

# TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING



**October 7, 2025 – 4:00 P.M. (Tuesday)**

**197 MAIN STREET  
TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA 24651**

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Time	Subject	Pg
4:00 pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call to Order</li> <li>2. Pledge and Invocation</li> <li>3. Welcome</li> <li>4. Consideration of approving the agenda format (additions/deletions)</li> <li>5. Approval of meeting minutes from September 9, 2025</li> </ol>	4
4:05 pm	<p><b>6. Consent Calendar</b>                      (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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <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 approving \$1,200 donation to the Widows Sons Annual Fundraiser from contingency</li> <li>D. Tax abatement and refund request from Commissioner of Revenue for Norfolk and Western Railway Company in the amount of \$11,953.95; assessments were based on 2024 values and 2025 assessments were lower</li> </ol>	21  22  24
4:10 pm	<p><b>7. Introduction of new SVCC President</b>                      ► Dr. Clint Hayes</p>	
4:20 pm	<p><b>8. Special Presentations</b>                      ► 4H Proclamation – Tammy Sparks                      ► Sheriff Brian Heatt – Pinning Deputies (National EMT board)</p>	34

4:35 pm	<b>9. Department Reports</b> ▶ Kenneth Dunford – Engineering Report	*
4:45 pm	<b>10. Executive/Closed Meeting</b> - Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 ▶ A( 3) Property disposition regarding a property on Main Street in Tazewell ▶ A( 3) Property acquisition at Claypool Hill ▶ A( 8) Potential litigation regarding PSA / Town of Richlands ▶ A( 1) Personnel matter – County Attorney ▶ A( 3) Property acquisition regarding easement in Clearfork ▶ A(29) Contract negotiations for Opioid Abuse Abatement Grant terms for Victory Life Ministries	
6:30 pm	<b>11. Public Hearings</b> ▶ Public hearing to amend and re-enact Virginia Enterprise Zone in Tazewell County	36
6:40 pm	▶ Public hearing to repeal Law Library fee charged for certain court filings	40
6:50 pm	▶ Supplemental Budget presentation by County Administrator	46
7:00 pm	▶ Public hearing to amend Tazewell County’s FY26 budget	
7:10 pm	▶ Public hearing regarding application to DHCD for a grant for Leachate Tank construction at the Landfill	50
7:15 pm	<b>12. Citizen Comments – Scheduled</b> <i>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.</i> ▶ Fred Lawless, Burke’s Garden - regarding ATV trails and areas of usage	
7:20 pm	<b>13. Citizen Comments – Unscheduled</b> <i>(Two (2) minutes per speaker)</i>	
7:30 pm	<b>14. Administrative/Financial/County Projects Update</b> 1. 2026 SWVA Legislative Reception Sponsorship \$3,500 funding request 2. SWVCC Festival of the Arts \$2,500 funding request 3. Ratify poll to pay J.T. Fraizer Estate \$320.16 for ATV easement - Pocahontas ATV Trail 4. Consider approving Resolution to permit ATV travel on certain state roads 5. Consider amendments to the Board's Retiree Health Insurance Benefit Program 6. PSA extension for Pisgah Road 7. Bluefield Fire Department \$15,000 funding request 8. Consider ratifying earlier decision to support Airport Authority hangar financing and approve Support Agreement	54 55 56 63 66

	<p>9. Ratify poll to pay \$5,200.00 for phase I environmental study for potential fire station site near Tazewell</p> <p>10. Consider adopting supplemental local flood relief guidelines</p> <p>11. Flood grant update</p> <p>12. Consider donating ambulance to EO</p> <p>13. Consider short term loan to the IDA of \$160k pending grant reimbursements</p> <p>14. Appointments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Fire/Rescue Board</li> <li>b. Planning Commission</li> <li>c. Tourism</li> <li>d. Library Board of Trustees</li> </ul>	<p>72</p> <p>75</p> <p>76</p> <p>78</p> <p>80</p>
8:30 pm	<p><b>15. Board Concerns</b></p> <p><b>Supervisor Presley:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶</li> </ul> <p><b>Supervisor Plaster:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Meals tax / selling to non-profits</li> </ul> <p><b>Supervisor Cruely:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶</li> </ul> <p><b>Supervisor Gillespie:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶</li> </ul> <p><b>Supervisor Hrovatic:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶</li> </ul>	
8:45 pm	<p><b>16. Executive/Closed Meeting – Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 (if needed)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ A( )</li> <li>▶ A( )</li> <li>▶ A( )</li> </ul>	
8:50 pm	<b>17. Return/Certification/Report of Action (if necessary)</b>	
8:55 pm	<b>18. Other business as may properly come before the Board</b>	
9:00 pm	<b>19. Adjourn</b>	
	<b>20. The meeting is adjourned until Tuesday, November 6, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.</b>	

VIRGINIA: AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 AT FOUR O'CLOCK P.M. IN THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA 24651

PRESENT: AARON GILLESPIE, CHAIRMAN  
KYLE CRUEY, VICE-CHAIRPERSON  
ANDY HROVATIC, MEMBER  
CHUCK PRESLEY, MEMBER  
SHANNA PLASTER, MEMBER  
C. ERIC YOUNG, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
STEPHANIE RUSSELL, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT  
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS:  
JIM TALBERT, RICHLANDS NEWS PRESS  
WARREN HINKLE, THE VOICE

ABSENT: None

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## MINUTES

Chairman, Aaron Gillespie, called the regular meeting to order and presided with all members present.

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

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

### **AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED**

The Chairperson called for any additions/deletions to the agenda, noting that any updates/changes were noted in red specifically under the Consent Calendar, Special Presentations, Executive/Closed Meeting, Public Hearings and the Administrative/Financial sections of the revised agenda.

Chairman Gillespie under 2.2-3711(A)3, made the motion to add property acquisition in Cove Creek to the executive session. The motion was 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 addition to executive session.

County Administrator Eric Young notified the Board that the public hearing for DHCD's grant application regarding leachate tank construction at the landfill has been postponed. However, since the hearing was advertised Mr. Young requested that it be called in case someone wanted to speak on the matter. Chairman Gillespie then made the motion to include in the agenda the public hearing which was stricken from the amended agenda. The motion was 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 calling the public hearing as previously advertised.

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 approved the proposed September 9, 2025 amended agenda with additions/deletions approved by the Board, 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 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 the minutes from the August 5, 2025 meeting. A copy is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

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, B, C, D and E, of the Consent Calendar. 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 approving payment to Pocahontas Land Company for ATV trail easement in the amount of \$2,500.00 from contingency
- D. Declare surplus one (1) 9mm Glock service weapon from the Sheriff’s Office, serial CBKA910 and sell same to retiring Deputy Michelle Conklin for \$1.00 pursuant to Virginia Code Section 59.1-148
- E. Declare surplus one (1) 9mm Glock 47 service weapon from the Sheriff’s Office, serial CBKA929 and sell same to retiring Lieutenant Brian Triplett for \$1.00 pursuant to Virginia Code Section 59.1-148

**Consent Calendar Items  
September 9, 2025 Meeting**

Source	Check #	To Acct	Amt	Description
Natasha Hunt	5030	7301-1150	\$200.00	Payroll reimbursement
Natasha Hunt	5031	7301-1150	\$200.00	Payroll reimbursement
Natasha Hunt	5032	7301-1150	\$565.00	Payroll reimbursement

Kings Vineyard Ministries	3353	31020-5520	\$300.00	Donation for Sheriff's Office
Dominion Auto Auction	11603	31020-6009	\$1,265.00	2013 Ford (VIN 1FAHP2M8XDG124421)
E-Rate Reimbursement	ACH	7301-5230	\$1,511.57	Library
Donna M. Sayman	2405	7301-3099	\$100.00	Donation for Library
Johnny & Laura Calle	2788	31020-6001	\$25.50	Invoice 2025-2 Sheriff's Office
VAcorp	670087	31020-8105	\$1,430.00	Inland Marine Claim – 2020 Ford Interceptor
VDEM		35600-8109-12	\$2,370.19	EDI - FY25PEP-Grant
Courthouse Retrieval System	108264	12090-6001	\$250.00	Release of Tazewell County's real estate records to CRS Data4
Kofile		21060-6021	\$18,576.00	LVA Records Grant – Preservation of Deed Books
Town of Pocahontas General Fund	4021	32010-8109-1	\$15,000.00	Abbs Valley VFD #2 Capital Outlay
Walmart	ACH	31020-6010	\$1,000.00	Refund for Sheriff's Office
Franklin County BOS	557163	31020-8105	\$2,000.00	Payment for cage
CMCS	249390	31020-1150	\$3,090.59	Reimbursement for overtime for CITAC officers

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

***Brandon Braveheart with the Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR)***

Supervisor Hrovatic gave a brief introduction for our District's Biologist, Brandon Braveheart with the Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR). Supervisor Hrovatic stated he had invited Mr. Braveheart to speak on the DWR's BearWise Community Cost-Share Program.

Mr. Braveheart gave a short presentation regarding the need for bear control in our area as well as the benefits of the BearWise Community Cost-Share Program. Currently, the DWR offers a 30/70 cost share program, for a minimum 30% match of the total project costs. Mr. Braveheart stated the funding may be used to purchase bear proof trash cans, bear signage and bear proof dumpsters. He further noted that the application deadline for the cost share program is October 1, 2025. Mr. Braveheart provided a handout detailing the program's background along with the application for funding. A copy is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Supervisor Hrovatic requested that County Engineer Ken Dunford, work on a proposal to submit for the BearWise Community Cost-Share Program. Mr. Dunford agreed that he would work with the DWR and submit a proposal.

Mr. Braveheart closed with a few questions from Supervisor Hrovatic regarding the past coyote problem in the County as well as the “wasting disease” for deer in our area.

***David Larimer – Annual Financial Report***

Treasurer David Larimer provided the Annual Financial Report to the Board, which details the County’s current financial condition. A copy of which is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Mr. Larimer stated that the general fund’s Annual Settlement Statement showed total committed funds of \$46.3 million as of June 30, 2025. Mr. Larimer provided a quick over view of the report, speaking specifically on the delinquent real estate tax portion. In 2024 the County showed an approximate 96% collection rate, tax year 2023 had a 98% collection rate and the 2022 and 2021 had 99% collection rates. The high collection rates are due in part to the tax sales we have throughout the year. Mr. Larimer explained by his staff working with the legal department, we have been able to clear up a lot of the abandoned properties and clean up the County in the process. Mr. Larimer stated the taxes and fees are paid from the tax sale proceeds. Any remaining amount is deposited into an excess funds account and after five (5) years if the funds are unclaimed the County receives those proceeds as well. Mr. Larimer said currently there is over \$230,000.00 in excess funds in the account.

***Brad Pyott – Billy Wagner Park Project***

Project Committee Member Brad Pyott provided a presentation for the Billy Wagner Park Project. Mr. Pyott provided a brochure and short handout to the Board detailing project plans and information on Billy Wagner’s career as a professional athlete. A copy of which is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Mr. Pyott stated Billy Wagner was a graduate of Tazewell High School who played baseball in the major league and went on to be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Mr. Pyott explained that .00001% of players accomplish making it into the Hall of Fame, it’s an actual one in a million scenario. Mr. Wagner is only the 7<sup>th</sup> Virginian to make it into the Hall of Fame. Due to Billy Wagner’s incredible accomplishments, a few of us formed a committee to discuss ideas on how to honor Mr. Wagner’s success. Mr. Pyott said the committee decided on a statue of Billy Wagner to be placed here on Main Street in the mini park. Mr. Pyott went on to explain they found a talented sculptor in South Carolina, Maria Kirby-Smith, who the committee has been working with and the total project will cost around \$250,000. Due to the large cost, the committee is raising funds from corporations, foundations, local businesses and citizens. Mr. Pyott closed by requesting a \$25,000 contribution from the Board to the project.

The Board members discussed briefly funding amounts and possible sources for funding. It was agreed to provide half of the requested amount at this time with a possible second donation at a later date.

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, the Board hereby moves to donate \$12,500 from contingency fund to the Town of Tazewell Wagner Project.

***Erica Galloway – Project Imagination Library***

Erica Galloway with the Tazewell County Public Library provided a short presentation on Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library program. Ms. Galloway distributed to the Board a brief description of the program detailing the benefits and current costs per child. A copy of which is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Ms. Galloway stated that the Imagination Library program began Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> and already had 300 participants. Ms. Galloway explained the program enrolls local children ages 0-5 years and each month the child is mailed an age-appropriate book. Ms. Galloway noted the cost per child is \$2.60 per month. However, the State of Virginia will cover half of the cost for each child. Ms. Galloway further stated that currently the Towns of Tazewell, Bluefield and Cedar Bluff are on board for the program and are covering the cost for the children in those areas.

Ms. Galloway requested the Board to sponsor the remaining \$1.30 per child, per month, for the participants who do not live in the Towns of Tazewell, Bluefield or Cedar Bluff. County Administrator Eric Young added that research has shown early rates of literacy was tied to lower number of incarcerations later in life. The Supervisors agreed unanimously that this was a wonderful program. Mr. Young, County Administrator, suggested going forward the library add this amount to the library’s budget request next year to cover future years’ costs.

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, the Board hereby moves to donate \$1,600.00, from the contingency fund to the library; covering the cost for the first year of the Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library program.

Supervisor Cruey inquired about the cost for the Town of Pocahontas. Ms. Galloway stated that currently there were two children registered, so it would cost approximately \$100.00 per year currently. Supervisor Cruey stated with the financial restrains the Town is currently facing, I would like to cover the cost of the first year for the Town of Pocahontas.

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, the Board hereby moves to donate \$500.00, from the Northern District’s Capital Improvement Fund to the library; covering the cost for the Town of Pocahontas’ first year of Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library program.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

***Engineering – Kenneth Dunford***

Supervisor Gillespie called Mr. Dunford forward to present his engineering report and wanted to take a moment to thank Mr. Dunford personally for taking care of the man hole problem on Mall Church Road so expediently.

***Landfill – Paving for Boissevain Transfer Station***

Mr. Dunford notified the Board that paving will soon be underway at the Boissevain Transfer Station. Mr. Dunford stated Dominion Paving was the low bidder at \$17,400. The Board previously authorized \$17,000 and the remaining \$400.00 will be made up from the Repairs and Maintenance funds in the landfill budget.

Supervisor Cruey advised that the Mayor of Pocahontas had already called to thank him for taking care of this problem for the citizens who use Boissevain.

Mr. Dunford stated that AAA Energy, Inc., has been authorized to clean up the stormwater pond at the landfill at a cost of \$45,000. Mr. Dunford stated, he believes they started last Friday on the cleanup.

### ***Cedar Bluff Transfer Station***

Mr. Dunford announced that only one (1) bid was received for renovations; A & A Energy bid \$976,500.00. Mr. Dunford suggests doing some geo tech work first and then put the job back out to bid.

The Supervisors discussed possible solutions for the transfer station; such as installing ramps, going back to the trailer and compactor setup or relocation of the site. However, due to monetary restraints the Board agreed with Mr. Dunford's suggestion of performing some geo tech work and then putting the job back out to bid and increasing the completion timeframe.

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, the Board hereby moves to reject the bid from A & A Energy for \$976,500.00.

### ***VDOT***

Mr. Dunford called the Supervisors attention to the Resolution for Revenue Sharing with VDOT found inside their agenda packet. A copy of which is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651. Mr. Dunford explained the Resolution is in reference to the Amonate drainage project. Mr. Dunford further explained the CST has already committed the funds and the Board previously approved the project. However, we did not put it in the form of a Resolution. The funds will not be needed until fiscal year 2027, but the Resolution is needed as part of the application process.

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, the Board hereby moves to approve the Resolution for Revenue Sharing between the Board of Supervisors and the Virginia Department of Transportation.

### ***Safe Streets for all Grant***

Mr. Dunford stated the Engineering Department has been working on the Safe Streets for all Study and are on track to finish on time. In doing so, we are in the process of setting up a committee. Mr. Dunford explained that a member of the Board is needed to serve on the committee and is asking that a member be appointed.

Supervisor Gillespie volunteered for the 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, the Board hereby moves to appoint Supervisor Gillespie to the Safe Streets for all Committee.

County Administrator Eric Young injected that for the benefit of the record; a Motion is also needed appointing Sheriff Brian Heatt or his designee, the Superintendent of Schools or his designee, Mr. Barry Brooks or his designee one member of the Planning Commission, Curtis Breeding from the Coal Severance Committee and a representative from VDOT to the Safe Streets for all Committee as well.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Hrovatic and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof, the Board hereby moves to appoint Chairman Aaron Gillespie, Sheriff Brian Hieatt or his designee, the Superintendent of Schools or his designee, Mr. Barry Brooks or his designee one member of the Planning Commission, Curtis Breeding from the Coal Severance Committee and a representative from VDOT to the Safe Streets for all Committee.

### ***Route 16 Billboard Contract***

Mr. Dunford stated that the bids had been received on the Route 16 billboard project. Mr. Dunford said the lowest bid came in at \$75,300 by Vance Graphics, LLC. He asked that the Board approve the bid pending legal review.

County Administrator Eric Young clarified that this project has been mainly funded through grants with the Shott Foundation and the Tobacco Commission. Mr. Young went on to state that the County has contributed approximately \$8,000 to this project.

Upon motion of Supervisor Gillespie seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Hrovatic being absent from the vote and all others voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Vance Graphics bid of \$75,300 pending legal review.

### ***Questions / Comments***

Mr. Dunford concluded his report and inquired if the Board had any questions or needed anything further.

County Administrator Eric Young queried Mr. Dunford if he had any comments concerning the upcoming Public Hearing regarding an ordinance to amend the 2023 Comprehensive Plan to include certain road improvements in Amonate?

Mr. Dunford replied, "This goes along with the Resolution you just passed; this is another requirement of VDOT. We have to have this in our plan in order to qualify. I took the wording straight from VDOT's Resolution. In order to amend the Comprehensive Plan, we must have a Public Hearing. But the Planning Commission already approved the changes in June."

### **EXECUTIVE/CLOSED MEETING – 6:05 pm**

Due to the second Executive Session only having one personnel matter to discuss, County Administrator Eric Young asked that the Board move that matter to the first Executive Session therefore eliminating the need for a second session.

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, the Board hereby moves the personnel matter to the current meeting and 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) Contract negotiations regarding Leachate Design Contract with Schnabel.
- ▶ ~~A(5) Discussion regarding the location or expansion of a business when incentive bargaining is involved regarding project RESORT~~
- ▶ A(29) Contract negotiations regarding PSA agreement for project JONAH
- ▶ A(7) Legal consultation regarding TCVFD
- ▶ A(7) Legal consultation regarding potential claim by Nicholas Richmond
- ▶ A(3) Property acquisition in North Tazewell Virginia
- ▶ **A(1) Personnel in administration**
- ▶ **A(3) Property acquisition in Cove Creek (added by Motion)**

**RETURN/CERTIFICATION/REPORT OF ACTION – 7:13 pm**

The Board of Supervisors returned to public session and Chairman Cruey 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 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: Three (3)

## **ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### ***Approve contract negotiations regarding Leachate Design Contract with Schnabel***

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 approves the contract with Schnabel Engineering to design the new Leachate tank site and tank in the amount of \$94,000 and authorize them to proceed.

### ***Approve contract negotiations regarding PSA agreement for project Jonah***

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 approves the contract with Schnabel Engineering to inspect construction of that portion of the landfill damaged by Helene for \$224,000 but not authorize to not proceed at this time.

### ***Stipend for Flood Relief Program***

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 voting against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves to give Stephanie Russell the \$400 per month stipend for the Flood Relief Program that was previously approved for Susan Jewell who has left her position with the County.

In addition, County Administrator Eric Young expressed his gratitude to Stephanie Russell for helping to pick up the slack due to Ms. Jewell's departure and further thanked the Board for their help and guidance for Mrs. Russell.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### ***Public Hearing regarding an ordinance to amend the 2023 Comprehensive Plan to include certain road improvements in Amonate***

Supervisor Gillespie asked County Administrator Eric Young for any debrief on this matter. Mr. Young explained this was the project County Engineer Ken Dunford spoke of before he left earlier in the meeting. VDOT wishes to make improvements to certain roads in Amonate and they are able to get grant funding to do this if it's included in the County's Five-Year Comprehensive Plan. Therefore, VDOT has asked us to amend our plan to include the project in the plan.

Chairman Gillespie opened the floor for public comments. Hearing none, Supervisor Gillespie called a second time for public comments, either in person or over the phone. Hearing none, Supervisor Gillespie made a third and final calling for public comments either in person or over the phone. Being none, Supervisor Gillespie closed the Public Hearing.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, 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 approves the ordinance to amend the 2023 Comprehensive Plan to include certain road improvements in Amonate. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

***Public Hearing regarding application to DHCD for a grant for Leachate Tank construction at the Landfill***  
County Administrator Eric Young previously requested that this Public Hearing be added back into the agenda with the Board approving the request via a unanimous Motion.

Chairman Gillespie opened the floor for public comment. Hearing none, Supervisor Gillespie called a second time for public comments, either in person or over the phone. Hearing none, Supervisor Gillespie made a third and final calling for public comments either in person or over the phone. Being none, Supervisor Gillespie closed the Public Hearing.

Supervisor Gillespie went on to explain it was his understanding that this matter will be advertised again and will be heard at next month's Board meeting as well. County Administrator Eric Young replied in the affirmative and said, "actually we will have two (2) additional Public Hearings regarding this matter. One at the end of September and one in October at the next Board meeting."

**CITIZEN COMMENTS - SCHEDULED**

*None*

**CITIZEN COMMENTS - UNSCHEDULED**

Chairman Gillespie having opened the floor for citizen comments.

**Emily Combs Davis, Tazewell, VA**

Emily Combs Davis, Executive Director with Tazewell Today, comes before the Board to discuss the Community Walking Visioning Tour. Partnering with Main Street and Friends of Southwest Virginia, Ms. Davis has set up a walk down Main Street on Thursday, September 18, 2025, beginning at 6:00 p.m. This walk with fellow residents, business owners and community leaders is for sharing your ideas for vacant and underutilized properties. Ms. Davis's hope is to turn vacant properties into potential projects or ideas for new businesses and invites the Board members to attend or share their thoughts and comments. Ms. Davis provided a handout to the Board detailing the program. A copy of the handout is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

**ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL/COUNTY PROJECTS UPDATE**

**Robert Duff – Personalized Drawings**

County Administrator Eric Young explained that this matter was carried over from the August Board meeting at the Supervisors' request. Mr. Young further explained Robert Duff was the artist who created the drawings of the high schools in the County for upcoming graduates. The total cost for all high school graduates in Tazewell County to get a personalized drawing of their respective high school is \$3,866. Mr. Young continued by saying Mr. Duff has said he would also like to donate a drawing of the Courthouse to the County as a thank you.

Supervisor Gillespie inquired to the Board, "how many years has the Board been doing this for the students?" Supervisor Plaster responded, "4 or 5 years, my son graduated in 2021 and received one, but I don't believe my daughter did in 2019."

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 to purchase the personalized school drawings for graduates from Robert Duff; \$773.20 from the Eastern District Fund, \$773.20 from the Western District Fund, \$773.20 from the North Western Capital Improvement Fund, \$773.20 from the Southern Capital Improvement Fund and \$773.20 from the Northern Capital Improvement Fund.

***Consider renewing Merchant McIntyre contract for one year at the same fee as 2018***

Supervisor Gillespie stated Merchant McIntyre helps the County to navigate the turbulent waters of finances and grants how the County can get the best bang for our buck on projects. They have been a tremendous asset.

County Administrator Eric Young stated that the handout inside the packet shows 12 million dollars in grant funds the County has received for projects due to Merchant McIntyre since 2018. Mr. Young further stated he thought it was remarkable that Merchant McIntyre have not gone up on their rate since 2018.

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 to renew the contract with Merchant McIntyre for one year at the same fee as 2018.

***Consider renewing the Merchant McIntyre Grant Representation Agreement***

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 renewing the Merchant McIntyre Grant Representation Agreement.

***Consider approving AASC Four County Transit Contract for FY26***

County Administrator Eric Young stated the County pays Appalachian Agency for Senior Citizens annually to run the Four County Transit service. This year the fee is \$77,091 and we budgeted \$77,500. Mr. Young further stated that this is a wonderful service for the citizens; college students use it to get to school, seniors to do their shopping, people who don't have transportation. The County has had this program for a long time and it has been very beneficial.

Supervisor Cruey agreed stating this really helps the under privileged in our society and gives people the opportunity to get to work or get to the store.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, seconded by Supervisor Plaster and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with all members present and voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the contract with AASC Four County Transit for FY26.

***Baptist Valley Convenience Center Lease***

County Administrator Eric Young explained he wanted to bring this matter before the Board. Mr. Young stated he has spoken with David Kidd, who's the son of the owner of the land we lease for the Baptist Valley Convenience Center and they no longer want this on their land. Mr. Kidd told Mr. Young that they are trying to sale the property and this is hindering it. Administrator Young said they offered to sale the County the property and we looked at it as a possible site for the fire station, but we felt like it was overpriced by about a million dollars for what we would have used it for. Mr. Young stated he believes it's time to look at possible new sites and has asked Mr. Dunford to look at a couple areas; one being the Fairgrounds, since we have a dumpster there

now and it has an access road where you can come in on the backside or potentially the front side of the damn at Cavitt's Creek, you can't see it from the park, it's flat and accessible.

Supervisor Cruey injected that he believed the residents in that area would have a major problem with Cavitt's Creek being the new site of the convenience center. Supervisor Cruey asked if it was possible to purchase just the area that the convenience center sits at now, without buying the whole property.

Administrator Young replied that he did not believe the owner would do that, as the current tenant on the property is always complaining that he is unable to come and go because people always have that bay blocked. Actually, I have a few pictures for everyone. Mr. Young explained that the signs posted specifically state household trash only. As you can see from the pictures, this is not household trash. We get a lot of contractors who come out and dump anything and everything. Mr. Young went on to say that this site's traffic was the same or more than Cedar Bluff.

Supervisor Cruey stated this site probably had traffic from people coming from the West Virginia side as well. However, Mr. Cruey agreed that this location was definitely needed as it services many residents in that area; Grassy Spur, Dry Fork, Mud Fork, Baptist Valley, Stoney Ridge, etc. If we shut down or move that site, people are just going to start dumping it wherever and then that puts a strain on the Sheriff's Office also.

County Administrator Eric Young replied that in 2014 when we acquired this spot, we looked for a long time and had trouble finding a suitable area. However, money does solve a lot of problems, so maybe we could go back to the owner and offer to raise the rent. Mr. Young continued that twice before when this issue presented itself that seemed to solve the issue. Mr. Young said currently he believed the rent is \$3,000 a year.

Supervisor Cruey agreed maybe we could up the rent a little bit. If we had to do litter pick-up that would probably cost more than \$3,000 alone.

Supervisor Gillespie reminded the Board that only covers the rent, the County still has to pay Republic for hauling the trash, the landfill has costs once it is received, and so on.

A discussion among the Board members ensued regarding having the sites manned by someone, but decided it was cost prohibited.

Supervisor Cruey suggested Material Drive as a possible new site. Administrator Young countered with the option to ride through Baptist Valley with Mr. Dunford and look at possible alternatives one afternoon. Supervisor Cruey agreed.

### ***Abbs Valley Sewer Project***

Administrator Young stated he brought this issue up due to a citizen, David Phipps, inquiring about the status of the Abbs Valley sewer project. Mr. Young said the County looked at this project twelve (12) years ago and then eight (8) years ago we looked again, and the major problem we found was Abbs Valley is very far from a sewer plant and we would have to run a lot of lines in order to pump the sewer. The estimate twelve years ago from T & L was around 10 million, according to Young. However, after speaking with Mr. Chitwood and he said that number has easily doubled and we would be looking at 20 million.

Supervisor Cruey asked if grants could be a possible answer? Administrator Young stated grants could be a possible source, as well as low interest loans. However, the last time we spoke to residents in that area at a

Community Event they were very hostile and did not want to pick up a sewer bill, replied Young. Mr. Young offered to have another Community Meeting to gauge the response and need. Supervisor Cruey agreed and asked to let him know when it was and he would attend.

***Consider declaring surplus and disposing of certain office items in the courthouse***

Administrator Young stated the Clerk of the Courts had submitted a list of outdated/surplus office equipment that needs to be disposed of. Mr. Young said the list was inside the agenda packet and the Board must vote before anything can be discarded. A copy of the surplus office equipment is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruey, 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 declaring the office equipment as surplus and disposing same. A copy of the surplus office equipment is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

***School board facilities funding request***

County Administrator Eric Young stated for a couple years we have had the school board facilities fund and requested that the school board come to us before that money can be spent. Mr. Young stated the invoices for the needed school repairs are inside the packet. These funds will cover an engineering study to repair the wall at Tazewell High School (\$74,950), restroom renovation design for the restrooms in all three high schools (\$126,500) and to replace the heating system at Tazewell Middle School (1.32 million).

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 County Administrator to pay the vendors directly with the school board facilities fund, i.e. Thompson and Litton for the engineering study to repair the wall at Tazewell High School (\$74,950), Thompson and Litton for the restroom renovation design (\$126,500) and (1.32 million) to Trane for the replacement of the heating system at Tazewell Middle School.

***Consider advertising to borrow up to \$5m for construction costs: {leachate tank at the landfill; repair and renovation of existing fire stations; construction of a new fire station; road improvements and water and sewer improvements}***

Administrator Young stated the County has a few projects that are going to be big cost items. One of these is going to be a new Leachate Tank at the Landfill. Young said, the one we have now is working, but it is 30 years old and not big enough. Another issue is the line connecting the tank to the PSA can only take so much at a time. Mr. Young continued that currently when no more Leachate can be taken, we have to haul it to Bluefield, West Virginia and they charge us 20 cents a gallon to take it whereas Tazewell charges us 1 cent to take it. An invoice I signed in July was \$77,000 to the Sanitary Board in Bluefield, West Virginia, because we reached our limit. Mr. Young stated that on average the County usually spends between \$200,000 to \$300,000 per year to haul Leachate. So, in theory if we had a second tank that would hold it and drain slowly to the Town of Tazewell and be treated for a penny a gallon instead of 20 cents a gallon. Mr. Young stated that after discussing with a few contractors and Mr. Dunford getting a couple estimates, we feel like it's going to cost around 2.1 to 2.5 million dollars. This is counting engineering, permitting, site design, etc. We are applying to the State for a \$500,000 grant and are hopeful.

Knowing this was needed, Mr. Young stated he reached out to Davenport who is the County's financial advisor. Since there is a cost to borrow money, typically around \$30,000, Davenport suggested borrowing the 5 million;

using 2.5 for the Leachate tank and the other 2.5 for the Fire Station or for water and sewer projects, this would save us the closing costs to borrow later. Mr. Young went on to say, currently we have debt payments that drop off after 2026; so, Davenport suggested structuring the loan so we don't borrow until the Spring and they could defer our payments out to where our current payment goes away and this payment will take its place.

Mr. Young stated he believes this can wait until February to be voted on, since after talking with Schnabel once we get the design the permitting process with the DEQ is 6 months for the Leachate tank to get approved.

***Debt reimbursement resolution***

Administrator Young explained this resolution ties in with the borrowing 5m for construction costs. Mr. Young said voting on this resolution gives the County the ability to pay itself back for any money we spent on those projects before the loan closes, should we get the loan.

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 debt reimbursement resolution. A copy of the debt reimbursement resolution is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

***Consider ratifying a poll to donate \$2,5000 from the Northwestern District and \$2,500.00 from the Western District to the Cedar Bluff Fall Festival payable to the town of Cedar Bluff***

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 donating \$2,5000 from the Northwestern District and \$2,500.00 from the Western District to the Cedar Bluff Fall Festival payable to the town of Cedar Bluff.

***Consider ratifying poll to extend SVCC scholarship programs for students enrolled as of September 1<sup>st</sup>, even if they missed May 1<sup>st</sup> application deadline***

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 extending SVCC scholarship programs for students enrolled as of September 1<sup>st</sup>, even if they missed May 1<sup>st</sup> application deadline.

***Consider Commissioner of Revenue request to abate erroneous tax assessment of \$9,288 for LCTA Investments.***

County Administrator Eric Young stated he spoke with David Anderson the Commissioner of Revenue, and Commissioner Anderson was the one who requested this abatement. Mr. Young continued that LCTA filed a personal property tax return on these mobile homes, but Commissioner Anderson had already taxed them as real estate.

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 and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Commissioner of Revenue's request to abate the erroneous tax assessment of \$9,288 for LCTA Investments.

***Flood grant update***

Administrator Young provided an update on the flood grant. Mr. Young stated there were 32 applications from property owners; of those we have issued 7 denial letters with 1 appealing the denial and we have approved 10

which we have forwarded to DHCD. Currently, the DHCD has reviewed and approved 4 and are working on the other 6 we submitted. Mr. Young went on to say that the remaining 15 are currently being worked on. Mr. Young continued that he had received notice from the State that we were approved for a grant for flood mitigation which we applied for back in the summer. We had applied for generators, satellite phones, string beacons and some rental assistance. Mr. Young stated the approval did not specify which items the County was approved; I'm unsure whether it was all or only some. Mr. Young told the Board he would keep them updated on any subsequent notice.

***Cavitt's Creek grant update / CPROP application***

Mr. Young explained to the Board that the CPROP grant at Cumberland Plateau is something the County could use for broadband service, I feel it would benefit economic development and some degree tourism. Mr. Young continued that last year we were awarded a CPROP grant to build bathhouses at Cavitt's Creek and then we received a donation from the Thompson Foundation for \$120,000 for a beach at Cavitt's Creek.

Mr. Young further stated that he met with Scottie Wampler regarding another possible CPROP grant for widening the roadway for easier access to the beach or possibly building two (2) more rental cabins.

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 the request to apply for CPROP grant for two (2) more rental cabins.

***Landfill tire update***

County Administrator Eric Young advised the Board that the landfill was still struggling with tires. Mr. Young explained that Lusk was the one we went to, but they are no longer accepting tires. This leaves Bland County as an option since they have a tire shredder. Mr. Young expressed he was having Mr. Dunford work on getting a number on what it is going to cost to shred the tires if we take them to Bland. Mr. Young said currently the landfill charges \$2.00 per tire, so we are probably looking at \$40,000 a year or more for shredding.

Supervisor Gillespie mentioned that the number will just keep increasing year after year.

***Consider surplus of 1996 Ford F-250 (VIN # 2FTHF26G6TCA36516) and donate to Bishop Volunteer Fire Department***

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 surplus of the 1996 Ford F-250 (VIN # 2FTHF26G6TCA36516) and donate to Bishop Volunteer Fire Department.

***Virginia Enterprise Zone***

Administrator Young stated there has been a committee working since January adding areas to the enterprise zone and deleting others from it. Mr. Young explained the Code states that if you add jobs or invest in taxable business assets that you qualify for incentives from the County as well as the State, i.e. personal property tax breaks on the local level and sales tax incentives on the State level if you build in one of these enterprise zones. He said, the problem we face is we are only allowed a certain amount of acreage, so if you add an acre here, you have to take out an acre somewhere else. Currently, we are maxed out on our acreage and have to remove some.

A discussion between Board members ensued regarding which areas were removed and which were added. All agreed it was hard to tell with the current handout of the updated map.

Mr. Young stated he would have Economic Director Tim Danielson at the hearing to answer any questions.

Upon motion of Supervisor Presley seconded by Supervisor Gillespie and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Supervisor Cruey being absent from the vote, and all others voting in favor thereof and no one against the same, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the request to hold a public hearing on the updated Virginia Enterprise Zone.

### ***Supplemental budget request***

County Administrator Eric Young called the Board's attention to the updated supplemental budget spreadsheet. A copy of the Supplemental Budget Request spreadsheet is available in the County Administration Office, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651.

Mr. Young explained that we had some revenues come in a little higher than we previously anticipated; the casino revenue we budgeted \$900,000 and received \$941,860, the Regional Jail we budgeted \$746,000 and we received \$316,000 in return on that one above the estimate. Young continued by saying, we received \$151,000 back from the Health Department unexpectedly. Mr. Young stated everything totals 1.639 m. that we have, which we did not budget for and I am asking to spend that money on a couple things. Firstly, he said, we committed to spend the Casino revenue on public safety so the \$41,860, I would like to spend on fire station repairs. Also, if you remember Barry Brooks came in right after our budget was finalized and requested three (3) Life Track Monitors, so I would like to purchase one (1) of those since we have the new ambulances.

Mr. Young went on to say the Sheriff's Office has reported that their Tasers are expiring and to replace half now it's going to cost \$125,000. Mr. Young noted funds are needed to pay late invoices submitted for Richlands and Tazewell EMS services. Mr. Young further stated he was hopeful we could use the health department money on the late invoices. Mr. Young concluded by saying the remainder would be placed into a Capital Improvement Fund for projects that may go over budget.

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 request to set a Public Hearing for the Supplemental Budget Appropriations.

## **SUPERVISOR CONCERNS**

### ***Supervisor Presley***

Supervisor Presley noted, he had one thing to discuss, the ESC Dinner in October has that been budgeted? Mr. Young replied he thought it had been; maybe three or four thousand dollars, but I will check and let you know.

### ***Supervisor Cruey***

Supervisor Cruey commented, Virginia Tech recently came to Amonate for the World History Grant work. However, while there one of the members from Virginia Tech's team left their car in drive and it pinned them against a building. No matter what we tried be it the radio, landline or cell phone we could not get a signal out. Is there any way we could get a satellite phone for that area? Mr. Young answered the County could buy one but you would have to have the subscription that goes along with it every month and it is rather pricey. Mr. Young advised he would follow up and let Supervisor Cruey know the amount of the subscription.

***Supervisor Gillespie***

Supervisor Gillespie stated, the only thing I have to discuss is that the Tazewell County Bar Association requested and then passed a Resolution to eliminate the Law Library Fund. This fund also serves the Court Improvement Fund as well and I believe it was a little short sighted to get rid of that fund.

County Administrator Eric Young replied that an average of \$8,400 was received per year from the filing surcharge. However, the County paid \$12,000 to \$13,000 for the online subscriptions for the public's use. Mr. Young continued, so the Board was actually paying the \$5,000 per year difference to fund the law library. However, he was not aware that this covered the Court Improvement Fund which provides the security, repairs, etc. Administrator Young stated once the Resolution is sent, he would take a look at it and then we can discuss it further.

Supervisor Gillespie agreed and said he thought it was a mistake to get rid of the fund since it does cover the security aspect for the Courthouse and it may even bring some type of civil liability in the future.

**Appointments**

***Planning Commission***

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

***Tourism***

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

***Tazewell County Fire-Rescue***

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

**ADJOURN**

Upon motion of Supervisor Cruet, 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 recesses until Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 4:00 pm.

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Aaron Gillespie, Chairman

**Consent Calendar Items  
October 7, 2025 Meeting**

<b>Source</b>	<b>Check #</b>	<b>To Acct</b>	<b>Amt</b>	<b>Description</b>
Natasha Hunt	5033	7301-1150	\$200.00	Payroll reimbursement
VAcorp	673305	31020-6009	\$875.00	Towing reimbursement - 2020 Ford Explorer (VIN 7942)
VAcorp	673310	31020-6009	\$212.09	Repair reimbursement - 2023 Ford Explorer (VIN 2904)
Election Systems & Software LLC	313104	12510-3310	\$9576.00	Refund due to overpayment
CMCS	249476	31020-1150	\$1,586.69	Reimbursement for overtime for CITAC officers
Clinch Valley Medical Center	04426613	31020-6010	\$1,000.00	Donation to TCSO
Public Safety Grant		31020-1150	\$23,808.13	Compensation July – Sept 2025
American Legion Post 133	1419	035600-8109-16	\$200.00	Donation to 911 {Peer Support Account}
Tyler Ruble	367558	31020-5510	\$125.00	Reimbursement for training to TCSO

# WARRANTS

## October Meeting 2025

### **Payroll**

Ordered that ADP direct deposits & warrants totaling \$ 361,190.81 from the General, covering net payroll, for the various County agencies, for the period ending August 31, 2025, be approved.

Ordered that ADP direct deposit & warrants \$382,614.41 from the General Fund, covering net payroll, for the various County agencies, for the period ending September 15, 2025 be approved.

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

Ordered that Warrant Nos 508185-508259 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 906,429.33 from the General, landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and CARES funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued August 25, 2025 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos 508260-508268 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 710,554.03 the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period ending August 31, 2025 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos 508276-508393 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$1,558,329.43 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, Law Library, and CARES funds covering operating expenses for the various County agencies issued September 10, 2025 be approved.

Ordered that Warrant Nos. 508269-508275 and electronic transfers (ACH) totaling \$ 197,504.71 from the General, covering payroll deductions for the various County agencies for the period September 15, 2025, be approved.

### **Handwritten**

Ordered that Warrant No 802279-802280 totaling \$ 55,000.00 from the General, Landfill Enterprise, Capital Outlay, and Law Library, covering operating expenses for the month of August 2025, be approved.

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PR Deduction	8/31/2025		Accounts Payable	8/25/25
Anthem	\$ 293,920.00	508260-508268		
Col Life	\$ 5,523.95		Checks \$ 486,750.45	508185-508259
OL Life	\$ 3,063.12		ACH \$ 419,678.88	
YCMA	\$ 3,302.00			
NRS	\$ 3,370.00			
NRS Roth	\$ 380.00		\$ 906,429.33	
VCU	\$ 2,757.00			
Hyd Disability	\$ 778.63			
VRS	\$ 248,278.53			
ICMA	\$ 10,806.23			
Taxes	\$ 136,875.71			
Garnishments	\$ 1,498.86	\$ 710,554.03		

PR Deduction	09/15/25		Accounts Payable	09/10/25
Anthem	\$ 23,927.00	508269-508275	Checks \$ 846,561.86	508276-508393
Col Life	\$ 5,410.47		ACH \$ 703,110.42	
			ADP \$ 5,157.15	
YCMA			Add ACH \$ 3,500.00	
OL			\$ 1,558,329.43	
NRS	\$ 3,400.00			
NRS Roth	\$ 380.00			
VCU	\$ 2,757.00			
Hyd Disability	\$ 798.96			
ICMA	\$ 10,648.81			
Taxes	\$ 148,694.44			
Garnishments	\$ 1,488.03	\$ 197,504.71		

Aug-25	Manual Checks	
802279	\$ 50,000.00	IDA
802280	\$ 5,000.00	Cedar Bluff Heritage Fest
	\$ 55,000.00	

MEMORANDUM OF CORRECTED ASSESSMENT BY COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE OF UNPAID LOCAL LEVIES

(COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE MUST BE GOVERNED STRICTLY BY LAW PERTAINING TO THE ABATEMENT OF TAXES)

THE MEMORANDUM MUST BE PREPARED BY COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE. ONE COPY MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE COUNTY OR CITY TREASURER OR CITY COLLECTOR, ONE COPY TO TAXPAYER AND ONE COPY MUST BE RETAINED BY THE COMMISSIONER.

NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY      TAZEWELL COUNTY TREASURER  
 TAXATION DEPARTMENT      DIST: TOWN-TAZEWELL  
 650 W PEACHTREE ST NW      DATE 9/17/2025  
 ATLANTA GA      30308  
 BILL NUMBER : 600001  
 ACCOUNT# / SEQ# : 43

SUBJECT OF TAXATION	YEAR	PAGE	LINE	VALUE	LOCAL LEVY	PENALTY	TOTAL TAX AND PEN.
ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT	PS	2025	8 4	\$2,073,584	\$6,013.40	\$ .00	\$6,013.40
ABATEMENT		2025	8 4	\$96,190	\$278.95	\$ .00	\$278.95
CORRECTED ASSESSMENT		2025	8 4	\$1,977,394	\$5,734.45	\$ .00	\$5,734.45

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED PLUS ANY PENALTY & INTEREST DUE AND ANY INTEREST DUE UNDER SEC 58.3918

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED \$278.95

REASON: RECEIVED 2025 VALUES AFTER FIRST HALF BILLING

*Anita McReynolds, Deputy*  
 DAVID R. ANDERSON  
 COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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650 W PEACHTREE ST NW  
ATLANTA GA 30308  
BILL NUMBER : 600002  
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NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY TAZEWELL COUNTY TREASURER  
DIST: TOWN-POCAHONTAS

TAXATION DEPARTMENT  
650 W PEACHTREE ST NW 30308  
ATLANTA GA

DATE 9/17/2025

BILL NUMBER : 580002  
ACCOUNT# / SEQ# : 41

SUBJECT OF TAXATION	YEAR	PAGE	LINE	VALUE	LOCAL LEVY	PENALTY	TOTAL TAX AND PEN.
ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT	PS 2025	8	2	\$715,683	\$2,075.48	\$ .00	\$2,075.48
ABATEMENT	2025	8	2	\$37,061	\$107.47	\$ .00	\$107.47
CORRECTED ASSESSMENT	2025	8	2	\$678,622	\$1,968.01	\$ .00	\$1,968.01

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED PLUS ANY PENALTY & INTEREST DUE AND ANY INTEREST DUE UNDER SEC 58.3918

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED \$107.47

REASON: RECEIVED 2025 VALUES AFTER FIRST HALF BILLING

*David R. Anderson*  
DAVID R. ANDERSON  
COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE

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NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY TAZEWELL COUNTY TREASURER  
DIST: TOWN-CEDAR BLUFF

TAXATION DEPARTMENT  
650 W PEACHTREE ST NW 30308  
ATLANTA GA

DATE 9/17/2025

BILL NUMBER : 570001  
ACCOUNT# / SEQ# : 37

SUBJECT OF TAXATION	YEAR	PAGE	LINE	VALUE	LOCAL LEVY	PENALTY	TOTAL TAX AND PEN.
ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT	PS	2025	8 1	\$2,178,430	\$6,317.45	\$ .00	\$6,317.45
ABATEMENT		2025	8 1	\$111,488	\$323.20	\$ .00	\$323.20
CORRECTED ASSESSMENT		2025	8 1	\$2,066,942	\$5,994.25	\$ .00	\$5,994.25

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED PLUS ANY PENALTY & INTEREST DUE AND ANY INTEREST DUE UNDER SEC 58.3918

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED \$323.20

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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650 W PEACHTREE ST NW DIST: TOWN-CEDAR BLUFF  
ATLANTA GA 30308 DATE 9/17/2025  
BILL NUMBER : 570002  
ACCOUNT# / SEQ# : 37

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ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT	2025	8	1	\$2,178,430	\$6,317.44	\$ .00	\$6,317.44
ABATEMENT	2025	8	1	\$111,488	\$323.20	\$ .00	\$323.20
CORRECTED ASSESSMENT	2025	8	1	\$2,066,942	\$5,994.24	\$ .00	\$5,994.24

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TAZEWELL COUNTY TREASURER  
DIST: TOWN-BLUEFIELD  
DATE 9/17/2025

BILL NUMBER : 560001  
ACCOUNT# / SEQ# : 33

SUBJECT OF TAXATION	YEAR	PAGE	LINE	VALUE	LOCAL LEVY	PENALTY	TOTAL TAX AND PEN.
ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT	2025	7	8	\$2,240,307	\$6,496.89	\$ .00	\$6,496.89
ABATEMENT	2025	7	8	\$110,220	\$319.64	\$ .00	\$319.64
CORRECTED ASSESSMENT	2025	7	8	\$2,130,087	\$6,177.25	\$ .00	\$6,177.25

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED PLUS ANY PENALTY & INTEREST DUE AND ANY INTEREST DUE UNDER SEC 58.3918

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED \$319.64

REASON: RECEIVED 2025 VALUES AFTER FIRST HALF BILLING

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TAXATION DEPARTMENT  
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ATLANTA GA 30308  
BILL NUMBER : 560002  
ACCOUNT# / SEQ# : 33

TAZEWELL COUNTY TREASURER  
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DIST: CLEAR FORK

TAXATION DEPARTMENT  
650 W PEACHTREE ST NW  
ATLANTA GA 30308

DATE 9/17/2025

BILL NUMBER : 550001  
ACCOUNT# / SEQ# : 5

SUBJECT OF TAXATION	YEAR	PAGE	LINE	VALUE	LOCAL LEVY	PENALTY	TOTAL TAX AND PEN.
ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT	2025	7	7	\$30,826,942	\$89,398.13	\$ .00	\$89,398.13
ABATEMENT	2025	7	7	\$1,706,107	\$4,947.71	\$ .00	\$4,947.71
CORRECTED ASSESSMENT	2025	7	7	\$29,120,835	\$84,450.42	\$ .00	\$84,450.42

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED PLUS ANY PENALTY & INTEREST DUE AND ANY INTEREST DUE UNDER SEC 58.3918

AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED \$4,947.71

REASON: RECEIVED 2025 VALUES AFTER FIRST HALF BILLING

*Arleta McReynolds, Deputy*  
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TAXATION DEPARTMENT DIST: CLEAR FORK  
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ATLANTA GA 30308  
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## National 4-H Week Proclamation



WHEREAS, this year’s National 4-H Week theme, “Beyond Ready,” reminds us that 4-H is building a ready generation in a world of change and equips young people with skills for the future while meeting them where they are today;

WHEREAS, 4-H is America’s largest youth development organization, supporting six million youth across the country; and

WHEREAS, 4-H programs are delivered by the Virginia Cooperative Extension System – a community of more than 100 public land-grant colleges and universities across the Nation – that provides experiences for young people to learn by doing;

WHEREAS, 4-H is in every city and county in the United States and helps 6 million youth become engaged, successful and independent; and

WHEREAS, 4-H connects young people and adults to their communities, preparing them for work and life through experiential and inquiry-based learning while providing emerging research for positive youth development; and

WHEREAS, expanding from its strong agricultural roots, 4-H helps young people explore the world around them and grow into productive adults; and

WHEREAS, supporting future leaders in science, agriculture and community leadership is an important imperative for U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture 4-H program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, [NAME, TITLE], do hereby proclaim October 5 –11 2025 as NATIONAL 4-H WEEK throughout [city/county/state], and encourage all our citizens to recognize 4-H for the significant impact it has made and continues to make by empowering youth with the skills they need to lead for a lifetime.

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SIGNATURE

TITLE



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09/24/2025: General Legal	176.33
10/01/2025: General Legal	176.32
Online Fee	10.00
Legal Processing Fee	20.00

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$382.65</b>
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## Notice of Public Hearing

TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT VIRGINIA  
ENTERPRISE ZONE IN TAZEWELL COUNTY

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on October 7, 2015 at 6:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the County Administration Building, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia, to consider public comment regarding the Board of Supervisors intent to amend the Virginia Enterprise Zone in Tazewell County to add and/or remove certain real property located in Tazewell County to/from the existing Virginia Enterprise Zone, as shown on a certain map below referenced and may take action to amend the boundaries of the Enterprise Zone to include other properties within the zone and to amend the incentives included with the enterprise zone designation, and hereby gives its intent to adopt said Ordinance. The Ordinance will establish economic incentives for new businesses to locate on the designated parcels and for existing businesses already located in those areas to expand. The Enterprise Zone designation entitles the owners of properties within the zone to certain tax incentives for commercial investment in the property. If a parcel is removed from the zone those incentives will not longer be available. Any person wishing to comment on the Board's decision to adopt the Ordinance may appear and speak at the public hearing. A copy of the proposed ordinance and map showing the properties to be included in the Enterprise Zone will be posted at the Tazewell County Circuit Court Clerk's Office, on the County's website [www.tazewellcounty.org](http://www.tazewellcounty.org), and is available at the County Administration Building, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are physically disabled, or hearing or visually impaired and need assistance at this hearing, please call 276-385-1208 or email [stephanie.russell@tazewellcounty.org](mailto:stephanie.russell@tazewellcounty.org).  
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VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA HELD AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LOCATED AT 197 MAIN STREET, TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA 24651, ON THE 7th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025, FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD HELD ON THE 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025, UPON NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC BY PUBLICATION IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN TAZEWELL COUNTY, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED, FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARING, A MOTION, AND SECOND:

Resolution No.: 25-10-001

Date: October 7, 2025

**A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ENTERPRISE ZONE**

**WHEREAS**, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors (hereafter, “the Board”) enacted the Tazewell County Enterprise Zone Ordinance on January 5, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, to further encourage the economic development of Tazewell County, Virginia (hereafter, “the County”), the Board desires to include additional parcels of real estate and remove portions of parcels of real estate, such that businesses that may be established or expanded on such parcels will be eligible for all incentives under the Tazewell County Enterprise Zone Ordinance;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** by the Board that Section 15-64 of the Tazewell County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to add the following parcels identified on the attached Schedule A to the Tazewell County Enterprise Zone, with the same Exhibit A being hereby incorporated into this Resolution:

Be it **FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board that Section 15-64 of the Tazewell County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to remove the parcels identified on the attached Schedule B which is hereby incorporated herein.

Be it **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby adopts the Enterprise Zone Maps attached hereto collectively as “Exhibit A”, hereby incorporated herein, to depict those parcels added to the Zone which are listed on Schedule A and to depict those parcels which were previously included but are hereby excluded as listed on Schedule

B; and further that in the event of any discrepancy between the Enterprise Zone Maps and the properties listed on the attached Schedules, the Schedules shall prevail;

Be it **FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board that this *Resolution* shall become effective upon the effective date as may be approved by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.

It is so **RESOLVED** this 7th day of October, 2025.

**RECORDED VOTE:**

MEMBERS PRESENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
AYES: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_  
ABSTENTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_  
ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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Aaron Gillespie  
Chairman – Board of Supervisors

\_\_\_\_\_  
C. Eric Young  
Tazewell County Administrator



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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$273.86</b>
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## Notice of Public Hearing

### TAZEVELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL LAW LIBRARY FEE CHARGED FOR CERTAIN COURT FILINGS

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on October 7, 2015 at 6:40 PM, or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the County Administration Building, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia, to consider public comment regarding the Board of Supervisors intent to enact an Ordinance to repeal Section 5.1 of the Code of Tazewell County which imposes a \$2.00 filing fee to fund the public law library. The proposed ordinance would end the fee and close the law library, which has been an online service for more than ten years. Any person wishing to comment on the Board's decision to adopt the Ordinance may appear and speak at the public hearing. A copy of the proposed ordinance will be posted at the Tazewell County Circuit Court Clerk's Office, on the County's website [www.tazewellcounty.org](http://www.tazewellcounty.org), and is available at the County Administration Building, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are physically disabled, or hearing or visually impaired and need assistance at this hearing, please call 276-385-1208 or email [stephanie.russell@tazewellcounty.org](mailto:stephanie.russell@tazewellcounty.org).  
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Resolution No.: 25-10-002

Date: October 7, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTION 5.1 OF THE CODE OF TAZEWELL COUNTY IMPOSING A RECORDING FEE FOR PUBLIC LAW LIBRARY**

**WHEREAS**, the Board has previously enacted an Ordinance to impose a recording fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00) for certain instruments at the Tazewell County Clerk's Offices to fund a public law library;

**WHEREAS**, the advancement of online research engines, online legal data bases, and remote wireless access to such resources has rendered a public law library obsolete;

**WHEREAS**, by resolution dated September 9, 2025 the Tazewell County Bar Association has asked that the law library be dissolved and the aforesaid fee be ended;

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Jack S. Hurley, Jr., Chief Judge of the Circuit Court entered an Order likewise finding that the law library should be dissolved and that the \$2.00 fee imposed should be rescinded;

**WHEREAS**, due to the increase in cost of online access to legal research, for the last two fiscal years the law library fee has been insufficient to fund access to the online legal services provided, and would be even less sufficient to fund hard copy library

materials, such that the Board has appropriated Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) in each of the last two fiscal years from the General fund to pay for the law library's expenses, which might otherwise have been used for other public purposes;

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is hereby Ordained that Section 5.1 of the Code of Tazewell County is hereby repealed and rescinded such that the fee imposed thereby shall no longer be assessed by the Clerks; and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a copy of this Ordinance be provided to Judge Hurley, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, and the Tazewell County Bar Association for their records;

It is so **RESOLVED** this 7th day of October, 2025.

**RECORDED VOTE:**

MEMBERS PRESENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
AYES: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_  
ABSTENTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_  
ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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Aaron Gillespie  
Chairman – Board of Supervisors

\_\_\_\_\_  
C. Eric Young  
Tazewell County Administrator

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TAZEWELL COUNTY

In Re: TAZEWELL COUNTY LAW LIBRARY ) Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

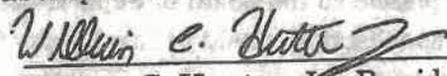
ORDER APPROVING RESOLUTION OF THE  
TAZEWELL COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

This matter is before the court at the request of the Tazewell County Bar Association for its Resolution of September 9, 2025 to be approved by the court pursuant to §42.1-66 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended.

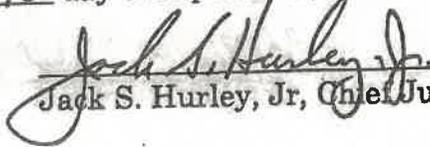
It appearing to the court that a number of years ago the Board of Supervisors adopted an ordinance pursuant to §42.1-70 of the aforesaid Code to assess as part of the costs incident to civil actions filed in the courts of Tazewell County the amount of \$2.00 per case; and that all receipts for cases filed show account code 219 LAW LIBRARY FEE of \$4 (which may be including an assessment under another ordinance); and that based upon the evaluation by the Tazewell County Bar Association following an investigation by a committee thereof, the law library fee no longer serves its intended purpose; that it is in the best interests of the public to rescind the ordinance and assessment of \$2.00 per case; and it being proper to do so,

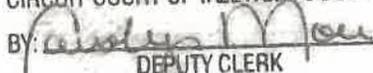
It is ADJUDGED and ORDERED that the recommendation of the Tazewell County Bar Association as set forth in its Resolution of September 9, 2025, a copy of which is attached and incorporated by reference, is approved and the court joins with the Tazewell County Bar Association in asking the Board Of Supervisors of Tazewell County to immediately rescind the authorizing ordinance for any such assessment for the law library and thereby abolish the assessment and dissolve the law library.

Requested:

  
William C. Hunter, Jr., President  
Tazewell County Bar Association

Entered on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025.

  
Jack S. Hurley, Jr, Chief Judge

A COPY, TESTE:  
CHARITY D. HURST, CLERK OF THE  
CIRCUIT COURT OF TAZEWELL COUNTY  
BY:   
DEPUTY CLERK

# Tazewell County Bar Association

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**Will Hunter**  
*President*

**Laurann Brown**  
*Vice-President*

**Gabrielle de Courcy**  
*Secretary/Treasurer*

## **RESOLUTION**

The Tazewell County Bar Association, having had discussion over many past meetings, and having authorized the law library committee by unanimous vote on 12 November 2024 to investigate this matter on behalf of the bar and the public, and it appearing:

- A. that the public currently pays a fee of \$4 for the Law Library fund on each court case that is filed; and
- B. that Section 42.1-70 of the Code of Virginia requires that such funds shall be held subject to disbursements by the governing body for the acquisition of i) law books, law periodicals and computer research services, and computer terminals for offsite placement to maximize access to the law library by the public and ii) equipment for the establishment, use, and maintenance of a law library that shall be open for the use of the public at hours convenient to the public; and
- C. that, at this time, the County disburses the law library funds for contracts with legal research services for "public access" at three computer terminals: 1) in the county administrator's office, 2) in the Bluefield public library, and 3) in the Richlands public library; and
- D. that it appears that neither the members of the Tazewell County Bar Association nor the librarians at the public library nor the Clerk nor any members of the public that have been casually surveyed by the Law Library Committee over the past year, were aware of the existence of, nor have they used, the "law library".

Upon recommendation of the law library committee, it is believed that the public will be better served by ending the collection of the \$4 fee and dissolving the "law library." The County Administrator has agreed that, upon resolution of the Tazewell County Bar Association to dissolve the "law library" and end collection of the fee, he will on September 9, 2025, present to the Board of Supervisors a request that they take such action as necessary to end the collection of said \$4 Law Library fee from the public.

**THIS RESOLUTION PASSED BY MAJORITY/ UNANIMOUS VOTE** at the regular meeting of the Tazewell County Bar Association, with proper quorum present, on September 9, 2025.

  
William C. Hunter, Jr., President



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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ORDINANCE TO AMEND TAZEWELL COUNTY'S FY26 BUDGET

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the County Administration Building, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia, to consider public comment regarding the Board of Supervisors intent to approve Supplemental Budget Appropriations for the Board's Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Virginia Code requires a public hearing for the Board to amend its budget to make adjustments in excess of 1.5% of the total budget expenditures approved. The proposed amendments would budget certain revenues which were unknown or unanticipated when the Budget was approved on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025: Such revenues include \$1,000,000.00 in state future flood preparation grants which may be awarded to the County during FY26, \$130,000.00 from the Shott Foundation for ATV trail easements acquisition, \$316,000.00 from the Southwest Virginia Regional Jail Annual reconciliation, \$151,271.00 from the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Health annual reconciliation, \$41,860.00 in revenues from the Bristol Transportation District Regional Improvement Commission (Casino Revenues) in excess of those anticipated in the budget. Including grant proceeds in the budget does not mean the grants will be awarded but allows grant funds to be spent if awarded. Grant proceeds must be spent for the purposes identified in the grant agreements. The flood mitigation grants include generators for PSA water pumpstations, a second leachate tank at the landfill, satellite phones for 911 and Emergency Management, and river depth gauge cellar beacons. The Board proposes to spend the additional revenues for Fire Station Repairs \$41,860.00, EMS ambulance on board Life Track monitors \$65,000.00, Sheriff's Department Taser replacements \$125,000.00, Payments to the Town Tazewell EMS and Town of Richlands EMS and Fire Departments \$150,000.00, and to hold in contingency \$127,719.00. The Board may include additional revenues or expenditures at the public hearing or afterwards prior to adopting the amendments.

Any person wishing to comment on the Board's decision to adopt the Supplemental Appropriations to the FY26 Budget may appear and speak at the public hearing. A spreadsheet detailing the proposed Supplemental Budget Appropriations will be posted at the Tazewell County Circuit Court Clerk's Office, the County's website [www.tazewellcountyva.org](http://www.tazewellcountyva.org), and is available at the County Administration Building, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are physically disabled, or hearing or visually impaired and need assistance at this hearing, please call 276-385-1322 or email Stephanie Russell at [stephanie.russell@tazewellcounty.org](mailto:stephanie.russell@tazewellcounty.org).  
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**Tazewell County Supplemental Budget Appropriations FY26**

<b>Supplemental Budget Appropriations - Additional Revenues</b>		<b>FY26 Actual</b>	<b>FY26 Budget</b>	<b>Additional Revenues Available</b>
<b>Revenue Source:</b>				
Casino Revenue		\$ 941,860	\$ 900,000	\$ 41,860
FY25 Regional Jail Reconciliation		\$ 1,062,520	\$ 746,072	\$ 316,448
<b>Cong. Directed Spending Grant PSA Manhole Replacements</b>		\$ 963,000	\$ -	\$ 963,000
<b>Shott Foundation Grant Stevenson Property ATVs</b>		\$ 130,000	\$ -	\$ 130,000
<b>Flood Mitigation Grants (estimate)</b>		\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000
<b>Sheriff's Office National Forest Policing Grant</b>		\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000
<b>Thompson Foundation Grant Cavitts Creek Beach</b>		\$ 125,000	\$ -	\$ 125,000
<b>DHCD-VA Disaster Assistance Fund Program (VDAF)</b>		\$ 2,000,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000
<b>FY25 Health Department Reconciliation</b>		\$ 151,271	\$ -	\$ 151,271
	<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 5,227,579</b>
<b>Supplemental Budget Appropriations - Additional Expenses</b>				
<b>Expenditure Description:</b>				<b>Additional Proposed Expenses:</b>
Fire Station Repairs				\$ 41,860
Life Track Monitor				\$ 65,000
Sheriff's Department Tasers				\$ 125,000
<b>PSA Manhole Replacements (May not happen)</b>				\$ 963,000
<b>Shott Foundation -Stevens Property ATVs</b>				\$ 130,000
<b>Flood Mitigation: Leachate Tank Generators Debris Removal etc (estimate)</b>				\$ 1,000,000
<b>Sheriff's Office National Forest Policing</b>				\$ 500,000
<b>Cavitts Creek Beach</b>				\$ 125,000
<b>DHCD-VA Disaster Assistance Fund Program (VDAF)</b>				\$ 2,000,000
Town of Tazewell Q 2,3, &4 FY2025 EMS Payment (contract)				\$ 75,000
Town of Richlands Q4 FY25 EMS& Fire (Contract)				\$ 75,000
Town of Bluefield Ladder Truck Repairs				\$ 15,000
Courthouse Security Project				\$ 35,000
Landfill Stormwater Pond Dredging				\$ 45,000
Capital Projects Contingency				\$ 32,719
<b>Color Code</b>			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,227,579</b>
<b>Required by Regional Agreement</b>				
<b>Required by Grant Terms</b>		\$ 4,718,000		
<b>Required by Contract (Towns were late billing FY25 expenses)</b>				
<b>Requested by Administration</b>		\$ 127,719		

**Amendments from Advertised Budget Revisions**



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For additional information, or if you require special accommodations to attend and participate in the hearing, please contact **Stephanie Russell** at 276-385-1322 or by email at [stephanie.russell@tazewellcounty.org](mailto:stephanie.russell@tazewellcounty.org). Accommodations will be provided upon request to ensure equal opportunity for all participants. Written comments may also be submitted to:

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## CEDAR BLUFF | POW MIA RECOGNITION DAY



Photo courtesy WBI Morefield

National POW MIA Recognition Day was last Friday at the Cedar Bluff Overlook Park. Air Force JROTC cadets from Richlands High School participated in honoring the men and women who fought to protect our freedom. Speakers included state Sen. Travis Hawkworth and Delegate WBI Morefield.

## History Wednesday Workshop: 'Murders, Monsters and Myths'

### BUCHANAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

"Murders, Monsters, and Myths" will be the topic of Buchanan County Public Library's History Wednesday Workshop on Oct. 1 at 2 p.m. In the past, the library's workshop series has focused on famous and unsolved murder cases in Buchanan County. This workshop will focus on some of the lesser known murder cases that happened in the county. "There still is a lot of interest in the county's most notorious murder cases like Roger Keith Coleman and Howard Little," said Brian F. Shortridge, host of the event. "I want to explore something different with this workshop. I want to look at some of the more unusual and forgotten murder cases. Over the years,

I have heard about so many different murders that I wanted to share some of those stories."

Also, the workshop will share some myths that are a part of the county's history in hopes of discovering the truth, Shortridge said.

"The famous line is, 'When the legend becomes fact, print the legend,' which is what happens sometimes," said Shortridge. "I'm going to look at some of the county's myths and see what evidence we can find to show if the story is backed up by facts."

The workshops are part of the library's effort to promote and preserve history. All Wednesday Workshops are free and open to the public. For more information, contact the library at 276-935-5721.

## USDA to distribute oral rabies vaccine baits starting Oct. 15

Oral rabies vaccine baits will be distributed in portions of Southwest Virginia next month to vaccinate raccoons against the rabies virus.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Wildlife Services program will administer the bait distribution. Beginning on or about Oct. 15, ORV baits will be distributed via fixed wing aircraft and helicopters in parts of the following counties and cities: Tazewell, Russell, Blount, Giles, Grayson, Smyth, Washington, Wythe, Bristol and Abingdon.

The project is expected to last approximately one week.

In total, approximately 216,000 coated sachet baits containing the oral rabies vaccine will be distributed across 4,280 square-kilometer bait zone.

As the ORV baits are serially distributed, a navigator controls the bait machine and turns off the machine as necessary to avoid dropping baits on roads, yards, structures, large bodies of water, etc.

The ORV baits which will be distributed are "coated sachets." The coated sachet is a plastic packet of vaccine coated with a sticky, scented substance to attract raccoons. Each bait is marked with a toll-free number (1-877-722-6725) for people to call for assistance or information if they find or come in contact with a bait.

The bait distribution — the 22nd annual baiting in Southwest Virginia — is part of a nationwide, cooperative effort by USDA to prevent the westward spread of raccoon rabies in the eastern United States.

## Casino revenue, other supplemental appropriations are approved

### TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS | SEPTEMBER

By Warren Hinkle

The board of supervisors approved supplemental budget appropriations during their September meeting.

County administrator Eric Young said that since the new budget was approved some things have changed, giving the county more than \$1.6 million to work with.

Among those changes: an additional \$41,860 in casino revenue, \$316,448 in the regional jail reconciliation, and a \$130,000 grant from the Shott Foundation to secure the Stevenson property for an ATV trail.

The county also received a \$1 million

flood mitigation grant, along with a \$151,271 health department reconciliation.

Young then asked supervisors to approve the additional proposed expenses that include \$41,860 for fire station repairs, \$65,000 for life track monitor, and \$125,000 for new tasers for the sheriff's office. He said the tasers have expired and need to be replaced. The \$125,000 will replace half of those needing replacement.

Some of the funds, such as the funds from the Shott Foundation must be spent for their proposed uses.

Also, the Town of Tazewell will receive \$75,000 for partial payment for EMS services. Richlands will receive \$75,000 for the EMS and Fire services they provide to county residents.

**40th Indian Run next Saturday** Saturday (Oct. 4), at Pocahontas, 5K run, 5K walk and you race starts at 9 a.m.  
The 40th annual Indian Run is next

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RICHLANDS, VIRGINIA

NOTICE is hereby given that on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, beginning at 4:45 or as soon thereafter as may be heard in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building for the Town of Richlands ("Town") located at 250 Westgate Square, Richlands, Virginia 24641, the Town Council of the Town of Richlands will hold a PUBLIC HEARING, pursuant to Virginia Code § 15.2-1800(B) to provide the citizens of the Town an opportunity to be heard with respect to the sale of property located at 217 Red Avenue, Richlands, Virginia 24641, Tax Map Number: 105AG 0021-0026. Any person not able to attend may make their name known to any Council Member prior to such meeting.



Ronald Holt, Town Manager

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## Buchanan County, Va. Invitation to Bid for Renovation

The Buchanan County Public Service Authority seeks qualified bidders to submit proposals for consideration to renovate the new BCPBA offices located at 1016 Archway Circle, Vansant, Virginia 24651 and 1101 Anchorage Circle, Vansant, Virginia 24651. The BCPBA requires that the bids/proposals be submitted before 2:00 p.m. local prevailing time, October 6, 2025, to the Executive Director, BCPBA, 1023 Old Ben Branch Road, Oakwood, Virginia 24631. Bids/Proposals must be in a sealed envelope and clearly marked on the outside "Renovation of Anchorage Buildings". A bid submitted after this date and time will not be considered. The PSA will award to the lowest bid who is a responsive and responsive bidder in response to the invitation to bid.

The general construction requirements are posted on the BCPBA website [www.buchanancountyva.org/procurement](http://www.buchanancountyva.org/procurement) and are also available at the BCPBA Office at 1023 Old Ben Branch Road, Oakwood, Virginia, phone number 276-665-5827. A copy may be found on the outside website at [www.virginia.gov](http://www.virginia.gov).

All contractors providing bids must send a representative to a mandatory pre-bid conference at the BCPBA current office located at 1023 Old Ben Branch Road, Oakwood, Virginia 24631 to include a site visit at 1023 Anchorage Circle, Vansant, Virginia, to be held on September 26, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

For directions and location of building please contact Tim Hove, Assistant Director, Josh Ham, Office Manager, by phone at 276-665-5827.

## 25th ANNUAL KIWANIS / BREAKS PARK 5K CROSS COUNTRY RUN Saturday, October 4, 2025 Breaks, Va.

Start / Finish: 10 a.m., pool area inside the Breaks Interstate Park. Following main race: middle school cross country meet, 1.5 mile, 5th-8th grade and 7th-8th grade divisions, trophies for top three places for male and female.

Entry fee: \$15 pre-registration (run); \$20 day of race (T-shirt guaranteed pre-emptor by Sept. 30); \$2 registration per high school team member (T-shirts not included).

### Awards

Trophies for overall male and female winners  
Trophies for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place in each age category  
Team trophy: cross country team competition, both male and female team  
• \$150 (First-place) cash prize to male and female winning teams  
• \$100 (Second-place) cash prize to male and female winning teams  
• \$ 75 (Third-place) cash prize to male and female winning teams  
• \$50 paid to each school bringing a complete team (Does not include paying for two teams, i.e., male and female teams)  
5K run: covering approximately 3.1 miles in and around center attractions of Breaks Interstate Park. The run begins and ends at the swimming pool area inside the park. Run will travel through trail portions of the park and toward cottage area and back to the swimming pool.  
Pancho breakfast for all participants! Parking and restrooms available

14 & under	15-19	20-24
25-29	30-34	35-39
40-44	45-49	50-54
55-59	60 & over	

### REGISTRATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_ Shirt size: SM M L XL

Release: I waive any and all liability claims for myself, my heirs, and executors against Kiwanis, Kiwanis Club, Breaks Interstate Park, and the sponsors and organizers of this race for any illness or injury sustained directly or indirectly resulting from my participation. I further state that I am in proper physical condition to participate in this event. I do consent to the use of my name and/or photograph in connection with publicity concerning the race.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature if under 18

P.O. Box 724, Grundy, VA 24614

Information contact: Jon Pitts 1-276-635-2181

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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tazewell County Board of Supervisors will hold a 2nd public hearing on October 7th at 7:10pm at the Tazewell County Administrative Building (197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA) to solicit public input on the proposed Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery (CDBG- DR) proposal to be submitted to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development for the Leachate Tank Construction Project. Residents of the project area are encouraged to attend.

The proposed project involves the construction of a new leachate storage tank at the Tazewell County landfill. This critical infrastructure upgrade is designed to increase the facility's capacity to manage wastewater, directly addressing the overflow and environmental risks demonstrated during Hurricane Helene's unprecedented rainfall and flooding. The project seeks to build resilience to future extreme weather events, ensuring the long-term sustainability of the landfill and protecting the community's water resources.

A fact sheet on the proposed project and the draft proposal is available at 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA. For additional information, contact Stephanie Russell: 276-385-1322. Comments and grievances can be submitted in writing to Tazewell County Board of Supervisors at 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA or by phone at 276-385-1322 until October 6th.

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing to learn more about the project and provide comments.

\*If you plan to attend and have any special needs requirements, please call the number listed above.

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## Coalfield Trader

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**Hot towels, zippered pockets, up out Thruville Inc.** Nylon Road for high quality. Women's size 18, high quality. In excellent condition. \$98 or both for \$60. Phone 276-693-6381. '98

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### REAL ESTATE

**For sale: Commercial property with 2 houses (two bedrooms, one bathroom, 1,200 square feet) and three bedrooms, two bathrooms, 5,500 square feet) plus ongoing storage units (50). Call for more information. Serious inquiries only. Located within town limits of Grundy, VA., Buchanan County. Call 276-626-9787 for more info. Leave message if no answer.**

### SERVICES

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### SPORTS EQUIPMENT

**Shoppers: Only 8th. One plate 14-oz, medium / heavy duty with 1/2" rubber floor and EVA grip. Four rods \$40 each. Phone 276-693-6381. '98**

**Penn Power: Rick-downer rods. 5-6oz medium action two-piece. \$80 each. Phone 276-693-6381. '98**

### YARD SALES

**Indoor garage sale: 879 Edgewood Drive, Cedar Bluff, on Friday, Sept. 6, and Saturday, Sept. 7, starting at 9 a.m. Large collection of household items, his / her Trek all-terrain bicycle with helmet, and other accessories. 276-671-1434.**

**Chairman: Open door - calling out for school. On-trailing until all items are sold. Items starting \$1 and up. Shorts Gap Mountain in red building beside the road. Will be open until everything is gone. For more information call 276-219-7882.**

## EASY RECIPES



### OLD & NEW

#### COYBOY CAVIAR

Photo | Page 4A

- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup white wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 pound cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1 (15-ounce) can black-eyed peas, drained and rinsed
- 1 (15-ounce) can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 11 ounces sweet corn kernels
- 1 red onion, diced
- 1 green bell pepper, diced
- 1 red bell pepper, sliced
- 1 cup fresh cilantro, optional, chopped

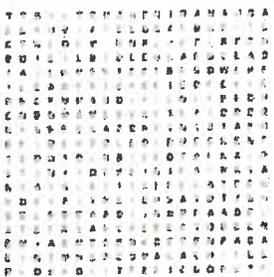
Whisk together the olive oil, the sugar, the white wine vinegar, the chili powder, and the salt in a large bowl.

Add the tomatoes, the black-eyed peas, the beans, the corn, the red onions, the green bell peppers, and the red bell peppers. Stir to combine completely.

Add in the cilantro and stir. Cover and chill before serving. Yield: 12 servings.

Have a family recipe? Send to Easy Recipes, P.O. Box 200, Wheelock VA 24657

## WORD SEARCH



### JEWELS AND SEMI-PRECIOUS

- AGATE
- ALEXANDRITE
- AMBER
- AMETHYST
- AMMO-LITE
- AQUAMARINE
- BERYL
- BLOODSTONE
- CITRINE
- CORAL
- DANURITE
- DIAMOND
- EMERALD
- GARNET
- HIDDENITE
- ISOLITE
- JASPER
- JADE
- JASPER
- MALACHITE

- MOONSTONE
- MORGANITE
- OPAL
- OPAL
- PEARL
- RUBELITE
- RUBY
- SAPPHIRE
- SERPENTINE
- SPHENE
- SPINEL
- SIBULITE
- SUNSTONE
- TANZANITE
- TOPAZ
- TURQUOISE
- TURQUOISE
- VARSICITE
- ZIRCON
- ZOISITE

## SEPTEMBER | NINTH DISTRICT TRAVELING STAFF OFFICE HOURS

Congressman Margin Griffith's Ninth District staff will be available at the following locations in September:

- Tuesday, Sept. 2**  
Tazewell County: 10 to 11:30 a.m., Town of Richlands office, 200 Washington Square, Richlands
- 1 Buchanan County:** 1:30 to 3 p.m., Town of Grundy office, 1185 Plaza Drive, Grundy
- Thursday, Sept. 18**  
Tazewell County: 10 to 11:30 a.m., American Legion Building, 520 Central Avenue, Tazewell
- 1 Russell County:** 1 to 2:30 p.m., Town of Lebanon government offices, 72 Gibson St., Lebanon
- Tuesday, Sept. 23**  
Buchanan County: 10 to 11:30 a.m., Center for Education & Research, 818 Happy Valley Drive, Clintwood

For more information, contact the congressman's Abingdon office at 276-628-1406 or the Christiansburg office at 540-361-5671.

### Thinking about grandparents ...

"To a small child, the perfect granddad is unafraid of big dogs and fierce storms but absolutely terrified of the word 'boo'."

## SERVICE DIRECTORY

**Grundy Funeral Home**  
22208 Riverside Drive, Grundy, Virginia 24614  
(276) 935-4571  
[www.grundyfuneralhome.com](http://www.grundyfuneralhome.com)

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tazewell County Board of Supervisors will hold a 2nd public hearing on September 16th at 6:30 pm at the Tazewell County Administrative Building (197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA) to solicit public input on the proposed Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery (CDBG- DR) proposal to be submitted to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development for the Leachate Tank Construction Project. Residents of the project area are encouraged to attend.

The proposed project involves the construction of a new leachate storage tank at the Tazewell County landfill. This critical infrastructure upgrade is designed to increase the facility's capacity to manage wastewater, directly addressing the overflow and environmental risks demonstrated during Hurricane Helene's unprecedented rainfall and flooding.

The project seeks to build resilience to future extreme weather events, ensuring the long-term sustainability of the landfill and protecting the community's water resources.

A fact sheet on the proposed project and the draft proposal is available at 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA. For additional information, contact Stephanie Russell: 276-385-1322. Comments and grievances can be submitted in writing to Tazewell County Board of Supervisors at 197 Main Street, Tazewell, VA or by phone at 276-385-1322 until September 8th.

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing to learn more about the project and provide comments.

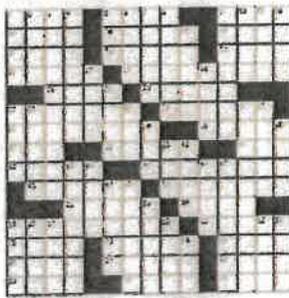
\* If you plan to attend and have any special needs requirements, please call the number listed above.

## Coalfield crossword

Answers on Page 6B

### ACROSS

- 1. Location
- 5. Ina
- 9. O-Tip
- 13. Legal wrong
- 14. Roof overhang
- 16. Codfish fish
- 17. Mormon state
- 18. Saltwater
- 19. Mine entrance
- 20. Humdrum
- 22. Lashers
- 24. Agitated state
- 26. Not fresh
- 27. Wise Biblical thing
- 30. Olesns
- 33. Stimulated
- 35. Geologic period
- 37. Browning of skin
- 38. Durable fabric
- 41. Sri Lanka sport
- 42. Dogfish
- 45. Soaring
- 46. Area around a nipple
- 51. Bosoms



### DOWN

- 8. Difficult
- 7. Wall climber
- 4. Prunipus
- 9. Radical reorganization
- 10. Dry riverbed
- 11. Similar
- 12. Wagon
- 16. Glacial ice formation
- 21. Capital of Peru
- 23. Basilthorn
- 25. Kiddies
- 27. Adjusts
- 28. A city in Nebraska
- 29. Born, in blues
- 31. Robbing opt oven
- 32. Small
- 34. AFD
- 36. Cronis
- 38. Gooop
- 40. Balgo
- 43. Proof of purchase
- 44. Cellars source
- 46. Not his
- 47. Mug
- 49. Immense
- 60. Judge
- 63. Feeling
- 65. Absorbed
- 66. A Great Lake
- 67. Sings with closed lips
- 68. Brolted
- 80. Brolted, in old Rome
- 81. Not us
- 84. S

## Football Friday

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Dylon Lester did it all for the

rebels in their opener: 142 rushing yards and 33 receiving yards on offense, and 12 tackles on defense.

"The entire defense was phenomenal," Hurley head coach Zach Deel said.

## GAME RECAPS | WEEK 1

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yards and two touchdowns — both on 87-yard runs — while catching two passes for 76 yards and a score (a 73-yard reception from

junior quarterback Ayden Whit-ed). Sophomore Alex Grant scored three touchdowns for Ridgeview. Grant had a 19-yard touchdown run, returned a punt 45 yards for a

score and also caught a 42-yard touchdown pass from Bentley Brockhoff. Brockhoff was 6-of-6 for 145 yards and three touchdowns through the air.

## Bluefield 20, Graham 10

BLUEFIELD, W.Va. — The Beavers built a 20-3 lead by halftime and held on to stun Virginia's defending Class 2 state champions last Friday night at Mitchell Stadium.

The G-Men had their 15-game overall winning streak snapped along with a 16-game regular-season win streak. It was also Graham's first loss to Bluefield since 2019.

A Lucas Nash 37-yard field goal in the second quarter and Gabe Lilly's 7-yard touchdown run with 5:43 remaining in the game were the only scores for the G-Men.

Senior quarterback Dalton Roberts and junior Campbell Fix, a receiver and defensive back, were both sidelined with injuries.



Photo courtesy Richlands Football Club

## Gate City 29, Richlands 48

RICHLANDS — The Blue Devils led by a touchdown at halftime but pulled away in the second half last Thursday night at Emie Hicks Stadium.

Gate City scored on the last drive of the first half to go ahead 21-14 and the first drive of the second half to make it 28-14.

The loss dropped the Blue Tornado to 0-2.

Richlands senior QB Andre Boyd went 13-of-26 for 266 yards with four touchdown passes. He also led the Blues with 41 rushing yards, including a pair to Landon Abher (77 and 8 yards).

The Blue Devils held a 472-308 edge in the offense.

**L E N O W I S C O**  
**PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** C. Eric Young - Tazewell County Administrator  
**FROM:** Duane Miller – Executive Director   
**DATE:** September 19, 2025  
**SUBJECT:** Southwest Virginia – Legislative Reception Invoice

***Legislative Reception – \$3,500***

Please make your check payable to the LENOWISCO Planning District Commission.

Please feel free to contact me or Crystal Stanley if you have any questions.

Thank you for your participation.

Duane



372 Technology Trail Lane Suite 101 • Duffield, VA 24244  
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Southwest Virginia Community College  
**Festival** OF THE **ARTS** 2026  
SINCE 1995

August 25, 2025

Eric Young, County Administrator  
Tazewell County Board of Supervisors  
17 Main Street  
Tazewell, VA 24651

Dear Eric,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to express my sincere appreciation for the steadfast support the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors has shown to the Southwest Virginia Community College Festival of the Arts Program over the years. Your generosity has played a vital role in making the arts accessible, enriching, and meaningful for our entire region.

In 2026, our nation prepares to mark a historic milestone - **America's 250th anniversary**. It is with great pride and patriotic spirit that SWCC announces the theme of our upcoming festival: **"Celebrating America's 250th"**

Scheduled for **April 10–19, 2026**, this special edition of the Festival of the Arts will unite our community in a powerful tribute to the American story. Through music, visual arts, dance, food, storytelling, and educational programming, we aim to reflect on the rich tapestry of our nation's history while celebrating the promise of its future. We are proud to welcome local and national talent, and we will continue to serve our schools and citizens across the region with performances and events that inspire civic pride and cultural connection.

In the spirit of unity and celebration, I respectfully ask the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors to consider continuing its **annual contribution of \$2500** in support of this important cultural initiative. Your support reaffirms our shared values—freedom, creativity, education, and community - and helps ensure that this commemorative year is celebrated in a way that uplifts and unites.

Thank you again for your ongoing commitment to the arts and to the people of Southwest Virginia. With your partnership, we can make the 2026 Festival of the Arts a stirring and unforgettable tribute to 250 years of American spirit.

With gratitude and warmest regards,

*Susan*

Susan R. Lowe, Ed. D.  
V.P. of Institutional Advancement  
Southwest Virginia Community College  
276.202.0403 or susan.lowe@sw.edu

sw.edu/festival



**VIRGINIA: AT A 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, VIRGINIA, ON THE 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED, UPON A MOTION AND SECOND:**

Resolution No.: **10-25-006**

Date: **October 7, 2025**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING OPERATION OF  
ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES ON CERTAIN ROUTES**

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to promote tourism and enhance recreational opportunities for County residents by supporting operation and expansion of the Southwest Regional Recreational Authority's (Spearhead) All Terrain Vehicle Trail System in the County;

**WHEREAS**, the Code of Virginia permits the Board to approve certain public highways as acceptable for operation of All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs), as defined in the Code of Virginia, such that operation of ATVs on such roads will be legal under state law;

**WHEREAS**, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors (hereafter, "the Board") desires to improve access to and exit from the Spearhead Trail System in Tazewell County for residents and tourists by permitting operation of ATVs on certain roads in the County;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** pursuant to **Section 46.2-800.2** of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended that the Board hereby **APPROVES** operation of ATVs on Franklin Road near Boissevain from the West Virginia State line a distance of

0.75 miles in a Southerly direction to its intersection with Abbs Valley Road and on Laurel Creek Road from its intersection with Boissevain Road a distance of 1.48 miles Southwest to the new trail system entrance; subject however to the following conditions as required by the aforesaid code for so long as they may be required by State law:

1. Signs, whose design, number, and location as approved by the Virginia Department of Transportation, are posted by the Southwest Regional Recreation Authority warning motorists that ATVs may be operating on the highway;
2. ATVs may only be operated during daylight hours on the highway;
3. ATV operators shall, when operating on the highway, obey all rules of the road applicable to other motor vehicles;
4. Riders of such all-terrain vehicles shall wear approved helmets; and
5. ATVs shall operate at speeds of no more than 25 miles per hour.
6. Operators shall be licensed drivers or accompanied by a licensed driver who is either occupying the same vehicle or occupying another vehicle within a prudent distance; however, no person shall operate any off-road recreational vehicle as provided in this section if his driver's license, whether issued in the Commonwealth or in another jurisdiction, has been suspended or revoked.
7. Operators shall have a permit from the Southwest Regional Recreational Authority or a permit recognized by such Authority to ride its ATV Trails in the County.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Administrator is hereby authorized to execute any documents as may be necessary to confirm such approval with the Virginia Department of Transportation, Virginia State Police or other State agency;

It is so **RESOLVED** this 7th day of October, 2025.

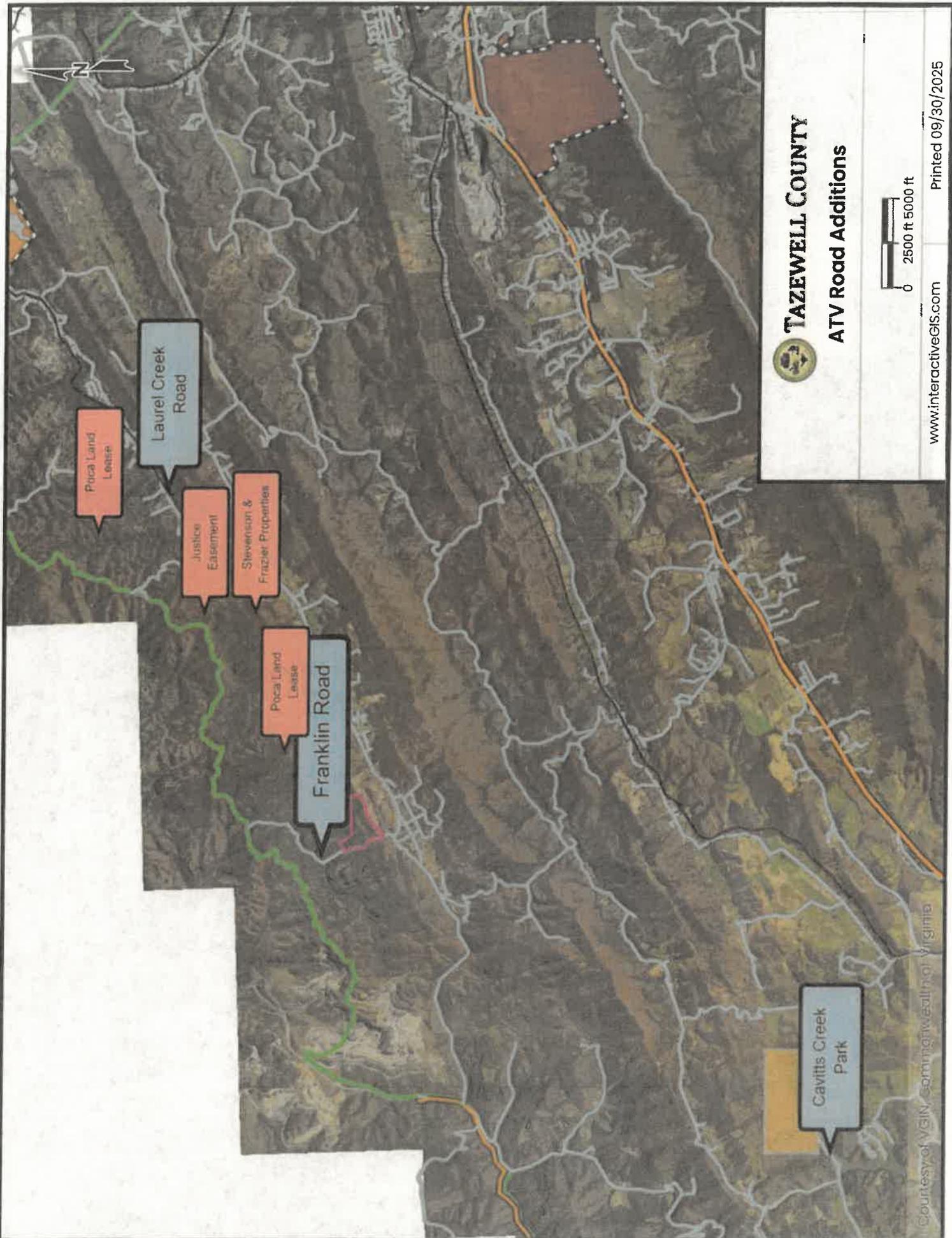
**ATTEST:**

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Aaron M. Gillespie  
Chairman – Board of Supervisors

\_\_\_\_\_  
C. Eric Young  
Tazewell County Administrator

**RECORDED VOTE:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**AYES:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**NAYS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**ABSTENTIONS:** \_\_\_\_\_



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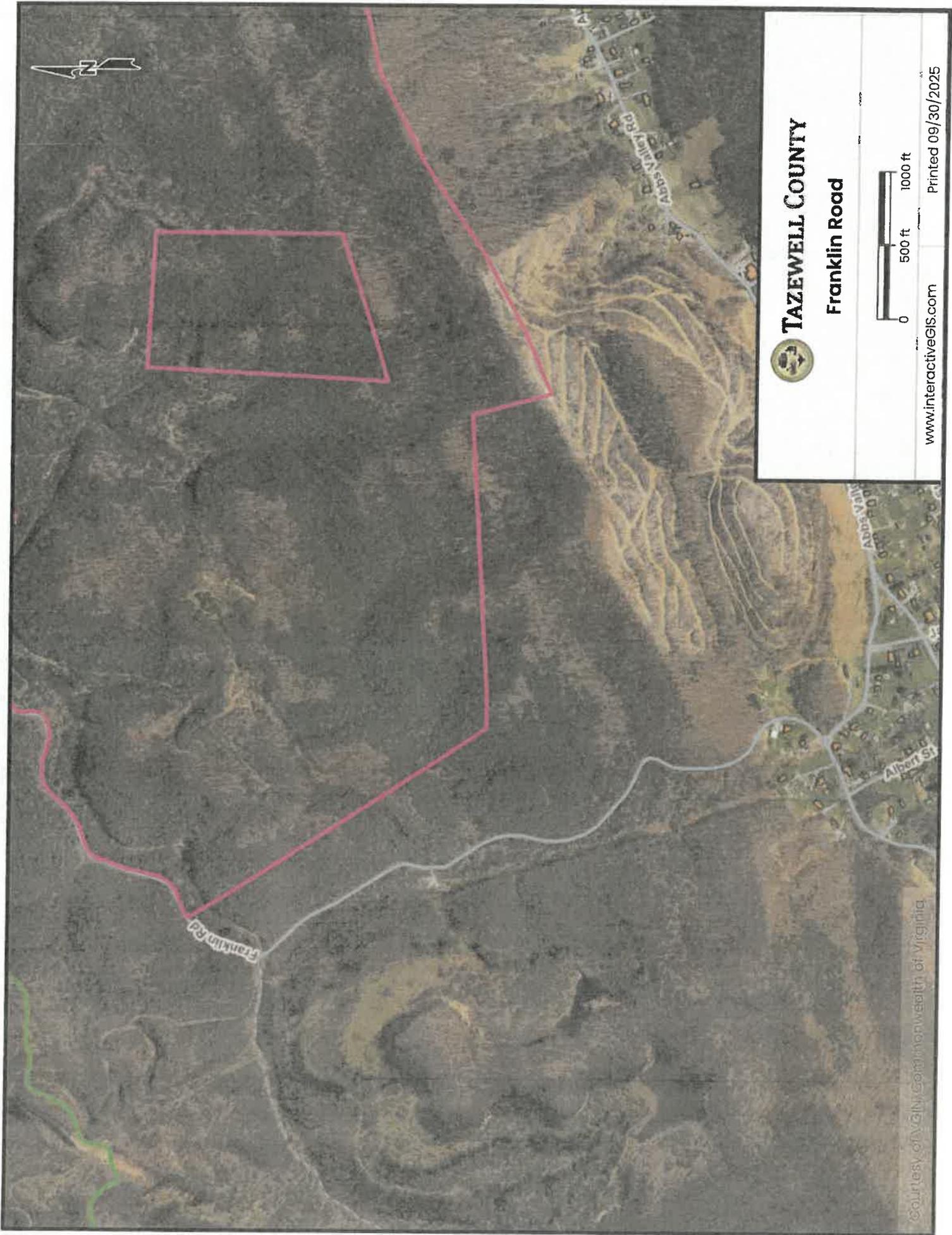
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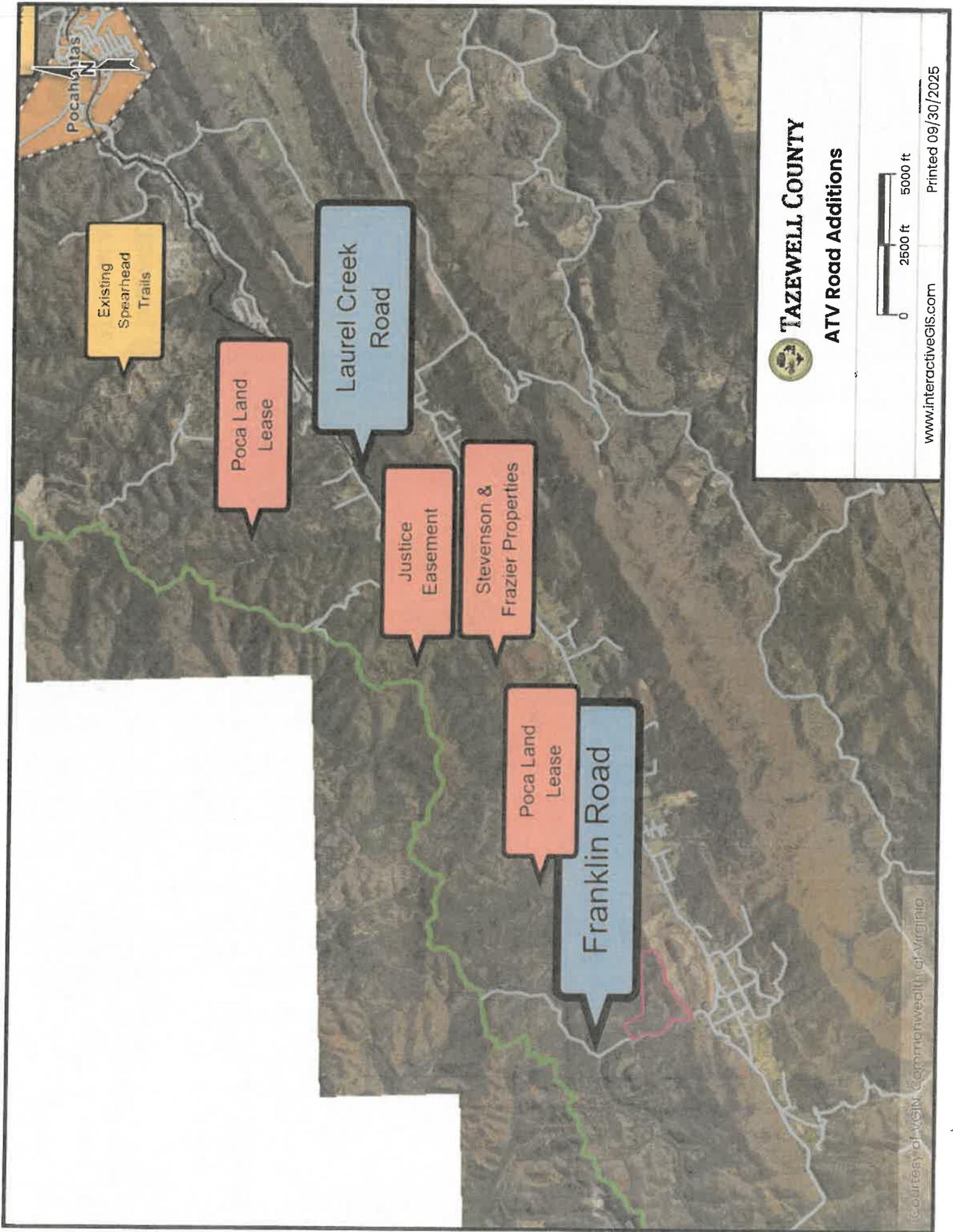
## Franklin Road



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Existing  
Spearhead  
Trails

Poca Land  
Lease

Laurel Creek  
Road

Justice  
Easement

Stevenson &  
Frazier Properties

Poca Land  
Lease

Franklin Road



**TAZEWELL COUNTY**

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# Tazewell County

## Laurel Creek



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Resolution No.: 10-25-007

Date: October 7, 2025

**RESOLUTION AMENDING COUNTY EMPLOYEE RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to continue to provide as a benefit of employment health insurance coverage for retirees who have served the people of Tazewell County;

**WHEREAS**, the Board's current Retiree Health Insurance Benefits Program, as amended in June 2012, requires that to be eligible to participate an employee must be eligible to retire through the Virginia Retirement System (VRS) and have been a participant in Tazewell County's VRS group retirement plan for a period of FIVE (5) *Years and otherwise eligible to be insured as a retiree by the terms of the County's then current Health Insurance Plan*;

**WHEREAS**, the County's current Health Insurance Plan now requires retiree to have participated in the County's VRS retirement group plan a minimum of TEN (10) years to be eligible for coverage as a retiree, such that the plan will not afford coverage to employees who retire with only FIVE (5) years of service to the County;

**WHEREAS**, the Board must now elect whether to provide the same benefits to employees who retire with only five years of service to the County by a different, separate, more expensive health insurance policy or to change the Board's policy to

require TEN (10) years of service to the County before the employee is eligible for the program, such that the Board would not have to insure those employees separately;

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the program is to provide a benefit to employees who have served the residents of Tazewell County, and permitting employees who have accrued all or nearly all of their VRS eligibility working for the State or other localities before working for Tazewell County to benefit from the program would not serve its purpose;

**WHEREAS**, the Board has decided to amend its policy to require that to be eligible to participate in the Retiree Health Insurance Program the years of service to the County of Tazewell must be TEN (10) years rather than FIVE (5) years as previously approved in 2012;

**WHEREAS**, the Board, however, does not desire to revoke eligibility for any employee who already would qualify to participate in the program and wants to preserve the eligibility of such employees

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that the Board does hereby amend the Retiree Health Insurance Benefit Program eligibility terms to provide that only to those otherwise eligible employees who have served the County and participated in the County's VRS group plan for TEN (10) years may participate in the program and

resolves that in all other respects the policy shall remain as previously approved by the Board;

**EXCEPT**, however, that employees who were otherwise qualified to participate in the program as of the effective date of this resolution shall remain eligible for the program, provided they remain otherwise eligible.

It is so **RESOLVED** this 7th day of October, 2025.

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Aaron M. Gillespie  
Chairman – Board of Supervisors

\_\_\_\_\_  
C. Eric Young  
Tazewell County Administrator

**RECORDED VOTE:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**AYES:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**NAYS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**ABSTENTIONS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**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 4TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2025, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED, UPON A MOTION AND SECOND:**

Resolution No.: 25-02-08

Date: February 4, 2025

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR NON-BINDING OBLIGATIONS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA, TO CONSIDER CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS TO THE TAZEWELL COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY, AND AGREEING TO CERTAIN MATTERS RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF REVENUE BONDS OF THE TAZEWELL COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO THE VIRGINIA RESOURCES AUTHORITY**

**WHEREAS**, the Tazewell County Airport Authority (the "Authority") has been duly created in accordance with the Chapter 3, Title 5.1-31, et. seq., Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, by an Agreement dated July 12, 1978, as amended, of the Board of Supervisors (the "County Board") of Tazewell County, Virginia (the "County"), the Town of Tazewell, Virginia, the Town of Richlands, Virginia, the Town of Cedar Bluff, Virginia, the Town of Pocahontas, Virginia, the Town of Bluefield, Virginia, Russell County, Virginia, and Buchanan County, Virginia;

**WHEREAS**, the Authority desires to issue revenue bonds in an estimated maximum principal amount of up to \$500,000 (the "Bonds"), the proceeds of which, together with other available funds, are expected to be sufficient to pay the costs of financing the construction of certain airport capital improvements, including without limitation, the construction of new hangar facilities (the "Project"), all located at the Tazewell County Airport (the "Airport");

**WHEREAS**, the Authority has applied to the Virginia Resources Authority ("VRA"), as administrator of the Virginia Airports Revolving Fund, for the purchase of the Bonds, and VRA has indicated that its agreement to purchase the Bonds will be conditioned upon the County's undertaking a non-binding obligation to appropriate, from time to time, moneys to the Authority, if needed, in connection with payments due on the Bonds;

**WHEREAS**, the County Board desires to enter into a support agreement with the Authority and VRA, with respect to the Bonds, setting forth the County's agreement to undertake such a non-binding obligation; and

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

**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 County Board to enter into a Support Agreement in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

2. In consideration of the Authority's undertakings with respect to financing the Project, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, either of whom may act, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a Support Agreement in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. 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 County Board hereby undertakes a non-binding obligation 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 County 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 hereby recommends that future Boards do likewise during the term of the Support Agreement.

5. The County Board, on behalf of the County, hereby agrees to the issuance by the Authority of the Bonds, provided that the original aggregate principal amount of such Bonds does not exceed \$500,000.

6. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

It is so **RESOLVED** this 4th day of February, 2025.

**ATTEST:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Aaron M. Gillespie  
Chairman – Board of Supervisors

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
C. Eric Young  
Tazewell County Administrator

**RECORDED VOTE:**

MEMBERS PRESENT: ALL  
MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE  
AYES: 5  
NAYS: 0  
ABSTENTIONS: 0

**SUPPORT AGREEMENT  
TAZEWELL COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

**THIS SUPPORT AGREEMENT** is made as of the first day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, by and among the **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA** (the "Board"), acting as the governing body of the County of Tazewell, Virginia (the "County"), the **TAZEWELL COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY** (the "Borrower"), and the **VIRGINIA RESOURCES AUTHORITY** (the "Authority"), as Administrator of the **VIRGINIA AIRPORTS REVOLVING FUND** (the "Fund") and as purchaser of the Local Bond, as hereinafter defined, pursuant to a Financing Agreement dated as of the date hereof (the "Financing Agreement"), between the Authority and the Borrower.

**RECITALS:**

**WHEREAS**, the Borrower was duly created in accordance with the Chapter 3, Title 5.1-31, et. seq., Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, by an Agreement dated July 12, 1978, as amended, of the Board of Supervisors (the "County Board") of Tazewell County, Virginia (the "County"), the Town of Tazewell, Virginia, the Town of Richlands, Virginia, the Town of Cedar Bluff, Virginia, the Town of Pocahontas, Virginia, the Town of Bluefield, Virginia, Russell County, Virginia, and Buchanan County, Virginia; and owns and operates the Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borrower has determined that it is in its best interest to issue and sell an airport revenue bond in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000 (the "Local Bond") to the Authority, as Administrator of the Fund, pursuant to the terms of the Financing Agreement in order to finance the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board adopted on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, a resolution authorizing, among other things, the execution of an agreement providing for a non-binding obligation of the County Board to consider certain appropriations in support of the Local Bond and the Project.

**AGREEMENT**

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

1. Unless otherwise defined, each capitalized term used in this Support Agreement shall have the meaning given it in the Financing Agreement.
2. The Borrower shall use its best efforts to issue the Local Bond, to use the proceeds thereof to pay the costs of the Project, and to construct and place the Project in operation at the earliest practical date.
3. No later than March 15 of each year, beginning March 15, 20[\_\_\_], the Borrower shall notify the County Board of the amount (the "Annual Deficiency Amount") by which the Borrower reasonably expects the Revenues to be insufficient to pay (i) the debt service obligations under the Financing Agreement, the Local Bond and any other indebtedness secured

by or payable from the Revenues, including the Existing Parity Bonds set forth on Exhibit F to the Financing Agreement, (ii) the Operation and Maintenance Expense, and (iii) the Additional Payments in full as and when due during the County's fiscal year beginning the following July 1.

4. The County Administrator of the County (the "County Administrator") shall include the Annual Deficiency Amount in his budget submitted to the County Board for the following fiscal year as an amount to be appropriated to or on behalf of the Borrower. The County Administrator shall deliver to the Authority within ten days after the adoption of the County's budget for each fiscal year, but not later than July 15 of each year, a certificate stating whether the County Board has appropriated to or on behalf of the Borrower an amount equal to the Annual Deficiency Amount.

5. If at any time Revenues shall be insufficient to make any of the payments referred to in paragraph 3 hereof, the Borrower shall notify the County Administrator of the amount of such insufficiency and the County Administrator shall request a supplemental appropriation from the County Board in the amount necessary to make such payment.

6. The County Administrator shall present each request for appropriation pursuant to paragraph 5 above to the County Board, and the County Board shall consider such request, at the County Board's 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 as to whether the amount so requested was appropriated. If the County Board shall fail to make any such appropriation, the County Administrator shall add the amount of such requested appropriation to the Annual Deficiency Amount reported to the County by the County Administrator for the County's next fiscal year.

7. The County Board hereby undertakes a non-binding obligation to appropriate such amounts as may be requested from time to time pursuant to paragraphs 4 and 5 above, to the fullest degree and in such manner as is consistent with the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. The County 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 hereby recommends that future Boards of Supervisors do likewise.

8. The County Board acknowledges that (i) the Authority would not purchase the Local Bond without the security and credit enhancement provided by this Agreement, and (ii) the Authority 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 the Authority 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 Local Bond, the Authority 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 the Authority, so as to cure, or cure insofar as possible, such nonpayment.**

9. Nothing herein contained is or shall be deemed to be a lending of the credit of the County to the Borrower, the Authority or to any holder of the Local Bond or to 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, nor shall anything herein contained legally bind or obligate the County Board to appropriate funds for the purposes described herein.

10. Any notices or requests required to be given hereunder shall be deemed given if sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed (i) if to the County, to 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651, Attention: County Administrator, (ii) if to the Borrower, to 2200 Airport Road, Cedar Bluff, Virginia 24609, Attention: Chairman, and (iii) if to the Authority, to 1111 East Main Street, Suite 1920, Richmond, Virginia 23219, Attention: Executive Director. Any party may designate any other address for notices or requests by giving notice.

11. It is the intent of the parties hereto that this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

12. This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until the Local Bond and all other amounts payable by the Borrower under the Financing Agreement have been paid in full.

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

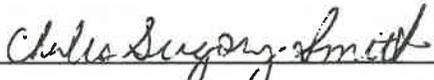
*[Signature page follows]*

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 THE COUNTY OF  
TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA**

By:   
Its: Chairman

**TAZEWELL COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

By:   
Its: Chairman - Tazewell County Airport Authority

**VIRGINIA RESOURCES AUTHORITY, as  
Administrator of the Virginia Airports Revolving Fund**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shawn B. Crumlish, Executive Director

VIRGINIA: AT A 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, VIRGINIA, ON THE 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED, UPON A MOTION AND SECOND:

Resolution No.: 10-25-00

Date: October 7, 2025

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING QUALIFICATIONS FOR  
TAZEWELL COUNTY LOCAL SUPPLEMENTAL FLOOD RELIEF**

**WHEREAS**, the County suffered two historic natural disasters in a six month period, being Hurricane Helene in September 2024 and Winter Storm Jett in February 2025, which caused widespread severe damage throughout the County;

**WHEREAS**, the extent of the damage suffered by County residents is beyond the means of local government to address;

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provided extensive relief for many residents for both events;

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth of Virginia established several programs to provide relief to individuals who suffered damage as a result of these historic storms;

**WHEREAS**, the United Way of Southwest Virginia (UWSVA) solicited and collected \$ 56,000.00 of private donations to fund repairs to homes in the County damaged by Hurricane Helene and \$ 37,000.00 for homes damaged by Winter Storm Jett;

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) administers a state program to provide relief to residents whose homes were damaged by the storms;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors has provided local administration for the DHCD program such that the Board has solicited applications from many residents whose homes were damaged by the storms;

**WHEREAS**, the parameters of the DHCD program limit recovery to persons whose homes suffered Major Damage, as defined by the State, and limited recovery to one half the tax assessed value of the applicants homes due to limited funding provided for the program by the state;

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to distribute the funds provided by UWSWA to those individuals who have applied to the DHCD program through the County but whose award from the DHCD was less than their actual damages as proven in their application to the program;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that the Board does hereby establish this Tazewell County Local Flood Relief Program and authorize the award of UWSVA funds to individuals on the following basis:

1. Individuals must have applied to the DHCD program administered by Tazewell County.
2. Individuals must have met all requirements of the DHCD program with respect to property ownership, residency, actual occupancy, and other threshold qualifications but either have been denied an award due to the insufficiency of the damages proven or been awarded an amount from the program less than the damages proven.
3. No single individual may be awarded an amount in excess of \$5,000.00, regardless of the number of parcels owned by the individual.
4. Awards will not be made to Corporations, LLCs or other corporate entity.

5. Awards will first be made to individuals who were awarded funds from DHCD, FEMA, and any private insurance which cumulatively were less than the total damages proven in their application.
6. Individuals must execute a waiver of any claims against the County, its employees, agents or officials for errors and omissions in the collection of information or calculation of damages.
7. All individuals who were denied under the DHCD program due to the insufficiency of their proven damages shall be considered for this program and any person appealing such denial shall likewise be considered.
8. Once the UWSVA funds are exhausted for each respective storm the program shall end and no further awards shall be made for victims of the designated storm.
9. The Board shall by public vote approve the awards, anonymously, based on application number, before they are distributed.

It is further **RESOLVED** that the funds donated by United Way for this purpose are hereby appropriated to fund this program.

It is so **RESOLVED** this 7th day of October, 2025.

**ATTEST:**

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 Aaron M. Gillespie  
 Chairman – Board of Supervisors

\_\_\_\_\_  
 C. Eric Young  
 Tazewell County Administrator

RECORDED VOTE:

MEMBERS PRESENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBERS ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
 AYES: \_\_\_\_\_  
 NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ABSTENTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**(Two (2) Year Term)**

Jim Talbert, CVN/RNP

07-01-2024 06-30-2026

PO Box 818

Richlands, VA 24641

(reappointed 6-4-2019)

**Michael Hymes**

**07-01-2019 06-30-2023**

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)

**TAZEWELL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISOR – REPRESENTATIVE**

Chuck Presley 40 College Drive Bluefield, VA 24605 540-558-8341	01-01-2024    12-31-2027
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**SOUTHERN**

Robert "Bob" Moss 3777 Hogback Road (Liberty) Tazewell, Virginia 24651 (Home) 276-988-9050 <a href="mailto:Robmoss58@yahoo.com">Robmoss58@yahoo.com</a> (Replaced Bill Gillespie whose term expired 06-30-2014)	07-01-2022    06-30-2026
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**NORTHERN**

<b>Ann Robinson, Chair</b> PO Box 11 Fall Mills, Virginia 24613 (Work) 276-322-4900 <a href="mailto:annmrobinson@comcast.net">annmrobinson@comcast.net</a>	<b>07-01-2021    06-30-2025</b>
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**EASTERN**

Anthony Ramella 1402 Triangle Road Bluefield, VA 24605	01-01-2023    12-31-2026
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**WESTERN**

Jason Herndon PO Box 653 Richlands, VA 24641 Cell: 276-971-5057 <a href="mailto:jason@mclureconcrete.com">jason@mclureconcrete.com</a> (Reappointed 6-4-2019)	07-01-2023    06-30-2027
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**NORTHWESTERN**

Lance Wimmer 222 Tatum Road Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 276-210-7873	07-01-2023    06-30-2027
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**AGRICULTURE/FARMING REPRESENTATIVE**

Hayden Lyons

01-01-2023 12-31-2026

PO Box 45

Pounding Mill, VA 24637

Representative Agriculture/Farming

(filled Charlie Hart's resignation 1/2023)

**TAZEWELL COUNTY STAFF**

Director of Engineering

Kenneth Dunford, Jr.

173 Main Street

Tazewell, Virginia 24651

276-385-1254

**MEETING DATE AND LOCATION:** Meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the County Administration Building, 197 Main Street, Tazewell, Virginia 24651

**AMOUNT OF PAY:** \$50.00 per month (Except County staff)

**\*\*Real Estate Holdings -Required\*\***

Pursuant to VA Code Section 15.2 -2200 to 2210 – To improve the public health, safety, convenience and welfare of County citizens and to plan for the future development of communities.

**TAZEWELL COUNTY**  
**TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
**(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)  
(Reappointed on 06-03-2025)

07-01-2023    06-30-2027

**EASTERN**

Lee Riffe  
215 Hockman Pike  
Bluefield, VA 24605  
304-320-9746  
[leer17@verizon.net](mailto:leer17@verizon.net)

07-01-2022    06-30-2024

(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  
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Bluefield, VA 24605  
304-320-4353  
[dedracox38@yahoo.com](mailto:dedracox38@yahoo.com)

07-01-2023    06-30-2025

(Appointed on 08-03-2021)  
(Fills the expired term of Roger Scarberry)

Warren Hinkle  
4432 Baptist Valley Rd.  
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609  
warrenhinkletcfp@gmail.com

07-01-2024 06-30-2026

WESTERN

Larhonda Lindsey  
2037 Cedar Valley Drive  
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609  
276-964-3005  
(Replaced the expired term of Sarah Romeo)

07-01-2025 06-30-2027

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)  
(Reappointed on 06-03-2025)

07-01-2023 06-30-2027

Keshia Cole  
118 Coleman Lane  
Tazewell, VA 24651  
276-971-5338

07-01-2024 06-30-2026

**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**(Four (4) Year Term)**

**Karel Ann Ryan** 01-01-2022 12-31-2025

PO Box 299

Tazewell, VA 24651

[karelhamilton@gmail.com](mailto:karelhamilton@gmail.com)

(fills expired term of Peggy Riley, effective Jan. 31, 2018)

Karla Spence Kurtz

01-01-2024 12-31-2027

210 Logan Street

Bluefield, VA 24605

276-326-1484

[caprines@comcast.net](mailto:caprines@comcast.net)

(filled unexpired term of Connie Bailey who resigned)

**Courtney Jennelle** 01-01-2022 12-31-2025

PO Box 662

Raven, VA 24639

276-298-9943

[courtneywyatt@live.com](mailto:courtneywyatt@live.com)

(filled vacancy – Ginger Branton’s resignation)

Patsy Murphy

01-01-2024 12-31-2027

1805 Lee Avenue

Bluefield, VA 24605

(fills unexpired term of Stephanie Carr)

Regina Roberts

01-01-2024 12-31-2027

261 Cove Road

Tazewell, VA 24651

[Reginaroberts89@icloud.com](mailto:Reginaroberts89@icloud.com)