

VIRGINIA: At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse, Bland, Virginia, on the twenty-fourth day of September 2024 at 5:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent:

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

ABSENT: None

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Keith Costello called the September 24, 2024, Board of Supervisors' monthly meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

The pledge of allegiance to the United States flag was led by Chairman Keith Costello. The invocation was offered by Cameron Burton.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2024, AMENDED MEETING AGENDA

*****MOTION to approve the September 24, 2024, meeting agenda as amended with the removal of the Public Hearing for C.U.P. Map # 34-A-25C was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Motion carried unanimously.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2024, CONSENT AGENDA/SOCIAL SERVICES/SCHOOLS APPROVED

*****MOTION to approve the September 24, 2024, consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of the August 27, 2024 regular meeting; payroll issued August 30, 2024 in the amount of \$160,986.51 and payroll issued September 16, 2024 in the amount of \$146,108.65; bills for the month of July in the amount of \$10,891.62; bills for the month of August in the amount of \$108,368.61; bills for the month of September in the amount of \$261,697.63; reports from the Treasurer, Sheriff's Office, Animal Control, Building Official, Clerk's Office, Zoning, and E911 Coordinator; appropriate the July 2024 Social Services' report in the amount of \$15,794.22 local allotment; and appropriate the Bland County School Board's October 2024 requisition in the amount of \$1,066,358.75; and approve the minutes for the August 8, 2024 regular meeting; approve payroll and vendor payments for August 2024 was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Randy Johnson.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS

ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT FOR BLAND COUNTY FESTIVAL OF LEAVES

*****MOTION to approve and waive any fees for the Entertainment permit for the Bland County Festival of Leaves on October 12 and October 13, 2024, was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

BLAND COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION PERMIT FEES WAIVED

*****MOTION to waive the permit fee for the Bland County Fair Association miscellaneous permit #96-2024 for the amusement devices at the Bland County Fair in the amount of \$30.60 was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Stephen Kelley. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR RE-ZONING TAX MAP #49-A-9

*****MOTION to ratify the approval of the public hearing for the re-zoning of Tax Map #49-A-9 was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Keith Costello opened the public hearing.

No speakers.

Chairman Keith Costello closed the public hearing.

*****MOTION to re-zone Tax Map #49-A-9 to Commercial was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

TRASH BILL ADJUSTMENTS

*****MOTION to adopt the trash bill adjustments for June 2024 through September 2024 in the amount of \$5,291.88 was made by Patrick Groseclose and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

BLAND COUNTY HEALTH INSURANCE RETIREMENT BENEFIT PLAN AND POLICY

*****MOTION to adopt the addition of the Bland County Health Insurance Retiree Benefit Plan and Policy to the current Personnel Policy with effective date of September 1, 2024, was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Kelley – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

*****Move to go into an executive session to discuss personnel matters: tourism, pursuant to 2.2-3711-A paragraph 1 of the Code of Virginia was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Randy Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR SESSION

*****Move to return to regular session was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Patrick Groseclose. Motion carried unanimously.


CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

*****Move to adopt the Certification of Executive Meeting pursuant to the provisions for Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia and the reading of certification of an executive session to certify that only items announced by the board were discussed was made by Stephen Kelley and seconded by Patrick Groseclose.
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Kelley – yea; Mr. Groseclose – yea; Mr. Johnson – yea; and Mr. Costello – yea. Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS

Chairman Keith Costello recessed the meeting until Wednesday, October 9, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.


Keith Costello, Chairman


Cameron B. Burton, Clerk of the Board