September 13, 2005

The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2005 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Government Center at 9:00 a.m.

Present were: Glenna Myers, Chairman

W. Jeff Evans, Vice-Chairman

L. J. Jones

Sharon F. Nichols Joseph H. Early, III Emmett W. Jones

Ronald L. Newman, Acting Administrator

Bradley Dalton, County Attorney

Mrs. Myers called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. and asked Mr. Evans to lead in the prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

DISCUSSION OF MINUTES AND CLAIMS

Mr. Early stated that on page A10 of the minutes a correction needed to be made to change 5013C to 501C3 and to change the spelling of Mr. Matt Hoover to Hooven. He then stated that on page A17 the first sentence should have the word "not" included and that in paragraph 12 the wording should be changed from "that he could" to "that could be."

Mrs. Nichols asked about the deletion of the responses that Mr. Craig Teller made from the audience.

Mr. Newman explained that the Board had instructed that only the conversation from the person at the podium would be recorded in the minutes. He then told that when reviewing the claims check number 77819 needed to be voided.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Mr. Early, second by Mr. L. J. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the minutes of their regular meeting held on August 16, 2005 with the changes noted above.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. L. J. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for August 31, 2005 and September 15, 2005 and did authorize the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign on the 30th day of September and 14th day of October checks for the payment of salaries and wages for all County officials and employees as previously budgeted by the State Compensation Board and this Board of Supervisors.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. L. J. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the County General Claims as presented this day and as evidenced by check numbers 77796-77985, 78079-78108, and 78111-78114.

CARROLL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT DISCUSSION

Mr. Newman informed the Board that there were two openings on the Carroll County Planning Commission that needed to be filled.

Mr. Early nominated Janet Tate.

Mr. Evans asked that he be given more time to think about this.

Mrs. Nichols nominated Sam Dickson and Mr. Evans seconded the nomination.

Mr. Early express that it was unfair to appoint one member without the other and stated that if the Board was going to wait then both appointments should be made at the same time.

(Order)

TABLE CARROLL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. L.J. Jones, and passed, the Board Tabled the Carroll County Planning Commission appointments until the October meeting.

Note: Mr. Early vote No on the above motion.

(Order)

TABLE MOUNT ROGERS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board Tabled the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission Representative Appointment until the October meeting.

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL ENTERPRISE CENTER REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Newman advised the Board that there is a need to appoint members to the SREC. He told that Mr. Craig Teller and Mr. Gary Larrowe were presently serving as the representatives for Carroll County. He stated that the Board may decide the terms that the candidates serve or if the Board prefers the SREC will make the decision on which member serves a 2-year term and which one would serve the 4-year term from a drawing.

- Mr. Early asked why these vacancies are being requested.
- Mr. Newman stated the SREC is prepared to establish a permanent board.
- Mr. Early nominated Craig Teller for the two year term.
- Mr. Evans nominated Gary Larrowe for the four year term.

Mrs. Myers called for a vote for Mr. Teller. Mr. Early and Mrs. Myers voted Yes. Mr. L. J. Jones, Mrs. Nichols, Mr. Emmett Jones, and Mr. Evans voted No.

Mr. Early then asked that the Board wait until later before completing this nomination due to some other business matters to come in the meeting.

(Order)

APPROVE MANAGED PHARMACY BENEFIT SERVICES AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Mrs. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board authorized the Acting County Administrator to execute the Managed Pharmacy Benefit Services agreement between

ADVANCEPCS HEALTH, L.P., NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, AND CARROLL COUNTY VIRGINIA.

(Order)

APPROVE CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mrs. Nichols, seconded by Mr. L. J. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board appropriated amounts brought forward, vacancy savings, and excess fees returned by the State to the fiscal year 2005-2006 Circuit Court Clerk's Office budget as follows:

021060-7002 Furniture & Equipment \$ 3,000.00 021060-1001 Salaries wages 25,960.77

(Order)

CITIZENS TIME

Mrs. Myers explained that each person who speaks at citizen time would be limited to three minutes.

Mr. Kent Ross stated to the board that he was under the impression at the last board meeting that was on the 16th and am I correct Mr. Evans that at that time there was a discussion about the property that Jody Early had sold and there had been no complaints filed against that property since he had sold it?

Mr. Evans responded that was his understanding.

Mr. Ross responded okay, I would like to hand out these out to you. Mr. Ross proceeded to say that his mother purchased the property back in February. We decided to do a development and a motor cross track. We went through the process of what we considered was needed, got a engineer, got our permit through the county first, then got shutdown by the county. If you back on Page 13 of the handout, we got our county permit on 3/27, then we had to go on the soil conservation on 3/24 to get that approved. Everything that we thought from that we had the soil commission come out and inspect the property, we had your building official Darrell Cockerham come out and inspect. That has been six months ago and we thought everything was fine. Now, we got a complaint filed on 7/27 and the last complaint was filed by email on 8/8. If you go back to page 8 it was a complaint from Joseph Early. "I was wondering what you have done since visit here last week, please let me know what is happening. Thank you. The response to the email back Mr. Early was that the property owner has been contacted. After meeting I am confused, if he said he had not made any complaints at the last meeting, he must have short-term memory loss or whatever he wants to call it. If you go back to the last page of the handout says that if anybody in the state who disturbs more than 10,000 sq.

ft. of land is required to go through the same requirements that I have. That is a quarter of an acre, that's a garden, that's anything unless it is exempt. I do not know exactly what the exemptions are but anybody in this county that disturbs more than a quarter acre should be put through the same thing I am being put through. I want to know if you all are doing it to your neighbor. I know I am not welcome but some in this county and if they want to take a collection to buy me out they are more than welcome.

Mr. J. B. Caviness stated that he is still in the junk business and that was why he was there. All this other stuff is distracting me. The biggest reason I am here is that he took a load of tires over to the landfill last week and his understanding that they are going to go up \$2.00 a tire and we were here talking cleaning the county up back when we had the month thing to clean up. It is going to be hard to anything else we do not get some help. He stated that he had already moved over a hundred cars and cleaned up a lot of places because that was what the county wanted to do. If we don't get help on tires, scrap went up and is high now. He asked for help on the tires and the junk from the landfill. He stated that he had spoken to Mr. Newman and Mrs. Myers about this and they had told him that there had not been a vote to increase the cost on the tires. He stated that all the other stuff that keeps coming up in the county, like the motor cross, Mr. Ross, and Mr. Early. He stated that maybe there is a need to let by-gones be by-gones about this stuff and get on with other stuff. People want another cleanup and I believe that everyone needs to get their mind back on that and let a lot of these other things go. He stated that he gets mad about it a lot times and can't even talk about it but he has worked hard and took money out of his pocket to clean up the county and is not getting help money wise and has continued to clean up. You need to read the paper people are very upset, especially with the supervisors right now. One reason that he came because of what he had seen in the paper and he wanted to see if something could be done about the tipping fee on the tires.

Mr. Evans asked Mr. Newman if there was anything that might be causing this talk of the increase.

Mr. Newman stated that there was a letter presented at the meeting last month from US Tire that there was an increase but no decision by the Solid Waste Authority has been made to increase the rate on tires. The decision over the years has been to hold off any increase rather than to see them thrown out on the side of the road. The county has been able to withstand the loss in revenue because of the other items that we dispose of and the revenue we receive for it.

Mr. Evans stated that it is evident that the efforts by Mr. Caviness and others is going on because of the activities seen in the community as far as removing old cars and other clean up efforts.

Mr. Newman also stated that a cleanup in October be approved.

Mr. Roland Doerschug stated he lives at Skyland Lakes on road 608 that runs along the parkway. School buses run along this road everyday and the last half-mile or so is a narrow winding road before it gets to the parkway. When the parkway is closed all residents in that area has to use that road. On a winter day, he had seen three vehicles ran off the road by other vehicles, two of the three did not stop that ran them off the road. Other people came along to get them back on the road. He also has seen a Cockerham oil truck forced off the road and he has backed up a thousand feet to find a spot we he could find a spot to get out of the way of a snow plow. This narrow road needs to be addressed. School children are on it every day. People go fast around the curves, in the fog it is horrendous to drive on because there are no lines or anything on this road. It has become a major thoroughfare because of the developments along the parkway and it growing because there are more permanent residents. He requested that this situation be addressed during the meetings about road improvements. The other thing he wanted to speak about the phone system. He had dialed 6 different extensions before he could get someone to answer the phone. The phone system needs to be reprogrammed.

Mr. Newman stated that he was working with VDOT on the road and that he has a scheduled meeting with the phone vendor to talked about the phone system.

Mr. Newman stated this completed the list of citizens who had signed up to speak during citizen's time.

(Order)

BRENDA MARRAH – MAD-MAC

Ms. Marrah came before the board to introduce them to the mentoring program – Make A Difference Mentor A Child to ask for two things. She proceeded to introduce Amy Nichols – Program Facilitator. The program involves mentoring a child with a four and one-half month commitment that is sponsored through Carroll County Public Schools and the mentor meets with the child generally one hour per week usually during lunchtime. The school system allows the mentor to have lunch with the child free of charge. The mentor returns to room with the child for about one half hour afterwards.

As a member of the Carroll County Community Policy & Management Team where there is review of decisions made FAP team funded through CSA. Last June had to turn every 3 cases for mentoring services because they were out of money totally. This program could help prevent some of the problems that the community faces. Mrs. Marrah asked the following be considered by the board:

1) permission to participate in the program and use own lunch time and additional time necessary to go to/from school

- 2) assist Mrs. Nichols in obtaining some small grants to assist programs to fund requirements for the mentors, presently the mentor is funding themselves \$10 for the TB test, and \$26 for DMV and criminal checks and comprehensive checks before placing the mentor in contact with the student
- 3) asked any of board members if they would like to participate & allow other employees to participate.

Ms. Marrah – ask for policy for immediate supervisors and Co. Administrator allow other employees to participate in this program.

Mr. Newman pointed out that it is similar to what is done with the volunteer fire department members which is if the service is not detrimental to normal job responsibilities the employee be allowed to leave to perform the service.

Mrs. Myers called Robert Beasley to speak, Jeremy Hendrick spoke for VDOT in Mr. Beasley's absence. Mr. Hendrick stated the Public Hearing in regards to the 6-year plan would be on October 4, at the Carroll County High School. The schools has been reserved. Also Ken Smith from Richmond – in reference to sub-divisions and the way you can become compliant will be in Radford at 2:00 and at 7:00 p.m. in Floyd tomorrow September 14.

Resolution Rt. 754 Dickerson Rd. has been requested that it be designated as a Rural Rustic Road. Mr. Newman has the resolution for the board's approval. Mr. Newman suggested that it be delayed until October 4 planning meeting.

Mrs. Nichols had a question about Wagon Wheel Rd. – Sulphur Springs District.

Mr. Hendrick stated that the stone is ordered and it will be hard surfaced.

Ms. Nichols also asked that on 718 Stoots Mountain Rd needs a "Children at Play" sign.

Mr. L. J. Jones asked that on Old Wards Gap Rd. need sign where school bus turns around.

Mrs. Myers asked that on Little Vine Road the speed limit be reduced or a "Children at Play" sign be placed in the area.

Mr. Evans asked that on the road at hilltop near Horizon Rental on highway 58 needs a "Children at Play" sign.

Upon a motion by Mr. Evans, Mr. L. J. Jones seconded and passed to approve the signs requested.

(Order)

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS ITEMS

October Cleanup

Upon a motion by Mr. Evans, Mrs. Nichols seconded and passed approval to have an October clean up.

(Order)

Water Conservation Plan

Upon Mr. Evans motion, Mr. L. J. Jones seconded, passed, the approval of Water Conservation Plan.

(Order)

Carroll Scholarship Foundation

Mr. Brad Dalton asked that the ordinance that the property of the Carroll Scholarship Foundation under a 501C3 non-profit organization be granted the real estate tax exemption discussed in last month's meeting. He presented the ordinance for approval by the board.

Upon a motion by Mr. L. J. Jones, Mr. Evans, second and passed the ordinance.

(Order)

UPDATE ON THE FAIR EVENT

Ms. Crystal Swain reported that the Ms. Carroll County pageant tonight 25 candidates. All costs of the fair have covered all cost with entrance fees. There has been tremendous support from local businesses. To date the committee has raised \$6268.15 in addition to \$5000 in budget from the Tourism budget line. There will be an eight-page insert in Carroll News about the fair and the events that will be held in this week's edition.

Mr. Newman stated that there has been as a request from someone a candidate who is running for the Supervisor at Large position to set up a booth at the fair to distribute election information and also to provide a service for those who might want to register to vote.

Mr. L. J. Jones expressed that it is not the place for campaigning.

Mr. Evans stated that he agreed to Mr. Jones that it is not a place for politics. Mr. Dalton pointed out that any candidate can walk through and talk with citizens.

Mr. Early stated he felt it is okay to allow people to register to vote.

Mr. Dalton suggested that the registrar be contacted and allow that office to make the decision as to how to handle this.

Ms. Swain thanked the board for the opportunity work on the project.

Ms. Nichols asked about the admission fee and the carnival fees.

Ms. Swain stated that they are separate.

Mr. L. J. Jones asked if there were local vendors.

Ms. Swain stated that there were several local vendors who would be setup some inside and some outside. Ms. Swain reviewed the schedule of events with board.

Carter Home Question

Mr. Early asked Ms. Brenda Marrah about the Carter Home grant because he had understood from her last month that she would have an answer in 2 weeks. Mr. Early explained that the roofer is ready to proceed.

Ms. Marrah express that more information has been requested and has been sent. Ms. Marrah stated that there is no way for her to know when funding will come through.

(Order)

Closed Session

Mrs. Myers asked that there be a motion to go into closed session.

Upon a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones. The closed session meeting began at 10:45 a.m.

(Order)

Certify Closed Session

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Nichols, which was seconded by Mr. L. J. Jones and passed to come out of closed session at 2:05. Mrs. Nichols certified the closed session. Certification was passed.

(Order)

Upon the motion by Mr. Evans requested the board to hire Mr. Gary Larrowe as the county administrator and as a note that Mr. Ronald Newman be the assistant administrator starting Monday, September 19, 2005, seconded by Mr. Emmett Jones, passed unanimously.

(Order)

Mrs. Myers acknowledged the board had not heard from Mr. Joe Roma earlier.

Mr. Joe Roma the Carroll County EMS Coordinator stated that the Cana Fire Department has requested that a used Ambulance that Carroll EMS has a surplus in the last few weeks to be used for their tactical rescue and DECOM transfer at no cost to the county to CFD. Mr. Evans asked Mr. Roma if he felt that was what needed happen. Mr. Roma responded that they do need it and that Darrell has good plans for its use. I also stated that it has 120,000 miles on but for what they would need it for, it would work.

Mrs. Myers asked if all that he needed was consent to proceed and he responded: yes.

Second, Cana Rescue requesting try to obtain a grant for a boat and for climate control refrigerator unit for the new ambulances. The state laws now require that all narcotics are in a climate control environment.

Mr. L. J. Jones asked if anyone else was aware of this.

Ms. Brenda Marrah stated that she was aware of this and there were some others requests last time including Laurel who has our certified dive team has jet motors. She is working this because the deadline for the grant request is this coming Thursday. The boat is wanted for the Lovell Dam area because of the dive from Laurel may not have sufficient time to respond and that they could be fully responsible for the match required by the grant. On the climate control it is going to be a requirement and there has been a surprise inspection and this was thing that was noted in the report.

A consent is all that is required.

Next, Laurel Rescue has requested the use one of the old Sheriff Office car to used to travel in to training. At this time people who attend training have been supplying their own vehicle and gas. Because of the increase in gas prices, they would like to have a car to travel with no lights or sirens and only marked as Carroll County on the vehicle. The vehicle they are requesting has 163,000 miles on it. This squad is the only one that does not have a vehicle to use like this.

Mr. Evans asked if there is anything being done to regulate travel especially with the gas prices as they are.

Mr. Roma asked that when got to hospital shutting ambulance off.

Mr. Evans expressed that he understands running on emergency but what about the unnecessary trips.

Mr. Roma is very conscious of gas prices and EMS is working with school system to get into their gas distribution system. The Cana vehicles may be an issue but the plans are now that if they are in the general area that they will top off their vehicles before returning to Cana. Last, Mr. Roma did a request for himself involving the vehicle that will not pass inspection at the end of the month because ½ of frame missing. It has major leaks. There are a couple updates:

serviced 26 calls at Flea Market , LFVFD – truck be picked up on 9-24 and should be on-line in a couple of weeks. EMS will have a First Aid at County Fair. We had lightning hit at Beamer – over \$16000 damage insurance will be taking care. There were 2 antennas burned off but we are up & running again. We had another ATV1 call, went to Pipers Gap yesterday and everything seems to be working well. It has been used on 3 rescue calls and everything has worked out in the end.

Mr. Brad Dalton stated that it has been brought to his attention by the Solid Waste Authority that one of the companies that has a non-exclusive franchise with Carroll County that do both residential and commercial pick up is not complying with some of the provisions in the franchise agreement specifically that we concerned that they are disposing of all the waste that is being collected in our landfill. The reason for this is that they are carrying a pass due balance at the landfill. Mr. Dalton asked for direction of Board to notify company they are in breach of contract. Mr. Dalton read from the Franchise Agreement that the board does have the right to terminate the agreement at the end of the contract or in the event that the contract is breached. The contractor +must be given 30 day notice to give the contractor sufficient time to correct the deficiency and an opportunity for them to respond.

Upon Mr. Evans motion, Mr. Emmett Jones seconded and passed that a notice be sent to the company.

(Order)

Mr. Newman brought up the fact of the shortage in staff in the Administrator's office and that an employee who has assumed the duties of the staff members that are no longer here. He asked that a one-time fee of \$1000 be given to this employee.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Nichols, Mr. L. J. Jones, passed.

Supervisor Time

Mr. L. J. Jones asked what has happened with Wyatt Carpenter Woodwork who owed money to the county.

Mr. Newman stated that it is still being worked with through Grayson National to consolidate loans they have and the IDA, the bank and the company is working on it. It is discussed with the IDA quite frequently.

Mrs. Nichols stated that the maintenance department appears to be wearing street clothes. She wanted to know what could be done to provide them with uniforms because of the nature of their work and they are not given a clothing allowance.

Mr. Newman stated this has been reviewed by the maintenance supervisor and there would be a purchase of five pair of pants, five long sleeve shirts and five short sleeve shirts. Unfortunately, due to the nature of their work especially the pants will not hold up for the two years that was planned.

Mrs. Nichols suggested that the telephone tax collected be published in the newspaper. She also expressed that Pulaski is seeking a grant to develop partnership on workforce. She express that she would be glad to represent Board. This is the NRMR Workforce Economic Development and Carroll is the first county to be approached to participate. The goal is to bring businesses into the area that has similar layouts. Last, Mrs. Nichols how things stood on the reservations at the Homestead for the conference in November.

Mr. Early expressed his appreciation for correspondence from citizens, but requested that they have a name on them. He told that he had received several pieces that were anonymous and that he essentially threw those pieces in the trash. He told that if the citizen will stick a name on it he will be glad to look at it. He also stated that for those who may not know Dee Ann Lindsey's sister had passed away and that he would like the Board to make some gesture toward her family be it flowers or a donation of some sort to a worthy cause. He expressed that he believes in giving donations to whatever cause would like to leave in her memory.

Mr. Emmett Jones stated that he thought that some actions taken today look promising for this County and that he was very hopeful differences that have arose at different times can be smoothed out and things can go smoother.

Mr. Evans expressed that he wanted to set up a Town Hall meeting on either September 30 or October 3 at the Oakland Elementary School at 6:30. He then stated that he has heard a rumor that some activity had went on at the airport – an investigation of some sort - and would like to ask that this be checked on and report back to the Board as to what is going on.

Mr. Newman mentioned to the Board that there will be an Open House at the Airport on October 8 and that he would get information and report back to the Board.

Mrs. Myers asked that someone be contacted about the phones in particular on the calls into the administrator's office.

Mr. Newman reported that he has a scheduled meeting with Total Communications to discuss several items about the system. He then reminded the Board that there will be a Six-Year Secondary Road Plan Public Hearing on October 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium at Carroll County High School.

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. L. J. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Nichols, and passed unanimously, the Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m. until October 4, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at Carroll County High School for the Six-Year Secondary Road Plan Public Hearing.

Glenna Myers, Chairman