

At a reconvened meeting of the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors held in joint session with the town councils of Dublin and Pulaski on Thursday, October 29, 1998, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Dublin Town Hall located in the Dublin, Virginia, the following were in attendance:

Pulaski County Board of Supervisors: Joseph L. Sheffey, Chairman; Jerry D. White, Vice-Chairman; Frank R. Conner; Charles E. Cook.; and Bruce L. Fariss. Also present was Joseph N. Morgan, County Administrator.

Dublin Town Council: Walter B. Keister, Mayor; Alden S. Hankla, Vice-Mayor; David S. Farmer; Samuel F. Gregory, Jr.; Edith A. Hampton; Peggy H. Hemmings; and Benny Skeens. Also present was Gary Elander, Town Manager, and Thomas G. Baker, Jr., Town Attorney

Pulaski Town Council: John A. Johnston, Mayor; Bettye H. Steger, Vice-Mayor; Lane R. Penn; Pauline G. Mitchell; James M. Neblett; Charles W. Stewart, Jr.; Joseph L. Weddle; and Jeff Worrell. Also present were Tom Combiths, Town Manager; and Frank Terwilliger, Town Attorney.

Mayor Keister welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting.

1. Joint Tax/Garbage Billing

Staff reported the committee of the Town of Pulaski and county staff studying joint billing has suggested a July 1999 joint garbage billing, fall of 1999 joint personal property/vehicle license billing, and a 2000 joint real estate tax billing.

2. Inquiry – Hours of Operation – Large Item Drop Off – Dublin

Mayor Keister reported the Town of Dublin's desire to have afternoon and weekend access to the site and that the town would be willing to provide some staffing assistance. County staff was requested to pursue extended hours for large item drop off/recycling centers with town assistance for expense of staffing.

3. Recreation

County staff provided an analysis on current recreation needs. The town councils and Board of Supervisors authorized two appointees from each town council and Board of Supervisors to consider recreation organization, possibly an authority, with a report to be provided from the committee at the next joint meeting.

4. Other Matters and Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 30, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. to be hosted by the Town of Pulaski.

The Board of Supervisors continued its regular reconvened meeting after adjourning the joint meeting with Dublin and Pulaski Town Councils.

5. VRS Refunding Note Resolution

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. White and carried, that the following resolution be adopted

The County of Pulaski, Virginia (the "County"), is obligated to make certain annual payments (the "VRS Obligation") to or on behalf of the Pulaski County School Division to pay to the Virginia Retirement System (the "VRS") the Pulaski County School Division's early retirement program costs as set forth in the Memorandum dated May 15, 1992 from the Director of the Virginia Retirement System to Division Superintendents and Financial Officers of Public School Boards. The Board of Supervisors proposed to issue a general obligation-refunding note of the County to refinance the VRS Obligation at a lower rate of interest.

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

1. Authorization of Note and Use of Proceeds. The Board of Supervisors hereby determines that it is advisable to contract a debt and to issue and sell the County's general obligation refunding note (the "Note") in the maximum principal amount of \$2,044,901 pursuant to Article 5 of the Public Finance Act of 1991, Chapter 26, Title 15.2, Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended (the "Act"). The issuance and sale of the Note is hereby authorized. The proceeds from the issuance and sale of the Note shall be used to refund the VRS Obligation and to pay the costs of issuing the Note.
2. Pledge of Full Faith and Credit. The full faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Note as the same become due and payable. The Board of Supervisors shall levy an annual ad valorem tax upon all property in the County subject to local taxation sufficient to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Note as the same shall become due for payment unless other funds are lawfully available and appropriated for the timely payment thereof.
3. Details, Sale and Form of Note. The Note shall be issued and sold to Crestar Bank. The Note shall be in substantially the form attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A, with such appropriate variations, omissions and insertions as are permitted or required by this

Resolution. There may be endorsed on the Note such legend or text as may be necessary or appropriate to conform to any applicable rules and regulations of any governmental authority or any usage or requirement of law with respect thereto.

4. Execution of Note. The Chairman and the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County are authorized and directed to execute an appropriate negotiable Note and to affix the seal of the County thereto and to deliver the Note to the purchaser thereof upon payment of the purchase price. The manner of execution and affixation of the seal may be by facsimile, provided, however, that if the signatures of the Chairman and the Clerk are both by facsimile, the Note shall not be valid until signed at the foot thereof by the manual signature of the Note Registrar for the Note.
5. Further Actions. The County Administrator, the County Attorney and the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and such officers and agents of the County as any of them may designate are authorized and directed to take such further action as they deem necessary regarding the issuance and sale of the Note and the matters set forth in this Resolution and all actions taken by such officers and agents in connection with the issuance and sale of the Note are ratified and confirmed.
6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Voting no: none.

7. Resolution of Appreciation – Dr. William Asbury

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. Conner and carried, that the Board adopt the following resolution of appreciation for retiring School Superintendent William Asbury:

WHEREAS, Dr. William C. Asbury has served Pulaski County for the past eight years, since November 1990, at which time he began his duties as Superintendent for the Pulaski County School System; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William C. Asbury has provided leadership to the school system, including the accomplishments of:

- ◆ renewing and making accessible the existing school facilities;
- ◆ location of the Southwest Virginia Governor's School for Math & Science;

- ◆ planning for long-range renovation and construction of school facilities;
- ◆ introduction of technological enhancements to the class rooms and administrative facilities;
- ◆ transition from appointed to elected school boards.

WHEREAS, Dr. William C. Asbury served at the appointment by the Board of Supervisors as a member of the Pulaski County Library Board, as well as Pulaski Encouraging Progress (PEP);

WHEREAS, Dr. William C. Asbury has demonstrated a high degree of professionalism in dealing with the citizens of Pulaski County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors does hereby commend and express its sincere appreciation for the service of Dr. William C. Asbury to the county and its citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the text of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board of Supervisors this 29th day of October, 1998, in permanent testimony of its appreciation to the service of Dr. William C. Asbury.

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

Voting no: Mr. Cook, Mr. White.

8. Other Matters

It was moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Cook and carried, that the Board adopt the following resolution endorsing Virginia's First Regional Industrial Facility Authority's application for Virginia Industrial Site Development Funds:

WHEREAS, the Virginia Industrial Site Development Fund was passed by the 1998 General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the objectives of the Fund are: to assist in the development of publicly owned, marketable regional industrial sites; to strengthen the capacities of distressed communities to stimulate and promote economic development activity; to encourage the development of regional cooperation and marketing concepts for economic development purpose; and to increase Virginia's total industrial site inventory; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Community Development has prepared program guidelines for the Virginia Industrial Site Development Fund (VISDF); and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has provided \$3 million in state financial assistance to distressed communities to assist with the development of regional industrial sites; and

WHEREAS, the legislation gives "preference to regional sites (two or more localities), sites purchased or placed under option and engineering study contracted for or completed;" and

WHEREAS, the 1997 Virginia General Assembly adopted the Virginia Regional Industrial Facilities Act; and

WHEREAS, the Act provided localities in the New River Valley and the Fifth Planning Districts a legislative mechanism to enhance the economic base of this region by allowing local governments to jointly develop, own and operate one or more industrial facilities on a cooperative basis; and

WHEREAS, the Act provided that participating localities could share the revenue generated from a cooperative regional industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's First Regional Industrial Facility Authority was formed in 1998 in response to the Virginia Regional Industrial Facilities Act; and

WHEREAS, the counties of Bland, Craig, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, Roanoke, and Wythe, the cities of Radford, Roanoke, and Salem, and the towns of Pulaski, Dublin, Narrows, Pearisburg, and Christiansburg are the members of Virginia's First Regional Industrial Facility Authority; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors does hereby support the Authority's application for \$1.375 million from Virginia Industrial Site Development Funding for construction of the New River Valley Commerce park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the remaining \$7,464,089 construction costs will come from: \$500,000 ARC (application submitted), \$4,139,089 participating localities; \$450,000 VDOT, and \$1 million EDA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Pulaski County Administrator is the chief administrative officer for the County of Pulaski and is authorized to sign and submit all appropriate information necessary for Virginia's First Regional Industrial Facility Authority to apply for VISDF funding.

Opposition to State Ballot Question #3

It was moved by Dr. Fariss, seconded by Mr. Conner and carried, that the Board express its opposition to the state ballot question #3, which provides for appointed governing body to set tax rate in regional industrial parks.

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

Voting no: none.

9. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Cook and carried, that the Board of Supervisors adjourn to its next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, November 23, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, N. W. in the Town of Pulaski.

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

Voting no: none.

Joseph L. Sheffey, Chairman

ATTEST:

Joseph N. Morgan, Clerk