

VIRGINIA: At a Regular Meeting of the Bland County Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County School Board Office, Bastian, Virginia on the twenty-sixth day of August 2003, the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Frank W. Chandler, Wade Blankenship, Robert O. Munsey, Danny Kinder

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator; Carol Hall, Secretary; John Rife –  
Assistant County Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT: Frank Phipps and Marty Holloway – VDOT; several citizens

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Frank Chandler called the regular meeting to order.

#### INVOCATION

A moment of silence in memory of photographer/reporter Sam Slemp was offered then Supervisor Mr. Munsey offered the invocation.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLIANCE

Chairman Frank Chandler led the pledge of alliance to the flag.

#### BOARD APPROVED AGENDA

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the August 26, 2003 agenda as presented was made by Robert Munsey seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes. Items within the Consent Agenda included: 1) minutes of the regular meeting of July 22, 2003; 2) bills for the month of August 2003 in the amount of \$384,546.56; 3) additional bills for the month of July 2003 in the amount of \$156,932.47; 4) payroll for July 31, 2003 and payroll for August 14, 2003 at a total amount of \$119,316.07 and 5) reports of the Treasurer, Sheriff, Commissioner of Revenue, Recycling Program, Building Official, Animal Control, Public Works and E-911 Coordinator.

#### VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Frank Phipps updated the Board in regard to the ongoing projects throughout the county to include; 1) Rt. 608; 2) Rt. #52 pouring of deck; 3) Rt. 621 patching completed with plant mix; 4) Rt. 613 ditching accomplished; and 5) Ridgeway Subdivision easements needed.

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to adopt a Speed Study Resolution on Rt. 614 for the upper end of the Grapefield area was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Robert Munsey with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes. Mr. Chandler advised he would provide Mr. Sweet with the information needed for resolution.

#### VIRGINIA'S CORRIDOR

Executive Director Andy Hall appeared before the Board with a review of the Virginia's Corridor formerly known as the Peaks of Virginia. Mr. Hall informed the Board of the purpose of the organization and the 3 phase marketing activities planned.

#### VIRGINIA TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FOUNDATION PREVENTION GRANT APPROVED

Jennifer Martin, Grant Administrator advised the Board of the grant available through the Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation. IT WAS THE CONSENSUS of the Board to instruct the County Administrator to coordinate a meeting with county representatives mentioned to decide on a tobacco prevention program and complete the grant application for Bland County to meet the deadline.

### SOCIAL SERVICES

\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Social Services, June 2003 report in the amount of \$36,729.28 with the local share of \$5,574.54 was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

### SCHOOLS

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the school's, September 2003 requisition in the amount of \$306,404.43 was made by Wade Blankenship, seconded by Robert Munsey with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

### E911 INSTALLATION OF SIGN UPDATE

E911 Coordinator Katie Gamble advised the Board of the delay in the installation of the E911 road signs but informed the installation would commence Monday, September 1, 2003 with a three week turnover.

### SMYTH-BLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY

Library Representative Harry Shupe reported the monthly statistics of the Library. Mr. Shupe reminded the Board of the fund raiser planned for September 26, 2003 to raise monies for the purchase of a flag pole.

### APPOINTMENTS

Road Viewers Committee -- Tabled until the September 23, 2003 meeting.

Bland County Service Authority -- \*\*\*\*MOTION to reappoint Eddie Sutphin to the Bland County Service Authority for a four year term to expire May 31, 2007 was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Robert Munsey and Frank Chandler voting yes.

### WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMITS FEES APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the waiver of an electrical permit fee as requested of the Bland County Fair Association, approve the waiver of a building permit fee in the amount of \$185.92 for an addition to the church as requested by the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, approve the waiver of a building permit fee for the installation of a steeple as requested by the Greenhill Methodist Church and approve the waiver of the building permit fee for an addition as requested by the Mechanicsburg Christian Church was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Danny Kinder with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

### MELVIN ENTERPRISES CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Melvin Enterprise C.U.P. upon the industrially zoned property referred to as said Tract 2, Tract 3, Tract 7 and Tract 8 (7.255-acres) in the Bastian Industrial Park for the purposes of the construction of a storage/garage facility, salt storage, vehicle storage, equipment storage and vehicle maintenance to conduct commercial services, is granted under the following conditions; 1) The said applicant (Melvin Enterprises) is to use only directional lighting as needed to safely and properly illuminate applicable property; 2) The said applicant is to plant/install two (2) staggered rows of trees as a view shed around applicable property; 3) the applicant is not to allow for non utilized company vehicles and/or equipment to remain with engines idle for more than one-half (1/2) hour at a time; 4) applicant is to store company vehicles and equipment indoors and/or behind the facility when possible, as to provide decreased visibility from US Rt. 52; and 5) the applicant is not to conduct recycling of raw garbage, nor store raw garbage upon premises was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Wade Blankenship, with Robert Munsey and Frank Chandler voting yes.

### HOMELAND SECURITY PREPAREDNESS STATE FY'03 PART I-PART 2 APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to designate the County Administrator as the Agent Administrator for the County of Bland in the application for the Domestic Preparedness Equipment Grant Program known as Part 1 in the amount of \$24, 444.00 and the Domestic Preparedness State Homeland Security Grant Program known as Part 2 in the amount of \$64,178.00 was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Robert Munsey and Frank Chandler voting yes.

#### ROCKY GAP BRIDGE PAINT ANALYSIS

The County Administrator advised the Board members of the Rocky Gap bridge paint analysis reported by EMSL Analytical, Inc. to be 25.00% lead concentration and recommendations of removal will follow.

#### COMCAST CABLE FRANCHISE PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED

The County Administrator advised the Board of being in receipt of the Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement and Public Hearing would be conducted on September 23, 2003.

#### COUNTY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant County Attorney John Rife announced that open sitting is available up front for those who may have problems hearing the Board members or speakers and recommended that those persons come to the front.

#### MOUNT ROGERS COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD FY-2004 BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE CONTRACT

Director, Wally Cline appeared before the Board with a summary of services offered through the Mount Rogers Community Services Board. \*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve and accept the 2003 Mount Rogers Community Services Performance Contract at the cost of approximately \$12,000.00 was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Danny Kinder with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

#### HOLLYBROOK & MECHANICSBURG COMMUNITY PARKS WALKING TRAILS

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approved pavement of the walking trails proposed at the Hollybrook and the Mechanicsburg community parks as received was made by Wade Blankenship, seconded by Robert Munsey with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

#### RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE REQUEST SAND

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve an adequate amount of sand to install the recreational equipment as to specs was made by Wade Blankenship, seconded by Robert Munsey with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

#### MECHANICSBURG COMMUNITY CENTER REQUEST LOCATION OF BLEACHERS

Supervisor Wade Blankenship expressed his concern that the bleachers designated or assigned to the Mechanisburg Community Center could not be found.

#### CLOSED SESSION

“Move to go into a closed session to discuss an industrial prospect, personnel and a contractual matter was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Wade Blankenship with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

“Move to return to Regular Session and waive the reading of the certification of a Closed Session but certify that only items announced by the Board were discussed in Closed Session was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Danny Kinder with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

#### VIRGINIA’S CORRIDOR MOTION TO JOIN

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to rejoin the Virginia’s Corridor, at the costs of approximately \$7000 to be paid from the 03-04 Economic Development budget was made by Wade Blankenship, seconded by Robert Munsey with Danny Kinder and Frank Chandler voting yes.

CROSSROADS REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL FACILITY AUTHORITY PROJECT  
APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approved Bland County's participation in the project of the Crossroads Regional Industrial Facility Authority at the cost of \$20,000.00 was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Danny Kinder with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE AND GROUNDS KEEPER POSITION APPROVED FOR  
ADVERTISEMENT

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to authorize the County Administrator to advertise for a maintenance person was made Danny Kinder, seconded by Robert Munsey with Wade Blankenship voting no and Frank Chandler voting yes. The motion passed by majority of vote.

ENTERPRISE ZONE APPLICATION

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION authorizing the County Administrator to complete the necessary paperwork for an Enterprise Zone Application was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Danny Kinder with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

TRASH COLLECTION FEE MOTION CLARIFIED

Supervisor Robert Munsey stated that pursuant to a motion made by the Board on April 22, 3003 to increase the monthly trash collection household charge, "I would like to restate that motion for purposes of clarification. I acknowledge that there was a mistake in the statement of the motion, however there was not a mistake in the intent of the Board." \*\*\*\*\*MOTION to increase the trash collection fee charge to each Bland County household from \$7.00 per month to \$10.00 per month effective with the bill sent July 1, 2003 and there after was made by Robert Munsey, seconded by Danny Kinder with Wade Blankenship voting no and Frank Chandler voting yes. The motion passed by majority of vote.

RFP FOR E911 EQUIPMENT AUTHORIZED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION that the County advertise for the Request for Proposal for the E911 equipment was made by Danny Kinder, seconded by Robert Munsey with Wade Blankenship and Frank Chandler voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT This meeting was adjourned until 4::00 a.m. on September 23, 2003 at the Bland County Schoolboard Office, Bastian, VA.

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Frank Chandler, Chairman

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Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator