

AT A MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2009, IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE  
HISTORIC COURTHOUSE, SALUDA, VIRGINIA:

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

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairman, Mr. Crump, called the meeting to order. 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 October 6<sup>th</sup>, October 8<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup> was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS**

**Sheriff**

The Sheriff reported that \$25,667.00 had been received in traffic summonses; \$1,790.00 has been collected in sheriff's fees and \$9,476.00 in courthouse security. Regarding cuts in State funding, Mr. Williams asked the Sheriff if there was any indication from the state that sheriff departments would not be effected in the future. The Sheriff commented that the current governor had indicated that there would be no cuts, however, there were.

**Treasurer**

Kathy Thrift was present representing the Treasurer. There were no comments or questions.

**Commissioner of Revenue**

Jessica South was present representing the Commissioner. There were no comments or questions.

## **HIGHWAY MATTERS**

Joyce McGowan was present from the Highway Department and reported on several projects.

**Route 652 and North End Road:** Mr. Crittenden requested that the grass be cut back at the corner of Route 652 and on North End Road to improve site distance.

**Route 630, Stampers Bay:** Bids have been received and are being evaluated; hope to award the project in November. This project has a fixed completion date of November 2010, but hope that it can be completed in the summer.

**Route 620:** Work on the signal at this location continues. When the signal work is completed, the speed limit in the school zone will be increased to 45 mph.

**Route 619:** The speed study has been approved for this road for a posted speed limit of 40 mph. Four curves will be posted with warning signs for 35 mph.

## **SCHOOL MATTERS**

Mr. Fairheart was not present at the meeting, but had turned in a report to the Board.

## **BAY AGING LEASE**

The motion to approve a lease agreement with Bay Aging for lease of a portion of the Puller Center for the senior center was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Crittenden and carried unanimously.

## **BROADBAND AUTHORITY**

Mr. Culley explained that the Planning District Commission was working with a firm to establish a Broadband Authority. The Board has participated in the grant request, but the grant has not been awarded as yet. Board members noted that with economics the way they are it is not good to bind yourself to unknowns. There was no action from the Board.

## **ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

The Planning District Commission is submitting a request for grant funding for up to \$750,000.00 that would be managed by Bay Aging for weatherization improvements to approximately 14 homes per county in the region. This grant would require no local match. The motion to endorse the application for the grant funds was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously.

### **TIER III REQUEST FOR URBANNA CREEK**

No action was taken regarding the request for comments on a Tier III application submitted by the Town of Urbanna for Urbanna Creek. Board members suggested Mr. Culley seek additional information from the State Water Control Board.

### **CENSUS COMMITTEE**

The motion to appoint the following citizens to a citizen's census committee was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously: Purnell Wood, Gloria Johnson, Michael Cooke.

### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

The motion to approve the following additional days as county holidays was made by Mr. Williams seconded by Miller: close at noon on November 25 and closed all day on December 24.

### **DISBURSEMENTS**

The motion to approve the disbursements as submitted was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously. Checks numbered 66126 through 66182 totaling \$296,978.21 were disbursed as approved.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Board members presented their reports on committee activities.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Purnell Wood thanked the Board for their work in getting the speed study completed. Mr. Wood noted that Mr. Lomax would also assist in any way he could with the census.

Sandy Jacobson questioned whether it was appropriate to make a large contribution to the YMCA. Last year's contribution was \$50,000.00; this year the budget has a contribution of \$47,500.00.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The motion to convene in closed session to discuss a land acquisition matter, pursuant to Code of Virginia, §2.2-3711.A3, was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr.

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

- To the best of the members' knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Code of Virginia §2.2-3711. A3 as identified in the motion by which the Closed Meeting convened were heard, discussed, or considered by the public body.

Action:

The motion to give authorization to Matt Walker, Planning Director, to finalize negotiations to secure a 15' drainage easement from Doug McMinn, at no cost to the County, was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jessie and carried unanimously. This easement will be used to install a drainage ditch.

### **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Williams asked for an update on the Broad Creek Dredging project. Mr. Culley explained that the contractor has begun work on installing a drainage pipe under Route 33 from the spoil site back to Broad Creek. A meeting has been held with the owner of Norview Marina to discuss the actual easement and the placement of the outfall pipe. The Department of Environmental Quality is requiring that the dredge water be returned to Broad Creek, requiring additional piping to be installed. The actual dredging contract has not been issued.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn the meeting until November 17, 2009 was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

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Robert A. Crump, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors