

At a special meeting of the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors held on Monday, April 10, 1995, at 7:00 p.m. at the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, N. W. in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, the following members were present: Jerry D. White, Chairman; Joseph L. Sheffey, Vice-Chairman; Dr. Bruce L. Fariss; Ira S. "Pete" Crawford; and Mason A. Vaughan, Sr.. Staff present included: Joseph N. Morgan, County Administrator; Nancy M. Burchett, Management Services Director; and James C. Wallis, Social Services Director.

1. Emergency Declaration - No Unauthorized Outside Burning

On the motion of Mr. Vaughan, seconded by Mr. Sheffey and carried, the Board of Supervisors adopted the following emergency declaration:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Pulaski County, Virginia does hereby find:

1. There has been no appreciable rainfall within the County during the recent months.
2. The grasslands and woodlands are extremely dry.
3. The woodlands are covered with a very heavy layer of undergrowth and leaves.
4. Open fires pose a serious threat to life and property while the current dry conditions exist.
5. The Coordinator of Emergency Services, after consultation with the Virginia Department of Forestry, recommends that an emergency declaration prohibiting any person to set fire to, or procure another to set fire to by open burning any woods, brush, logs, leaves, grass, debris, or other flammable material within the boundaries of Pulaski County, be declared by the Director of Emergency Services and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors at its April 10 meeting.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors does hereby:

1. Accept the recommendation of the Coordinator and Director of Emergency Services;
2. Issue a DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY DUE TO DRY WEATHER CONDITIONS; and
3. Invoke the provisions of the Pulaski County Emergency Operations Plan, including related State law and County ordinances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this order is effective at 12:01 a.m., April 8, 1995 and that it shall remain in effect until further notice by the Director of Emergency Services.

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

Voting no: none.

2. Budget Presentation:

- a. Expenditure Requests and Recommendations
- b. Fund Balance Projections
- c. Revenue Projections

- d. Personnel Compensation
- e. Personnel Health Care Benefits
- f. Budget Message and Other Background Information
- g. Schedule of Presentations by Interested Departments and Agencies
(April 28 - May 1)
- h. Other Matters

County Administrator Joseph N. Morgan presented to the Board of Supervisors expenditure requests and recommendations for FY 96. The Board also was provided fund balance projection and revenue projection reports. Mr. Morgan advised his recommendation called for a 3% salary increase for county employees. In addition, health care costs had been increased by \$55,000 to upgrade employee health care coverage to the Key Advantage Plan offered under the Local Choice Program. The Board also reviewed Mr. Morgan's budget message and other charts prepared by staff.

Mr. Morgan reported the proposed operating budget is balanced; however, the proposal uses \$544,000 of reserve funds for new capital expenditures. The Board of Supervisors expressed concerns regarding using reserve funds to balance the budget. The Board directed staff to review further the requests and recommendations and present a budget not using reserve funds to balance the budget. Also, the Board requested the following additional information pertaining to the budget:

1. Details on the Electoral Board budget and reason for increase in requested funds;
2. Confirmation that firearms, if funded by the county for the Sheriff's personnel, would be returned to the county when a deputy resigns or leaves employment;
3. Preparation of a comparison report on the number of county employees seven years ago and the payroll amount, and the number of county employee today and payroll amount;
4. A detailed report on the Library's request for the Library Circulation Automation;
5. Information regarding what health insurance plans will be offered to school employees and the cost; and
6. An experience report from the Local Choice health care coverage pool on county employees.

The Board of Supervisors set May 1, 1995, as the date for agencies and departments to speak to the Board concerning FY 96 budget requests.

3. Comprehensive Services Act Administration

Mr. Jim Wallis, Social Services Director, met with the Board of Supervisors and expressed his concerns regarding the current make up of the Comprehensive Services Act joint Community Policy and Management Team for Giles, Floyd, and Pulaski counties, as well as the City of Radford. Mr. Wallis advised under the present arrangement it was very difficult to arrive at a consensus of any issue. Four jurisdictions are involved in the membership of the current Comprehensive Services Act Administration. Mr. Wallis recommended entering into an agreement with Giles County for the administration of the Comprehensive Services Act with Pulaski County serving as fiscal agent. Mr. Wallis further stated he would like to meet with the Board in the future and report on what the comprehensive services funds had meant to some families in the county.

The Board requested this matter be scheduled for action at the April 24, 1995, meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

4. Other Matters

No other matters were discussed.

5. Adjournment

On the motion of Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Vaughan and carried, the Board of Supervisors adjourned until the regular meeting set for Monday, April 24, 1995, at 7:00 p.m. at 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