervisor relinquish their district carryover funds and those funds be used as follows: 1/3 to fund fire departments, 1/3 to fund EMS and 1/3 to fund TCSO. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gillespie.

Supervisor Presley disagreed with the amounts suggested and said the idea is a temporary fix. Supervisor Cruey stated that the BOS has an opportunity to contribute funding where needed without raising taxes. Supervisor Plaster agreed that the idea is a temporary fix and would have to be followed by an increase in taxes.

The County Attorney advised Supervisor Cruey not move to give a particular/specific amount of funding TCSO as that would be inappropriate based upon his employment with TCSO.

Supervisor Gillespie took issue with the motion and suggested that the matter go before the ESC Committee prior to the next June BOS meeting.

Supervisor Cruey amended his motion to require that each supervisor relinquish their district carryover funds and those funds be used to fund fire departments and EMS. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gillespie.

Supervisor Hrovatic objected to the motion, stating that the idea isn't fair because it takes funds away from the projects in his district that are important and asked the Board not to vote for the motion. He further stated that it would punish any district whose supervisors had been conservative with the money.

Supervisor Plaster agreed with Supervisor Hrovatic and suggested that rather than be required to relinquish all carryover fund, that a better idea might be that each supervisor give a pre-determined amount.

Russell Stowers, Tazewell, Virginia interjected about the cost of maintaining fire department vehicles.

Mr. Young suggested that a compromise would be for each supervisor to contribute \$36,000.00, which would be roughly half of the total balances.

The Chairman called for a vote on Supervisor Cruey's motion. The motion by Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Gillespie was defeated by a vote of 3 to 2, with all members present and Supervisors Plaster, Hrovatic, and Presley voting against the same.

Supervisor cell phones

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Gillespie and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves to discontinue paying a cell phone stipend to each of the supervisors, effective immediately.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – SCHEDULED

Dennis Perry – not present

Jeff Hess

James Thomas, Tazewell, Virginia requested funding for the Tazewell Torpedoes Swim Team.

Amy Branson, Russell County, Virginia presented information regarding the proposed Moss 3 Landfill project in Russell County, Virginia. The Board discussed the issues she raised by did not take any action.

UNSCHEDULED CITIZEN COMMENTS

Kyle Kinser, Clear Fork, spoke regarding his opposition to the Moss 3 Landfill project

Robert Carlson, North Tazewell, Virginia, spoke in opposition to having cadmium batteries in solar panels in Tazewell County.

Betty Wallace, Riverside Drive, Tazewell, Virginia, spoke in opposition to the proposed Moss 3 Landfill project.

Amy Branson, Russell County, Virginia spoke again regarding the Moss 3 Landfill Project.

Morgan Earp, Richlands, Virginia, spoke regarding TCPS funding.

Laura Mollo, Richlands, Virginia, spoke against the Moss 3 Landfill Project and solar panels containing cadmium.

Supervisor Hrovatic stated that the Moss 3 Landfill Project warrants further investigation and requested that Ms. Branson forward additional information to the Board and that the matter be placed on the next June 2024 agenda.

Russell Stowers, Tazewell, Virginia described why volunteer firefighters do what they do.

Edna Honeycutt, Pounding Mill, Virginia spoke regarding the Board of Equalization, asking what qualifications the members of the BOE needed to be on that Board. Chase Collins, County Attorney explained the BOE selection process.

ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL/COUNTY PROJECTS UPDATE

Personal property rate ratio ordinance

The Chairman directed that this matter be deferred until the next June 2024 meeting.

Fair Association funding request (\$25,000.00)

Rhudy Keith, Chairman of the Fair Association, requested funding in the amount of \$25,000.00 from the BOS to help with the upcoming August 2024 fair. He stated that the organization continues to hold fundraising activities.

Irma Mitchell spoke regarding the need for funding assistance from the BOS in order to have a good fair. The Chairman directed that the matter be deferred to the next June 2024 meeting.

Flood Study Grants

Mr. Young announced that the BOS received four (4) of the six grants applied for and that a total of approximately \$126,000.00 is needed to fund the required matches for the four grants. He continued by saying decisions now need to be made as to which grants to accept and how to manage paying for the match portion for each grant. He listed each individually and the Board discussed them:

(1) Stream Obstruction and Debris Assessment Grant – Match \$28,568.00

The Board discussed that this was a county-wide study. Mr. Young reminded the Board that the match funds had been taken out of the budget. He asked if he had funds remaining in the current year's emergency management budget could he cover the match with those funds. The Board discussed this option and the consensus was that Mr. Young could do so.

Upon motion of Supervisor Presley, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Gillespie absent for the vote and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve the amount of \$28,568.00 from Emergency Management to be used for the Stream Obstruction and Debris Assessment Grant match.

(2) Downtown Bluefield Flood Study

Mr. Young said he would ask the Town of Bluefield to pay for half of the \$28,940.00 match and advise the Board at the next June 2024 meeting.

(3) Richlands Elementary Flood Mitigation Grant

Mr. Young said this grant would pay \$946,000.00 to construct a fix to Richlands Elementary flooding but it requires a \$49,300.00 match. He suggested that because the flooding also floods a street in the Town of Richlands, that the Town and school system should help pay the match. The Board discussed lengthily and Supervisor Plaster suggested Mr. Young work with TCPS and the Town of Richlands to get help with the match.

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves a transfer in the amount of \$21,527.00 from the Northwestern District Capital Improvement fund to pay the match for the Doran Bottom Road Flood Mitigation Study match to the FT25 Emergency Management budget.

The Chairman directed that the remainder of the grant match subject be deferred to the next June 2024 meeting.

USI Health Insurance consultant contract

Mr. Young explained that since employee insurance is now through Local Choice, the standard government insurance, there really isn't a need for the consultant and suggested that contract be discontinued.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruvey, seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Gillespie absent for the vote and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the discontinuation of the consulting contracting with USI.

Opioid Committee update

Eric Young reminded everyone that the Opioid Committee meets monthly on the third Wednesday. He said the Committee preferred that, rather than have interested parties come before the committee to request funds for programs/project, the Committee might consider advertising for presentations for specific programs, then choose which program(s) to fund from the submissions received.

Unscheduled presentation: SECOR, LLC

Doug Rasnake of SECOR, LLC addressed the BOS, describing the mission of the residential drug treatment program.

Supervisor Gillespie recommended that this matter be referred to the budget committee.

9:00 pm: The Chairman called for a brief recess

9:10 pm: The meeting reconvened

New National Opioid Settlement Notice

Chase Collins explained a new settlement released by Kroger Co., stating that the County must respond no later than August 12, 2024. He advised that Wagstaff and Cartmell, Counsel for the class action suit recommended accepting the settlement.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruvey, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 County Attorney to draft a resolution for Tazewell County to follow the recommendations of its counsel in the national opioid litigation, Wagstaff and Cartmell, and to direct the County Administrator to execute all documents necessary based upon counsel's recommendation.

Other

None.

Outside funding requests

Chamber of Commerce Octobrewfest funding request

Keisha Cole, Director of the Chamber of Commerce shared details of the upcoming OctobrewFest. Supervisor Gillespie was absent from the discussion regarding this matter.

No action was taken.

Juneteenth Celebration funding request

Betty Wallace, representative of Friends of Juneteenth presented a request for financial support for the Juneteenth. The Board discussed the fact that the group is not a 501(c)(3). Ms. Wallace advised that Tazewell Today's 501(c)(3) is willing to act as their fiscal agent.

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Southern District funds to Tazewell Today for the Juneteenth event.

Appointments

Library Board

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 Courtney Jenelle to serve on the Library Board.

Fire/Rescue Board

The Chairman directed that this matter be deferred to the next June, 2024 meeting.

New River Highlands RC&D Council

The Chairman directed that this matter be deferred until the next June, 2024 meeting.

Equalization Board

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 James Durham to serve on the Equalization Board.

IDA (Marco Warner resignation)

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, 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 appoints Darell Cantrell to serve on the IDA to complete the unexpired term of Marco Warner.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruely, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 Suzanne Brinegar to serve on the IDA to replace Regaina Sayers, whose term expires June 30, 2024.

Upper Tennessee River Roundtable

The Chairman directed that this matter be deferred until the next June, 2024 meeting.

AASC

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Hrovatic 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 Ginger Branton to serve on the AASC Board.

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, 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 reappoints Ralph (Moon) Mullins to serve on the AASC Board.

CVCA

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Cruey 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 Chris Plaster, Adrianna Culbertson, David Anderson, David Larimer and Jim Boyd to serve on the CVCA Board.

SWCC College Board

The Chairman directed that this matter be deferred to the next June, 2024 meeting.

CIFA

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, seconded by Supervisor Cruey 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 serve on the CIFA Board.

Enterprise Zone

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, 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 reappoints Kyle Cruey, Tom Lester, Glenn Catron, Curt Breeding, Ann Robinson and Chuck Presley to serve on the Enterprise Zone Committee.

RDA

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 Suzanne Brinegar to serve on the RDA.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 Dale Hawkins to serve on the RDA.

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, seconded by Supervisor Cruey 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 Scarlett May to serve on the RDA.

The Chairman directed that remaining appointments be deferred to the next June 2024 meeting.

Tall Structures

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, seconded by Supervisor Gillespie 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 Ron Mullinaux, Ann Robinson and Barry Alley to serve on the Tall Structures Committee.

Transportation Safety Committee

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, seconded by Supervisor Cruey 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 Jack Asbury, Jonathan Roberts, Scott Rasnick to serve on the TSC Committee.

VCEDA

Upon motion of Supervisor Presley, seconded by Supervisor Gillespie 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 Andy Hrovatic to serve on VCEDA.

WSA

Upon motion of Supervisor Presley, 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 reappoints Lori Stacy to serve on the WSA, pending legal review.

Tazewell Community Health Systems Advisory Board

The Chairman directed that this matter be deferred to the next June 2024 meeting.

Tourism

Upon motion of Supervisor Presley, seconded by Supervisor Cruey 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 David Comer to serve on the Tourism Committee.

The Chairman directed that remaining appointments be deferred until the next June 2024 meeting.

BOARD CONCERNS

Supervisor Gillespie

None

Supervisor Cruey

Supervisor Cruey asked the Board to consider an ordinance for speed limit reduction to allow the Board to establish speed limits on county roads.

Supervisor Cruey asked what plans the BOS has for the money recouped from TCPS. Mr. Young said the Budget Committee is working on a list of items to be added back to the budget. Supervisor Cruey asked if the Board can keep all of the TCPS carryover. The County Administrator advised that it may be necessary to go to the DOE or the Attorney General for an opinion.

The County Attorney advised that a resolution is necessary to direct Mr. Young to approach TCPS regarding the carryover funds.

The Board discussed this and audit findings of previously undisclosed school board funding. Supervisor Hrovatic suggested the school board present a list of capital projects they intend to fund with such a large carry over.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors

hereby resolve to direct the County Administrator to request that TCPS provide a line-item budget for any capital improvement projects slated to use the carryover money from TCPS.

Supervisor Presley

Supervisor Presley suggested a joint meeting with BOS and TCPS.

Supervisor Presley discussed the need to help fire departments with vehicle maintenance.

Upon motion of Supervisor Presley, seconded by Supervisor Gillespie and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves donations to the Clearfork Volunteer Fire Department for repair/purchase of equipment and tires as indicated below:

\$1500.00 from Southern District funds
\$1500.00 from Eastern District funds
\$3000.00 Total

Supervisor Plaster

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves a donation of \$905.09 from Northwestern District funds to Raven Theater for the payment of delinquent real estate taxes on the Raven Theater building.

Supervisor Hrovatic

None

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 10:25 pm

The Chairman directed that both items scheduled for the second Executive/Closed Meeting be deferred to the next June 2024 meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Eric Young shared a request to move the meeting scheduled for June 25, 2024 to June 27, 2024 to allow the budget/finance department to process payroll and monthly bill payments and determine the actual end of year balance.

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves moving the previously scheduled June 25, 2024 meeting to Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 4:00 pm.

ADJOURN

Upon motion of Supervisor Hrovatic, seconded by Supervisor Presley 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 adjourns until Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 4:00 pm.

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Andy Hrovatic, Chairman

WARRANTS June 2024

Payroll

Ordered that ADP direct deposits & warrants totaling \$ 333,097.16 from the General, covering net payroll, for the various County agencies, for the period ending May 31, 2024, be approved.

Ordered that ADP direct deposit & warrants \$ 334,657.62 from the General Fund, covering net payroll, for the various County agencies, for the period ending June 15, 2024 be approved.

Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions

Ordered that Warrant Nos 504265 through 504350, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 251,929.36 from the General, landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and CARES funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued May 25, 2024 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos 504351 through 504360 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 647,746.94 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending May 31, 2024 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 504361 through 504506, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 507,523.27 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and CARES funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued June 10, 2024 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 504507 through 504515 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 175,573.51 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period June 15 2024, be approved.

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Ordered that Warrant No. 802228 totaling \$ 1,114.82 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, and Law Library, covering operating expenses for the month of February 2024, be approved

06/13/2024 tga

Consent Calendar Items
June 27, 2024 Meeting

Source	Dept	Check #	To Acct	Amt	Description
Contingent Grant Acct			013010-1111	\$31,701.00	Reimbursement for primary

Tazewell County Engineering Department
Board of Supervisors Monthly Update
06/27/24

Landfill

New Cell Construction

Rolls of GCL have been delivered to the site.

Working with Contactor and Republic for a date of when half of the new cell will be Completed.

Operations

I am continuing to track the waste coming into the landfill

I am working with capital to resolve issue that come up

The Monitoring well bid have been received. 2 Bids were received.

MW Drilling-\$86,150.00

Bedford Well - Drilling - \$114,140

MW Drilling did not include in the bid the Drilling pads and access to the well as requested in the bid so they are non responsive bidder.

I had estimated that the drilling was going to cost \$100,000. This is \$14,140 over the estimate.

The 2 monitoring wells are a condition of our new permit.

If you look at just the drilling, Bedford was at \$86,140 for the drilling. This is a \$10 difference. I feel like with drilling bids this close we are getting the best possible price

The legal department has been provided with the location of the property that we need to buy for the monitoring well.

Fixing the access to monitoring well #7 has been completed

Contractor has been authorized to fix the gate at Baptist Valley. Parts have been ordered.

We had a meeting with Capital Waste to discuss the leachate. We are working on an amendment to the contract regarding leachate.

Cedar Bluff Transfer Station

I will start coming up with a plan for the walking floor trailers starting in July

VDOT

Flashing yellow lights in Claypool Hill.-No update at this time.

Eric Young and Myself are working with VDOT to get a list of bridges and Culverts and the maintenance schedule so that we work with VDOT on keeping them clean-No update at this time

Suzanne Rd. – No update at this time

School Rd- No update at this time

Please see attached VDOT Report

Roads

Bluebonnet Dr -There have been no updates on this since my last board report

Buckhorne Rd -There have been no updates on this since my last board report

Angles Hollow Rd -There have been no updates on this since my last board report

Honey Rock Rd - This was included in the flood grant that we have applied for

Melrose St - There have been no updates since the last board report

Salina Rd - There have been no updates since the last board report

Eva's Walk -There have been no updates since the last board report

Lawrence Rd - VDOT has been working on solutions for the road with Lawrence Brothers

Fabric Rd- There have been no updates on this since my last board report

Point Dr.- No Update

Kennedy Drive. The engineering department has looked into the speeding issue and we have determined the following.

Speed bumps are not a good solution for a couple of reasons.

Speed bumps will change the drainage pattern of the road and potentially direct water on someone's property.

If someone lives on the road with a low profile car the speed bumps could do damage to the car.

If someone performs snow removal on the road the speed bumps could be damaged

The only option we can come up with is to place advisory speed signs on the road. These signs are not enforceable and they tend to work for a short period of time and then people start to speed again.

I have started work on the drainage for Honey Rock road. Staff has met with VDOT and looked at the existing drainage. When we fix our drainage VDOT will need their drainage or we will cause more issues. I will update you as work progresses.

Safe Streets for all grants- All the documents have been signed. Staff will start working on implementing the Grant starting in July

Fincastle Farms- We received an estimate to cut the Brush. We are currently reviewing the estimate. Once we have completed the review I will provide an update.

Tazewell County Library

The contract has been signed. Work has not started at this time. I anticipate work to begin in about a week. I will provide updates as work progresses.

IT Department

We are currently working with a 3rd party contractor on the Novel to Microsoft switch. The contractor is getting close to finishing up this project but a switch over date has not been determined.

The new backup system for the county files has been delivered and The IT department is working with Dell and a 3rd party to get it installed.

We applied for a grant through vita to assess the county's cyber security. There is no cost to the county for this grant. The grant will perform a study. Like other grants we can take the study and apply for other grants.

Tazewell County BOS Update

June 25, 2024

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

The Residency is not requesting any Board action at this meeting.

MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES – COMPLETED / ONGOING

Ditching / Pipe Maintenance

Ditching and pipe clearing work was conducted on segments of Routes 460, 604, 612 and 631.

Pipe Replacement

A double run of 36" pipe was replaced on Route 643 (Healing Springs Road) and a 24" pipe was replaced on Route 601 in the Tannersville community.

Pothole Patching

Potholes were patched on portions of Routes 775, 780 and 823.

Roadside Mowing

Roadside mowing operations are underway, with an emphasis on primary and high-volume secondary routes. As of the 21st, the first round of roadside mowing had been completed on both primary routes and secondary routes.

Boom Ax / Brush Cutting

Brush cutting was completed on portions of Routes 19, 102, 460, 642, 644 and 713.

Exit 2 Route 460 – Additional pavement repairs and ditching were completed at Exit 2 (Route 67 in Richlands).

Route 19/460 (Springville) – Additional pavement repairs along edge line of pavement, various locations on south bound lanes.

MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES – PLANNED

Pothole (Hand) Patching: Pothole patching will continue through the summer into the fall season.

Machine Asphalt Patching: Machine patching will be conducted in advance the asphalt overlays scheduled for completion over the course of the summer / paving season. (See attached list for routes that will receive either an asphalt overlay or a latex overlay.)

Mowing: Mowing operations will continue throughout the summer.

Ditching: Ditching will continue on various routes as weather conditions and workload allow.

Brush Cutting / Boom Ax Operations: Various routes as weather conditions and workload allow.

Gravel Roads: Blade and gravel spread as need and as weather conditions allow.

Rt 641 – Tree trimming

Route 67 Culvert Replacement (Jewell Ridge / Seaboard) – Replacement of a culvert on Route 67 is planned for later this summer utilizing primarily coal severance tax funds.

Amonate Drainage Project

Machine pavement patching has been completed at the two locations where drainage improvements were made in late winter.

A smaller, second phase of this project is planned for later this summer, at two additional locations, provided funding allows both sites to be completed. One of the sites is located generally between house numbers 4672 and 4710. Residency staff have had initial contact with a property owner from whom an easement would be needed for completion of the work. Work is anticipated to begin in late summer / early fall pending completion of environmental review and easement acquisition utilizing both 6 year plan and coal severance tax funds.

RURAL RUSTIC PROJECTS & STUDIES

The residency has completed plan sketches and initiated the environmental review process for the Healing Springs Road (Route 643 near Lake Witten) project. Due to anticipated environmental constraints impacting when certain aspects of the project can be completed, generally tree cutting and pipe replacement, and funding being split between fiscal years 2025 and 2026, paving will not be completed until spring / summer of 2025.

DESIGN PROJECTS

There are two significant projects under design in the County, a bridge replacement on Fairgrounds Road (near the intersection with Route 61 / Riverside Drive) and intersection improvements at the Route 610 (Indian Paint Road) / 460 intersection in Claypool Hill

The 610/460 intersection project involves raising the elevation of the north-bound lanes of 460 as well as a segment of Route 610 and adding a traffic signal on the 4th leg (Route 610 traffic – across from McDonalds) of the intersection. The project is currently scheduled to go to bid in Fall 2025 / Spring 2026.

The bridge replacement project is early in the design phase and is currently scheduled to go to bid in Fall 2026 / Spring 2027.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Route 460 Intersection Improvements (Bluefield Bypass)

The project consists of the construction of offset left-turn lanes at two intersections (Commerce Drive and Leatherwood Lane). The left turn lanes at each location will be shifted into the median, shortening the distance a vehicle is required to travel to make a left turn. The traffic signals will be replaced along with new paving, pavement markings and drainage modifications. The project has been bid and is expected to begin construction in early 2025. The lag in beginning construction is due to the lead time for the signal / signal equipment.

Pure Salmon Project

No updates from the VDOT perspective for this month.

Latex Treatment

ROUTE:	DISTANCE IN MILES:	LOCATION:
602	3.6	Int. 604 to Dead End
611	0.9	Int. 602 to Int. 604
629	1.17	Russell/Tazewell County Line to Richlands Corporate Limits
629	0.85	Int. 724 to Russell/Tazewell County Line
643	0.92	Int. 102 to WV Line
644	1.42	Int. 668 to WV Line
644	2.31	Int. 16 to Int. 668
659	1.8	Tazewell/McDowell County Line to 0.40 miles East of 737
687	2.8	Int. 460 to Tazewell/Buchanan County Line
695	0.5	Dead End to Int. 644
719	1.17	Int. 19 to Int. 460
738	0.75	Int. 603 to Dead End
767	0.3	Dead End to Int. 644
775	0.18	Int. 629 to Dead End
780	0.13	Dead End to Int. 730
784	0.35	Int. 644 to Int. 748
785	0.14	Dead End to Int. 644
797	0.1	Dead End to Int. 687
809	0.2	Dead End to Int. 785
811	0.61	Dead End to Int. 609
886	0.19	Int. 887 to Int. 885
887	0.2	Dead End to Int. 723
1015	0.34	Int. 19/460 to Int. 610
1201	0.37	Int. 460 to Dead End
1209	0.18	Int. 707
1215	0.21	Int. 1216 to Int. 724
1216	0.14	Int. 1215 to Dead End
9635	0.14	Int. 1215 to Int. 724
604	3.3	Int. 16 to Int. 602
792	0.1	Int. 752 to Dead End
850	0.68	Int. 651 to Dead End
885	0.22	Int. 886 to Int. 723

Plant Mix (2" Overlay)

ROUTE:	DISTANCE IN MILES:	LOCATION:
631	2	Int. 626 to Int. 627
639	1.73	Int. 19 to Int. 631
826	0.18	Int. 19 to Dead End
680	0.35	Int. 19
1501	0.24	Int. 19 to Int. 1504
1502	0.07	Int. 1501 to Dead End
1503	0.12	Int. 1501 to Dead End
1504	0.2	Int. 1501 to Int. 1505
1505	0.69	Dead End to Int. 1505
1506	0.06	Int. 1505

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING
Greg DeGray**

WHEREAS, Greg DeGray began his service on the Tazewell County Public Service Authority in January of 2017;

WHEREAS, during his time on the Public Service Authority, Greg DeGray served in the role of Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer and on the Budget Committee;

WHEREAS, Greg DeGray was instrumental in helping plan for and procure equipment for the Pocahontas Water System;

WHEREAS, Greg DeGray was active in meetings regarding the Sanitary Board (need more here);

WHEREAS, the County of Tazewell wishes to recognize Greg DeGray for his hard work and dedication to the Tazewell County Public Service Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors along with the Tazewell County Public Service Authority hereby commends Greg DeGray for his service and dedication to the Tazewell County Public Service Authority and the citizen of Tazewell County.

Presented this the 27th day of June, 2024.

Aaron Gillespie, Vice Chair
Shanna Plaster, Member
Chuck Presley, Member
Kyle Cruvey, Member

Andy Hrovatic, Chairman

C. Eric Young, County Administrator

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING Kevin Murray

WHEREAS, Kevin Murray began his law enforcement career with the Virginia Department of Corrections (DOC) in 1988;

WHEREAS, in 1996, Kevin Murray became a member of the Prison Emergency Response Team and the Crisis Intervention Team, was Assistant Watch Commander and Adjunct Instructor at the Law Enforcement Training Academy in Richmond, teaching in-service classes in time management and duty roster management;

WHEREAS, Kevin Murray became a K9 handler and a member of the Western Region Narcotic K9 Unit and, along with his K9 partner, Spice, was selected as the Western Region representative for a national narcotic K9 demonstration at the FBI academy in Quantico. Officer Murray also became a certified narcotic detection K9 instructor and was promoted to Captain for the Western Region DOC K9 handlers;

WHEREAS, Kevin Murray expanded his talents to include certification as an instructor in K9 patrol and K9 detection for cell phones and tobacco and Virginia Game and Inland Fisheries K9 certifications;

WHEREAS, Kevin Murray began his employment with the Tazewell County Sheriff's Office and currently works as Code Enforcement and Civil Process;

WHEREAS, the County of Tazewell wishes to recognize Kevin Murray for his hard work and dedication to law enforcement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby commends Kevin Murray for his distinguished accomplishments and congratulates him on his upcoming retirement.

Presented this the 27th day of June, 2024.

Aaron Gillespie, Vice Chair
Shanna Plaster, Member
Chuck Presley, Member
Kyle Crucey, Member

Andy Hrovatic, Chairman

C. Eric Young, County Administrator

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING Nelson (Butch) Blankenship

WHEREAS, Nelson Blankenship entered the United States Navy in 1977, assigned to the USS Independence CV-62. He was a Seaman/Boatswain mate, honorably discharged in 1980. He was in the United States Navy Reserve until 1983 and received an honorable discharge, then joined the United States Army Reserve in 1987 and was promoted to 1st Sergeant;

WHEREAS, in 2005, Nelson Blankenship was activated to Talafa, Iraq with a Military Transition Team where he trained the Iraqi Army and was the advisor to the Colonel and Sgt. Major of the Iraqi Army and was subsequently promoted to Sgt. Major (SGM). Returning stateside, he was SGM of the 744th Military Police Battalion in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and was selected for the SGM academy at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas. After graduating from the SGM academy, he returned to the 744th MP Battalion in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania from 2010 until his retirement from the United States Army Reserve in 2020;

WHEREAS, Nelson Blankenship was employed by the Virginia Department of Corrections from 1988 until his retirement there in 2011, at which time he was a Training Sergeant and Training Lieutenant and instructor of the Virginia Department of Corrections Tactical Support Unit;

WHEREAS, Nelson Blankenship has been a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans Post 31. He is currently the District Commander of the American Legion in the 8th District Department of Virginia;

WHEREAS, Nelson Blankenship started his employment with the Tazewell County Sheriff's Office in 2012 in the courthouse security and civil process service division;

WHEREAS, Nelson Blankenship has been married to his wife, Phyllis Blankenship, since 1981 and they have three children and four grandchildren;

WHEREAS, the County of Tazewell wishes to recognize Nelson Blankenship for his hard work and dedication to law enforcement, his community and his country;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby commends Nelson Blankenship for his distinguished accomplishments and hereby congratulates him on his upcoming retirement.

Presented this the 27th day of June, 2024.

Aaron Gillespie, Vice Chair
Shanna Plaster, Member
Chuck Presley, Member
Kyle Crucey, Member

Andy Hrovatic, Chairman

C. Eric Young, County Administrator

TAZEWELL COUNTY FIRE-RESCUE, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(Two (2) Year Term)

Jim Talbert, CVN/RNP

07-01-2023 06-30-2026

PO Box 818

Richlands, VA 24641

(reappointed 6-4-2019)

(Resigned)

Michael Hymes

07-01-2019 06-30-2023

PO Box 7

Tazewell, VA 24651

(fills expiring term of Kathern Dowdy)

(Resigned)

Frederick W. Harman

07-01-2020 06-30-2023

201 East Main Street

PO Box 523

Tazewell, Virginia 24651

988-5547

(reappointed 6/2/20 for 2 yr. term)

(Resigned)

NEW RIVER HIGHLANDS – RC & D COUNCIL

(One (1) Year Term)

Tazewell County Representative

Jack Asbury
PO Box 139
Bluefield, VA24605
322-4152

01-01-2023 12-31-2023

Contact:

Wytheville USDA Service Center
325 East Main Street, Suite E-2
Wytheville, VA 24382
276-227-0536

www.newriverhighlandsrcd.org

jcorvinnrhrcd@centurylink.net

Upper Tennessee
River Roundtable

P.O. Box 2359, Abingdon, VA 24212

Phone: (276) 628-1600

Fax: (276) 623-1185

April 3, 2024

Susan Jewell
Executive Assistant
Tazewell County Board of Supervisors
197 Main Street
Tazewell, VA 24651

Dear Susan Jewell,

I am writing with two requests for your board to consider. First, the term has expired for the representative your board appointed to serve on the Roundtable Board of Directors. We would appreciate your board appointing someone to serve so that Tazewell County will continue to be represented. Each term is for two calendar years.

Secondly, I am writing to request your consideration of a donation to Upper Tennessee River Roundtable as the board members work on the FY2025 budget. We spend a tremendous amount of time and grant funds in Tazewell County, as you are probably well aware. The Clinch River is such a special river and we do everything we can to protect it.

As a bit of background, Upper Tennessee River Roundtable is a 501c3 nonprofit serving two cities and seven counties in the Upper Tennessee River Basin in Virginia, including Tazewell County. Our mission is to improve the water quality of the Clinch, Powell, and Holston rivers in Southwest Virginia that flow to Tennessee.

We partner with the Tazewell Soil and Water Conservation District and the towns to implement projects that improve water quality. We currently have two grants from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality to install projects on farm land to fence cattle out of streams and provide alternate water sources. The Tazewell SWCD does the on-the-ground work for these important projects. We finished a grant project last year that stabilized the stream bank and restored the river at the Moose Lodge. Previously, we completed an extensive stream restoration, bank stabilization at Dunford Park.

These grants also partially fund farm tours and outreach events at Dunford Park for citizens, such as Creek Critter Camp. We assist the Tazewell SWCD with the Farm Expo, Living Soils Week, Water Wizard Week, Kids in the Clinch, and Kids in the Creek.

Last month, we coordinated a Haz-Mat Spills Workshop for Emergency Responders with Tazewell SWCD. The Roundtable received a grant from the Tennessee Valley Authority

to fund this workshop. We provided meals and emergency responder supplies, as well as door prizes to the participants. We gave certificates for CEUs.

We have also provided grant funds for a household hazardous waste collection day with the Tazewell SWCD and the county in the past. We have held rain barrel workshops and trash treasures workshops many times in Tazewell with the SWCD.

Currently, the Roundtable leads a regional initiative to find recycling markets through the Southwest Virginia Regional Recycling and Solid Waste Working Group of which Tazewell County is a member. This networking has resulted in increased cardboard recycling and sharing of future opportunities.

We appreciate your consideration of our request and look forward to future work in Tazewell County.

Sincerely,



Carol W. Doss, Ed.D.
Executive Director



These are a few photos from the recent Haz-Mat Spills Workshop.

TAZEWELL COUNTY RECREATION AND PARKS FACILITY AUTHORITY

ESTABLISHED SEPTEMBER 21, 2004

(Three (3) Year Term)

Scarlett May 07-01-2024 06-30-2027
255 Cresswood Drive
Richlands, VA 24641
828-448-5769
(filled James Gibson's slot following resignation)

Daniel Ingram 07-01-2021 06-30-2024
148 Hankla St.
Tazewell, VA 24651
540-420-2096
Hdiyaking12@gmail.com
(Replaced C. Whitted)

Mike Hymes 03-01-2022 12-31-2025
PO Box 7
Tazewell, VA 24651
276-210-4878
mhymes@tazewellcounty.org
(replaced Maggie Asbury's unexpired term)
(coincides with elected term of office)

Suzanne Brinegar 07-01-2024 06-30-2027
PO Box 134
Pocahontas, VA 24635
276-970-0285

BJ Roberts 07-01-2024 06-30-2027
116 Pleasantview Drive
Bluefield, VA 24605
276-245-2674

Dale Hawkins 07-01-2024 06-30-2027
Xxx
Xxx
Dalehawkins711@gmail.com

Curtis Breeding 07-01-2023 06-30-2026
PO Box 494
Richlands, Virginia 24641
(Reappointed 06-02-2020)

TAZEWELL COUNTY
TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
(Established 12-16-2003)

(Two (2) Year Term)

SOUTHERN

Dr. Terry Mullins, Vice Chair	07-01-2022	06-30-2024
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131 Henry Street
North Tazewell, Virginia 24630
276-971-5635
276-988-5077
tmullins@concord.edu

Beth Takach	07-01-2023	06-30-2025
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279 Richardson Drive
Tazewell, VA 24651
(Filled the expired term of Tammy Allison)

EASTERN

Lee Riffe	07-01-2022	06-30-2024
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215 Hockman Pike
Bluefield, VA 24605
304-320-9746
leer17@verizon.net
(replaced the expired term of Michael A. Brown)

David Comer	07-01-2024	06-30-2027
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1046 Virginia Ave.
Bluefield, VA 24605
276-245-6065

NORTHERN

Dedra Cox	07-01-2023	06-30-2025
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263 Mission Church Road
Bluefield, VA 24605
304-320-4353
dedracox38@yahoo.com
(Appointed on 08-03-2021)
(Fills the expired term of Roger Scarberry)

Ginger McCoy Cates 07-01-2022 06-30-2024
156 Wood Smoke Way
Pocahontas, Virginia 24635
gingercates@bellsouth.net

WESTERN

Sarah Romeo 07-01-2023 06-30-2025
612 Indian Paint Road
Pounding Mill, VA 24637
276-963-4993
(Replaced the unexpired term of Linda Singleton)
(Reappointed on 08-03-2021)

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The Sanders House



June 10, 2024

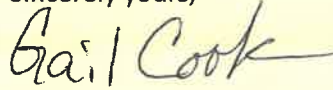
Honorable Charles "Chuck" E. Presley, Jr.
197 Main Street
Tazewell, VA 24651


Dear Mr. Presley,

On behalf of the Sanders House Managing Board along with the Graham Historical Society, we are writing to request \$6,000.00 from your supervisor's discretionary fund for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. The money will be used to pay on going monthly expenses, help with our annual insurance payment, and to make the many repairs this old house continually needs.

We work hard to keep the house open for the people in our community, and for tourists. Thanks for all you do to make The Sanders House a historical treasure.

Sincerely yours,


Gail Cook
President, Managing Board


Tammy Little
Interim President, Graham Historical Society

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