

AT A MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 5, 1998, 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**

Mr. Crittenden called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., and opened with a prayer.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the April 7th meeting of the Board were reviewed and a motion for their approval was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. Minutes from the April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting will be presented for approval at the May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Mr. Culley updated the Board on the status of underground storage tank removal. All tanks have been removed; all four (4) sites will require some remedial action. The State will pay for clean-up of some sites if expenses exceed \$5000; tanks that were not found to be leaking, such as at the bus shop, may not receive State funds. The temporary tanks currently in use by the School system will be removed when the school year is over.

The renovation of the old St. Clare Walker School is proceeding with completing estimated for mid-July. A print out showing change orders to date will be sent to each Board member.

The motion to approve disbursements for April, dated May 5, was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously. Checks numbered 29302 through 29415 totaling \$313,369.49 were disbursed as approved.

**PAYROLL**

The motion to approve payroll for the month of April was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. Checks numbered 29212 through 29298 totaling \$108,885.86 were disbursed as approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Williams

- Planning District Commission – PDC requested to nominate person to fill vacancy created by Jay Black's resignation from the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Board. Creating a Middle Peninsula Travel Council – seeking local official and county administrators from each county to begin.

Mrs. Weber:

- Anniversary Committee – presented draft programs for May 9<sup>th</sup> celebration. The signs have not been installed yet and flags are not ready.
- Social Services Luncheon – Annual volunteer recognition luncheon was held on April 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Comprehensive Services – Will be attending seminar in Williamsburg on May 8<sup>th</sup>.
- VDOT — attended primary roads pre-allocation hearing in Montross with Mr. Culley to request funding for turn lane at Harmony Village and increased signage at the Hartfield intersection.
- Airport – Mrs. Weber requested an additional sign be installed off Route 646/663, designating the direction to follow for the airport access road.

Mr. Jessie:

- Jail Authority – Jail construction is 75% complete

Mr. Miller:

- Chamber of Commerce – sponsoring an art show in Urbanna on June 6<sup>th</sup>; also working on a drug symposium for June.
- VACo – serving on an environmental committee that will be meeting later in month in Richmond; requested Board members to notify him of concerns he could present to VACo.

Mr. Crittenden:

- Airport Committee – David Johnson resigned from the Airport Committee and the Airport Task Force.

## **CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS**

Sheriff:

- Magistrate Situation – Sheriff Dandridge informed the Board of current problems with magistrates who were unwilling to use the existing jail conference room to serve clients. The Sheriff commented that he is concerned for the safety of his office personnel during times that the magistrate is in his office. The Jail Authority was willing to provide an office in the new facility with an outside entrance, but a change order of \$75,000 for additional public and private restrooms to serve that office was not approved. The Jail Authority suggested the magistrates go to individual counties to request the funds for the additional restrooms. No one representing the magistrates has contacted the Middlesex Board of Supervisors requesting these funds.

Mr. Soberick, Mr. Culley and the Sheriff are to meet with the chief magistrate to discuss this issue. The Board expressed their opposition to the suggestion for an addition to the sheriff's office for the magistrates, but encouraged the Sheriff to proceed with whatever is necessary to ensure the safety of his employees and the public.

- Parking – Sheriff Dandridge requested the Board's consideration and assistance with the lack of parking facilities for his facility. Mr. Culley noted that additional space should be available once the school board moves its offices to the renovated complex at Cooks Corner.

Treasurer:

- Balance Sheet – the balance sheet as of the beginning of May was presented to the Board. Tax tickets for the second half of 1998 real estate billing have gone out.

### **HIGHWAY MATTERS**

- Maintenance – the mowing contractor will begin on May 6. Pipes have been opened at the beaver pond on Route 631. A bid invitation will be placed in July for the Route 636 project. New warning signs have been installed at the Route 3/33 intersection at Hartfield; a study of traffic flows is planned for the summer.
- Route 33 & 3 Intersection, Harmony Village – an acceleration lane has been estimated by VDOT at \$100,000 and as cost prohibitive. Mr. Miller and Mrs. Weber were asked to contact the District engineer to explain dissatisfaction with this idea.
- Route 632/633 – recommended to reduce speed to 35 mph; subdivisions will be posted at 25 mph.
- Route 17 – Dragon Run Bridge – Repairs have been completed at the Dragon Bridge and both lanes will be opened today.
- Route 708 – Johnny Fleet and Walter Palmer have requested abandonment of the portion of Route 708 along the water. It was noted that this road provides current public access to the Piankatank. No action was taken on this matter.
- Route 618 – Mrs. Weber requested that VDOT check on the current and proposed access for the jail and whether or not a turn lane was required. It was requested that reduced speed limit signs be installed during the period of jail construction.

### **SCHOOL MATTERS**

- High School – Honor student banquet is being planned.
- Computer Network – Kevin Rose is working on establishing a computer network between all schools and the central office. Internet screenings are also being discussed.
- Prom and After-Prom – The prom and after-prom activities at the Wellness Center in Gloucester went well.
- Great Computer Challenge – competition went well
- Drug Task Force – the group is meeting and working on identification of problems.
- St. Clare Walker – the Sheriff's Department continues to monitor and control traffic at SCW.
- Purchase of land – the School Board has entered into a contract to purchase 4 acres of land behind the high school. The motion to approve the appropriation and expenditure of \$7,500 to the School Board, one-half the total purchase price, was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.
- School Budget Adoption – The motion to adopt the following resolution was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

## APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the Middlesex County Board of Supervisors has heretofore received a budget from the Middlesex County School Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Middlesex County Board of Supervisors has held a public hearing for the School Board's Budget for fiscal year 1998-99; and

**WHEREAS**, the Middlesex County Board of Supervisors has included funds in the County General Fund for School Operations Fund in the amount of \$4,418,623.00, and in the School's Capital Project Fund in the amount of \$142,500.00, and in the School's Textbook Fund of \$51,662.00, and

**WHEREAS**, the Middlesex County School Board has adopted a General School Fund Budget for the fiscal year 1999, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Middlesex County Board of Supervisors hereby appropriates to the following categories the Middlesex County General School Fund Budget:

<i>Instruction</i>	<i>\$6,440,734.17</i>
<i>Administration, Attendance &amp; Health</i>	<i>\$429,860.01</i>
<i>Pupil Transportation</i>	<i>\$489,756.33</i>
<i>Operation &amp; Maintenance</i>	<i>\$777,712.77</i>
<i>Debt Service</i>	<i>\$641,275.00</i>
<i>Total School General Fund</i>	<i>\$8,779,338.28</i>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Middlesex County Board of Supervisors hereby appropriates to the School Food Fund, the School Textbook Fund and the School Capital Improvement Fund, the following amounts:

<i>School Food Fund</i>	<i>\$387,652.67</i>
<i>Textbook Fund</i>	<i>\$75,000.00</i>
<i>Capital Improvements Fund</i>	<i>\$142,500.00</i>

## VIRGINIA POWER – SERVICE AGREEMENT

The motion approving the three-(3) year agreement for governmental electric service from Virginia Power, as negotiated by the Virginia Association of Counties, was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. It was noted that the new contract reflects a 4% reduction from the last contract, effective July 1, 1997.

## STREET NAME APPLICATION

The motion to approve the street name application for Hunton Creek Lane was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

## ENHANCED 911

Mr. Culley advised the Board that the next step in the enhanced 911 process is to develop a Request for Professional Services.

## TEEN CENTER

The Board considered a request from the Teen Center Council, PTSA, that they be allowed to pursue local construction companies for cost estimates and design

possibilities to building an addition to the gym at the old St. Clare Walker School for a permanent teen center location. The Board indicated their willingness to help within reason. It was requested that Mr. Culley further research the request, taking a better look at what is at the site and what there is room for.

### **DELTAVILLE WATER SYSTEM**

Mr. Culley presented information relating to the survey conducted for users of the proposed Deltaville water system. There were 757 responses received (of 1196), 255 indicated 100% in favor of a water system, 184 indicated 100% opposition. Mr. Culley noted that the studies have indicated that an 80-90% connection rate was needed to make the system work financially. Mr. Soberick added that the County could not borrow money for the system without an ordinance requiring mandatory connection. Mr. Culley was instructed to contact Roger Hart, engineer with R. Stuart Royer & Assoc., the engineering firm for the project, to discuss information to be presented to the citizens.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

No action was taken regarding several positions that are due to expire, or to fill a vacancy on the Board of Zoning Appeals from the Saluda District.

### **ST. CLARE WALKER RENOVATION -- NAME**

Board members considered a name for the renovated office building, formerly the old St. Clare Walker School. After some discussion, it was motioned by Mr. Jessie, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously, to name the building the Cooks Corner Office Complex.

### **APPROPRIATIONS**

#### ***Locklies Creek Dock:***

The motion to approve the appropriation of \$8,840.00, the cost of reconstructing the Locklies Creek Dock, was made Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

#### ***Sewer Construction:***

The motion to approve the appropriation of \$71,020.00, the contract amount for courthouse sewer construction plus engineer's fees spent to date in FY 98, was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

#### ***Abandoned Vehicles:***

The motion to approve an appropriation of \$840.00 from the revenue received from the abandoned vehicle program was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously. It was noted that \$1400 had been received from the Department of Motor Vehicles (\$50 per vehicle), of which \$30 per vehicle was paid to Doc Jones Auto Parts for vehicle pick up and disposal.

### **CHESAPEAKE BAY LOCAL ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT**

Mr. Crittenden presented Board members with a resume submitted by Mr. Jeff Bleimel, who requested the Board's endorsement towards appointment to the Board of Directors of the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department. There being no objection, a letter of endorsement would be sent to the Planning District Commission, the agency requested to make a recommendation to CBLAD.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The motion to convene in Executive Session for consultation with legal counsel, per Code of Virginia, Section 2.1-344.a7, to discuss the airport was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

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

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### ***VMRC Meeting:***

A meeting had not yet been scheduled with representatives of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission regarding a deteriorated boathouse in Meachims Creek.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until May 19, 1998, at 7:30 P.M.

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Fred S. Crittenden, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors