

AT A MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 7, 1996, IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE
WOODWARD BUILDING, SALUDA, VIRGINIA:

Present: Fred S. Crittenden, Pinetop District
Kenneth W. Williams, Pinetop District
John D. Miller, Jr., Saluda District
Lenora O. Weber, Saluda District
Frank Jessie, Jamaica District

Michael T. Soberick, County Attorney
Charles M. Culley, Jr., County Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Crittenden.

Reverend Terry Sharpe, pastor of Harmony Grove Baptist Church, opened the meeting with prayer. He also led the group in singing Happy Birthday to Jack Miller .

MINUTES

The first item on the agenda, minutes, was discussed by Charles Culley. He said the April 2nd minutes were corrected after delivery to Board members. Page 1, under Disbursements, was corrected to read motion to approve was carried by a 4 to 1 vote. Also, on page 6, under the section Zoning Ordinance Amendment a Resolution was added to minutes creating an additional page. Lee Weber pointed out that on page 2 of the April 16th minutes, under Street Naming, a motion was made by her and seconded by Jack Miller and should be added to those minutes. Mr. Williams made motion to approve the April 2, 15, 16, 29 and May 2, 1996 minutes as corrected. Mr. Miller seconded motion and it carried unanimously.

DISBURSEMENTS

The motion to approve and issue disbursements for April, checks numbered 23833 - 23950, totaling \$237,879.92, was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

The motion to approve payroll for the month of April was made by Mrs. Weber , seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. Checks numbered 23747 - 23839, totaling \$105,451.31 were disbursed as approved.

HIGHWAY MATTERS

Coleman Bridge - Mr. Woodward reported that he was very pleased with travel conditions in West Point due to Coleman Bridge closing. Also, he reported work on the bridge was on schedule.

Route 636/Deltaville - Mr. Woodward led considerable discussion on improvement of Rt. 636 in Deltaville, including current status. Several citizens were present and concern was expressed by Lydia Strickland and Janet Bareford regarding drainage not being satisfactorily corrected. Carolyn Schmalenberger thanked Board for their efforts in this project. Also, Nellie Jane Harrow spoke and presented written documentation from real estate persons showing what will happen to the value of her property if this

project goes forward. She also expressed concern that there had not been any further public hearings. Mr. Williams clarified this concern by verifying there had been no design changes. Mr. Williams made motion that this project be approved, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried by a four to one vote. (Mrs. Weber opposed)

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

Treasurer

Mrs. Wilson presented her monthly cash flow reports. She also reported she had received \$63,000 in April as a result of delinquent letters she had sent.

Sheriff

Mrs. Jones explained the Sheriffs Appropriation Request in his absence. Money in question was from a court ordered auction. It is on the revenue side of his budget and he is requesting it to be returned to his budget. Mr. Williams made motion to accept Appropriation Request, seconded by Jr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Williams:

- Attended Middle Peninsula District Planning Committee meeting which focused on Extension Agents. Discussion followed on reorganization and Agents' responsibility being broadened to cover crops in surrounding counties. The 4-H Agent's job will remain status quo

Mrs. Weber:

- Nothing to report on Social Services. Reported work on sports complex has been delayed due to weather; first stage of Eagle Scout project at the playground is almost completed.

Mr. Jessie:

- Reported on Jail Authority meeting. Discussion followed on various concerns of Board members on costs associated with new jail.

Mr. Miller:

- Reported on Chamber of Commerce meeting, well under way in promoting tourism; Economic Development Committee, expressed impact of loss of Earl Barr and reported that Committee is moving forward on the adoption of Industrial Development Authority.

Mr. Crittenden:

- No report of Airport Committee.

CAREY LATIMORE, MAGISTRATE

Mr. Culley spoke in Mr. Latimore's absence since Mr. Latimore had met with him to discuss his request. Mr. Latimore is requesting an \$8,000 increase in salary to be supplemented by the County. Mrs. Weber suggested taking under advisement until budget work is done.

RESOLUTION - BORROWING OF CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

Mr. Culley reviewed history of facility and presented Resolution for the borrowing of construction funds for Juvenile Detention Center. He requested Board to approve increase borrowing to cover building a 48 bed facility. Mr. Jessie made motion to approve Resolution for this project, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES

Mr. Williams made motion to waive Zoning and Building fees for the Lower Middlesex Volunteer Fire Department, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Mr. Soberick spoke to setting a date for a public hearing on adoption of ordinance creating Industrial Development Authority for Middlesex County. Mr. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams to set June 4 at 10 a.m. as date and time for this hearing. After discussion, motion and second were withdrawn by Mr. Miller and Mr. Williams and new motion setting June 18 as date for public hearing was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously. Also, replacement for Mr. Barr's position was deferred until June meeting.

COUNTY OF MATHEWS - REQUEST FOR ENDORSEMENT OF RESOLUTION REGARDING PROPOSED RELOCATION OF AIDS NAVIGATION TEAM

Mr. Culley suggested supporting this Resolution not to close Coast Guard Station in Mathews County. Mr. Williams made motion to adopt this Resolution, adding Middlesex has second largest number of registered boats of any city or county in the state of Virginia, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

VIRGINIA RETIREMENT SYSTEM - HOUSE BILL 901

Mr. Culley explained this bill allows someone with active military service to purchase additional years of service in the State system. Mrs. Weber made motion not to provide this benefit, Mr. Miller seconded and carried unanimously.

LAWN MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

Mr. Culley reviewed bids from vendors for the purchase of lawn equipment, specifically a John Deere with a 60 inch deck for \$9,950. Motion to purchase the John Deere F-925 model, was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

FINANCING RENOVATIONS AT OLD ST CLARE WALKER

Mr. Culley reviewed the cost of renovations (approximately \$500,0000) at old St. Clare Walker School. He introduced Mr. Ned Smither of Carter Kaplan who presented a loan proposal from First Union Bank. The Board authorized Mr. Smither to get information to be reviewed at meeting on May 21.

HAMPTON ROADS SANITATION DISTRICT - MIDDLE PENINSULA PROJECT

Mr. Jim Pyne from Hampton Roads Sanitation District reported that the feasibility study for Middle Peninsula was approved by Commission in February of this year; i.e. it is feasible for District to provide service on Middle Peninsula. He further explained procedures and working operations to be used for treatment plant for proposed Middle Peninsula sewage system. This type of system is normally a five year project. The next step would be a letter of commitment to Mr. Pyne. These letters would then be used to determine if it would be financially stable for District to pursue.

OLD BUSINESS

Adoption of School Budget for '96-'97

Mr. Worley spoke to textbook provision not included in operations. \$41,633 is localities share for textbooks. After some discussion, Mr. Miller made motion to approve school board budget in the amount of \$7,857,732.09, seconded by Mr. Williams, and carried by a 3 to 2 vote (Weber, Jessie opposed).

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Crittenden recommended having a Resolution drafted in memory of Captain Earl Barr for the many committees he served on and for the things he did for the county. Mr. Culley is to draft a resolution for presentation at next Board meeting.

Mr. Williams addressed the need for county to initiate twice a year tax billing. Also, it was suggested the tax committee be reactivated to look at ways to raise money other than through taxes. Board members were asked to think of people who might be willing to serve on this committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion to convene in executive session to discuss matters relating to personnel, per Section 2.1-344.a1, Code of Virginia, was made by Mr. Jessie, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. Upon reconvening in open session, the following motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously:

- To the best of the members knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted and identified in the motion by which the executive meeting convened were discussed in executive session.

Action:

- There was no action as a result of the Executive Session

ADJOURN

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned until May 21, 1996.

Fred S. Crittenden, Chairman
Board of Supervisors