

At a regular meeting of the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors held on Monday, February 24, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, N. W. in the Town of Pulaski, the following members were present: Jerry D. White, Chairman; Joseph L. Sheffey, Vice-Chairman; Bruce L. Fariss; Ira S. "Pete" Crawford; and Mason A. Vaughan, Sr.

1. Invocation

The invocation was given by Reverend James D. Weaver of the Bob White Boulevard Church of God.

2. Public Hearings

- a. Rezoning Request: Estate of H. W. Huff (Tax Map Parcels #098-13-7&8) - Agricultural (A-1) to Commercial (CM-1)

The Chairman opened a public hearing on the request from the estate of H. W. Huff for rezoning from agricultural A-1 to commercial CM-1, tax map parcels number 098-13-7 & 8. No public comment was made and the hearing was closed.

It was moved by Mr. Vaughan, seconded by Mr. Sheffey and carried, that the request for rezoning be approved.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Vaughan.
Voting no: none.

- b. Community Development Block Grant Application

The Assistant County Administrator explained the need to conduct a public hearing to receive comments on proposed community development block grant projects. He also indicated that a follow-up public hearing would be held on March 2nd at 7:00 p.m. for comment prior to approval of an application for block grant assistance. The staff is currently preparing an application for industrial property development near the New River Valley Airport.

The Chairman opened a public hearing to receive proposals for the community development block grant application. No comment was made and the hearing was closed.

3. Highway Matters

Assistant Resident Engineer John Thompson met with the Board and discussed the following highway matters:

- a. Follow-up from January Meeting

Rt. 738, Robinson Tract Road, Speed Review in the Schrader Hill Area

Mr. Thompson advised the speed limit is forty miles per hour in the Schrader Hill vicinity along Route 738, Robinson Tract Road. He advised additional speed limit signs could be posted towards the south side of the double bridges along Robinson Tract Road, Route 738. Supervisor White agreed to check with residents of the neighborhood before deciding whether to request a formal speed study at the March 23rd supervisors meeting.

Public Access to Discontinued or Abandoned Use of Rt. 655 - Macks Creek Road

Mr. James Richardson of Hillsville had raised the issue of whether the Board of Supervisors would proceed to remove a barricade to the discontinued portion of the road. The county attorney was requested to review the matter.

- b. VDOT Pre-Allocation Hearing

Authorization was given for the county administrator to work with the towns of Dublin and Pulaski, Pulaski Encouraging Progress, and the Chamber of Commerce to develop a statement to be jointly presented at the March 24th VDOT pre-allocation hearing in Salem, with emphasis to be on: four laning of Route 100 across Cloyd's Mountain; four laning of Route 11 between Dublin and Morgan's Cut; and planning for a New River crossing in the Parrott vicinity of Pulaski County to the Whitethorn vicinity of Montgomery County, along with a road connecting Blacksburg through Dublin to Interstate 81 and the bulk of southwest Virginia.

c. Rural Road Addition - Rt. 788

Refusal to donate right-of-way by one of the property owners along the proposed route was reported. The staff was instructed to ask the parties requesting the road extension to determine whether additional right-of-way needed would be available from the property of Ms. Nora L. Whitt.

d. Route 627, Highland Road, Petition for Resurfacing

Supervisor Sheffey noted receipt of a petition requesting assistance with the resurfacing of Highland Road, Route 627.

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. Crawford and carried, that the Virginia Department of Transportation be requested to survey the needs for hard surface improvement to the county's secondary road system and then apply maintenance funds as available to meet the highest needs as a first priority.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Vaughan.
Voting no: none.

e. Other Matters

Supervisor White requested staff arrange for Pulaski County High School to synchronize the flashing school zone warning lights on Route 11, both north bound and south bound of its intersection with Cougar Trail Road, Route 643, as well as encourage the lights to be left off during days that school is closed.

Both the staff and the Virginia Department of Transportation were requested to refer to roads both by the road name and the route number in discussions and correspondence in the future, in order to re-enforce the use of names through the county's E911 emergency response road naming program.

4. Citizen Comments

Comments were heard from Mr. Colbern Linkous regarding PCHS flashing school zone safety lights and funding for the proposed smart road link between Blacksburg and Roanoke.

Staff was requested to determine the amount of Virginia Department of Transportation regular funding that would be used for the proposed smart highway.

Mr. Harold Armbrister met with the Board and expressed concern regarding motorized water craft hazards on Claytor Lake. Mr. Don Rollin of Marion also voiced concern regarding water craft safety. Chairman White advised interested citizens in attendance that the staff was reviewing lake safety and development plans, for a report to the Board in the near future.

5. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Rose Marie Tickle presented a monthly report to the supervisors.

6. Draper Valley Golf Course Waterline Extension Assistance

Golf course developer Harold Louthen met with the Board and inquired about the availability of assistance previously pledged for extension of a PSA waterline to the golf course property boundary. Mr. Louthan was advised that the project could proceed upon receipt of a letter of credit payable to the county or Public Service Authority indicating a desire to generate additional tax revenue to offset the \$40,000 pledge of assistance for the waterline extension.

7. Reports from the County Administrator and Staff

a. Appointments:

Library Board

Mrs. Sybil Atkinson was appointed for a four year term to end December 31, 1996.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Mr. James O'Dell was nominated for appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Eddie King. The County Attorney was authorized to notify the Circuit Court of the nomination.

Welfare Board

The Board was advised Ms. Doris Covey had agreed to accept appointment to the Welfare Board when Mr. John Spangler's term expires August, 1992.

The Board is waiting to hear from citizens asked to serve on the New River Highlands Resource Conservation Council, the New River Community College Advisory Board and the New River Valley Agency on Aging

b. Major Goals for Board of Supervisors Term

It was moved by Mr. Vaughan, seconded by Mr. Sheffey and carried, that the following major goals be approved as a focus for the current term of the Board of Supervisors, realizing that accomplishment of such goals may extend beyond the current four year Board of Supervisors term:

JOBS - promote economic development through:
available sites and buildings
recertification by Department of Economic Development
the New River Valley Economic Development Alliance

BUILDING - maintain existing and construct new capital facilities to prepare for the 21st century, including:
schools
solid waste management
courthouse
water and sewer
recreation
jail

COORDINATION - simplify and streamline service delivery for efficiency:
within the county government:
-human services
-PSA/PCSA
-constitutional officers
among neighboring governments:
-human service agencies
-Peppers Ferry
-New River Resource Authority
-Towns of Pulaski and Dublin

- New River Valley
in support of major private entities, including:
- APCO (Claytor Lake)
- Boy Scout Reservations
- State Parks
- National Forest

QUALITY OF LIFE - strengthen assets, including:
 Claytor Lake protection and availability
 parks
 recreation
 education
 medical facilities

SAVINGS - improve financial management through:
 balancing burden among taxpayers
 maintaining adequate cash reserves
 preventing inefficiency
 utilizing technology

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Vaughan.
 Voting no: none.

c. Facility Tour Itinerary Review

The Board was advised that an itinerary for the March 17th school tour starting at 9:00 a.m. will be presented by the School Board at the joint meeting on March 2nd.

The Board reviewed a proposed itinerary for the Saturday, March 28th tour of solid waste management facilities. The Board agreed to start the tour at 9:30 a.m. at the county garage near Dublin; proceed to the Ingles Mountain landfill; proceed further to the proposed site of the long term NRRRA landfill on the south side of Cloyd's Mountain on the Matson property; and finish with a tour of the closed Cloyd's Mountain landfill, with departure from the tour at the county garage.

d. March 16th Public Hearing - Ad on 1992 Real Estate Tax Rate

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. Sheffey and carried, that the following advertisement be placed, as required by state law, advertising a public hearing on the 1992 real estate tax rate and including information as follows:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The County of Pulaski proposes to increase property tax levies.

1. Assessment Increase: Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of real property by 19.24 percent.
2. Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment: The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be 64¢ per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate."
3. Effective Rate Increase: The County of Pulaski proposes to adopt a tax rate of 70¢ per \$100 of assessed value. The difference between the lowered tax rate and the proposed rate would be 6¢ per \$100, or 9.52 percent. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase."

Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

4. Increase Needed for Voter Approved Bond Issues: The proposed change in the real property tax rate will help raise revenues to pay for the bond issues approved by the county voters. The computer assisted instruction bond issue for the county's school children will require an additional 3% real estate tax. The courthouse improvement bond issue will require an additional 4% real estate tax increase. The total portion of the real estate tax needed to retire the bond issue debt is 7%.
5. Proposed Total Budget Increase: Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of Pulaski County will be determined following a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 1993 budget.

A public hearing on the increase will be held on Monday, March 16, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, N. W. in the Town of Pulaski.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Vaughan.
 Voting no: none.

8. Items of Consent:

It was moved by Mr. Sheffey, seconded by Mr. Crawford and carried, that the following items of consent be approved:

- a. Minutes of January 20 & 27, and February 1, 1992 were approved as presented.
- b. Accounts Payable were approved as presented on checks numbered 37456 through 37718, and Corporate Center improvement checks numbered 128 through 131.
- c. Transfers as presented and filed with the records of this meeting and appropriations as follows were approved:

School Fund Resolution #5:

REVENUES

3301-19 - Title II \$ 16,147.00

EXPENDITURES

6959 - Title II 1991-92 - 100% reimbursed
 6019 16,147.00 - supplies \$ 16,147.00

School Fund Resolution #6:

REVENUES

3033031100 - Flow Through \$30,091.00

EXPENDITURES

6978 - 1121 - Teacher Salaries \$13,000.00
 1141 - Instructional Aid 3,712.00
 2101 - FICA 1,279.00
 8207 - ADP Equipment 12,100.00

TOTAL \$30,091.00

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Corporate Center Fund Resolution #2:

REVENUES

2404-26 - Economic Dev. Grant - Corporate Ctr. \$125,144.00

EXPENDITURES

025 9112-7012 - Corporate Center Improvements \$125,144.00

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Courthouse Fire Fund Resolution #4:

EXPENDITURES

021 9502-3002 - Real Property - Construction	\$ 1,949.00
9502-300203 - Real Prop. - Geo. Tech. Eng.	716.00
9505-5101 - Relocation Expenses - Electricity	500.00
9505-5102 - Relocation Expenses - Heating	250.00

TOTAL \$ 3,415.00

EXPENDITURES

20 9112-300201 - Tax Reassessment	\$ 21,836.00
9112-700502 - Animal Control Vehicle	7,875.00
9112-7035 - Garage Renovations	7,977.00
9112-7076 - Draper Fire House (carryover)	3,648.65
9116-7103 - Computer Assisted Instruction	12,000.00

TOTAL \$ 53,336.65

d. Contracts and Change Orders as follows were approved:

Project: Renovation to Pulaski County Courthouse - Change Order Number 3 - \$6,633.50;
 Project: Pulaski County Corporate Center - Change Order Number 2 - \$6,142.00;
 and
 Ratification of Rental Rehabilitation Grant Program between VHDA and Pulaski County.

e. Scheduling of Public Hearing - Condemnation of Old Gap Restaurant

Staff was authorized to schedule a public hearing at the earliest convenient regular supervisors meeting for consideration of making necessary corrective improvements to the Old Gap Restaurant on Route 100, Cleburne Boulevard and Route 601, Little Creek Road, the cost of which necessary improvements will be borne by the property owner or paid through a lien equal in standing to delinquent taxes.

f. Resolution Honoring Gary Clark

Coordination with Pulaski County High School and the Town of Dublin was approved for both presentation of the resolution and arranging for ceremonies honoring Mr. Clark.

g. PCOY Delinquent Prevention and Youth Development Needs Assessment Plan

The Board received the plan for study and requested a briefing by the Chairman of the Pulaski County Office on Youth, Youth Services Citizens Board at the March 23rd supervisors meeting, with the focus of the briefing to be on how the plan will be implemented and at what expense.

h. Magnox Sludge Land Application Agreement

The Board recognized that no additional sludge is to be deposited at the closed Cloyd's Mountain landfill by Magnox Pulaski, Inc., along with acknowledgment that sludge from the Magnox manufacturing process deposited at the landfill for slope stabilization following the January 1, 1989, completion of taking waste at the landfill, will carry liability for environmental damages equal to that of all other waste located at the landfill site.

i. FY 92 Audit Report

Acceptance of the FY 91 audit report as prepared by Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates was made.

j. Personnel Changes

Recent personnel changes were reviewed as presented by the Director of Management Services, and filed with the records of this meeting.

k. Cloyd's Mountain Landfill Capping Schedule and City of Radford Cost Sharing

The Board noted the difficulty based on slow response from the Virginia Department of Waste Management to meet the September 1992 consent order for capping of the landfill; however, due diligence is to be made by county staff and consulting engineers to accomplish the landfill capping; and, the staff is authorized to proceed with placing a claim against the Radford City Council for both the cost of maintenance of the Cloyd's Mountain landfill since it is closing from accepting waste as of January, 1989, and for an escrow in anticipation of extensive cost for capping and leachate treatment and transmission during the accomplishment of closure of the landfill.

l. Flood Plain Management Ordinance Amendment Public Hearing

Authorization was given to schedule a public hearing at the March 23rd supervisors meeting on changes in the Flood Plain Management Ordinance to continue making available flood insurance to county property owners.

m. New River Cruise Company Letter of Support

Authorization was given for a letter of support to the proposed lake tours of the New River Cruise Company, as a submission to the State Corporate Commission for a certificate of public necessity and convenience for said cruise operations.

n. Old Fairlawn Fire Station Lease Renewal

Authorization was given for extension of the old Fairlawn fire station lease renewal for an additional year to Mr. Darrell Gillespie of Christiansburg.

o. Northwood School Wall Repair

Authorization was given for the School Board to spend up to \$15,000 for design and sub-surface exploration for repairs to the Northwood School cafeteria wall.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Vaughan.

Voting no: none.

9. Citizen Comments

Additional comments were heard from Mr. Colbern Linkous. Mr. Ruth Lancaster encouraged controls for motor powered watercraft, particularly jet skis, to enhance Claytor Lake safety.

10. Other Matters from Supervisors

Supervisor Fariss requested a report on the status of concerns raised at a previous Board meeting about the effective operation of the 911 emergency communications system.

Supervisor Fariss also requested, and the Board concurred, that a presentation on the proposed resource recovery project, featuring incineration and entitled Incinerator 2000, as proposed by the Radford Army Ammunition Plant, be presented in a briefing to the Board at the conclusion of its March 16th meeting.

RE: County Recreational Park

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. Sheffey and carried, that the Board of Supervisors authorize county staff to pursue a park feasibility study, with a report to the joint Board of Supervisors and Town Councils meeting, scheduled Thursday, April 30, 1992, with ample notice to the towns of plans for discussion of the feasibility of a joint project at that meeting.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Vaughan.
Voting no: none.

11. Executive Session - 2.1-344(A)

It was moved by Mr. Vaughan, seconded by Mr. Crawford and carried, that the Board enter executive session pursuant to Section 2.1-344(A) of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, for the purposes of discussing personnel, legal matters, land acquisition or disposition, or prospective industry.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Sheffey.
Voting no: none.

RE: Return from Regular Session

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. Sheffey and carried, that the Board return to regular session.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Sheffey.
Voting no: none.

RE: Certification of Conformance with Virginia Freedom of Information Act

It was moved by Mr. Vaughan, seconded by Dr. Fariss and carried, that the following resolution be adopted certifying conformance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Pulaski County, Virginia, has convened an executive meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Board of Supervisors that such executive meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Pulaski County, Virginia, hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Supervisors.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Sheffey.
Voting no: none.

RE: Fairview Home Share Purchase

It was moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Sheffey and carried, that the Board authorize Supervisor Vaughan to take appropriate steps, with the assistance of the County Attorney and County Administrator, to achieve the purchase by Fairview District Home of a share of Smyth County's ownership in the Fairview District Home, with Pulaski County's portion of the \$150,000 purchase price to be 33.014% or

\$49,521.03 conditioned upon use of the approximately \$50,000 cash savings of the Fairview District Home to assist with such purchase proportionally among the remaining home owners, thereby lowering the county's cost of the purchase to approximately \$33,014.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Sheffey.
Voting no: none.

12. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Vaughan, seconded by Mr. Crawford and carried, that the meeting be adjourned to reconvene on Monday, March 2, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, N. W. in the Town of Pulaski.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Crawford, Mr. White, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Sheffey.
Voting no: none.

Jerry D. White
Chairman

ATTEST:

Joseph N. Morgan
Clerk