

VIRGINIA: At the Organizational Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the second day of January 2026 at 4:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent:

PRESENT: Keith Costello, Patrick Groseclose, Stephen Kelley and Randy Johnson

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Cameron Burton, County Administrator; and Linda Miller, Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Cameron Burton, Clerk of the Board, called the meeting to order, led the pledge and offered invocation.

2026 BOARD CHAIR ELECTED

Cameron Burton, Clerk of the Board, opened the floor for nominations of Board of Supervisor Chair for the 2026 calendar year.

*****MOTION to nominate Randy Johnson as 2026 Board Chair was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Motion carried.

2026 BOARD VICE-CHAIR ELECTED

Randy Johnson, Chair, opened the floor for nominations of Board of Supervisor Vice-Chair for the 2026 calendar year.

*****MOTION to nominate Patrick Groseclose as 2026 Board Vice-Chair was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Keith Costello. Motion carried.

2026 RULES OF PROCEDURE ADOPTED

*****MOTION to adopt the 2026 Rules of Procedure was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Stephen Kelley. Motion carried unanimously.

2026 BANK ACCOUNT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AS AMENDED AND RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZED AGENTS ADOPTED

*****MOTION to adopt the 2026 Bank Resolutions was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Patrick Groseclose.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Costello – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Kelley -yea; and Mr. Johnson-yea. Motion carried unanimously.

*****MOTION to adopt the resolution reaffirming the county administrator and the deputy county administrator as authorized agents was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Stephen Kelley. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Kelley -yea; Mr. Costello-yea. and Mr. Johnson – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

COUNTY OF BLAND SCHOOL FACILITIES COMMITTEE

*****MOTION to re-appoint Randy Johnson and Patrick Groseclose for a 1-year term to expire December 31, 2026, was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Stephen Kelley. Motion carried.

*****MOTION to Appoint or Re-Appoint the following:

BLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tiffany Carter to the Bland County Public Library Board of Trustees for 4-year terms to expire 12/31/2029.

DISTRICT III GOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE

Randy Johnson and alternate Keith Costello to the District III Governmental Cooperative for 4-year terms to expire 12/31/2029.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

James Starks and John Babbitt to the Economic Development Authority for 4-year terms to expire 2/28/2029.

EQUALIZATION BOARD

Robbie Stuart, Amie Harden, William Leighton, Cindy Wright and Molly Thompson to the Equalization Board.

JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY WYTHE AND BLAND COUNTIES

Randy Johnson to the Joint Public Service Authority for a 2-year term to expire 12/31/2027.

MOUNT ROGERS TRANSPORTATION CITIZEN PARTICIPATION COMMITTEE

Cameron Burton to the Mount Rogers Transportation Citizen Participation Committee for a 2-year term to expire 12/31/2027.

NEW RIVER HIGHLANDS RECREATION & TOURISM COMMITTEE

Cicely Dunford to the New River Highland Recreation & Tourism Committee with an open-ended term.

PATHWAY REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL FACILITY AUTHORITY

Randy Johnson to the Pathway Regional Industrial Facility Authority for a 4-year term to expire 12/31/2029.

SERVICE AUTHORITY

Keith Costello and Stephen Kelley to the Service Authority for a 4-year term to expire 12/31/2029.

SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD

Stephen Kelley, Michelle Farmer, and Debra Davis to the Social Services Board for 4-year terms to expire 12/31/2029.

Lucinda Leighton to the Social Services Board unexpired term to expire 6/30/2026.

NINTH DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT FUND

Cameron Burton to the Ninth District Development Fund for a 2-year term to expire 12/31/2027.

WIRELESS AUTHORITY

Kim Wright, Chris Sutphin and Sheri Dodson to the Wireless Authority for 4-year terms to expire 12/31/2029.

*****was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Costello – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Johnson – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET CALENDAR

*****MOTION to adopt the FY27 Budget Calendar was made by Keith Costello and seconded by Stephen Kelley. Motion carried unanimously.

IRS MILEAGE RATE

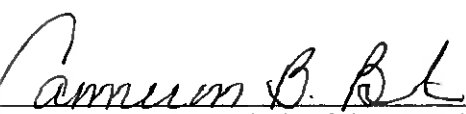
*****MOTION to adopt the IRS Mileage Rate of \$0.725 was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Costello – yea and Mr. Johnson – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

*****MOTION to adjourn was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Motion carried.



Randy Johnson, Chair



Cameron Burton, Clerk of the Board