

AT A MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1999, 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 motion to approve the minutes of the July 6th and July 20th meetings was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

DISBURSEMENTS

The motion to approve disbursements was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Weber and carried unanimously. Checks numbered 33023 through 33208, \$476,235.35, and 33210 through 33208, totaling \$16,964.81 were disbursed as approved.

PAYROLL

The motion to approve payroll for the month of July was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously. Checks numbered 32835 through 33014 totaling \$129,999.94 were disbursed as approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Williams:

- Rappahannock River Basin - Next Meeting August 18; Mrs. Weber will serve as alternate to the Commission

Mrs. Weber:

- Social Services – A performance review of the Director is to be conducted. The Director has requested full time aid to help with Comprehensive Services and foster care.
- Communications Committee – Atlantic Tower Corporation is looking into County access on GTE towers for microwaving radio signals. Also use of fiberoptic could be used as a negotiating tool with the cablevision company.

Mr. Jessie:

- Regional Jail – The Jail Board attorney is negotiating with Sydnor Hydrodynamics to provide a generator for emergency water supply to the Jail. Mr. Jessie will check on the amount of debt service covered by the Jail budget.

Mr. Miller: No report

Mr. Crittenden:

- Airport Committee – A sub-committee was appointed to make a recommendation for filling an at-large position. Representatives are planning on attending the Planning Commission meeting to offer favorable comments on the Delaware Corporation application. The Wings and Wheels Committee is looking at parking cars behind the terminal building.

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES - JEFFERSON AWARD

The motion to endorse a nomination for James Moore, Essex County, to receive the VACo Jefferson Award was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

Treasurer:

Complaints have been received from citizens who have to pay interest on semi-annual tax payments made after June 5th.

Sheriff:

Mr. Soberick advised the Sheriff that surplus weapons sold privately should be returned for public sale. Sheriff Dandridge indicated he would contact Mr. Soberick or Mr. Culley with information about getting the guns back for re-sale. The Sheriff indicated that in the past new guns have been acquired by trading surplus and confiscated weapons, at no cost to the County.

HIGHWAY MATTERS

Rt. 3/33 – Traffic engineering is looking into warning system for intersection.

Rt. 636 - Project should be finished by November.

Six Year Plan - Resident Engineer Sullivan recommended having a public hearing to consider six-year plan requests in October.

Rt. 629 – A public hearing to hear comments regarding the abandonment of discontinued right of way is scheduled for the August 17 Board meeting.

Rt. 33 - The motion to approve the following abandonment and addition to the primary system for the first phase of the Route 33 widening project was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously:

RESOLUTION
PROJECT 0033-059-106,C-502

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation has provided this Board with a sketch dated August 18, 1998 depicting the abandonment required in the primary system of highways as a result of Project 0033-059-106, C-502, which sketch is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

WHEREAS, the portions of the old road identified to be abandoned are deemed to no longer serve the public convenience warranting maintenance at public expense, and

WHEREAS, the new road serves the same citizens as those portions of the old road identified to be abandoned and those segments no longer serve a public need, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this Board concurs with the abandonment as part of the primary system of highways, those portions of road identified by the sketch to be abandoned, pursuant to Section 33.1-144.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Resident Engineer for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Rt. 648 - The motion to amend the length of the Rt. 648 project was made by Mr. Jessie, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION
ROUTE 648 CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, the paving of Route 648 is the number one project listed on the adopted Six Year Improvement Plan for Middlesex County; and

WHEREAS, the adopted Plan listed the overall length of the project as 0.94 mile, leaving 0.2 mile unpaved; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the public that uses Route 648 and Bill Sullivan, the Resident Engineer of the Virginia Department of Transportation Saluda Residency, to complete the entire length of Route 648;

WHEREAS, changing the description in the Six Year Improvement Plan would allow the Virginia Department of Transportation to complete the full construction of Route 648 to its terminus;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, to change the description on the adopted Six Year Improvement Plan to say the following:

Route 648, Montague Island Road, project 0648-059-P17, N502

From: 0.8 miles north Route 604

To: Dead End

Length: 1.17 miles

SCHOOL MATTERS

SOL Scores - School Superintendent Lackey complimented his teachers and students on their progress relative to Standard of Learning testing. Middlesex County Schools are ahead of the State average in some areas.

Technology - The School has an 8-year refurbishment plan for technology equipment.

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Representatives from the Community Services Board staff, Yvonne Wingrove, Lee Price, Bill Wallace, and Charles Walsh, were present along with Lee Savidge, representing the CSB of Directors, to present the request for approval of the CSB performance contract or budget. The contract presents an increase of 3%, funded primarily with federal money and client fees. Mrs. Wingrove explained the CSB struggle to have accounting/billing systems brought on-line, which delayed client billing and delays in receiving reimbursements from Medicaid.

It was explained that there are currently 15 mentally retarded clients served with three on a waiting list. Most new money for mental health and substance abuse will be used toward housing and to fund a substance abuse clinician for adolescents. New target populations are substance abusing women with children under three and

substance abusing pregnant women. The CSB is hoping to expand services at the jail and to do a much better job of tracking cases. Comprehensive services cases are also anticipated to grow.

The Counties of King William, Lancaster and Mathews had previously approved the contract. The motion to approve the performance contract between the CSB and Middlesex County was made by Mrs. Weber, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT - PERCOLATION REGULATIONS

Dr. Phillip Winter, Director, and Bill Perry, Sanitarian Supervisor, Three Rivers Health District, were present to update the Board on revisions to percolation regulations that will become effective October 1, 1999. According to Mr. Perry, the minimum separation distance, currently 2" - 20" between the bottom of the drainfield trench and the seasonal water table, will be increasing to an 18" minimum; a 12" minimum if the effluent is pre-treated. These regulations were revised after the implementation of the Chesapeake Bay Act and after consideration of an original recommendation by the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Board that the minimum distance be expanded to 36". Public hearings on the proposed regulations were conducted in 1996, but not adopted until March of this year. The changes in the regulations could require the installation of non-conventional systems, doubling or tripling the cost of installation, plus increasing maintenance cost.

Mr. Ed Ruark commented that the Health Department has been issuing certification letters, good for five (5) years to people who think they will be able to install a conventional system. Mr. Perry noted that the letters certify that a percolation site is available, but does not specify what type of system could be used. It was noted that perhaps the letter should have been revised to indicate the increase in standards. Eric Johnson questioned if there was a way to grandfather the existing letter holders.

The motion to contact the legislators and other counties for support and request for assistance was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

DELTAVILLE CIVIC ASSOCIATION

The motion to approve the disbursement of matching funds in the amount of \$5,000 to the Deltaville Civic Association for their tennis court repairs was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller. Approval of this request was based on the conditions established by the Board at their January 19, 1999, meeting regarding fund raising contributions to community organizations.

MUSEUM SIGNS

The Board considered a request from the Middlesex County Museum, Inc., for support in waiving County fees and requesting the approval and waiving of fees from the Department of Transportation for the installation of two (2) signs advertising the Museum. In addition, the Board was asked to send a letter of endorsement to Gloucester County requesting fees for installation of one of the signs in that county be waived. The motion to approve the requests was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Weber and carried unanimously. Mr. Crittenden suggested that the signs be changed to add the days of the week that the Museum will be open.

APPOINTMENTS

The motion to make the following re-appointments was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously:

COMMITTEE	PERSON (DISTRICT)	TERM LENGTH	EXPIRATION DATE
Planning District Commission	Curtis Jones (at large)	1 year	June 30, 2000
Wetlands Board	B. Ulman Miller (P)	5 years	June 30, 2004
Wetlands Board	Elliott Reed (J)	5 years	June 30, 2004
Planning Commission	J. D. Davis (S)	4 years	June 30, 2003
Planning Commission	George Harris (P)	4 years	June 30, 2003
Planning Commission	Henry Easton (J)	4 years	June 30, 2003
Airport Committee	W. Chris Jones (S)	4 years	August 31, 2003
Airport Committee	Larry Hardwicke (J)	4 years	August 31, 2003

The motion included the appointment of Mr. John Waltrap in place of Ray Rodgers as an at-large member on the Airport Committee. Mr. Waltrap's term will expire on August 31, 2003.

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AREAS & LOCAL BOARDS

Mr. Culley and Mr. Miller reported on the seminar they attended concerning the replacement of the Private Industry Council with Workforce Investment Areas and local boards. Information they received indicated the local board of supervisors would have responsibility for money spent with the program, however, would have no control for the programs. No action was taken by the Board of Supervisors to establish a local board.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Mr. Culley informed the Board that preliminary premium quotes from the County's health insurance carrier indicated a raise in premiums of 60%, effective September 1. Mr. Culley requested the Board to declare a state of emergency

enabling the by-pass of procurement requirements to seek quotes from other health insurance providers. The motion endorsing this request was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Mrs. Weber presented the Board with a copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Jessie regarding a request for the creation of an Aide II position at the Department of Social Services. Mrs. Weber assured the Board that she would be discussing the request with the Director.

CLOSED SESSION

The motion to convene in Closed Session with John Moore, Chairman of the School Board, for the following purpose was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously: discussion of land acquisition for school construction per exemption of §2.1-344.A3, Code of Virginia, as amended, to discuss or consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, where discussion in an open meeting would affect the bargaining position of the public body.

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 from open meeting requirements under Code of Virginia §2.1-344.1 and identified in the motion by which the closed meeting convened were heard, discussed, or considered by the public body.

Action:

There was no action as a result of the Closed Session.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chairman. The next regular meeting of the Board was scheduled for August 17, 1999, at 7:30 P.M.

Fred S. Crittenden, Chairman
Board of Supervisors