## TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING



## January 7, 2025 – 4:00 P.M. (Tuesday)

## 197 MAIN STREET TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA 24651

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

Time	Subject	<b>`</b> g
4:00 pm	<ol> <li>Call to Order</li> <li>Pledge and Invocation</li> <li>Welcome</li> <li>Consideration of approving the agenda format (additions/deletions)</li> <li>Approval of meeting minutes from December 3, 2024</li> </ol>	4
4:10 pm	<ul> <li>6. Consent Calendar <ul> <li>(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)</li> <li>A. Approval of Warrants</li> <li>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.</li> <li>C. Ratify poll to approve tax assessment abatement for Tazewell Square Virginia, LTD from \$14,794.00 to \$532.00, a difference of \$14,262.00 to Tazewell County, Virginia</li> <li>D. Ratify poll to approve refund of \$6330.00 to Capital Waste for overpayment of personal property assessment</li> <li>E. Ratify poll to approve holiday closure of administrative offices on 26 December 2024</li> <li>F. Approve resolution of appreciation for TCSO Major Harold Heatley</li> <li>G. Approve refund/abatement in the amount of \$12,605.88 for J&amp;S</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	16 18 19
	Transport 2024 apportionment	
4:15 pm	<ul> <li>7. Organizational Structuring         <ul> <li>A. The County Administrator will take the floor and call for nominations of a Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for a term of one year or until his/her successor is duly elected.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	B. Following the election of a Chairman, the Chairman will proceed with the following:	
	C. Election of a Vice Chairman	
	D. Consideration of adopting Robert's Rules of Order as the official rules for	
	conducting county business E. Consideration of appointing a clerk to the Board of Supervisors	
	F. Consideration of appointing the County Administrator as the Director of Emergency Management for Tazewell County	
	G. Designation of Dave White as Deputy Director of Emergency Management	
	H. Designation of Barry Brooks as Coordinator of Emergency Management	
	I. Consideration of setting a date, time and place for the 2025 regular	
	meetings of the Board of Supervisors J. Consideration of appointing a Board of Supervisors member to serve as	
	Tazewell County's legislative contact with VaCo during the upcoming 2025	
	General Assembly	
	<ul> <li>K. Consideration of appointing a budget committee for FY26</li> <li>L. Consideration of appointing a personnel committee for FY25</li> </ul>	
	M. Consideration of appointing ESC members for FY25	
	N. Consideration of appointing Board liaison (IDA)	
	O. Consideration of appointing Board liaison (PSA)	
4:30 pm	8. Department Reports	
•	Kenneth Dunford – Engineering Report	
4:45 pm	9. Executive/Closed Meeting – Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711	
-	A( 5) Potential new business or expansion: Project FIND	
	A(29) Contract negotiations with SHE regarding school facilities	
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6:00 pm	10. Return/Certification/Return of Action	
6:05 pm	11. Special Presentations	20
	<ul> <li>GHS Cheerleading Resolution</li> <li>Heart of Appalachia</li> </ul>	20
	<ul> <li>Heart of Appalachia</li> <li>Virginia Extension Office – John Blankenship</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Kayla Arestivo – Trails of Purpose</li> </ul>	
	12. Public Hearings	
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7:30 pm	<ul> <li>7. Consider approving resolution in support of Carillion's application for certificate of need for kidney transplant facility in Roanoke, Virginia</li> <li>8. Appointments: <ul> <li>a. CMCS</li> <li>b. Community Corrections</li> <li>c. Fire/Rescue Board</li> <li>d. IDA</li> <li>e. Tourism</li> </ul> </li> <li>16. <u>Board Concerns</u> <ul> <li>Supervisor Presley:</li> <li>Sanders House – insurance</li> </ul> </li> <li>Supervisor Plaster: <ul> <li>Consider tax reduction for senior citizens</li> </ul> </li> <li>Supervisor Cruey: <ul> <li>Animal Cruelty Registry/Ordinance</li> </ul> </li> <li>Supervisor Gillespie: <ul> <li>Legal representation regarding Insulin litigation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	33 34 35 36 38
	Supervisor Hrovatic: ►	
7:45 pm	17. Second Executive/Closed Meeting – Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 (if necessary)	
9:00 pm	18. Return/Certification/Report of Action (if necessary)	
9:05 pm	19. Other business as may properly come before the Board	
9:15 pm	<b>20. Adjourn</b> The meeting is adjourned until Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.	

VIRGINIA: AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD DECEMBER 3, 2024 AT SIX 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: JIM TALBERT, RICHLANDS NEWS & PRESS; WARREN HINKLE, THE VOICE

ABSENT: None

#### MINUTES

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

Supervisor Hrovatic 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.

Eric Young, County Administrator, noted that a revised agenda was prepared for the meeting.

The Chairman added that the list of proposed meeting dates should be added for review.

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 approved the November 7, 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 Plaster, 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 the minutes from the November 7, 2024 meeting. A copy is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

The Board reviewed the proposed meeting dates for 2025 and asked that the November 13, 2025 date be changed to November 6, 2025.

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 the revised proposed meeting dates for 2025 (changing November 13, 2025 to November 6, 2025). A copy is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Supervisor Cruey asked to remove Items F, G and H for a later vote due to a conflict by virtue of his employment.

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 Items A through E and Item I of the Consent Calendar.

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0 with all members present and Supervisor Cruey abstaining from the vote, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves Consent Calendar Items F, G and H. 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.

## **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)

- A. Approval of 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. Ratify poll to grant refund of \$4679.02 to Wells Fargo for Merchant's Capital tax
- D. Ratify poll for donation of \$1270.34 from contingency to Town of Pocahontas for parcel 006A2A0062 real estate tax reimbursement
- E. Consider transfer of \$58,673.96 previously budgeted to Tazewell County IDA for tax rebate job creation and investment incentives
- F. Ratify poll to surplus 2006 Ford Van (VIN 1FTSS34PX6DB45897)
- G. Ratify poll to surplus generator Serial #T-07-283-094
- H. Ratify poll to surplus generator Serial #05848
- I. Transfer \$28,400.00 ARPA fund to Tourism

## **Consent Calendar Items December 3, 2024 Meeting**

#### **REVISED**

Source	Check #	To Acct	Amt	Description
VaCorp	625417	31020-6009	\$3967.00	Damage to 2013 Taurus VIN 4969
Natasha Hunt	5008	73010-1150	\$200.00	Library payroll reimbursement
Zillow Group	20970	12090-6001	\$250.00	R/E records from COR
VaCorp	625631	32040-6009	\$17981.98	2021 Ford ambulance damage
VaCorp	624744	31020-6009	\$5287.44	2020 Explorer VIN 2991
CMCS	245898	31020-1150	\$1679.67	CITAC overtime
Dominion Auto	10356	31020-6009	\$1015.00	Sale of TCSO 2010 Ford
David Phipps	3517	091050-7041	\$15,000.00	EMS donation
C of VA	25811082	31020-5510	\$337.54	TCSO travel reimbursement
CoreLogic Solutions, LLC	7575385	12090-6001	\$250.00	R/E records from COR
Natasha Hunt	5016	73010-1150	\$400.00	Library payroll reimbursement
T. Shea Cook	10949	31020-6001	\$25.60	FOIA payment
Consolidated Steel, Inc	76634	31020-6010	\$200.00	Donation
East River Auction		31020-8105	\$15,473.60	Sale of surplus items
Anonymous		7601-3099	\$20.00	Donation to library
Bluefield Chapter 102 OES	1058	035600-8109-15	\$100.00	Donation to Project Lifesaver
Town of Tazewell	32982	035600-8109-15	\$75.00	Donation to Project Lifesaver
Joseph Stevenson	2712	035600-6011	\$84.00	TCSO tshirts
Randy Ann David	3208	035600-6011	\$100.00	TCSO tshirts
Ralph Justus	1029	035600-6011	\$42.00	TCSO tshirts
Unknown name	Cash	035600-6011	\$42.00	TCSO tshirts
VaCorp		31020-8105	\$9,000.00	2016 Taurus damage VIN 8361
VaCorp		31020-6009	\$1094.49	2016 Taurus damage VIN 8360

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

#### Engineering – Kenneth Dunford

Mr. Dunford informed the Board that landfill construction completion has been slightly delayed until the end of December or January 2025.

Mr. Young reminded the Board that the budget amendment took into consideration that the new landfill cell might not be completed by the end of December 2024. He said that FEMA will likely cover 75% of the expenses, but those funds can take up to two years to receive. Mr. Young announced that the diversion of waste is going to cost less than first anticipated because we are still able to use part of the old cell and Mr. Dunford confirmed the same.

Mr. Dunford asked for funds to make some necessary repairs to the leachate system. He obtained a quote from Capital Waste in the amount of \$31,392.34 for materials/parts and labor to elevate three (3) pumps, run air lines,

repair four (4) pumps. Mr. Young stated these repairs would be made using money from the budget amendment from the landfill fund.

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 approves \$31,392.34.

Mr. Dunford also requested \$7,416.50 to pay BWJPSA for diversion of waste to Pulaski landfill

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 approves \$7,416.50 to pay BWJPSA for diversion of waste to Pulaski landfill.

#### Suspend Robert's Rules of Order

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 approves \$7,416.50 to pay BWJPSA for diversion of waste to Bland/Wythe landfill.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL/COUNTY PROJECTS UPDATE

#### Consider extending State of Emergency

County Administrator, Eric Young, announced that county officials are still evaluating damages caused by the recent storm and asked that the state of emergency be extended until January 10, 2025.

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 extension of the State of Emergency until January 10, 2025.

#### Storm recovery update

The County Administrator announced that FEMA collected 1677 applications for assistance during the time the FEMA representatives were in Tazewell County. He stated that most of the losses were wind damage and food losses). He estimated that there were approximately \$3.8m in residential flood damage, approximately \$1.2m in residential wind damage and approximately \$11m in agricultural damage. He added that damages to county/local government structures/property is still being evaluated.

Mr. Young reminded the Board that \$20,000.00 was previously set aside for agricultural relief. He stated that Virginia Extension Office agent John Blankenship suggested that each farmer that qualifies for the assistance be supplied with a new chain saw, as that seemed to be the most common item used in the storm recovery process. He suggested adding another \$30,000.00 to that amount in order to adequately assist farmers in some fashion. The Board took no action on that matter, but, asked that Mr. Blankenship present additional information at the January 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

#### Solid Waste Management Plan amendment

The Chairman called to order a public hearing that was duly advertised according to law for an amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan for Tazewell County, Virginia.

Chase Collins, County Attorney, explained the purpose of the amendment to the plan.

The Chairman called for public comments from the floor.

The Chairman called a second and third time for additional public comments from the floor. Hearing none, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

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 an amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan for Tazewell County, Virginia as advertised. A copy of the plan is available at the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

#### Route 19/460 traffic improvements (RAISE grant)

Mr. Young explained the purpose of the public hearing and the grant was to hear public comment about traffic issues on US Route 19/460.

Ken Dunford, County Engineer, shared a PowerPoint presentation regarding locations affected by this project. The locations included US 19/460 eastbound near Walmart at Pounding Mill, the crossover at Ft. Witten and the on-ramp near Tazewell.

The Chairman called for public comments from the floor.

The Chairman called a second and third time for additional public comments from the floor. Hearing none, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

#### **Resolution for Carter Creasy**

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 approves a resolution honoring Carter Creasy for his athletic accomplishments.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### Request for real estate tax exemption – Outside Dreams

Mr. Collins explained the purpose of the public hearing to consider public comments regarding granting a local tax exemption to Outside Dreams. The Chairman called upon Mr. Mitchell to share information regarding the vision of Outside Dreams, Inc. Mitchell advised that Outside Dreams' property would be used to provide handicapped individuals access to outdoor recreation.

The Chairman called for public comments from the floor.

The Chairman called a second and third time for additional public comments from the floor. Hearing none, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

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 approves an ordinance for exempt real estate taxation for Outside Dreams, Inc. located in the Southern District of Tazewell County by local designation from assessment of real estate taxes.

A copy of the ordinance is available at the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

#### Ordinance for holiday stipend for EMS employees - private donation

Mr. Young explained that funds earmarked for EMS were received from a private donor, with those funds to be used for a Christmas dinner/party for the EMS employees. The County Administrator proposed that \$150.00 be given to each of the 28 EMS employees and the remainder be spent for the dinner.

The Chairman called for public comments from the floor.

The Chairman called a second and third time for additional public comments from the floor. Hearing none, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

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 approves an Ordinance for a \$150.00 stipend to each EMS employee of Tazewell County, said funds originating from a private donor.

#### **<u>CITIZEN COMMENTS – SCHEDULED</u>**

Denvin Hayes of Richlands spoke regarding a counselling center for veterans that would like to move into Tazewell County. Mr. Young invited the director of the center to present at the January 2025 meeting to share additional information about the service and indicated that the County is willing to help bring the center here.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS - UNSCHEDULED**

Regina Roberts, Tazewell, Virginia spoke about the Tazewell library branch re-opening and announced that the elevator installation at the Richlands branch should be complete in 90 days. She also explained that the concrete floor in the office area of the Tazewell library is missing chunks and asked about repairing the concrete floor in the office area at the Tazewell library using money left from the construction budget and \$5,000.00 from the Library Foundation to cover the \$7,100.00 repair estimate.

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 approves allowing the Tazewell library branch to use the remainder of the \$11,000.00 previously appropriated for other improvements to the facility and to allow the library to match the previous funds offered by the Board, up to \$5,000.00 with any donations they may have, from whatever source.

James Wade of North Tazewell spoke regarding county funds spent on the Graham football field and other issues. Mr. Young stated that the Board hasn't received any requests from TCPS for any sequestered funds.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL/COUNTY PROJECTS UPDATE

#### Consider cleanout of leachate tank

Mr. Young informed the Board that the leachate tank needs to be cleaned out (at a cost of approximately \$12,000.00) and the drainage pond needs to be dipped out (approximately \$38K, unbudgeted). He said the leachate tank needs to be inspected when its cleaned (\$5,000.00). He asked the Board to approve \$38,000.00 from contingency for cleaning out the drainage pond and defer a decision on cleaning and inspecting the tank until after the cell is finished.

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 approves the amount of \$38,000.00 from capital contingency for cleaning out the landfill drainage pond.

#### Approve FY25 VDH service agreement

Mr. Young explained that the County is required to enter into an agreement each year with the Virginia Department of Health for various services VDH provides to the citizens.

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 approves entering into an annual contract with the local Virginia Department of Health.

A copy of the service agreement is available at the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

#### Request for additional drug court funding

The Chairman directed that this matter be deferred to the January 7, 2025 meeting.

# Consider surplus of retiring Major Harold Heatley's service weapon (Glock 9mm #CBKA905) and allow him to purchase for \$1.00 pursuant to Sec.59-148.3 of the Code of Virginia

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with all members present and Supervisor Cruey abstaining, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve allowing retiring Major Harold Heatley to purchase is service weapon (Glock 9mm #CBKA905) for \$1.00 pursuant to Sec.59-148.3 of the Code of Virginia.

#### Discussion regarding SROs

Sheriff Brian Hieatt spoke about a recent meeting he had with Governor Younkin regarding funding for school resource officers. The Sheriff stated that Governor Younkin is supportive of the SRO program and indicated he will attempt to retain funding for the SROs.

#### Vehicle lease/purchase for TCSO

Mr. Young followed up on this item from a previous meeting, suggesting that the Board have a \$150,000.00 "placeholder" from contingency for TCSO vehicles to be obtained this fiscal year. He said upcoming discussions will center around deciding whether to lease and/or purchase those vehicles.

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with all members present and Supervisor Cruey abstaining from the vote, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves appropriation of \$150,000.00 from contingency for the lease and/or purchase of vehicles for TCSO.

#### Consider tax exempt status for Labor of Love

Mr. Collins explained that Labor of Love, a non-profit organization in Tazewell County, has requested that a recently purchased 2024 Chevrolet Trax used solely for the use of the organization be exempt from personal property taxes. Mr. Young stated that, based on the cost of advertising a public hearing for the matter and the amount of the vehicle tax, the amount of \$500.00 (the cost of the taxes) be added to the amount the Board donates to the organization each year instead of holding the hearing and exempting the vehicle. No action was taken.

#### Board of Equalization update

Mr. Young announced that it was initially thought that the Board of Equalization would finish with all hearings by December 31, 2024; however, a fresh influx of requests for hearings came in the last two weeks, requiring an extension of the Board's services. Mr. Young advised the Board that the BOE had received 350 claims and reduced property values such that the County only lost \$9,000.00 per year in revenue.

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 approves submission of a petition to the Tazewell County Circuit Court to request a 60-day extension of service for the Board of Equalization.

#### Other

#### Martin Street

The Chairman explained a situation regarding Martin Street which involves accepting Martin Street into the county road system.

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 approves holding a public hearing in January 2025 to accept Martin Street into the county road system.

#### Pocahontas Christmas Parade

Mr. Young shared a request from the Town of Pocahontas for funding assistance for the 2024 Pocahontas Christmas Parade. No action was taken.

#### Downtown Bluefield

Mr. Young read a notice from the Town of Bluefield declaring a portion of downtown having been given historic status.

#### **Bluefield University**

Mr. Young shared a request from Bluefield University for annual fundraising efforts. No action was taken.

#### Falls Mills sewer plant

Mr. Collins announced that the PSA is seeking funding from the VRA in the amount of \$2.1m for the upgrade to the existing sewer system in Falls Mills. He stated the PSA will likely request a moral obligation resolution from the Board at the January 2025 meeting.

#### Billboard

Mr. Young asked to add A(29) Contract negotiations regarding an advertising billboard on Route 16 to executive session.

#### **Appointments**

#### Airport Authority

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints Bruce Remines to serve on the Airport Authority.

## CMCS

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Hrovatic and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with all members present and Supervisor Gillespie abstaining from the vote, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints April Morefield to serve on the Cumberland Mountain Community Services Board.

The Chairman deferred the remaining appointment to the January 7, 2025 meeting.

#### **Community Corrections**

The Chairman deferred this matter to the January 7, 2025 meeting.

#### СРМТ

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints Shanna Plaster to serve on the CPMT.

#### **CPPDC**

Upon motion of Supervisor Plaster, 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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints Andy Hrovatic and Aaron Gillespie to serve on the CPPDC.

#### Fire/Rescue Board

The Chairman deferred this matter to the January 7, 2025 meeting.

#### Heart of Appalachia

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints Rick Wood to serve on the Heart of Appalachia board.

Supervisor Gillespie asked that a representative of HOA appear at the January 2025 meeting for an update on the activities of the HOA.

#### **ID**A

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints Darrell Addison to serve on the IDA to fill his unexpired term ending June 30, 2026.

#### New River Highlands RC&D Council

The Chairman deferred this matter to the January 7, 2025 meeting.

#### **PSA**

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, 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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Chuck Presley to serve on the PSA to fill the seat held by Art Meade upon the expiration of the term.

#### Social Services

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints Mark Mullin to serve on the Social Services Board.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Presley and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with all members present and Supervisor Gillespie abstaining from the vote, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints the Executive Director of the Care Center or his/her designee to serve on the Social Services Board.

#### Soil & Water

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints John Blankenship to serve on the Soil & Water Conversation Board.

#### Tourism

The Chairman deferred this matter to the January 7, 2025 meeting.

#### **Trailblazers**

AJ Robinson, Tourism Director, advised that this committee/board was previously dissolved. Mr. Young requested the matter be deferred to the January 2025 meeting to allow time to gather more information as to whether this committee has been dissolved.

#### VASAP

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie, seconded by Supervisor Cruey and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with all members present and Supervisor Plaster abstaining from the vote, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby reappoints Chris Plaster to serve on the VASAP Board.

#### **BOARD CONCERNS**

#### Supervisor Presley

#### Sanders House

Supervisor Presley asked that this matter be deferred to the January 7, 2025 meeting.

Supervisor Presley stated he supports adding certain areas in the Pocahontas area to the Enterprise Zone and gave highlights of his experience at the VaCo conference.

Supervisor Presley asked if there is an ordinance in place regarding dilapidated structures. Mr. Young responded affirmatively, but stated there is no money available to adequately enforce the ordinance.

#### **Supervisor Plaster**

None.

#### **Supervisor Cruey** None.

#### <u>Supervisor Gillespie</u>

#### Legal representation regarding insulin litigation

Supervisor Gillespie asked that this matter be deferred to the January 7, 2025 meeting.

#### Clear Fork VFD grant match

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves a donation of \$1,600.00 from Southern District funds as a grant match for the Clear Ford VFD.

#### Supervisor Hrovatic

None.

## EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING - 8:21pm

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, the Board enters into an Executive/Closed meeting and invites all persons necessary to conduct business in this session, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711.

#### Executive/Closed Meeting – Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711

- ► A(29) Evaluation of qualifications for school facilities engineer
- ► A(29) Contract negotiations with PSA for Jonah Water Project
- ► A(5) Expansion/incentives for Southwest Compressors
- ► A( 5) Expansion/incentives for RNG
- ► A(29) Contract negotiations with BSB re: leachate
- ► A(5) Expansion/incentive for Project FIND
- A(29) Contract negotiations regarding an advertising billboard on Route 16

## **<u>RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION</u> – 10:00 pm**

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

#### <u>CERTIFICATION OF</u> <u>EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING</u> <u>TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</u>

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 votes hereby recorded.

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

Ayes: Five (5) Nays: None (0) Absent: None (0) Absent during vote: None (0) Report of Action: Two (2)

#### **ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### School Facilities

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby ranks the following engineering firms in regard to the school facilities upgrades: (1) SEH, Inc.; (2) Thompson & Litton and (3) LPA, Inc.and further move that the Board enter into negotiations with SEH, Inc, the first ranked firm, for purposes of securing a contract.

#### Southwest Compressors

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approve \$33,801.00 to the Tazewell County IDA for the purposes of real and personal property tax incentives for Southwest Compressors and Plumbing Packing, Inc.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

## **ADJOURN**

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby adjourns until Tuesday, January 7, 2027 at 4:00 pm.

A copy teste:

Andy Hrovatic, Chairman

## WARRANTS December 2024

#### **Payroll**

Ordered that ADP direct deposits & warrants totaling \$ 341,885.99 from the General, covering net payroll, for the various County agencies, for the period ending November 30, 2024, be approved.

Ordered that ADP direct deposit & warrants \$349,751.13 from the General Fund, covering net payroll, for the various County agencies, for the period ending December 13, 2024 be approved.

#### **Accounts Payable/Payroll Deductions**

Ordered that Warrant Nos 505992-506259 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$830,801.49 from the General, landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and CARES funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued November 25, 2024 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos 506260-506268 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 656,901.06 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending November 30, 2024 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 506282-506387, and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 602,845.05 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and CARES funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued December 11, 2024 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 506269-506281 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 181,124.98 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period December 15, 2024, be approved.

#### Handwritten

Ordered that Warrant No. 802245-802251 totaling \$ 200,700.00 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, and Law Library, covering operating expenses for the month of November 2024, be approved.

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PR Deduction	11	/31/2024			Account	s Pay	able	11/25/2024
Anthem	\$	264,818.00	506	260-506268	EO Run	\$	44,458.45	505992-506147
Col Life	\$	5,309.94			Checks	\$	716,432.75	506148-506259
YCMA	\$	2,965.00			ACH	\$	69,517.29	
NRS	\$	3,085.00			Britts	\$	393.00	
NRS Roth	\$	380.00						
VCU	\$	2,807.00						
Hyd Disablity	\$	728.93					\$830,801.49	
VRS	\$	248,890.51						
ICMA								
Taxes	\$	126,992.77						
Garnishments	\$	923.91	\$	656,901.06				

PR Deduction	12/15/2024			
		Accounts Pa	yable	12/11/2024
Anthem	\$24,397.00 506269-506281			
Col Life	\$5 <i>,</i> 334.35	Checks	\$575,009.25	506282-506387
YCMA		ACH	\$22,765.30	
OL	2718.95	ADP	\$5,070.50	
NRS	\$3,085.00			
NRS Roth	\$380.00			
VCU	\$2,707.00		\$602,845.05	
Hyd Disablity	\$728.23			

ICMA	\$9,983.63	
Taxes	\$130,910.20	
Garnishments	\$880.62	\$181,124.98

#### November 2024 Manual Checks

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802245		void
802246	\$ 50,000.00	Mercer
802247	\$ 75,000.00	Russell Co
802248		void
802249	\$ 25,500.00	T9 Construction
802250	\$ 29,600.00	AAA Paving
802251	\$ 20,600.00	Domion Driveway
	\$ 200,700.00	

## Consent Calendar Items January 7, 2025 Meeting

Source	Check #	To Acct	Amt	Description
Tazewell Co. Moose Lodge	5142	31020-6010	\$660.00	Donation to TCSO
CAS Law Office	12419	31020-6010	\$100.00	Donation to TCSO for Heatley retirement
The Furnace Man	24548	31020-6010	\$100.00	Donation to TCSO for Heatley retirement
CMCS	246332	31020-1150	\$1516.29	CITAC overtime
Town of Richlands	16794	31020-6010	\$200.00	Training reimbursement
Natasha Hunt				
Anonymous		7301-3099	\$100.00	Library donation
Cecil Gillespie		7301-6012	\$1000.00	Library donation
Natasha Hunt	5017	7301-1150	\$200.00	Reimbursement for library salary over payment
Natasha Hunt	5006	7301-1150	\$200.00	Reimbursement for library salary over payment
Natasha Hunt	5007	7301-1150	\$200.00	Reimbursement for library salary over payment
Linda M. Gillespie	8454	7301-3099	\$75.00	Library donation
Natasha Hunt	5018	7301-1150	\$200.00	Reimbursement for library salary over payment
VaCorp		31020-6009	\$674.80	2023 Explorer repairs
VaCorp	628090	12060-6009	\$3130.60	Explorer VIN 8680 repairs
VaCorp		31020-6009	\$3105.00	2013 Taurus repair
VaCorp		31020-6009	\$2876.00	2016 Taurus repair

## A RESOLUTION COMMENDING HAROLD HEATLEY

WHEREAS, Harold Heatley began his US Naval career in 1981 and served on the USS Tuscaloosa, USS Constellation, USS Bristol County and the USS Oldendorf. During his time in the Navy, he was assigned to Military Police, graduated from Master at Arms school, served as Police Officer at Adak, Alaska and Subic Bay, Phillippines, was an instructor at Afloat Training Group Pacific and as Chief Master at Arms on Naval Air Station Coronado, California and promoted to E-7/Chief Petty Officer;

WHEREAS, upon retirement from the Navy in 2001, Harold Heatley began in the private security sector as Field Supervisor and later as Vice President of Operations with Excel Security;

WHEREAS, Harold Heatley and his family moved to Tazewell County in 2004 and began working with the Town of Tazewell Police Department. He graduated from the Southwest Virginia Criminal Justice Training Academy and Instructor School in 2007 and has been teaching the DUI/DUID portion of the academy since. He is a nationally certified SFST instructor and has taught the NTHSA SFST course to 1,000s of officers across the Commonwealth;

WHEREAS, Harold Heatley began working for the Tazewell County Sheriff's Office in 2010 as an undercover narcotics detective and then as Chief Deputy, a position he has held since 2012. During his tenure with the Tazewell County Sheriff's Office, he was appointed to the State Drug Court Committee by Supreme Court Justice Lemon and was appointed as a Special U.S. Marshall Task Force Officer, has served on the Tazewell County Drug Court and is well-known as the host of "APB" on WVVA television station, which aided in the apprehension of more than 900 criminals in the two Virginias;

WHEREAS, Harold Heatley has been married to his wife, Jeannie for 27 years and their family includes four sons, two daughters in law, one son in law and three grandchildren;

WHEREAS, the County of Tazewell wishes to recognize Harold Heatley for his dedication to law enforcement, his country and community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby commends Harold Heatley for his distinguished service and dedication.

Presented this the 28th day of December, 2024.

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

Andy Hrovatic, Chairman

C. Eric Young, County Administrator

VIRGINIA: AT AN REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA HELD AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LOCATED AT 197 MAIN STREET, IN THE TOWN OF TAZEWELL, VA, 24651, ON THE <u>7TH</u> DAY OF <u>JANUARY</u>, 2025, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED, UPON A MOTION AND SECOND:

Resolution No.: 25-001

Date: January 7, 2025

#### **RESOLUTION HONORING THE GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITION CHEER TEAM**

WHEREAS, the 2024 Graham High School Competition Cheer Team (hereafter, "GHS Cheer") is comprised of the following members:

#### Team Roster

<u>Coaches</u>

Danaylla Coleman Bella Collins Ella Dales Hayleigh Fitzpatrick Annie Goldsworthy Palyn Goodson Isabella Hernandez Gabby Kaklis Morgan Leedy Aubrey Marrs Addison Mitchem Joselyn Pruitt Sophia Robinson Sophie Scarberry Leah Sluss Adysen Smith Cydney Spurgeon Reagan Tolley

Andrea Mitchem Leah Plott

**WHEREAS**, GHS Cheer competed in three (3) regular season competitions in the Roanoke Valley, Lynchburg, and Pulaski, where GHS Cheer placed first (1<sup>st</sup>) in all competitions;

**WHEREAS**, GHS Cheer competed in the Region C/D Championship in October 2024, where GHS Cheer placed first (1<sup>st</sup>) and claimed the Region C/D Championship, allowing GHS Cheer to advance to the VHSL Class 2 Championship in Richmond, Virginia;

WHEREAS, GHS Cheer competed in the VHSL Class 2 Championship on November 8-9, 2024, where GHS Cheer won the VHSL Class 2 Championship, scoring twenty (20) points higher than any other competing school;

WHEREAS, GHS Cheer became the first athletic program in the history of Graham High School to win consecutive team VHSL championships; and

**WHEREAS**, GHS Cheer has established a legacy of uncompromised success, building civic pride throughout the Eastern District and the entirety of Tazewell County, Virginia (hereafter, "the County") while providing the County's youth a sterling example of academic and athletic excellence to aspire to and to be inspired by;

**NOW THEREFORE**, upon *motion* of Supervisor Presley, *seconded* by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby **RESOLVES** to honor GHS Cheer for earning the 2024 VHSL Class 2 Championship, the program's second (2<sup>nd</sup>) consecutive VHSL Championship; GHScommending all athletes and coaches on exemplary conduct; and offering the best wishes of the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors in all future endeavors. This *Resolution* is adopted this <u>7th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2024.

#### ATTEST:

Aaron M. Gillespie Chairman – Board of Supervisors C. Eric Young Tazewell County Administrator

#### RECORDED VOTE:

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Cruey, Gillespie, Hrovatic, Plaster, Presley
MEMBERS ABSENT:	NONE
AYES:	Cruey, Gillespie, Hrovatic, Plaster, Presley
NAYS:	NONE
ABSTENTIONS:	NONE

#### TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT THE NORTHERN PORTION OF MARTIN STREET COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County, Virginia ("the Board"), will conduct a public hearing on <u>January 7, 2025</u> at <u>7:00 PM</u>, or as soon thereafter as may be practical, at the Tazewell County Administration Building, located at <u>197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA 24651</u>, and hereby gives its intent to consider *An Ordinance to Accept the Northern Portion of Martin Street County Road System of Tazewell County, Virginia*.

Section 13-151 *et seq.* of the Tazewell County Code of Ordinances proscribes policies and procedures for the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors to accept a road designated or platted as public into the Tazewell County Road System. On November 14, 2024, the Tazewell County Planning Commission received input from local residents concerning acceptance of the northern portion of Martin Street into the Tazewell County Road System. On December 12, 2024, the Tazewell County Planning Commission voted to recommend that the Board accept the northern portion of Martin Street into the Tazewell County Road System. Contingent upon that vote, the Board resolved on December 3, 2024 to hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 13-152 of the Tazewell County Code of Ordinances to consider accepting the northern portion of Martin Street into the Tazewell County Code of Ordinances to consider accepting the northern portion of Martin Street into the Tazewell County Road System.

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TOTAL HOMES:	6
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The northern portion of Martin Street serves the following properties:

All persons wishing to comment on the *Ordinance* are hereby invited to attend and state their views thereon. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if special assistance is needed to participate in a meeting of the Board of Supervisors, please contact the County Administrator's Office by telephone at (276) 385-1208, by facsimile at (276) 988-4246, or by email at <u>susan.jewell@tazewellcounty.org</u>. A notification of five (5) working days before the meeting will enable the County Administrator's Office to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to the meeting.

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#### **SUPPORT AGREEMENT**

THIS SUPPORT AGREEMENT, made as of [\_\_\_\_\_], 2025, between the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA (the "Board"), acting as the governing body of Tazewell County, Virginia (the "County"), TAZEWELL COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY (the "Authority"), a public body politic and corporate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and VIRGINIA RESOURCES AUTHORITY, as Administrator of the Virginia Water Facilities Revolving Fund ("VRA"), a public body corporate and a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, as purchaser of the 2025 Bond (as hereinafter defined), pursuant to a Financing Agreement dated as of [\_\_\_\_], 2025 (the "Financing Agreement"), between VRA and the Authority;

#### WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS,** the Authority was created by the Board pursuant to the Virginia Water and Waste Authorities Act (Chapter 51, Title 15.2, Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended), and owns and operates water and sewer utility facilities in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that it is in its best interest to issue and sell its Taxable Water and Sewer System Revenue Bond (Falls Mills Project), Series 2025A, in a maximum principal amount of \$2,112,414 (the "2025 Bond"), to VRA in accordance with the terms of the Financing Agreement, pursuant to which the net proceeds of the 2025 Bond will be used to finance the rehabilitation of the Falls Mills pump station, force main replacement, manhole rehabilitation, wetwell rehabilitation and related expenses (collectively, the "Project"), for the benefit of the Authority's water and sewer systems (collectively, the "System"); and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted a resolution on [January 7, 2025], agreeing to the Authority's issuance of the 2025 Bond and authorizing the execution of an agreement providing for a non-binding undertaking of the County to consider certain appropriations to the Authority in connection with payments due on the 2025 Bond;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of the foregoing and of the mutual covenants herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The Authority shall use its best efforts to issue the 2025 Bond, to use the proceeds of the 2025 Bond to pay the costs of the Project and to construct and place the Project in operation at the earliest practical date.

2. No later than April 1 of each year beginning April 1, 2025, the Administrator of the Authority (the "Administrator") shall notify the County Administrator of the amount (the "Annual Deficiency Amount") by which (a) the sum of (i) the expenses of the System projected to be paid during the County's next ensuing fiscal year, (ii) the debt service on the 2025 Bond and such other indebtedness of the Authority secured by a pledge of Revenues (including the Existing Parity Bonds set forth on Exhibit F to the Financing Agreement) to be paid during the County's next ensuing fiscal year and (iii) any other amounts due to be paid by the Authority under the Financing Agreement during the County's next ensuing fiscal year is expected to exceed (b) the amount of Revenues projected to be received by the Authority during the County's next ensuing fiscal year.

3. The County Administrator shall include the Annual Deficiency Amount in the annual budget submitted to the Board for the County's next ensuing fiscal year. Within ten (10) days after the adoption of each such budget, but not later than July 15 of each year, the County Administrator shall deliver to the Authority and VRA a certificate stating whether the Board has appropriated an amount equal to the Annual Deficiency Amount to or on behalf of the Authority for such purpose in the County's annual budget adopted for such fiscal year.

4. If at any time the Authority determines that Revenues (after taking into account annual appropriations made by the County in accordance with Section 3 above) are insufficient for the Authority to make any payment referred to in Section 2 hereof, the Administrator of the Authority shall notify the County Administrator of the amount of the insufficiency and shall request a supplemental appropriation from the Board in an amount necessary to allow the Authority to make such payment.

5. Upon receipt of a request from the Administrator of the Authority pursuant to Section 4 above, the County Administrator shall promptly present such request to the Board, and the Board shall consider such request, at its next regularly scheduled meeting at which it is possible to satisfy any applicable notification requirement. Promptly after such meeting, the County Administrator shall notify the Authority and VRA whether the amount so requested was appropriated. If the Board shall fail to make any such appropriation, the Authority shall add the amount of such requested appropriation to the Annual Deficiency Amount reported to the County Administrator for the County's next fiscal year.

6. The County shall pay to or on behalf of the Authority the amount of any annual or supplemental appropriation made pursuant to this Agreement. The County and the Authority acknowledge that any amounts received by the Authority from the County pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute a portion of the Revenues pledged under the Financing Agreement to the payment of debt service on the 2025 Bond and such other indebtedness of the Authority secured by a pledge of Revenues to be paid during the County's next ensuing fiscal year.

7. The Board hereby enters into a non-binding undertaking to appropriate to the Authority such amounts as may be requested from time to time pursuant to Sections 3 and 4 above, to the fullest degree and in such manner as is consistent with the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Board, while recognizing that it is not empowered to make any binding commitment to make such appropriations in future fiscal years, hereby states its intent to make such appropriations in future fiscal years and recommends that future Boards do likewise.

8. Nothing herein contained is or shall be deemed to be a lending of the credit of the County to the Authority, VRA or any other person, and nothing herein contained is or shall be deemed to be a pledge of the faith and credit or the taxing power of the County. Nothing herein contained shall bind or obligate the Board to appropriate funds to the Authority for the purposes described herein.

9. The Authority shall deliver to the County a copy of each annual audit of the Authority's books and records promptly upon the Authority's acceptance of such audit.

10. The Authority shall operate and administer the System in accordance with its generally applicable rules and regulations, as the same may be in effect from time to time, including any mandatory connection policy that may be in effect from time to time.

11. The Board acknowledges that it is entering into this Agreement on behalf of the County in consideration for the Authority's agreement to undertake the Project. The Board acknowledges that the Authority is undertaking the Project at the request of the Board to provide for the public health and welfare of the County citizens and to assist with the economic development of the County. Annual appropriations by the Board pursuant to this Agreement may be essential for the Authority to pay the operating expenses of the System and to pay debt service due on the 2025 Bond. The Authority has nevertheless agreed to undertake the Project because of its commitment to provide services to the County, to provide for the public health and welfare of the County, to provide for the public health and welfare of the County the economic development of the County.

12. The Board acknowledges that (a) VRA would not purchase the 2025 Bond without the security and credit enhancement provided by this Agreement, and (b) VRA is treating this Agreement as a "local obligation" within the meaning of Section 62.1-199 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended (the "Virginia Code"), which in the event of a nonpayment hereunder authorizes VRA to file an affidavit with the Governor that such nonpayment has occurred pursuant to Section 62.1-216.1 of the Virginia Code. In purchasing the 2025 Bond, VRA is further relying on Section 62.1-216.1 of the Virginia Code, providing that if the Governor is satisfied that the nonpayment has occurred, the Governor will immediately make an order directing the Comptroller to withhold all further payment to the County of all funds, or of any part of them, appropriated and payable by the Commonwealth of Virginia to the County for any and all purposes, and the Governor will, while the nonpayment continues, direct in writing the payment of all sums withheld by the Comptroller, or as much of them as is necessary, to VRA, so as to cure, or cure insofar as possible, such nonpayment.

13. The Authority shall at all times retain its ability to set and collect rates and fees for its services as it deems to be in the best interests of the overall System.

14. Any notices or requests required to be given hereunder shall be deemed given if sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed (a) if to the Authority, to 168 Tazewell Mall Circle, Tazewell, Virginia 24651 (Attention: Administrator), with a copy to its Counsel at 197 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651, (b) if to the County, to 197 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651 (Attention: County Administrator), with a copy to the County Attorney at 197 East Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651, and (c) if to VRA, to Executive Director of the Virginia Resources Authority, 1111 East Main Street, Suite 1920, Richmond, Virginia 23219. Any party may designate any other address for notices or requests by giving notice under this Section.

15. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

16. If any clause, provision or section of this Agreement shall be held illegal or invalid by any court, the illegality or invalidity of such clause, provision or section shall not affect the remainder of this Agreement which shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid clause, provision or section had not been contained in this Agreement. 17. This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until the 2025 Bond and all other amounts payable by the Authority under the Financing Agreement have been paid in full.

18. All capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Financing Agreement.

19. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Agreement to be executed in their respective names as of the date first above written.

#### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

By	
Name	 
Title:	

#### **TAZEWELL COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE** AUTHORITY

By\_\_\_\_\_\_ Jan Cordle, Administrator

#### VIRGINIA RESOURCES AUTHORITY, as Administrator of the Virginia Water Facilities **Revolving Fund**

By\_\_\_\_\_\_Shawn B. Crumlish, Executive Director

#### **COVERING CERTIFICATE FOR RESOLUTION**

The undersigned Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County, Virginia (the "Board"), certifies that:

1. Attached hereto is a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution entitled "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR A NON-BINDING UNDERTAKING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA, TO CONSIDER CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS TO THE TAZEWELL COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY, AND AGREEING TO CERTAIN MATTERS RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE BY THE AUTHORITY OF A REVENUE BOND FOR THE FALLS MILLS PUMP STATION PROJECT" (the "Resolution"). The Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board held on January 7, 2025, by a majority of all members of the Board by an affirmative roll-call vote.

2. The meeting at which the Resolution was adopted was held at the time and place established by the Board for such meeting. The minutes of such meeting reflect the attendance of the members and their votes on the Resolution as follows:

Member	Attendance (Present/Absent)	Vote (Aye/Nay/Abstain)

3. The Resolution has not been repealed, revoked, rescinded or amended and is in full force and effect on the date hereto.

Witness my signature and the seal of the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County, Virginia, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2025.

(SEAL)

C. Eric Young, Clerk, Board of Supervisors, Tazewell County, Virginia

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN** AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR A NON-BINDING UNDERTAKING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA, TO CONSIDER CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS TO THE TAZEWELL AUTHORITY, COUNTY **PUBLIC** SERVICE AND AGREEING TO CERTAIN MATTERS RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE BY THE AUTHORITY OF **REVENUE BOND FOR THE FALLS MILLS PUMP STATION PROJECT** 

WHEREAS, the Tazewell County Public Service Authority (the "Authority") has been duly created by the Board of Supervisors (the "Board of Supervisors") of Tazewell County, Virginia (the "County"), in accordance with the Virginia Water and Waste Authorities Act (Chapter 51, Title 15.2, Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended);

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to issue a water and sewer system revenue bond in an estimated maximum principal amount of \$2,112,414 (the "Bond") for a term of up to 30 years from issue date, the proceeds of which, together with grant and other available funds, are expected to be sufficient to pay the costs of financing the Authority's Falls Mills pump station, force main replacement, manhole rehabilitation, wetwell rehabilitation, and related expenses (collectively, the "Project"), for the benefit of the Authority's water and sewer systems (collectively, the "System");

WHEREAS, the Authority has applied to the Virginia State Water Control Board for the financing of the Project, and the Virginia Resources Authority, as Administrator of the Virginia Water Facilities Revolving Fund ("VRA"), has agreed to purchase the Bond, subject to the County's entering into a non-binding undertaking to appropriate from time to time moneys to the Authority, if needed, in connection with payments due on the Bond;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to enter into a support agreement with the Authority and VRA, with respect to the Bond, setting forth the County's agreement to enter into such a non-binding undertaking; and

WHEREAS, there has been presented to this meeting a form of a Support Agreement (the "Support Agreement") between the Board of Supervisors, acting on behalf of the County, the Authority and VRA;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA:

1. It is determined to be in the best interests of the County and its citizens for the Board of Supervisors to enter into the Support Agreement in connection with the issuance of the Bond.

2. In consideration of the Authority's undertakings with respect to financing the Project, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, either of whom may act, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Support Agreement in connection

with the issuance of the Bond by the Authority. The Support Agreement shall be in substantially the form presented to this meeting, which is hereby approved, with such completions, omissions, insertions or changes not inconsistent with this resolution as may be approved by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, the execution thereof by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman to constitute conclusive evidence of his approval of such completions, omissions, insertions or changes.

3. The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to carry out the obligations imposed by the Support Agreement on the County Administrator.

4. As provided by the Support Agreement, the Board of Supervisors hereby enters into a non-binding undertaking to appropriate to the Authority such amounts as may be requested from time to time pursuant to the Support Agreement, to the fullest degree and in such manner as is consistent with the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Board of Supervisors, while recognizing that it is not empowered to make any binding commitment to make such appropriations in future fiscal years, hereby states its intent to make such appropriations in future fiscal years and hereby recommends that future Boards of Supervisors do likewise during the term of the Support Agreement.

5. The Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County, hereby agrees to the issuance by the Authority of the Bond, provided that the aggregate principal amount of the Bond does not exceed \$2,112,414.

6. The Board of Supervisors hereby acknowledges that (a) VRA would not purchase the Bond without the security and credit enhancement provided by the Support Agreement and (b) VRA will treat the Support Agreement as a "local obligation" pursuant to Section 62.1-216.1 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended. In the event of a failure of the County to make a payment under the Support Agreement, the Board of Supervisors further acknowledges that VRA may institute the "state-aid intercept" process set forth in such Section 62.1-216.1, under which the Governor may cause the Comptroller to withhold all further payments to the County of funds appropriated and payable by the Commonwealth of Virginia until the unpaid sum is obtained and may cause the funds so withheld to be redirected to VRA to cure the nonpayment.

- 7. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.
- 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

#### **CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD**

## (Three (3) Year Term)

April Morefield 491 Tower Street Tazewell, Virginia 24651 aprilmorefield@gmail.com	01-01-2021	12-31-2024
Cathy McClanahan 812 Sage Hill Road Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 276-245-0951 (filled expired term of Shane Clem)	01-01-2022	12-31-2024
Jared Smith (Reappointed)	01-01-2024	12-31-2026

## <u>COMMUNITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOARD OF SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA COMMUNITY</u> <u>CORRECTIONS</u>

(Two (2) Year Term)

#### **BOS Representative**

01-01-2023 12-31-2024

Crystal Crouse, General District Clerk 135 Court Street, Suite 300 Tazewell, Virginia 24651 (County Representative) 276-385-1269 (Replaced Mike Dennis expired term)

Darin Russell SWVA Community Corrections Director 276-889-5862 <u>darinrussell@swvacc.net</u>

#### **TAZEWELL COUNTY FIRE-RESCUE, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### (Two (2) Year Term)

07-01-2024

Jim Talbert, CVN/RNP PO Box 818 Richlands, VA 24641 (reappointed 6-4-2019)

#### Michael Hymes

07-01-2019 06-30-2023

06-30-2026

PO Box 7 Tazewell, VA 24651 (fills expiring term of Kathern Dowdy)

#### 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)

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (IDA)

(Four	(4)	Year	Term)
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Darell Cantrell 219 E. Hillcrest Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 <u>cdarell@gmail.com</u> 276-971-7037 (filled unexpired term of Marco Warner)	07-01-2021	06-30-2025
Kyle Hurt 349 Brandon Drive Bluefield, VA 24605 276- 322-4695 <u>kyleh@mefcor.com</u> (Oath taken 06-28-2017) (Oath taken 07/14/2021)	07-01-2021	06-30-2025
Melanie Protti-Lawrence 302 Marcus Drive Bluefield, VA 24605 276-245-5515 <u>melaniepl@lbiweb.com</u> (Fills the expired term of James Curtis Gillespie) (Oath taken 7-18-2019)	07-01-2023	06-30-2027
Darrell Addison 502 Lakepark Drive Richlands, VA 24641 276-964-4195 (Appt. 8-3-10) (Oath taken 07-18-2019) darrell24641@hotmail.com	07-01-2022	06-30-2026
Mack Payne 1565 Fincastle Tpke. Tazewell, VA 24651 276-971-3119 <u>roger237@verizon.net</u> (Fills the expired term and resignation of Monte Rife) (Oath taken 07-02-2019)	07-01-2023	06-30-2027

07-01-2024 06-30-2028

Curtis W. Breeding PO Box 494 Richlands, VA 24641 276-971-7416 (Reappointed 06-02-20) (Oath taken 07-15-2019) curtisbreeding50@yahoo.com

07-01-2024 06-30-2028

Suzanne Brinegar 200 Merrick Lane Pocahontas, VA 24635 <u>276-970-0282</u>

#### LIAISON - FARM BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE

Rick Snapp 7976 Burkes Garden Road Tazewell, VA 24651 276-970-1136 <u>Snappdairy04@gmail.com</u>

(Appointed 4-3-2018)

The Liaison Member is a non-voting, non-paid member and serves at the will and pleasure of the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors.

## <u>TAZEWELL COUNTY</u> <u>TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE</u> (Established 12-16-2003)

(Two (2) Year Term)

#### **SOUTHERN**

Susan Reeves 728 Fincastle Tnpke Tazewell, VA 24651 276-970-1780	07-01-2024	06-30-2026
Beth Takach 279 Richardson Drive Tazewell, VA 24651 (Filled the expired term of Tammy Allison)	07-01-2023	06-30-2025
EASTERN		
Lee Riffe	07-01-2022	<mark>06-30-2024</mark>
215 Hockman Pike Bluefield, VA 24605 304-320-9746 <u>leer17@verizon.net</u> (replaced the expired term of Michael A. Brown)		
David Comer 1046 Virginia Ave. Bluefield, VA 24605 276-245-6065	07-01-2024	06-30-2026
NORTHERN Dedra Cox 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)	07-01-2023	06-30-2025

Warren Hinkle 4432 Baptist Valley Rd. Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 warrenhinkletcfp@gmail.com	07-01-2024	06-30-2026
WESTERN Sarah Romeo 612 Indian Paint Road Pounding Mill, VA 24637 276-963-4993 (Replaced the unexpired term of Linda Singleton)	07-01-2023	06-30-2025
(Reappointed on 08-03-2021) Brad Ratliff 1053 Cedar Valley Drive Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 276-522- Email: brad@ratlifflaw.net	07-01-2024	06-30-2026
NORTHWESTERN Rick Wood 226 Floyd Ave Richlands, VA 24641 (Logan Plaster - resigned)	07-01-2023	06-30-2025
Keshia Cole 118 Coleman Lane Tazewell, VA 24651 276-971-5338	07-01-2024	06-30-2026