

At a regular meeting of the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors held on Monday, April 28, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. at the County Administration Building, Board Room, 143 Third Street, NW, in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, the following members were present: Joseph L. Sheffey, Chairman; Jerry D. White, Vice-Chairman; Dr. Bruce L. Fariss; Charles E. Cook; and Frank R. Conner. Staff members present included County Administrator, Joseph N. Morgan; County Attorney, Thomas J. McCarthy, Jr.; Management Services Director, Nancy M. Burchett; and Executive Secretary, Gena T. Hanks.

1. Invocation

The invocation was given by Reverend David Coffey of the First Presbyterian Church.

2. Additions to Agenda

Additional agenda items were noted and considered at the appropriate times on the agenda.

3. Public Hearings:

- a. Request for a Conditional Use Permit by Simpson Construction Co., Inc. to open a borrow pit on property owned by James G. Baker, Jr. and Carl S. Baker, identified on Pulaski County tax records as parcel 0-82-001-0000-0073, zoned Agricultural (A1), located on the east side of Possum Hollow (Rt. 100) approximately 2,000 ft. north of the Lowman's Ferry Rd. (Rt. 672,) intersection in the Draper District.

County Administrator, Joseph N. Morgan, advised the above request had been recommended for approval by the Planning Commission, subject to compliance with VDOT entrance requirements, obtaining a soil erosion and sedimentation control plan or Department of Mines, Minerals, and Energy approval, and limiting hours for any blasting from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The Chairman opened the public hearing for comments regarding the above request. The following individuals addressed the Board of Supervisors:

Mr. Ralph Phillips, an adjacent property owner, expressed concerns regarding dust, muddy road, noise, and top soil being washed away should the request be approved.

Mr. Dickie Morgan of Simpson Construction appeared before the Board of Supervisors and addressed some of the concerns expressed by Mr. Phillips. Mr. Morgan advised the company would try to minimize the dust and dirt as much as possible, a soil erosion control plan would be completed, and working hours are expected to be 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with some work on Saturdays. Mr. Morgan requested the Board approve the request of Simpson Construction.

Mr. Morgan also answered several questions of the Board of Supervisors including anticipated life of the pit, use of stone to minimize dust, and location of the entrance.

Mr. George Rash, an adjacent property owner, appeared and expressed concerns regarding what the pit was going to be used for and oil and chemical spills.

Mr. Mike Ratcliffe, resident of the area, appeared and expressed concerns regarding impact on Peak Creek Bridge and weight limits.

Mr. Morgan of Simpson Construction advised the trucks will not be crossing the Peak Creek Bridge.

No further comments were received; therefore, the Chairman closed the public hearing on this matter.

On the motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Cook and carried, the Board of Supervisors approved the above request for a conditional use permit by Simpson Construction Company, per recommendation of the Planning Commission and subject to stipulations recommended by the Planning Commission.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White,
Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

- b. Consideration of cleanup of property owned by John I. and Nancy Ritter, identified by tax map parcels 012-001-000-0199, 200, zoned Residential (R1), located on the west side of Belspring Rd. (Rt. 600) and north side of Depot Rd. (Rt. 755) at its intersection, in the Cloyd District

County Administrator, Joseph N. Morgan, advised staff had had some success in working with the property owner to clean up property since 1993; however, problem still exists and he estimated the cost to clean up said property at \$8,850.

Chairman Sheffey opened the public hearing on this matter for public comments.

Mr. John Ritter appeared before the Board and advised that everything had been removed except two trailers. He advised these can be removed within the next 30 days weather permitting.

No further public comments were heard; therefore, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Mr. White, seconded by Dr. Fariss and carried, to allow Mr. Ritter 30 days to cleanup property and authorized removal of all items not in compliance after 30 days by the county, with all costs for removal to be assessed against the property.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White,
Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

- c. An ordinance to schedule the county real estate reassessment and Board of Equalization deadlines.

County Administrator, Joseph N. Morgan, reviewed the proposed schedule, as prepared by staff, for the county real estate reassessment and the Board of Equalization deadlines.

Chairman Sheffey opened the public hearing on this matter for public comments.

No public comments were heard; therefore, the public hearing was closed on this matter.

It was moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Cook and carried, that the Board approve the following reassessment ordinance and Board of Equalization Board deadlines, as recommended by staff:

REASSESSMENT ORDINANCE

Be it ordained pursuant to Section 58.1-3378 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, that the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors does establish the following dates regarding the current reassessment of real estate in Pulaski County:

1. The date by which applications must be made by property owners or lessees to the Board of Equalization for relief from the proposed real estate assessment values effective on January 1, 1998 will be Monday, February 16, 1998.
2. The Board of Supervisors does also establish the deadline by which all applications for relief from the Board of Equalization must be finally disposed by the Board of Equalization as Friday, March 20, 1998.

This ordinance is to take effect immediately upon adoption.

SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETION OF REASSESSMENT EFFECTIVE
JANUARY 1, 1998

ACTIVITY	TARGET DATE
REASSESSMENT	
Department of Taxation approval of assessor	October 15, 1997
Board of Supervisor approval of assessor	October 27, 1997
Mail reassessment notices	November 3, 1997
Begin assessor's hearings	November 17, 1997
Conclude assessor's hearings	December 15, 1997
File reassessment book	December 31, 1997
BOARD OF EQUALIZATION	
Board of Supervisors to budget funding	June 23, 1997
Board of Supervisors to adopt scheduling ordinance	April 28, 1997
Board of Supervisors to make nominations for Board of Equalization	October 27- November 24, 1997
(Section 58.1-3374 of the state code requires the Circuit Court to appoint from three to five free-holders of the county to the Board of Equalization)	
Training of Board of Equalization nominees by Virginia Department of Taxation	January 5, 1998
Appointment of Board of Equalization by Circuit Court	January 12, 1998
Posting by Sheriff of notice of Board of Equalization sittings at each polling precinct	January 18, 1998

Advertise notice of Board of
Equalization Sittings January 18, 1998
(Done by Board of Equalization)

Begin Board of Equalization Sittings February 3, 1998

Deadline for filing appeal with Board
of Equalization February 16, 1998

Deadline for Board of Equalization
to complete work March 20, 1998

Board of Equalization file change
orders with Commissioner of Revenue March 23, 1998

TAX RATE SETTING

Board of Supervisors approval of
tax rate public notice February 23, 1998

Public hearing on tax rate
adjustment March 23, 1998

Tax rate adjustment by Board of
Supervisors March 30 or
April 6, 1998

Tax bills mailed April 15, 1998

Taxes due on first half 1998 at
revised rate June 5, 1998

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White,
 Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

4. Highway Matters:

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Resident Engineer, J.D. Brugh, met with the Board regarding the following:

a. Follow-up from Previous Board Meetings:

1. Parking on Route 1030, Bagging Plant Road, Near Lions Field

Mr. Brugh advised this area would be reviewed by VDOT and report back to the Board at its next regular meeting.

2. Speed Survey, Route 738, Caddell Road

Mr. Brugh advised traffic speed in compliance, however, VDOT plans to post additional signage regarding speed limit on Caddell Road which should resolve the problem.

3. Request for Yield Sign at Burger King, at the I 81, S. Exit 98

Mr. Brugh advised VDOT does not recommend a yield sign at this particular area; however further monitoring by VDOT will be done to possibly change as at Rt. 460 in Christiansburg whereas north bound traffic would be restricted on Route 100 right lane to an exit lane with one lane under the bridge. Mr. Brugh advised he would report back to the Board of this matter before any changes were made at this intersection.

4. Route 712, Water Tank Road, Drainage

Mr. Brugh advised VDOT was currently working with owner regarding this problem and hoped to have the matter resolved in the near future.

5. Turn Lane Request off Route 11, Lee Highway, onto Route 643, Cougar Trail Road

Mr. Brugh reported the addition of a north bound turn lane, as well as north and south bound turn lanes at Route 643, Thornspring Road, and Route 11, Lee Highway. All three lanes to be completed by next month.

b. Request for Speed Limit Posting on Route 695, Pepper's Ferry Loop Fariss,

Mr. Brugh advised VDOT will post Route 695 at statutory speed limit of 25 miles per hour and that posting of signs should be done by the next supervisors meeting.

c. Reopening of Route 683, Newbern Road

Mr. Brugh reported that Route 682, Newbern Road, should be reopening soon.

d. Recreation Access Funding for New River Trail at Allisonia

The Board at this time considered the adoption of a resolution to seek up to \$250,000 for a road to the New River Trail and river access at the junction of Reed Island Creek and New River. Staff advised the road would optimize use of the \$50,000 ISTEIA grant and land donation for this area. It was noted a plan had been donated by Rainey Engineering.

Mr. Mike Cox of Allisionia appeared before the Board of Supervisors and expressed opposition to above application. Mr. Cox concerns included impact on the area, no public input, commercialization of area and loss of privacy.

Dr. Fariss advised the development of the New River Trail at Allisionia would be a positive use of the land and would require no re-zoning.

Supervisor White advised that the public hearings on this matter were held approximately 3 years ago.

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. White and carried to adopt to adopt an appropriate resolution seeking up to \$250,000 for a road to the trail and river access at the juncture of Reed Island Creek and New River.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White,
Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

The Board requested staff send to Mr. Cox background information pertaining to the development of the New River Trail in the Allisionia area.

e. Rt. 611 and FO47 Signal Request

Mr. Brugh advised this intersection has been monitored in the past. Mr. Brugh advised a signal study will have to be added to the six year plan later this year. Further, he reported some modifications are presently being planned by VDOT. The Board requested VDOT adjust the stop bar and turn lane painting.

f. Board of Supervisors Concerns

Supervisor Conner noted Route 601, Little Creek Road, unsurfaced area needing maintenance and cracks needing patching in the Mountain View Subdivision across from Pulaski County High School, off Route 643, Cougar Trail Road.

Supervisor Fariss reported a sharp shoulder drop along Route 693, Lead Mines, Julia Simpson and Fariss Mines roads. He also requested VDOT to place centerline striping on Route 693, Julia Simpson Road, and Route 607, Boone Furnace Road.

Supervisor White requested a list of road VDOT plans to resurface this year. Resident Engineer Brugh advised he would be sending a resurfacing schedule by route number, but the list will not include those roads that the VDOT area superintendent is addressing under routine maintenance.

Supervisor Sheffey noted potholes on Route 715, Madison Street, and in the village of New River. He also requested a list of planned guardrail installations from VDOT.

Supervisor Cook requested a horse crossing sign on Route 662, Lyons Road. Supervisor Cook also requested VDOT to repair potholes on Route 644, Hurston Road, and Route 763, Old Mill Road.

g. Citizen Concerns

Mr. Dale Hoffman expressed concerns regarding the intersection safety at the junction of Route 611, Wilderness Road and Newbern Road, and Route F047, Cleburne Boulevard and Possum Hollow Road.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Board reviewed the monthly trial balance report and certificates of deposits. Said reports were presented by the County Administrator in the absence of Treasurer, Rose Marie Tickle. The Board accepted the reports as presented.

6. Citizens Comments

Mr. Ed Hoggatt expressed concerns regarding lack of junk car enforcement in the county.

County Administrator suggested staff prepare a report for the September, 1997 Board of Supervisors meeting on junk car enforcement efforts. The Board approved this suggestion and requested staff to prepare a report for the September meeting of the board.

Mr. Mike Cox again spoke against development of the New River Trail area in Allisonia.

Mr. Mike Ratcliffe appeared before the Board and commended the Board for job done as supervisors.

7. Reports from the County Administrator & Staff:

- a. Report on Study of Additional Water Treatment Capacity or Plant, as well as Evaluation of Adequacy of Water Distribution Lines County-wide

The Board reviewed a proposal from Draper Aden Associates to study the capacity of the water treatment plant and the complete distribution system. The proposal indicates the estimated cost for the study to be between \$18,00 and \$25,000. Staff also reported Draper Aden is currently conducting a preliminary engineering report on utilities necessary to supply an increased demand for the New River Industrial Park.

On the motion of Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. Cook and carried, the Board of Supervisors approved engaging Draper Aden Associates to prepare a proposal to study the capacity of the water treatment plant and the complete distribution system, with said proposal estimated to cost between \$18,000 and \$25,000.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White,
Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

- b. American Cable Entertainment Franchise Extension Request

Staff advised the Cable TV Advisory Committee had met on April 22, 1997 and had recommended the Board of Supervisors schedule a public hearing on the franchise extension.

On the motion of Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. Conner and carried, the Board of Supervisors scheduled a public hearing on the franchise extension ordinance for June 2, 1997 at 7:00 p.m.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White,
Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

- c. Proposed Regional Strategic Plan

On the motion of Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. White and carried, the Board of Supervisors endorsed the proposed regional strategic plan as presented by the NRV Planning District Commission.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White,
Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

- d. Key Activity Timetable

The Board of Supervisors reviewed the Key Activity Timetable as prepared by staff and requested staff revise the target dates on completion of drop off sites to September, 1997.

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. White and carried, that the Board of Supervisors endorses recycling through composting and encourages the NRRA to actively pursue composting.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White,
Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

e. Appointments:

The Board deferred appointments until the executive session of the meeting.

f. Rescheduling of Joint Supervisors/Councils Meeting

The Board of Supervisors agreed to reschedule the joint supervisors/councils meeting to June 2, 1997 at 6:00 p.m., just prior to the regular supervisors meeting.

10. Items of Consent:

On the motion of Mr. Conner, seconded by Dr. Fariss and carried, the Board of Supervisors approved the following items of consent, unless otherwise noted.

a. Minutes of March 10, 24, & 26, & April 7, 1997

The Board approved the minutes of March 10, 24, & 26, and April 7, 1997, as presented by staff.

b. Accounts Payable

The Board approved the accounts payable listing for checks numbered 14380 through 14738.

c. Appropriations & Transfers:

The Board approved the following additional appropriations and transfers as requested:

1. General Fund Appropriation #16

Revenues:

1615-01 Library Book Replacements	\$ 761.20
1615-07 RIF Donations	100.00
1618-02 Extension Office-Cooking Classes	140.00
3210-01 US Treasury Church Burning Grant	4,600.00
Total	\$ 5,601.20

Expenditures:

1101-2017 Bd of Supervisors Employee Recogn.	\$ 1,185.00
1101-3007 Bd of Supervisors Advertising	800.00
1101-5804 Bd of Supervisors Other Misc.	500.00
1204-3002 County Attorney Prof. Services	4,000.00
3102-5840 Sheriff's Depart. Church Burning Grant	4,600.00
7301-5604 Library RIF Program	100.00
7301-5411 Library Books	761.20
8105-560406 Econ Development NR Trail Marketing	1,500.00
8305-3006 Extension Office Printing & Binding	140.00
9104-5804 Erroneous Assessments Refunds	2,200.00
9310-5804 Revenue Refunds - Other	126.00
Total	\$15,912.20

2. Capital Improvement Fund Appropriation #8

Revenues:

5102-00 Transfer from General Fund	\$15,875.00
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Expenditures:

1220-702206 Data Processing Computer Upgrade	\$15,875.00
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3. School Fund Appropriation #16

Revenues:

3301-06 Vocational Education	\$ 2,116.00
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Expenditures:

6911-8201-30 Carl Perkins Capital Equip. \$ 2,116.00

4. School Fund Budget Transfer #1

Expenditures:

6991 Chapter I Past Year	\$ 23,687.45-
6990-Chapter I Carry Over	23,687.45+
Total	\$ -0-

5. Internal Service Fund Transfer #10

The Board approved Internal Service Fund Transfer #10 as presented and filed with the records of the Director of Management Services.

d. Ratification

1. Participation in Virginia Tech Department of Agriculture Economics Study

The Board confirmed the pledge of new funds in the participation in the Virginia Tech Department of Agriculture Economics study is limited to \$25,000 with \$10,000 in FY 98 and \$15,000 in FY 99. The Board also requested staff arrange a presentation by the study leader to the Board of Supervisors at an upcoming Board meeting.

2. Architectural Services

The Board of Supervisors concurred with a summary prepared by Architect Tom Douthat regarding the status of payments and services rendered by Mr. Douthat towards the purchase of the former Office on Youth Building. A copy of said summary shall be filed with the County Administrator's Office.

3. Regional Jail Resolution

The Board of Supervisors adopted the following resolution regarding the Regional Jail:

BACKGROUND

1. The New River Valley Regional Jail Authority (the "Authority") was created by the originally participating jurisdictions of the Counties of Pulaski, Giles and Grayson, and the City of Radford, Virginia ("Pulaski", "Giles", "Grayson", and "Radford", respectfully).

2. Previously, the Board of Supervisors of Bland County, Virginia ("Bland"), negotiated for membership in the Authority and reached agreement with the Board of the Authority for such membership, which membership was approved by the governing bodies of the original members.

3. The Authority and the Member Jurisdictions, including Bland, entered into a Service Agreement between the Authority and its Member Jurisdictions, originally dated as of February 28, 1995 and amended as of September 16, 1996 (the "Service Agreement").

4. The Counties of Wythe, Carroll and Floyd, Virginia ("Wythe", "Carroll", and "Floyd", respectively), now have made application to become members of the Authority upon terms and

conditions acceptable to and approved by the Authority, subject to the consent and approval of Pulaski, Giles, Grayson, Bland and the City of Radford.

5. The Authority and Wythe, Carroll and Floyd have agreed that a "buy-in" price to be paid by each of Wythe, Carroll and Floyd to the Authority for membership therein is \$75,000.00, payment of which amount may be deferred at the sole option of the Authority until July 1, 1997, the first day of the next fiscal year.

6. Pursuant to the terms of the Service Agreement, the Authority has agreed to finance the cost of the Regional Jail. However, the Commonwealth of Virginia has committed to reimburse the Authority for fifty percent (50%) of the cost associated with construction of the Regional Jail for the current member jurisdictions, namely the Counties of Pulaski, Giles, Grayson and Bland and the City of Radford.

7. Although it is anticipated that the Commonwealth of Virginia also will appropriate funds and agree to reimburse the Authority for fifty percent (50%) of the additional construction cost of the Regional Jail incurred by virtue of the joinder in the Authority of Wythe, Carroll and Floyd, the Commonwealth has not yet committed to make available said funds for the reimbursement to the Authority, and Wythe, Carroll and Floyd Counties have, by and through their respective Board of Supervisors, approved and entered into Moral Obligation Agreements for the payment to the Authority of the funds anticipated to be paid by the Commonwealth of Virginia in event such funds are not forthcoming.

8. The addition of Wythe, Carroll and Floyd as members of the Authority has required modifications to and amendments of the Service Agreement, which modifications and amendments have been approved by the Authority.

9. There have been submitted to this Board for approval the following documents:

(a) three Agreements, approved by the Authority and by Floyd, Carroll and Wythe Counties, under by virtue of which those Counties agreed to join the Authority on the terms and conditions set forth in said Agreements;

(b) the Amendments to and Modifications of the Service Agreement dated as of the 18 day of February, 1997, which have been approved by the Authority and by Wythe, Carroll and Floyd Counties at or before the date of the adoption of this Resolution; and

(c) three Moral Obligation Agreements approved by the Authority and by Wythe, Carroll and Floyd Counties evidencing the moral obligation of the respective Counties to pay to the Authority sums anticipated to be contributed by the Commonwealth of Virginia in the event those funds are not forthcoming as more particularly described in paragraph 7 of the Background to this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Pulaski County Virginia, subject to and including the "Background" recitals to this Resolution, as follows:

A. The applications of Wythe, Carroll and Floyd to become Member Jurisdictions of the New River Valley Regional Jail Authority are hereby approved upon the terms and conditions specified in the "Background" recitals to this Resolution, upon approval of the Agreements dated as of the 18 day of February, 1997 between the Authority and each of Wythe, Carroll and Floyd, provided that Wythe, Carroll and Floyd Counties approve and execute the Service Agreement as amended and modified; and provided further that each of said Counties execute and deliver the Moral Obligation Agreements mentioned in paragraph 7 and paragraph 9(c) of the Background to this Resolution.

B. The proposed modifications to and amendments to the Service Agreement between the Authority and the participating jurisdictions, dated as of the 18 day of February, 1997, are hereby approved and the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized and directed to execute the amended and modified Service Agreement, a copy of which is to be filed with this Resolution, on behalf of Pulaski County, and the Clerk is directed to affix and attest the County seal thereto.

C. The Moral Obligation Agreements approved by Wythe, Carroll and Floyd Counties as a part of the agreement for joining the Authority, copies of which are filed with this Resolution, are also approved.

D. The execution on behalf of Pulaski County of counterparts to the Service Agreement as requested by the Authority is authorized.

4. Computer Upgrade

The Board accepted staff recommendation to upgrade the AS400 central processor at a cost of \$15,875.

5. Western Staff Services Agreement

The Board ratified an agreement with Western Staff Services for the programming services of Joyce Reavis in the amount of \$15.00 per hour. A copy of said agreement shall be filed with the Office of the County Administrator.

6. Victims Assistance Grant Application FY 98

The Board ratified continuance of the Victims Assistance Grant application for FY 98.

e. Personnel Changes

The Board reviewed recent personnel changes as prepared by Management Services Director, Nancy M. Burchett.

f. Friends of Claytor Lake

The Board approved funding of \$29,986 for the Friends of Claytor Lake with said funds being available effective May 1; however, annual budget contribution limited to \$20,000 with the remainder of the requested funds funded from reserve or as a capital project.

g. FY 98 Employee Health Insurance

The Board approved remaining with the Local Choice Program under a combined group of county and school employees and approved offering coverage to retirees beyond Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) regulations.

h. Building Usage - Fund-raising Office on Youth Gym

The Board of Supervisors approved a building usage application from the organization North American Wrestling with proceeds to go for the Office on Youth.

i. Reassignment of Personnel

The Board of Supervisors approved the reassignment of Buildings Maintenance Mechanic, Mike Tolbert, to inspection duties with the PSA utilities construction and the Rental Housing Assistance Program, with Mr. Tolbert continuing to assist the General Properties staff with electrical maintenance. The Board also approved engagement of the contract programmer, John Spangler, to oversee the Rental Housing Assistance Program.

j. Virginia Department of Historic Resources Survey and Planning Grant Application

The Board of Supervisors approved a grant application for Department of Historic Resources Cost-Share Program which encourages 50% funding of historic surveys.

k. American Cable Entertainment Franchise Extension

It was noted this matter was addressed under 7b.

l. Private Industry Council (PIC) Errors and Omissions Insurance

The Board of Supervisors approved an expenditure of \$406.25 in support of the Private Industry Council for errors and omissions insurance.

9. Citizen Comments

Mr. Dale Hoffman requested the Chairman restate motions made by the Supervisors prior to action of the Board of Supervisors.

11. Other Matters from Supervisors

Supervisor Conner inquired about consolidated purchasing with the schools and other agencies and departments of the county.

Supervisor Fariss requested a citizen access for internet be located in the Hiwassee/Allisonia area.

Supervisor White inquired about the number of internet locations in the county and funding for said internet access.

Staff advised a report on the Pulaski Internet Connection could be presented to the Board of Supervisors at its June 2, 1997 meeting.

Supervisor Fariss also inquired about the Commerce Park. He asked about participants and control of park.

Staff was requested to prepare an overview of the Commerce Park for the Board's review.

13. Executive Session - 2.1-344(A)

It was moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Conner and carried, to enter executive session in accordance with Section 2.1-344(A) of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, to discuss personnel, legal, land acquisition/disposition and perspective industry.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White, and Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

Return to Regular Session

On the motion of Mr. Conner, seconded by Dr. Fariss and carried, the Board of Supervisors returned to regular session.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White, and Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

Certification of Conformance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act

It was moved by Mr. Conner, seconded by Dr. Fariss and carried, that the Board of Supervisors adopt the following resolution certifying conformance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act:

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

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 to the best of each members' 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 this motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Supervisors.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White, and Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

*Appointments:

On the motion of Mr. Cook seconded by Mr. Conner and carried, the Board of Supervisors made the following appointments:

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White, and Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

1. Pulaski Encouraging Progress

The Board requested this appointment be placed on the June 2, 1997 supervisors meeting agenda.

2. Professional Assessor

The Board approved accepted by Wingate Appraisal Services of Thomas H. Bland as the Professional Assessor for reassessment.

3. New River Valley Community Services Board

The Board appointed Ms. Linda Myers to the New River Valley Community Services Board to fill the unexpired term of Reverend Richard Patterson.

4. Private Industry Council

The Board requested the Chamber of Commerce to nominate an individual to serve on the Private Industry Council.

5. New River Highlands Resource Conservation District

The Board reappointed Mr. Bill Lindsey to the New River Highlands Resource Conservation District for a term ending June 30, 2001.

6. Cable TV Citizen Advisory Committee

The Board requested staff to ask Martha Hylton to serve on the Cable TV Citizen Advisory Committee and if she accepts, ask her to attend the May 6, 1997 meeting the Cable TV Citizen Advisory Committee.

7. Selective Service Board

The Board of Supervisors nominated Dale Conrad, Harold Ward, Benny Skeens and Mike Cox to the Selective Service Board, subject to acceptance of these individuals.

*Prospective Industry

The Board of Supervisors requested the Industrial Development Authority to develop a media release on the change in the Silver Creek plans for the New River Valley Airport Industrial Park, with release to focus on the availability of the Airport Industrial Park for marketing for other prospective industry.

14. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Conner and carried, that the Board of Supervisors adjourn to reconvene on Monday, May 5, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. at the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, N.W., in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia.

Voting yes: Dr. Fariss, Mr. Cook, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. White, and Mr. Conner.

Voting no: none.

Joseph L. Sheffey, Chairman

Joseph N. Morgan, Clerk