

VIRGINIA: At a Regular Meeting of the Bland County Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse located in Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-fourth day of July, 2007, 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Karen H. Hodock, John C. Thompson, Jason R. Ramsey, Henry Blessing

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator; Carol Hall, Deputy Administrator;  
Frank Slavin, County Attorney

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Karen Hodock called the July 24, 2007, regular meeting to order.

#### INVOCATION

The invocation was offered by Supervisor Mr. Blessing.

#### PLEDGE TO FLAG

Chairman Mrs. Hodock led the pledge alliance to the flag.

#### JULY 24, 2007 MEETING AGENDA APPROVED

#### CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the July 24, 2007 meeting agenda; June 15, 2007; July 2, 2007; and July 16, 2007 payrolls totaling \$210,848.46; additional bills for month of June, 2007 in the amount of \$122,160.15; July, 2007 bills in the amount of \$223,138.99; and reports as presented was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by John Thompson.

Vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

#### VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Marty Hallows, VDOT Resident Engineer, appeared before the board and advised updates to include; 1) work has begun on the I-77 overlays near the Rocky Gap exit; 2) Rt. 52 bridge sidewalk is being removed; 3) Rt. 615 paving is complete; 4) environmental permits at the Bastian plaza needed; 5) Rt. 607 completed; and 6) commerce park entrance progress.

Supervisor Mrs. Hodock requested concern of the increase traffic and speed of vehicles upon Rt. 52 adjacent to I-77 due to tunnel closings; repairs to guardrail needed; rocks falling onto Rt. 61, and the request of a stop sign at the intersection of Rt. 61 and Quarry Drive.

#### SOCIAL SERVICES MAY 2007, REPORT DENIED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Social Services May, 2007 report was made by John Thompson, and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, no; and Jason Ramsey, no. Vote failed.

The county administrator was directed to schedule a meeting with the Social Services Board.

#### SCHOOLS AUGUST, 2007 REQUISITION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOVE to approve and appropriate the Schools August 2007 requisition in the amount of \$650,000.00; approve the filing of the meeting minutes of June 21, 2007; and approve all check registers submitted for the month of June, 2007 was made by John Thompson, and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

VOTING PRECINCT POLLING CHANGES REQUESTED

Motion to advertise a public hearing to move the Seddon and the Rocky Gap precinct polling places as requested by the Electoral Board was made by John Thompson, and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

The vote on this motion was as follows: Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

E-911 EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT

Willie Howlett, Coordinator, presented the July, 2007 E-911 monthly report of activities

RECREATION COMMITTEE UPDATE

Randy Moler, representative, presented the parks and recreation update.

BUILDING/ZONING OFFICIAL REPORTS

Joel Cagle, Building/Zoning Official, expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve in the capacity of building and zoning official.

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS

Frank Slavin, Attorney reported an update on work activities.

APPOINTMENTS

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to reappoint Jonathan Sweet to the Crossroads Industrial Facilities Authority (CRIFA), 4 year term to expire June 30, 2011, and reappoint Carol J. Hall as alternate was made by John Thompson, seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; John Thompson, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

RESOLUTION TO ABANDON EAGLES ROAD APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Resolution to abandon Eagles Road as a public road, Rt. 628, with the schools and VDOT working out an agreement to maintain the road during bad weather, was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by John Thompson.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; John Thompson, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

EDA FUND RESOLUTION – VDOT INDUSTRIAL ROAD ACCESS PROGRAM

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the EDA Fund Resolution for the Bland County Commerce Park (VDOT Industrial Road Access Program) was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; John Thompson, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

2007-2008 FY ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve an additional appropriation to the FY 07/08 expenditure and revenue budget in the amount of \$8,000.00 for Financial Forecasting Services and an additional appropriation to the FY 07-08 expenditure and revenue budget in the amount of \$8,000.00 for SAS112 Accounting Services was made by John Thompson and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; John Thompson, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

COUNTY'S MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT SET

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION that the County adopt the IRS guidelines regarding the mileage reimbursement rate of \$.485, effective July 24, 2007 was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by John Thompson.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; John Thompson, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

SURPLUED EQUIPMENT DECLARED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to declare the apple peeler located at the Mechanicsburg cannery surplused was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; John Thompson, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

CLOSED SESSION

\*\*\*\*\*“Move to go into a closed session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 2.2-3711-A, subparagraph 1, and an agreement matter pursuant to subparagraph 13, of the Code of Virginia was made by John Thompson and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Henry Blessing, yes; John Thompson, yes. The motion passed.

“Move to return to Regular Session, adopt the certification and waive the reading of the certification of a Closed Session but certify that only items announced by the Board were discussed was made by John Thompson, seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Jason Ramsey, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; John Thompson, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

MEETING CONTINUED

This meeting was continued until 5:30 p.m. on July 30, 2007, the Social Services Board.

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Karen H. Hodock, Chairman

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Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator