

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Court House, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-fifth day of October at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

PRESENT: Karen Hodock, Nick Asbury, Henry Blessing, Jason R. Ramsey

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Eric Workman, County Administrator, Carol J. Hall, Deputy Administrator,  
Paul Cassell, County Attorney

#### CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairman Nick Asbury, chairing the meeting, called the October 25, 2011, Board of Supervisor's monthly meeting to order.

#### INVOCATION

#### PLEDGE TO FLAG

The invocation was offered and pledge to the flag was led by Supervisor Jason Ramsey.

#### OCTOBER 25, 2011 MEETING AGENDA APPROVED WITH ADDITIONS

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the October 25, 2011 meeting agenda, with additions was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

#### OCTOBER 25, 2011 CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the October 25, 2011, Consent Agenda which consists of the bills for October 2011 in the amount of \$215,731.35, payroll for September 30, 2011 in the amount of \$99,699.97, reports from the Sheriff, Treasurer, Animal/Litter Control, Building Official, E-911, Public Works Director, Meals & Lodging and Recycling reports, were made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

#### SOCIAL SERVICES AUGUST 2011 REPORT APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the August 2011, Social Services' report in the amount of \$67,172.33 with the local allotment being \$9,369.23, was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

#### SCHOOLS NOVEMBER 2011 REQUISITION APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve and appropriate the Bland County School Boards' November 2011 requisition, in the amount of \$800,000.00, to approve the meeting minutes of September 1, 2011, September 26, 2011 and approve the check registers and Vendor payments submitted for September 2011 were made by Karen Hodock, with second by Henry Blessing.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

#### BUILDING OFFICIAL/ZONING REPORTS

Joel Cagle, Building Official presented an update on inspections, zoning complaints and advised of the 2011 canning season closing dates.

#### COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE

Cindy Wright, Commissioner reported on office activities.

#### TREASURER REPORTS

John Goins, Treasurer reported on office activities.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

New River Land Trust

John Eustis, Executive Director, of the New River Land Trust, a nonprofit land conservation organization, advised of the outreach and education offered to land owners with an interest in rural land, primarily conservation easements.

MECHANICSBURG RURITAN CLUB DAY PROCLAMATION

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the Proclamation establishing October 29, 2011 as Mechanicsburg Ruritan Club Day, recognizing and celebrating the Club's sixty years of existence, was made by Jason Ramsey and seconded by Karen Hodock.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

SURPLUS LIST DECLARED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the property list provided, as surplus and dispose of as per county policy was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

BYRNE ONE-TIME EQUIPMENT GRANTS

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve and appropriate to the Sheriff's 2011-2012 budgets, the Byrne One-time Equipment Grant, (Law Enforcement Technology Initiative), in the amount of \$27,784.00 of Federal Funds and the \$3,087.00 matching funds to be paid for within the sheriffs current budget was made by Karen Hodock, with second made by Henry Blessing.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, abstain; Henry Blessing, yes.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

The County Administrator updated the Board regarding: 1) the Commerce Park Grant; 2) a census breakdown of Bland County ; 3) VDOT's notice as result of the Rt. 612 and Rt. 631 speed study requests; 4) the AT Community designation approved; 5) the county's August 2011 unemployment rate; and 6) the Time Capsule burial planned for Oct. 29, 2011.

CIVIC/DONATION FUNDS FOR CERES RURITAN CLUB ROOF APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION that \$335.00 be moved from the Board's Civic/Community budget line item (Mr. Blessing) and send to the Ceres Ruritan Club, towards the new school roof was made by Henry Blessing and seconded by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

Vice-Chair Mr. Asbury opened the Public Hearing to receive public comment on the application of Appalachian leasing, Inc. to rezone a parcel of property in the Rocky Gap area, from Agricultural to Commercial for the allowed use of an office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were offered.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

Mr. Asbury closed the public hearing.

APPLICATION LEASING, INC. REZONE APPROVED

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to approve the rezone application of Appalachian Leasing, Inc. Tax Map No: 13A1-A-32 in the Rocky Gap District, (former Old Bank Building), from Agricultural to Commercial to use as office space, was made by Karen Hodock and seconded by Henry Blessing.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

ADJOURNMENT

\*\*\*\*\*MOTION to adjourn this meeting until November 29, 2011 was made by Karen Hodock, with second made by Jason Ramsey.

Roll vote: Nick Asbury, yes; Karen Hodock, yes; Jason Ramsey, yes; Henry Blessing, yes.

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Karen H. Hodock, Chairman

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Eric R. Workman, County Administrator