

AT A MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1997, 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

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Crittenden, and opened with a prayer.

MINUTES

The draft minutes of the Board meetings of September 2 and September 16 were considered for approval. The motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Miller and unanimously carried.

DISBURSEMENTS

The motion to approve disbursements for September was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously. Checks numbered 27664 through 27801 totaling \$353,918.79 were disbursed as approved.

PAYROLL

The motion to approve payroll for September was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. Checks numbered 27570 through 27663 totaling \$107,944.48 were disbursed as approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Williams:

- PDC - all Board members attended.
- Rappahannock River Basin Committee – Meeting held on October 1; handout of information will be studied by Mr. Soberick for discussion at evening Board meeting.
- Pfesteria Information Meeting at VIMS: attended with Mr. Miller. No additional information presented.

Mrs. Weber:

- Social Services – possibility of additional children being taken into custody.
- Comprehensive Services – currently 13 cases active
- Library Board – The motion to sponsor a 4/12/98 concert by the Richmond Symphony was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously.

Mr. Miller:

- Chamber of Commerce – Cooking school was a success. A bake sale will be scheduled for the Saturday before Thanksgiving.
- Dragon Run Steering Committee – Meeting held on September 2nd. Jim Uzel presented hypothetical scenario of creating a reservoir from the Dragon Run.
- IDA – several members are attending classes. Conducting survey of existing facilities and see if improvements can be made to improve businesses.
- Economic Development Committee – It was the understanding of this committee that County Administrator is to contact the Chairman of the EDC for a final report.
- Planning Commission – Mr. Miller will not be able to attend the meeting on October 14.

Mr. Crittenden:

- Airport Committee – in preparation for air/car show.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

Commissioner of Revenue: working on real estate information for 1998.

Sheriff: The motion to approve the appropriation of \$7,684 from the general fund for the purchase of a base station from Gately Communication was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY MATTERS

Secondary Road Plan: Mr. Woodward presented VDOT recommendations for paved and unpaved projects during a work session on the secondary highway improvement plan. Paved projects, with the number one priority listed first were: Route 636 (hope to advertise next year), Route 631 (more hazardous than Route 630) and Route 630. Unpaved projects, with the number one priority listed first were: Route 648 (first phase), Route 648, (second phase), Route 604. It was noted that Route 686 project was dropped from the plan because donated right of way could not be obtained. The Route 648 projects could also be dropped if obtaining right of way remained a problem.

A public hearing on the secondary road plan is scheduled for the Board's October 21st meeting.

SCHOOL MATTERS

Appropriation Requests:

Board members considered the following appropriation requests: \$3,000 - special education technology grant; \$1,402 - additional federal grant, Title VI; \$5020 - early intervention reading initiative grant; and \$12,473.78 - textbook carryover fund from FY97. The motion to approve all appropriations as requested was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously. No new local funds will be required to match these grants.

Route 33 Widening:

Mr. Lackey requested the Board's assistance in dealing with the Department of Transportation on the issue of buses not fitting in the median at the middle school.

Director of Instruction:

The School Board has hired Barbara Vanover as Interim Director of Instruction and will advertise in the spring for an assistant superintendent.

School Repairs:

Mr. Lackey received the Board's endorsement to add wiring for technology with the approximate \$13,000 that was saved this past summer on the Schools' painting project. The School Board engaged inmate personnel to paint the schools.

OPERATION THANKSGIVING

The motion to endorse the Bethlehem Star Lodge Operation Thanksgiving project was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously. Fifty-six families were served last year and jail personnel assisted with delivery.

ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Thyra Harris, representing the Anniversary Committee, showed Board members the proposed design for the four (4) gateway signs to be installed at entrances to the County. The signs will be constructed and installed by Mr. Steve Smith, "Kaptain Krunch", with the Regional Jail asked to assist with construction of brick bases. The motion to approve the appropriation of an additional \$3,000 to the Anniversary Committee to assist with their celebration planning was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS

Chesapeake Bay Agency on Aging:

The motion to re-appoint Dr. James Robusto to his second three (3) year term, effective October 1, 1997, on the Agency on Aging, was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Weber and carried unanimously.

Airport Committee:

The motion to appoint Mr. Charles D. Smith, Jr. to fill the unexpired term of Patrick Clifton, Jamaica District, was made by Mr. Jessie, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. This term will expire August 31, 2000.

Disability Services Board:

The motion to appoint Mr. "Skitch" Colaw to replace Tim Wilson on the Disability Services Board was made by Mr. Jessie, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously. Mr. Williams added that he would check with Harmony Grove Baptist Church on the availability of transportation to assist Mr. Colaw with transportation to the meetings.

APPROPRIATION REQUESTS

Planning Department:

The motion to approve the appropriation of \$2,000 to assist with payment for tax maps used in the Planning Department was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. The total price of the maps was \$3,468, with the balance to be paid by the Commissioner of Revenue.

Sports Complex:

The motion to approve the appropriation of \$740 to cover expenditures by the Sports Complex Commission was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

Building Department:

The motion to approve the appropriation of \$20,717 to the building department to fund the additional position of building inspector/erosion and sediment control inspector, was made by Mr. Jessie, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

Agent Kendra Kyle was present to update the Board on 4-H activities in the County and to celebrate National 4-H week.

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (VACo)

The motion to appoint Mr. Williams as the voting delegate at the annual Virginia Association of Counties meeting was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously. The motion to name Charles Culley as alternate voting delegate was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

VIRGINIA JUVENILE COMMUNITY CRIME CONTROL ACT

The motion adopting the following resolution and authorizing the County Administrator to sign an application to apply for juvenile detention grant funds was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. These funds, a maximum of \$15,000, if approved, will be administered through the court services unit and can be used for electronic monitoring or juvenile programs, but cannot be used to pay detention costs.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia adopted the Virginia Crime Control Act during the 1995 Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Act is to establish balanced, community based systems of sanctions, programs, and services for juvenile offenders; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive funds allocated to the County of Middlesex by this Act, a local plan detailing sanctions, programs, and services to be provided is required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Middlesex County does hereby approve the submission of the County of Middlesex Local Plan and further authorizes the County Administrator to submit amendments or adjustments to the Plan as may be required to serve the best interest of Middlesex citizens and its local Juvenile Justice System and as needed to the Commonwealth of Virginia for this purposed.

HAMPTON ROADS SANITATION DISTRICT

Mr. Culley updated the Board regarding the Hampton Roads Sanitation District. There are now no administrative fees charged to join; project themselves will cover the costs of administration and HRSD staff can be used for projects. The motion requesting the County Attorney petition the Court to allow Middlesex County to join in the District, was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Middlesex County Board of Supervisors may wish to provide wastewater collection and treatment services for County residents in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Hampton Roads Sanitation District would provide Middlesex County with the best opportunity for efficient and affordable wastewater collection and treatment services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Middlesex County does hereby propose that the territory of the County of Middlesex, Virginia be incorporated into the Hampton Roads Sanitation District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Middlesex County Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Attorney to prepare the necessary documents, including the petition to be submitted to the Circuit Court of competent jurisdiction, for expansion of the Hampton Roads Sanitation District to include the County of Middlesex, Virginia.

ST. CLARE WALKER RENOVATION

Building Renovation:

Board members reviewed the following bids received for renovation of the St. Clare Walker project.

COMPANY	BASE BID	ALTERNATE #1	ALTERNATE #2	ALTERNATE #3	TOTAL
The Allen Group, Inc.	\$663,540	\$8,500	\$14,000		\$686,040
Walden's Construction	\$675,154				\$675,154
Commonwealth Constructors	\$690,350	\$3,000	\$14,000		\$707,350
C. D. Hayes, Inc.	\$734,834	\$9903	\$13,634		\$1,465,721
Auger Construction	\$751,100	\$8,500	\$15,500	\$2,200	\$777,300
Delaware Corp.	\$799,500	\$9,815	\$27,555		\$836,870
Southern Air	\$1,136,103	\$9,815	\$9,000		1,154,918

According to Mr. Culley, the bid from Walden's Construction did not separate prices for the alternates. Assuming Walden's bid included the alternates, and comparing it with the bids from the other companies including the alternates, Walden Construction was the apparent low bidder. Mr. Culley presented an estimate of \$818,105.55 for the total project, using Walden Construction's bid and including estimates for the telephone system, parking areas, furniture and 5% contingency; a total cost of \$54.31 per square foot. The Board was reminded that the original estimate of \$500,000 proposed in 1995 did not include new furniture, the telephone system, framed walls or the upgraded ventilation system.

The motion to enter contract negotiations with Walden Construction was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Weber and carried unanimously.

Parking Lots:

Only one bid was received for construction of new parking lots at the Old St. Clare Walker School, this being from Middle Peninsula Construction for \$37,583. The motion to reject this bid was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

COURTHOUSE SEPTIC SYSTEM

Two (2) bids were received for the second bidding of the Courthouse Septic System – Farmer's Septic Service, \$70,700; Stamie Lyttle Co., \$106,326.00. The motion to accept the bid from Farmer's Septic Service was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER BASIN STUDY COMMISSION

Board members reviewed the draft structure for a continuing basin commission. No action was taken at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Telephone Rate Structure:

Handouts of the proposed new rate structure for telephone service were presented to the Board for their review. Telephone company officials have indicated they would meet with the Board to help explain the proposal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion to convene in executive session for consultation with legal counsel, per Section 2.1-344.a7, was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

Upon reconvening in open session, the following motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Jessie 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:

- As a result of the Executive Session, there was no action to report.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until October 21, 1997, at 7:30 P.M..

Fred S. Crittenden, Chairman
Board of Supervisors