

AT A MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 3, 2007, IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE
WOODWARD BUILDING, SALUDA, VIRGINIA:

Present: John D. Miller, Jr., Saluda District
Kenneth W. Williams, Pinetop District
Wayne Jessie, Sr., Jamaica District
Fred S. Crittenden, Pinetop District
Robert A. Crump, Saluda District

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by the Chairman, Mr. Miller. Mr. Culley introduced Matt Kraegel as the new Wetlands staff person. Mr. Miller led the group in prayer; Mr. Culley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

The motion to approve the minutes from the meetings of June 5th and June 19th as corrected was made by Mr. Crump, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

DISBURSEMENTS

The motion to approve the disbursements as presented was made by Mr. Crump seconded by Mr. Crittenden and carried unanimously. Checks were disbursed as follows: those 58797-58839, 58898 and 58794-58796 for the month of June totaling \$27,524.69 and 58870-58897, 58899 and 58791-58792 for the month of July totaling \$409,856.95.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

Sheriff

There was no one present to represent the Sheriff's Department.

Treasurer

Mrs. Bray reported that there were 95% collections of real estate taxes due June 5th.

Commissioner of Revenue:

Mrs. Stephenson, Commissioner, requested the Board's approval to use her offices to sell and renew license plates and titles as part of the DMV Select program. The State will return a portion of the fees to the County. Mrs. Stephenson asked that a portion of the fees returned be given to the Commissioner's deputies that handle the program. The motion to conduct the program and allow a portion of the fees to be used to compensate the deputies was made by Mr. Crittenden, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY MATTERS

Resident Administrator, Marcie Parker, was present representing VDOT.

Urbanna Bridge: The project was completed four days early and \$42,000.00 under budget.

Healy's Mill: The stabilization project has been completed; once the ground has settled it will be repaved.

Route 631: Slope repairs and wetlands mitigation have been completed. Mr. Crittenden commented that there needed to be silt fencing installed above the riprap to catch the runoff from the field. Mr. Crittenden informed Mrs. Parker that he wanted to be present when the inspector came to look at the repair work. Joyce McGowan, Assistant Resident Administrator, stated that the filter cloth that has been installed under the riprap will stop some of the runoff, however, VDOT employees cannot go on private property to correct any problems.

Paving Route 615: Surface treatment has been completed.

Routes. 625 & 628: turn lanes will be paved the week of July 23rd.

Route 3: A reduced speed limit in the area of Dirt Bridge Road is not recommended.

Runoff: The runoff appears to be originating from a stream 200' feet off the right of way. Mrs. Parker suggested contacting someone with the Department of Environmental Quality to see what the contaminants may be.

Grass Cutting: A letter will be sent to the contractor notifying him that the first cutting was unacceptable.

Norris Bridge: VDOT crews have been chain dragging the surface to determine where there has been separation of the concrete on the deck.

Heritage Day: Mr. Crittenden thanked Mrs. Parker for having crews clean up the sidewalk areas for Heritage Days in Deltaville.

SCHOOL MATTERS

Appropriation Request: Mr. Fairheart requested the Board's approval of the \$26,200.00 appropriation to the schools transportation and operation and maintenance departments. It was also requested that \$10,000.00 be transferred from Instruction to Transportation and \$13,000.00 be transferred from Administration to Operation and Maintenance. The motion to approve the transfers and appropriation was made by Mr. Crump, seconded by Mr. Williams and carried unanimously. FROM: 3-1-41060-0001, \$25,000.00 TO: 4-23-60010-6301 and FROM: 3-1-41060-0001, \$1,200.00 TO: 4-23-60010-6305.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board members presented their reports of individual committee meetings.

REQUEST FOR SEWER

Mr. Charles Records, co-owner of Zandler Development, requested that the Board expand the scope of the wastewater treatment project to extend collection lines along Route 33 west, approximately 600 feet, and to allow Zandler Development to tie in to the system. Mr. Records explained that his company intends to develop approximately 35 acres with 69 two-family dwellings, a restaurant and deli, specialty grocery and recreational facility. Mr. Records explained that connection to the wastewater treatment facility would be the preferred method of development, rather than using up to 70 individual drainfields or constructing their own package plant. Mr. Records stated that his firm was prepared to pay tap fees that have been estimated at \$550,000.00, an amount equaling 13% of the total project cost, while only increasing the total length of the project by 5%.

Mr. Culley commented that additional users would be good for the total system and the costs would be spread. The Board also will have to consider land use issues that tying into the system will give the developer – more flexibility and an opportunity for greater density. Tap fees would have to be established, however, Roger Hart of R. Stuart Royer, has estimated them to be at approximately \$3,700.00 per residential unit.

There was no action taken, however, the Board did suggested that Mr. Records prepare a draft agreement for review by the County Attorney that would include language that the company would pay tap fees at the time of each building permit application.

AIRPORT – HANGAR PROJECT

The lowest of four bids received for construction of the hangar at the airport was from Cirrus Construction, Inc. of Stoneville, NC, in the amount of \$457,805.00. If tax exempt financing was available in the range of 4.95%, it would take between 15 and 20 years to recoup the construction costs. The Board could include this financing with other projects after this year to receive the tax exempt rate. The County has already borrowed its maximum of ten million dollars for this year. A reimbursement resolution could be adopted which would allow the County to pay themselves back with the proceeds from the bond financing. The motion to contact other airports to see what they charge for hangar rental was made by Mr. Crump, seconded by Mr. Crittenden and carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATIONS

The following appropriations were all approved by unanimous votes:

The motion to approve the appropriation of wireless grant reimbursement received was made by Mr. Crump, seconded by Mr. Jessie. FROM: 3-1-24040-0900, \$10,892.00 TO: 4-1-31020-1009.

The motion to approve the appropriation of school activities fees received was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Jessie. FROM: 3-1-23020-0043, \$431.08 TO: 4-1-31020-1006.

The motion to approve the appropriation of workers compensation reimbursement received was made by Mr. Crump, seconded by Mr. Jessie. FROM: 3-1-18030-0003, \$2,305.01 TO: 4-1-31020-1003.

POET LAUREATE

Mrs. Jones introduced Carolyn Foronda of Deltaville who was appointed by Governor Kaine as the Poet Laureate for Virginia. This is an honorary position created to promote greater appreciation for the writing and reading of poetry throughout the state.

OLD BUSINESS

Ice: Mr. Crump informed the Board that the County Administrator's Office has contracted with an ice company and another company for storage so that ice will be available during extended power outages.

Courthouse Repairs: Foaming was completed on Saturday. Replacement of about 300 drilled bricks will take place the second week of July. Also power will be shut off for 7-10 days for generator installation.

Wastewater Treatment: The engineering firm is working on the preliminary engineering report for submittal to the State Health Department.

North End: Mr. Williams and Mr. Crittenden asked to be present when staff meets with the Army Corps of Engineers representative.

Healy's Mill – Route 629: Mr. Soberick stated that the next step would be to schedule a hearing to let the Circuit Court Judge decide whether or not the County can make VDOT do any more repairs to the bridge culvert.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until the regular evening meeting scheduled for July 17, 2007.

John D. Miller, Jr., Chairman
Board of Supervisors