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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on July 18, 2006 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Present were: Sharon F. Nichols, Chairman
Glenna Myers, Vice-Chairman
W. Jeff Evans
L. J. Jones
Joseph H. Early, III
Ralph J. "Bob" Martin, Jr.
Gary Larrowe, County Administrator
Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Administrator
Bradley Dalton, County Attorney

Mrs. Nichols called the meeting to Order at 9:15, lead in prayer, and then asked Ms. Summer Rigney to lead in the pledge of allegiance.

DISCUSSION OF MINUTES

Mr. Early noted that the word done should be changed to did in the note to the tax revenue anticipation note motion.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the minutes of their regular meeting held on June 13, 2006, with the above stated change, and approved the minutes from an adjourned meeting held on June 22, 2006, as recorded in Minute Book No. 24 in the County Administrator's Office.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for June 2006 and July 14, 2006 and did authorize the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign on the 31st day 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)

APPROVE CHILDREN AT PLAY SIGNS

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board authorized VDOT to install Children At Play signs on Stoots Mountain Road from the intersection of Stoots Mountain Road and Sheeptown Road to 219 Stoots Mountain Road, at 718 Stoots Mountain Road, and on Holly Grove Road, with funds coming from the secondary highway construction funds.

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**APPROVE BEAVER DAM TRAIL GRANT REIMBURSEMENT
APPROPRIATION**

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved appropriating \$33,313.20 grant funds received as reimbursement to line item 081060-9004 Carter Pines.

(Order)

**APPROVE MOUNTAIN VIEW YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES
CARRYOVER AND APPROPRIATION**

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved to carryover unused funds from fiscal year 2005-2006 for Mountain View Youth & Family Services in the amount of \$1754.04 and to appropriate these funds to fiscal year 2006-2007 Mountain View Youth & Family Services Salaries line item 053070-1001.

(Order)

APPROVE BUILDING OFFICIAL APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved appropriating \$10,000 received in fines for violation of the erosion and sediment control ordinance to Building Official Office line item 034010-5401 Office Supplies for the purchase of computers.

(Order)

APPROVE SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved appropriating the following carry-over funds from grants, programs, and specific funded allocations which require unspent funds to be carried-over to the categories listed below in the 2006-2007 Carroll County School Operational Budget:

Health Services (Medicaid)	\$404,642.40 to
Administration,	Attendance and Health
Algebra Readiness (State Funds)	\$10,336.08 to Instruction

Note: Mr. Martin stated that under an abundance of caution, he declared that he was an employee of the Carroll County School System but that this decision did not affect him any more than it did any other citizen and therefore he was able to vote fairly, objectively, and in the best interest of the County.

(Order)

APPROVE TOURISM APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved appropriating the rents received from Virginia Tourism for usage of the Visitor's Center to the following line items:

Worker's Compensation 012050-2011	\$1000.00
Vehicle Supplies, Fuel & Maint. 012050-5408	\$2500.00
Tourist Information Center 012050-9000	\$2800.00

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APPROVE CARROLL EMS LINE ITEM TRANSFER

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved transferring \$8991.00 from Carroll EMS line item 032030-7007 to Emergency Services Worker's Compensation line item 035050-2011.

(Order)

APPROVE PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY REIMBURSEMENT APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved appropriating the reimbursement received from the Public Service Authority to Public Utilities line item 043160-2210 VRS in the amount of \$7506.60.

(Order)

APPROVE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the following additional appropriations for funds expended during fiscal year 2005-2006:

035050-1001	Emergency Services Salaries	\$16,818.66
043110-1001	Maintenance Force Salaries	3,195.30
071010-2006	Recreation VRS Insurance	4,965.30
091500-5799	Undistributed Gen County Checks	290.28
091500-5899	Bank Service Charge – FU	1,204.37

Note: Mr. Early asked where the additional Emergency Services money came from.

Mr. Newman replied from the General Fund.

Mr. Early asked where the money came from for the transfer to EMS.

Mr. Newman told that this was a line item transfer.

Mr. Early asked if the additional money had been spent and this was to balance the books.

Mr. Newman replied that was correct.

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APPROVAL OF JUNIOR FIRE FIGHTER ORDINANCE

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the following Ordinance:

**CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND ESTABLISH
THE JUNIOR FIRE FIGHTER PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors recognize and appreciate the efforts of the volunteer fire departments; and

WHEREAS, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors recognize that early training and early participation good and acceptable measures to obtain volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors appreciate the enthusiasm and willingness of the youth to participate with the volunteer fire departments;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that pursuant to the authority of Section 40.1-79.1 of the Code of Virginia, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes any minor sixteen (16) years of age or older, with parental or legal guardian approval, to work with or participate fully in all activities of a volunteer fire company, provided such minor has attained certification under National Fire Protection Association NFPA 1001, Level One, fire fighter standards, as administered by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any trainer or instructor of such minor or any member of a paid or volunteer fire company who supervises such minor shall be exempt from the provisions of Section 40.1-103 of the Code of Virginia, provided the volunteer fire company or the Board of Supervisors has purchased insurance which provides coverage for injuries to, or the death of, such minor in the performance of activities under this section.

(Order)

ADOPT RESOLUTION FOR THE ADDITION OF NEW SUBDIVISION STREET – REGENCY COURT

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the street(s) described on the attached Additions Form AM-4.3, fully incorporated herein by reference, are shown on plats recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Carroll County, and

WHEREAS, the representative for the Virginia Department of Transportation has advised this Board that the street(s) listed below and described on the attached Additions Form AM-4.3 to the secondary system of state highways, pursuant to Section 33.1-229, Code of Virginia, and the Department's Subdivision Street Requirements, after receiving a copy of this resolution and all outstanding fees and documents required of the developer, whichever occurs last in time.

Name of Street: Regency Court State Rte# 1098 Length 0.07 miles
From: Route 1073
To: 0.07 miles North of Route 1073

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Guaranteed Right-of-Way Width: 50 feet

Plat Recorded, Date: 03/07/2006 Deed Book: Cabinet #2 Page: Slide 2057

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Board guarantees a clear and unrestricted right-of-way, as described, and any6 necessary easements for cuts, fills and drainage, and

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

DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Larrowe, and Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, discussed with the Board additional appropriations, line item transfers, and carryover amounts that needed to be approved in order to pay the claims presented to the Board on this date.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS, AND CARRYOVER AMOUNTS

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the following appropriations, line item transfers, and carryover amounts:

From Board Reserve to:	
Magistrate	\$3000.00
Vehicle Insurance 031030-5305	\$2160.00
Building Official Part-time Salary	\$1000.00
Vehicle Insurance 034010-5305	\$ 50.00
Supplies Carroll Ind. Pk 043100-5412	\$ 14.67

From Vehicle Miscellaneous 035010-6415 to Vehicle Maintenance 035010-6409 \$1000.00

Carryover from FY 2005-2006 and appropriated to Calls – Other Departments 032030-6000 \$3000.00.

Note: Mr. Early stated that a board needed to be placed at the front of the room showing how much money is in Board Reserve.

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APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the General County Claims as presented this day and as evidenced by check numbers 81968-82094, and did approve the Carroll County Industrial Development Authority claims as presented this day and as evidenced by check numbers 1650-1652.

Note: Mr. Early asked what the claim to Crossroads Technology was for.

Mr. Larrowe told that this was for Internet service for the Farmer's Market, the Tourism Office, the Resource Office, and the Victim Witness Office. He stated that this should be charged to the Information Technology line item.

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Mr. Early asked what the claim to Louisa County Public Schools was for.

Mr. Newman told that this was the user group fee for the Bright System users group.

Mr. Early asked what the claim to The Homestead was for.

Mr. Larrowe told that this was for reservations for the VACo meeting to be held in November. He stated that Mrs. Nichols room should be free.

Mr. Early asked who VACorp was and what this claim was for.

Mr. Larrowe told that this was for worker's compensation insurance.

Mrs. Myers asked what the mileage for Dallas Garrett was for.

Mr. Larrowe stated that this was for visiting with businesses and told that Mr. Garrett was working with 63 businesses.

Mr. Dalton suggested Mr. Garrett check to see if a county vehicle is available.

BUSINESS RECOGNITION

Mr. Larrowe told that the Board would be honoring Banks Farms, Inc. and gave the following history of the farming operation:

Banks Farm Inc.

This farm was started by Charlie and Ruth Banks in 1941. They incorporated in 1975 to become Banks Farm Incorporated. The business is now owned and operated by Larry Jo and Ray Banks, both sons of Charlie Banks. They farm both produce and beef cattle. To date they have 90 acres of cabbage, 40 acres of pumpkins and 175 Beef cattle calves.

The Banks transport their produce themselves – some stays locally and the other goes to the Eastern Shore.

Mr. Larrowe then presented Mrs. Janet Banks and Mrs. Linda Banks a Certificate of Appreciation.

CONVENIENCE STORE REQUEST – SUNDAY ALCOHOL SALES

Mr. Larrowe told that he had been approached by some convenience store owners who were petitioning the Board to allow the sale of beer on Sunday. He told that this was putting these stores at a disadvantage and that a public hearing would need to be held if the Board wished to make this change.

Mr. Dalton passed out a copy of Section 56-1 and 56-2 of the Code of Carroll County. He told that Section 56-2 needed to be updated if the Board did not delete it. He told that the storeowners were asking the Board to repeal Section 56 of the Code of Carroll County. He recommended that the Board hold a public hearing at the next meeting if they wanted to give this issue more attention.

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AUTHORIZE PUBLIC HEARING – ALLOW SUNDAY BEER SALES

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed unanimously, the Board authorized holding a Public Hearing at their next meeting to hear public comment concerning allowing for the sale of beer and wine on Sunday within the County.

Note: Mrs. Myers stated that the Town of Hillsville did have this.

Mrs. Nichols stated that this was needed for a long time. She told that this was not fair to the storeowners and that it would be good economically for the County.

Mr. Evans agreed that it was not fair but stated that when people go into a restaurant they cannot smoke. He told that he did not believe alcohol was the economic salvation for any government and he encouraged everybody that was against this to be here to voice their opposition.

CROOKED CREEK FEE FISHING

Mr. George Duckwall and Mr. Rex Hill, Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, appeared before the Board to discuss the Crooked Creek Fee Fishing area and the proposed changes.

Mr. Evans asked why the Department decided to make the change to shut down the concession stand.

Mr. Duckwall told that Crooked Creek was one of three in the State that was considered a put and take trout program. He told that trout was stocked 6 times per week and the number of trout stocked depended upon the license sales. He told that in the past it had been difficult keeping concessionaires. He told that they would do good in May but they would routinely leave in June and July and then a hatchery person would run the stand. He stated that permits had been sold exclusively at the site. He told that on July 1 the Department went to a point of sale where the permit could be purchased at any license sale site or on-line so there was not a business need for a concession stand. He stated that if somebody wanted to operate the stand the Department would listen to proposals. He stated that this change would not change the way the area was stocked.

Mr. Evans told that he called the toll free number and waited and waited. He told that when he did get someone he could not understand what they were saying. He told that a lot of young people and a lot of senior citizens used the area. He stated that the State owned 1700 acres and was not really doing anything with it. He stated that he read about this change in the paper and told that the Board should have been notified. He told that he had talked with the people running the concession stand and they told him they were doing good.

Mr. Duckwall stated that the typical concession runs April through September.

Mr. Evans suggested that the Tourism Office work with the Department. He told that he did not believe there would be the same amount of fishing when the concession closes.

Mr. Duckwall replied that the Department would listen to suggestions and proposals.

Mr. Jones stated that there would be a loss of the sale of licenses and especially to the people from North Carolina.

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Mr. Duckwall replied that the Department did not want to decrease the hunting and fishing opportunities. He told that he could not guarantee the Department could do everything people wanted done but that they would listen.

Mr. Early stated that he agreed with Mr. Evans and Mr. Jones. He told that the Department had lost sight of who the customer is and that the regulations were hard to understand. He commented that there was not an opening day anymore. He told that he was tired of Richmond bureaucrats deciding what is best here. He stated that he wished they would make things simpler.

Mrs. Nichols stated that there would be more people fishing without a license.

Mr. Hill stated that the Department did manage the area heavily for both hunting and fishing.

Mr. Evans commented that a lot could be done with horseback riding and walking trails, and stated that the creek banks were grown up. He told that he agreed with Mr. Early that the Department had forgot who the customer is.

Mr. Duckwall told that he believed that with the point of sale they would actually see more licenses sold because people have more opportunities to purchase licenses.

PUBLIC HEARING – ROUTE 694 OLD WILDCAT ROAD

Mrs. Nichols Opened the Public Hearing at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Larrowe told that the purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear public comment concerning the proposed abandonment of a portion of Route 694, Old Wildcat Road. He then opened the floor for comments.

With no one to speak, the Public Hearing was Closed at 10:31 a.m.

Mrs. Myers commented that several people had talked with her not wanting this road closed.

Mr. Dalton suggested the Board take no action unless they desired to abandon the road which would leave the issue open for future discussion.

CANNERY DISCUSSION

Mr. Larrowe informed the Board that an advertisement had been placed to locate an operator for the cannery but told that there had not been any interest. He told that typically the cannery revenue was \$6-8000 with expenses being \$8-10,000. He told that the Board would be looking at a loss of \$2-3000 if they operated the cannery.

Ms. Donna Peery told that the Board should not just make a decision to close the cannery. She told that the rates are low and that they should be raised to cover the cost plus some. She suggested doing this as a one-year trial and let the public decide if it is worth using. She stated that the rates needed to be realistic and told that she would like to see the cannery stay open but for it to make money for the County. She told that she would like to see the Board let the citizens make the decision by either choosing to use the facility or not.

Mr. Larrowe stated that he had received several calls about the cannery opening. He suggested a rate structure could be derived that would cover the costs.

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Ms. Dana Hitt presented a petition to the Board asking that the cannery not be closed. She told that people had got used to the low rates but the people she had talked with were in favor of raising the rates to keep it open. She stated that the County was lucky enough to have this and asked the Board not to close it down. She told that organizations do use it for fund raising and they are expecting to pay higher rates. She told that the cannery was a tourist attraction, did provide an education for the children, and that it assisted the elderly who cannot do canning at home anymore. She stated that a lot of the food that is canned is bought at the farmer's market.

Mr. Early stated that he did not know the Board was thinking anything until he was at a blood mobile and was told the Board was thinking of closing the cannery.

(Order)

AUTHORIZE CANNERY OPERATION

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board authorized opening the Cannery and adjusting the rates to break even.

Note: Mr. Evans stated that there wasn't any talk about closing the Cannery but that the County was looking for an operator.

Mr. Larowe asked that Ms. Hitt work with the County on setting the rates.

SCORE

Mr. Gary McGeogh told that he had attended a business expo in Galax and was asked to come and make a presentation to the Board. He told that SCORE was a non-profit small business counseling service who assisted businesses expand, start, and sustain in a community. He told that he was here to see what SCORE could do to help supports the efforts in Carroll County and told that they were willing to do what they could to help. He told that there were 389 SCORE chapters in the country with the closest ones being in Bristol and Roanoke. He told that the main concern is sustainability for SCORE in a community and explained how they worked with localities and were supported by localities.

Mr. Early stated that there was an incubator in Galax and commented that this would be a good location to have the office.

Mr. McGeogh told that he had talked with Ms. Dove and that she was excited about the opportunity.

Mr. Early asked if SCORE would need to be sponsored by a locality if they located in an incubator.

Mr. McGeogh stated that they would not if the day-to-day supplies were supplied there. He told that they did operate on a low budget and they would need referrals from the economic development people. He stated that the Bristol office sees 100 clients per year.

Mr. Larowe commented that SCORE is a great resource and he would like to see them in the County.

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ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Larrowe informed the Board that the pool had been closed due to the weather and the pool pump not functioning. He told that he had asked that a sign be posted reminding people to ask for a rain check. Mr. Larrowe then told the Board that the Carter Pine Trail had been completed.

Mr. Larrowe told that the Blue Ridge Capital Access Program had been established with a \$1M revolving loan fund. He told that 45 people had attended the June 29 meeting concerning the Program.

Mr. Larrowe told the Board that July 27-28 there would be a group going to Joppa, Maryland to explore recycling options trying to extend the life of the landfill. He told that he was on the Governor's Economic Development Steering Committee and that at the meeting held on July 11 he had asked for a closer link between northern Virginia and southwest Virginia. He told that on July 28 the group going to Maryland would be meeting with the Economic Developer from Arlington to see what programs can be done for virtual employment. He told that Virginia Tech was working on a program similar to this and that he was exploring how Carroll County could participate in this program.

Mr. Larrowe told that on July 25 the Board Chair, the IDA Chair, and the Administrator would be meeting with the President of Wytheville Community College. He told that Ricky Dowdy and Mike Cook were working on the repairs at the Animal Shelter. He informed the Board that there would be an auction on July 21 at 4:00 p.m. to sell the donkeys that had been housed at the Animal Shelter. He told that there had been interviews for the Extension positions but that no suitable candidates had been found. He informed the Board that there had been a meeting of the stakeholders from the Wildwood section and that Draper Aden engineering firm had sponsored the meal. He told that there would be a meeting of the Administrators from Carroll, Grayson, Wythe, and Bland counties. He reminded the Board of the 3D Holographic presentation to be held on July 24.

Mr. Larrowe then told the Board that there would be a Building Summit to discuss ways to make the building permit process flow smoother. He told that this would involve discussions concerning the health department, erosion and sediment control, and the building permit. He told that meetings would be held on August 22, September 5, and September 18 from 7-9:30 p.m. and that a contractor that had moved to the area would facilitate the meetings.

(Order)

APPROVE RECREATION DEPARTMENT CLAIM

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Early, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the claim submitted by the Recreation Department in the amount of \$1800.00 for travel expenses related to the Dixie Boys 13 year old team and the 14 year old team as they travel to the State tournaments.

(Order)

APPROVE VACO/NACO CONTRIBUTION

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved a donation in the amount of \$500.00 to assist with expenses relating to Virginia hosting the NACO 2007 Annual Conference.

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Note: Mrs. Nichols told that people would have to be transported by bus and that each county was being asked to have a video of their county and to have treat bags to hand out.

WYTHEVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD APPOINTMENT

Mrs. Myers nominated Carolyn Phillips

Mr. Evans nominated Gary Larrowe

Mrs. Nichols called for a vote on Ms. Phillips:

Mr. Early, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Myers, and Mrs. Nichols voted Yes.

Mr. Evans and Mr. Jones voted No.

Mrs. Nichols announced that Ms. Carolyn Phillips had been appointed to the Wytheville Community College Board.

TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD

By unanimous consent, the Board appointed the following to the Tourism Advisory Board:

Pipers Gap District	Joan Hooven
Fancy Gap District	Ron Doerschug
Laurel Fork District	Hagan Giles
Pine Creek District	Eldon Horton
Pine Creek District	Rex Hill

CROSSROADS INSTITUTE BOARD APPOINTMENT

By unanimous consent, the Board appointed Mr. Early to the Crossroads Institute Board of Directors.

MOUNT ROGERS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

By unanimous consent, the Board appointed Mayor Randall Gravley as the Town of Hillsville representative to the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission.

RURAL TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

By unanimous consent, the Board appointed Mr. Matt Hooven to the Rural Technology Committee.

CARROLL EMS BOARD OF TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT

By unanimous consent, the Board appointed Mr. Rodger Jennings to the Carroll EMS Board of Trustees.

BUILDING OFFICIAL GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Early asked for appointments to the Building Official Grievance Committee to be tabled at this time and stated that he did not like the Building Official hand picking who is going to hear grievances concerning things he had done.

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Mr. Larrowe stated that he would like to have the committee in place before the August 22 meeting.

TWO STATE TOURISM COMMITTEE

By unanimous consent, the Board appointed Mrs. Glenna Myers and Mr. Donnie Turner to the Two State Tourism Committee.

GALAX-CARROLL REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT

By unanimous consent, the Board appointed Ms. Patricia Sebens to the Galax-Carroll Regional Library Board.

RECREATION COMMITTEE SULPHUR SPRINGS APPOINTMENT

Mrs. Nichols announced that since her children were grown she was stepping down from the Recreation Committee to allow for someone with children to be appointed. She told that she would still volunteer to work with the Recreation Department.

By unanimous consent, the Board appointed Ms. Libby Lineberry to the Recreation Committee representing the Sulphur Springs District.

(Order)

CLOSED SESSION – PURSUANT TO VIRGINIA CODE SECTION 2.2-3711(A1,A3,A5,A7)

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed unanimously, the Board convened a Closed Session at 11:42 a.m. until 12:26 p.m. for the discussion of personnel matters relating to the performance of specific personnel, the discussion of the disposition of real property where public discussion would be detrimental to the County's position, the discussion of a prospective business where no public announcement has been made of the business or industry's desire to locate or expand in the County, and for the discussion of legal matters involving threatened litigation as authorized by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A1,A3,A5,A7).

(Order)

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed unanimously, the Board adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors convened a Closed Session on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and on the motion to close the meeting in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act;

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711(D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board of Supervisors that such Closed Session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (I) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed or considered in the Closed Session to which this certification applies, and (II) only such business matters as were identified in the motion by

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which this Closed Session was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting to which this certification applies.

PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY DISCUSSION

Mr. Dalton told the Board that the Public Service Authority was formed under Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia, which tells that the Public Service Authority members are chosen as determined by the local governing body that created it. He reviewed the County Code and told that the PSA members are appointed to a 4-year term and that if the Board wanted to change this they would have to change the Ordinance. He told that he would look into the issue of whether the PSA members could be elected but told that he recommended the Board appointing these members.

Mr. Early stated that the Code was changed from 5 members to 6 to accommodate the At-Large position. He suggested leaving the language as is except stating that there would be one Board member who would be the At-Large member with the Board being able to appoint either member of the Board. He told that he was trying to limit the number of Board members on the PSA.

Mr. Evans stated that he thought the Board should look at more common sense people rather than business sense people.

Mr. Dalton commented that if the Board appointed 6 new members it would take the politics out of the PSA.

Mr. Early stated that he was not trying to duck responsibility or lighten the work load but was looking to broaden the reach of knowledge and experience.

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PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY DISCUSSION TABLED

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed, the Board Tabled the discussion of the appointment of Public Service Authority members.

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

SUPERVISORS TIME

Mr. Evans told that he had talked with Mr. Dalton at the last meeting concerning the conflict of interest of Mr. Early voting on issues at the Airport and not living in his district, as well as Mr. Martin voting on school issues. He told that Mr. Dalton had asked for this to be asked for in public so he was asking Mr. Dalton in public to request an Attorney General's opinion on these issues.

Mr. Martin commented that this might as well include Mrs. Myers.

Mr. Evans stated that this was not a personal thing. He told that there were rules to go by and that he had included Mr. Martin due to his elevated position with the school system.

Mrs. Myers stated that she had no problem including her.

Mr. Martin stated that there were Attorney General opinions back to the 1960's.

Mr. Dalton stated that he would have to give the Attorney General what he thinks the answer should be and they will tell him if he is right or wrong. He

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told that the Commonwealth Attorney had already made a decision and he would state that ruling to the Attorney General for a ruling.

Mr. Martin stated that there were also past rulings from Phillip Jones and Jim Ward as County Attorney and Commonwealth's Attorney.

Mr. Dalton stated that he would use Mr. Goad's ruling because it is the binding opinion at this time. He told that the Attorney General may or may not respond and that it could take 30 days up to a year for a response.

Mr. Jones stated that each person is going to have something come up once in a while.

Mr. Evans stated that one decision the Commonwealth Attorney failed to answer was Mr. Early not living in his district.

Mr. Early stated that other members of the Board have conflicts that have not been brought to light. He told that he thought this was personal and petty. He stated that Mrs. Nichols works for Rooftop and money is appropriated to them. He told that he looked forward to the Attorney General's opinion and stated that he hoped when it was received Mr. Evans would put his simple mind toward business. He then asked Mr. Larrowe if the departments had received their budgets.

Mr. Larrowe stated that these were handed out at the June staff meeting.

Mr. Early stated that there were laws on the books on what could be on the side of the road concerning junk cars and asked Mr. Larrowe to look into what could be done to get VDOT to enforce the laws.

Mr. Larrowe told that he had talked with T. C. Stacy about being aggressive and that DMV had assured him they would enforce the laws.

Mrs. Nichols stated that DMV had been in the Sulphur Springs District.

Mrs. Myers stated that DMV had been in the Pine Creek District.

Mr. Early stated that he was getting a lot of calls from the Laurel Fork District.

TWICE PER YEAR TAX COLLECTION

Mr. Early stated that the County would be paying \$30-40,000 this year for interest on the tax revenue anticipation note.

Mr. Early then made a motion, with a second by Mr. Martin, for Carroll County to collect real property taxes twice per year beginning with calendar year 2008.

Mr. Early and Mr. Martin voted Yes on the above motion.

Mr. Evans, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Myers, and Mrs. Nichols voted No on the above motion.

Mr. Martin commented that \$40,000 over 10 years was \$400,000.

Mr. Early stated that a good lesson was learned today on the Cannery on what to do. He stated that he would like to see rates at the Cana Trash Site set to cover the cost and asked that rates be determined that would cover the costs.

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Mr. Jones asked if these people were going to be made to pay more for trash than others in the County.

Mr. Early stated that the entire County was subsidizing the Cana Trash Site.

Mrs. Nichols told that when this was started it was told it would take 5-6 years to break even.

Mr. Early stated that what was needed was unmanned sites and suggested that Cana could be the first.

Mr. Evans stated that if the sites are unmanned there will be trash from everywhere.

Mr. Early told that on Route 221 in Floyd County there is a sign that tells the site is for Floyd County residents only and that violators will be prosecuted. He told that he would like to see an estimate of what the cost would be to have 4 unmanned sites on the major arteries in the County.

Mr. Evans stated that he would like to see more sites in the County but stated that the vendors providing the service would lose money and then the people with the service would lose service.

Mr. Early stated that the idea was to clean up the County. He told that he would like for this to be considered for next year and to be put as a line item in the budget.

Mr. Martin suggested that when the budget is done there be a listing of items the Board has no control over. He stated that the School presentation should match the County presentation.

Mr. Martin then told that Mr. Larrowe was on the Governor's Economic Steering Committee and told that out of about 30 people on the committee he is one of few that is not in the Richmond bureaucracy. He told that it was a real plus to the County to have him on this committee.

Mr. Martin then told that the Board talks about where the County will be in 20-30 years and stated that he would like to see a group put together to visualize the future. He told that he was on the New River Highlands RC&D Council and that he had proposed a loop of trails from Jackson Ferry into Carroll County and back to Foster Falls. He told that while he was attending the regional meeting in Georgia he had attended sessions on grants and proposals.

Mr. Martin then stated that he would like to see policies adopted concerning County facilities and weapons. He stated that only full-time licensed law enforcement officials should be allowed to carry weapons in the building.

Mr. Dalton told that legislation did not give that latitude. He told that if someone has a carry permit they can use that permit in the building.

Mr. Martin asked if the Circuit Court Judge could make a ruling.

Mr. Dalton stated that the only two ways to change this is to talk with the legislators or to get a Circuit Court Judge ruling.

Mr. Larrowe stated that he had talked with Mr. Dalton because he had the same concern.

Mrs. Myers stated that trash sites were needed for the entire County because of gas prices.

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Mrs. Nichols told that County Connections had a blurb about Mr. Larrowe being on the Governor's Economic Steering Committee. She told that Alisha Burkmaster had sent a letter requesting information on the County and then had sent a letter back telling what she had learned about the County. She then told that the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission had approved for a system upgrade for the Airport Commission, that Patrick Gottschalk would be at Virginia Highlands Community College on July 21, and that BB&T would be working with people on July 21 from 1-3 p.m. on financing homes.

Mrs. Nichols then asked if log sheets had been put in the County vehicles to show where they were traveling and how many miles they were traveling. She then apologized for not being able to attend the Carter Pines Trail Ceremony. She told that the County needed someone on the WIB as a business representative. She then stated that she would like to see end of year balance sheets for the School System, Social Services, and the Health Department.

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed unanimously, the Board adjourned at 1:10 p.m. until their next regular meeting to be held on August 15, 2006.

Sharon F. Nichols, Chairman

Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Clerk