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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 12, 2006 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Present were: Sharon F. Nichols, 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 9:30 a.m. and thanked everyone for coming and told that Mrs. Myers was not able to be here due to sickness. She then thanked those that had participated in the 9-11 ceremony and told that she was thankful for freedom. She asked that the Board be kept in each person's mind on a daily basis and then asked Sheriff Warren Manning to lead in the prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

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#### **AUTHORIZE RECORDING OF MINUTES**

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board approved for the meeting minutes to audio recorded and to be video recorded if possible.

Note: Mr. Evans told that the method of taking minutes was medieval and that the Board needed to get back to recording the minutes.

Mr. Martin asked if it would be easier to video record the minutes.

Mr. Larrowe told that equipment would have to be purchased or borrowed.

Mr. Evans told that it would be an advantage to record and stated that some localities broadcast their meetings on television to allow for people who could not come to the meeting to watch them.

(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

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August 15, 2006 as previously distributed to the members of this Board by its Clerk and as recorded in Minute Book No. 24 in the County Administrator's Office.

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**APPROVAL OF PAYROLL**

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for August 2006 and did authorize the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> days of September 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.

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**APPROVE SHERIFF'S OFFICE APPROPRIATION**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board appropriated \$4280.00 received for providing extra duty patrol for the Hillsville VFW Flea Market to the Sheriff's Office line item DUI & DEA Compensation 031020-1039.

(Order)

**APPROVE COUNTY FAIR APPROPRIATION**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board appropriated \$1920.00 received as donations, entry fees, and other fund raising activities to County Fair line item 012010-1000.

Note: Mr. Early commented that last year there was a resolution that the County gave the fair money back to the Fair Committee.

Mr. Larowe stated that the \$5000 appropriated by the Board last year was returned to the County and that all costs of the fair were coming from the profit from last year and the fund raising.

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**APPROVE DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH RESOLUTION**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the following Resolution:

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**RESOLUTION**

**DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, there are 49.7 million Americans who have a disability with about two-thirds of these individuals having severe disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, Americans with disabilities have many specific employment barriers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors recognize the contributions and skills of Americans with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors wish to highlight the contributions of Americans with disabilities and to minimize the barriers faced by those persons;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors declare October 2006 as **DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH**.

(Order)

**APPROVE BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH RESOLUTION**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

October declared Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**WHEREAS**, Breast Cancer is a leading cause of death among women; and

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**WHEREAS**, there are two million breast cancer survivors in the United States due to breast cancer awareness providing information and hope for future innovations in breast cancer treatment;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors declare October 2006 as BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH in Carroll County.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors encourages all women to take the necessary steps to become educated about early breast cancer detection, diagnosis and treatment.

(Order)

**APPROVE OLD MOUNTAIN HOME WEEK PROCLAMATION**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board adopted the following Proclamation:

**HONORARY PROCLAMATION**

**Old Mountain Home Week  
October, 2006**

WHEREAS, the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce has for the past ten years organized and promoted "Old Mountain Home Week; and

WHEREAS, this week is set aside to honor the traditions of our past and to enhance our Tourism efforts; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County is proud of the efforts and supports this week and calls for all County citizens to participate in "Old Mountain Home Week" as well;

NOW, THEREFORE, The Carroll County Board of Supervisors, by adoption of this resolution, proclaim October 14 through October 21 as "Old Mountain Home Week"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Carroll County will continue to support "Old Mountain Home Week" as an annual event in Carroll County.

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**APPROVE RED RIBBON WEEK PROCLAMATION**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the following Proclamation:



## **Red Ribbon Week for a Drug-Free Carroll County Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Drug and alcohol abuse in America annually create staggering societal costs and prevent millions of people from reaching their full potential at school, on the job, and in their communities. Research indicates that youth who avoid the early use of alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana are less likely to engage in other harmful behaviors such as crime, delinquency, and other illegal drug use. That is why we must clearly communicate to our youth that drug and alcohol abuse is dangerous and harmful to both their health and their future.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, do hereby proclaim the period beginning October 23rd through October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006, as Red Ribbon Drug Awareness Week for a Drug-Free Carroll County. We encourage our citizens and the Carroll County Office on Youth to support activities that raise awareness and encourage prevention of substance abuse. We also call upon every young person in Carroll County to take the drug-free pledge and to wear a red ribbon throughout the week in recognition of their commitment to a healthy, drug-free lifestyle and our commitment to a drug-free America.

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**APPROVE CANNERY APPROPRIATION**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board appropriated the following amounts to the Cannery budget:

043060-3004	Repairs & Maintenance	\$2000.00
043060-3010	Garbage Collection	\$ 475.00
043060-5101	Electric	\$ 960.00
043060-5102	Fuel	\$4000.00
043060-5103	Water	\$ 660.00
043060-5203	Telephone	\$ 540.00
043060-5401	Office Supplies	\$ 682.50
043060-5405	Cleaning Supplies	\$ 682.50

Note: Mrs. Nichols asked if people were being charged for each thing used at the Cannery such as the colanders.

Mr. Larrowe told that this was part of the fee structure and stated that some things took time to adjust or clean.

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**APPROVE CARROLL EMS LINE ITEM TRANSFER**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board transferred \$101,702.47 to cover the EMS salaries from Carroll EMS line item 032030-7007 to the following Emergency Services line items:

Salaries & Wages 035050-1001	\$35,001.00
FICA 035050-2001	2,462.37
VRS 035050-2002	3,809.96
VRS Insurance 035050-2006	730.50
Health Insurance 035050-2010	2,112.80

Note: Mr. Early discussed the EMS payroll and billing and stated that he wanted a more detailed report concerning the EMS financial condition.

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**APPROVE SOCIAL SERVICES LINE ITEM TRANSFER**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board transferred \$260.80 from Social Services

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Undistributed VPA Expenses line item 053020-5799 to Social Services VPA PR Processing Fee line item 053020-5899.

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**APPROVE ANIMAL CONTROL APPROPRIATION**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved transferring \$11,232.00 from Board Reserve line item 011010-7006 and appropriating to Animal Control Health Insurance line item 035010-2010.

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**APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFER**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved transferring \$2328.05 from Board Reserve line item 011010-7006 and appropriated to:

Undistributed General County Checks 091500-5799	\$1732.00
Credit Card Fees 091500-5899	596.05

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**APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFER**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved transferring \$199.25 from Board Reserve line item 011010-7006 and appropriated to Juvenile Court Furniture and Equipment line item 021025-7002.

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**APPROVE VRS INSURANCE APPROPRIATIONS**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved transferring \$13,405.78 from Board Reserve line item 011010-7006 and appropriated to the following line items for VRS Insurance:

012020-2006	\$1568.20	043010-2006	\$161.00
012030-2006	75.32	043110-2006	317.20
012050-2006	99.84	043160-2006	558.16

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012090-2006	1148.96	071010-2006	994.76
012100-2006	274.04	083060-2006	176.40
012130-2006	317.08		
013020-2006	127.20		
021010-2006	45.20		
021060-2006	1272.04		
022010-2006	456.74		
022020-2006	64.44		
031020-2006	3873.52		
034010-2006	1461.84		
035010-2006	58.40		
042020-2006	355.44		

Note: Mr. Early stated that Board Reserve had been hit hard and commented that about \$14,000 was coming out of it this month.

Mr. Larrowe stated that work was being done to try to obtain unbudgeted funds to assist with payment of some budgeted items and told that this would allow replenishment of the Board Reserve line item. He told that the current amount being worked on was \$60,000.

Mr. Early asked what the balance in Board Reserve would be after today.

Mr. Larrowe replied \$28,376.92.

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### **APPROVE DUGSPUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY GROUP EFFORTS**

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved supporting the efforts of the Dugspur School Community Group to turn the site into a community center.

Note: The recommendations of the Committee included holding a community meeting to form a 501C3 corporation to receive donations and to manage the project with the project consisting of tearing down the old school building, removing the old playground equipment, and then seeking the assistance of a group such as the Virginia Tech Design Assistance Team to look at ways to work on the field to make it useful for playing ball, holding horse pulls, holding tractor pulls, repairing the basketball courts, replacing playground equipment, and building a picnic shelter for community events.

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**CANNERY FEE SCHEDULE**

Mr. Larrowe presented and discussed the following Cannery fee schedule:

**Carroll County Cannery**

**2006 Processing Fees**

Effective September 25, 2006

* In County Patrons	\$10.00 Seasonal Fee
* Out of County Patrons	\$25.00 Seasonal Fee
* Quart Jars	\$0.25
* Pint Jars	\$0.20
* Tin Cans	\$1.25
* Kettle Usage minimum	\$6.00 per hour with 1/2 hour minimum
* Pulper Usage minimum	\$3.50 per bucket with \$2.00 minimum
* Blancher Usage	\$3.00
* Vegetable Peeler	\$4.00
* Line Exhauster	\$4.00

Mrs. Nichols commented that if a person paid the seasonal fee of \$10.00 they would still have to buy the cans at \$1.25 each.

Mr. Larrowe stated that the cans needed to be sold for what they have cost.

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Mr. Early suggested that the minimum kettle usage should be one hour rather than one-half hour because it had to be cleaned no matter how long it is used.

By consensus of the Board, the above Cannery Fee Schedule was changed to reflect a one hour minimum for kettle usage and a one bucket minimum for pulper usage.

Mrs. Nichols asked how the fees compared to the cannery in Wytheville.

Mr. Larrowe stated that he did not have that schedule but would get it for the next meeting. He stated that the Carroll County cannery was by far the best in the State for this purpose.

Mr. Jones stated that the Cana Trash site had only about \$100 difference in revenues and expenses and told that this was a very small amount for the help to the community.

#### **DISCUSSION OF CLAIMS**

Mr. Evans asked if the Carter Home fuel was to top off the tank.

Mr. Larrowe told that he assumed this was to top off the tank and told that the Board had appropriated \$4000 to this line item.

Mr. Evans stated that he would like to see a listing of the equipment that was being put on the new truck for Hillsville Fire Department.

Mr. Larrowe stated that Mr. Roma would be going with Fire Chief Mike Musser to inspect the truck. He told that this was normal and was part of the contract.

Mr. Early asked if the Treasurer knew of any problem areas.

Ms. Bonita Williams, Treasurer, told that since the report had been compiled most of the line items had been attended to and that she didn't see anything at this point.

Mr. Larrowe stated that he appreciated Ms. Williams, Ms. Lineberry, and Mr. Newman working on this.

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#### **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**

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Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the General County Claims as presented this day and as evidenced by check numbers 82556-82733.

### **BUSINESS RECOGNITION**

Mr. Larrowe told that the Board would be honoring Russell's Garage. He told that the garage was started in September 1982 and that Freddy Alley and Ricky Nelson had operated the garage the past seven years. He told that the garage employed 10 people providing things such as State inspection services and 24-hour wrecker service. He told that they were accommodating and provided a dependable service for the local citizens as well as travelers along the interstate. He stated that they were the front door to our County. He told that a Certificate of Appreciation would be presented but that due to providing these services they were not able to attend today's meeting.

### **RECOGNITION OF LOVE COX**

Mr. Larrowe told that the Board was honoring Ms. Love Cox for her willingness and cooperation in donating space for usage by the County in order to have an information booth at the Flea Market. He told that Ms. Cox was not able to attend the meeting today but that a Certificate of Appreciation along with the thanks from the County would be presented to her.

### **RECOGNITION OF COUNTY FAIR COMMITTEE**

Mr. Larrowe told that an incredible amount of work went into the County Fair and commended all the members of the Fair Committee.

### **DR. TOM LITRELL – TWIN COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION**

Dr. Tom Littrell appeared before the Board and gave the following report concerning the Twin County Airport and the Twin County Airport Commission:

It has been gratifying to see interest growing in the Twin County Airport among the board members. Mr. Evans and Mr. Early have attended several of our commission meetings this year and Mr. Martin was at our August meeting.

Since I was here in February, we have been working on our Airport Layout Plan update (ALP) with our consulting engineers, Talbert & Bright. We expect finalization later this year. We met with Jeff Tarkinton at our August meeting. He brought us the most recent information on our next project, which is a wider Runway Safety Area.

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This change in our ALP was necessary because Twin County Airport has been designated a B II airport. A B II airport must provide a larger Runway Safety Area. This means leveling the ground immediately surrounding the runway itself. There is no additional pavement, just level ground. Because of our rolling terrain, more than 61,000 cubic yards of fill must be used. This material will be excavated from the hill SE of the runway. A benefit of utilizing this area for borrow material is that we will be left with approximately a 280' x 280' piece of flat ground for future hangar construction. Test borings showed very little rock, so the cost estimates were reduced to \$1.25 to 1.5 million from \$2 million. This will reduce the local share to \$25,000 to 30,000 from \$40,000. The Federal share will be 95%, the State share 3% and local share 2%. With Twin County Airport being a B II airport, we will be more attractive to corporate aircraft and larger personal aircraft. The change to a B II airport doesn't affect our recently completed runway widening and repaving project. This new construction will follow design activity and probably won't take place for at least 2 years.

Occasionally airports are faced with completely unexpected requirements and Twin County Airport is no exception. Recently the Virginia Department of Aviation conducted a survey and found that we had some trees that had grown into the transition space. These trees will need to be removed. Twin County was one of about 12 airports that was told of this problem just before the August Virginia Aviation Board meeting. Until these obstacles are removed, Capital Improvement Funds from the state will be withheld. The Commission is currently working to identify the offending trees so that we can secure bids, select a vendor and initiate tree removal. The Virginia State Forestry Service is assisting us. It is hoped that some of the trees might have some marketable timber value to help with the cost of removal.

Just last month the potential of the airport to be an economic engine was demonstrated. A business, interested in locating in Carroll County, requested a meeting with the Airport Commission to give us a proposal to build a corporate hangar at the north end of the runway. We are working with all due expediency and diligence to make that happen. We were told that the airport hangar was the deal maker or breaker. Other than a ground lease, the obligation of the Airport Commission will be to build an access road to the hangar, which is in the same area we have identified as the probable site for more T-hangars and a connecting taxiway to the turnaround. Both of these items would need to be done when the T-hangars are built anyway. Lease details and potential costs are being developed. Ladies and gentlemen, this is the kind of economic impact an airport can have on a community.

The local Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) chapter has held two Young Eagles Programs. The young Eagle Program utilizes local pilots that donate their time and aircraft to offer plane rides to youngsters, many for their first flight. This spring, the EAA chapter flew more than 200 children at the

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Twin County Airport. This is an excellent way to foster an interest in aviation in young people, plus it exposes the airport to their parents and friends. This increases the awareness of the potential of our airport for business and recreation.

Twin County Airport is sponsoring an air show this Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. The air show begins at 12:30, with the gates opening at 10 am. There will be a variety of professional aerial performers as well as static aircraft displays, radio controlled aircraft, food vendors and music by the Cana Ramblers. There is a \$5 per car parking charge which includes admission to the air show for the entire car load of folks. Most of the expenses are covered by a grant from the DOAV and corporate donations. The commission hopes that the entire twin county community will support the air show by their attendance.

Fuel sales continue to increase as we try to keep our per gallon price below surrounding airports. This spring we were informed we were eligible for an airport security improvement grant. This came from the Federal Department of Homeland Security. Our share was \$8,620.68. We can spend the money on something like a surveillance system.

For the fiscal year '06-'07, we had requested \$84,500 from the localities. \$75,000 was appropriated. We adjusted our budget accordingly, but as reported earlier, we feel it is imperative to provide a modern and attractive airport, if we want to enhance our chances to draw new businesses and industries to our area, bringing desperately needed jobs and tax revenues.

Twin County Airport and I thank Carroll County for it's support and can only hope that your support will continue and increase as time goes on. Our airport is very important to the future of the Twin Counties.

Mr. Martin commented that there was a lot of land around the airport for development.

Dr. Littrell replied that Exit 19 was being developed.

Mr. Evans told that he appreciated what was being done and appreciated Dr. Littrell coming to the meeting. He asked how the Commission tried to recruit people to come to the airport to see the airport grow. He then told that he was at the meeting where Mr. Early almost denounced this happening because he hadn't got an answer on FBO status.

Dr. Littrell told that the Commission works with economic development people in the region and stated that the long term goal is to have an attractive terminal to bring people in.

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Mr. Evans told that the prospect was put in a bad light and didn't come to the meeting.

Dr. Littrell stated that the person did not see Mr. Brown and had left. He told that he did come back for another meeting.

Mr. Evans stated that there should be a better way to work with companies.

Dr. Littrell told that most companies want closed meeting discussions.

Mr. Evans asked about the Mayberry issue.

Dr. Littrell told that the Commission appointed a spokesman and their Attorney to enter discussions. He told that he understood this would be taken care of at the next meeting.

Mr. Evans stated that he understood this was not resolved. He stated that it needed to be resolved and the airport needed to grow.

Dr. Littrell stated that the issues were being addressed.

Mr. Early told that he appreciated the work Dr. Littrell was doing and commented that he had taken time out of his day with no pay. He then told that he had asked if the fencing taken down at the Cannery could be used at the airport for security.

Mr. Larrowe told that he did get permission to use the fence on a County project or other local government project.

Mr. Early asked what would prohibit giving the fence to the airport so that the grant could be used for other security equipment.

Mr. Larrowe stated that there was nothing that he was aware of.

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### **DONATE FENCE TO TWIN COUNTY AIRPORT**

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved donating the fence taken down at the Farmer's Market to the Twin County Airport Commission contingent upon this being a proper method of disposal.

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Mr. Early stated that it was correct that the airport is one of the most important things a company looks at along with education and infrastructure. He told that these things were being done right but that there were some things the Board was doing wrong. He asked that the Board look at things to be more attractive to businesses.

Mr. Evans stated that he did support the airport but that he just wanted things done right. He stated that the meetings and the times of the meetings needed to be made public.

Mr. Early called for a point of order and stated that a Supervisor was not supposed to speak a second time on a matter until all other members had a chance to discuss that issue.

Mr. Martin commented that he wished the Board meetings ran as smooth as the Commission meeting he attended.

Mrs. Nichols stated that maybe the Commission could put something in the newspaper about when their meetings were.

Dr. Littrell told that the Airport Commission meetings were held the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. He stated that the August meeting was moved because of the State Aviation meeting.

Mrs. Nichols thanked Dr. Littrell for his report to the Board.

Mr. Evans commented that the Board meetings could be smoother if there was a desire that they be. He told he was elected to ask questions. He told that he was not against the airport but was disheartened with some of the attitudes by some Commission members. He told that several people did not have the internet and he was asking that notice of the meetings be put in the paper so the public would know.

### **JOAN ISOM – RED CROSS**

Joan Isom, American Red Cross, told that everybody had to work together and it would be better in a disaster if everybody had their ducks in a row. She told that the Red Cross was not here to take over but would step in when the Board and EMS decided they needed to. She told that she had worked closely with Mr. Roma. She told that there was not a need to worry about shortfalls until it was determined what they were and then address them. She told that there were 175 Red Cross volunteers for disasters and told that they were self-sufficient. She suggested that everybody work together and be ready in the future. She told that on a daily basis Red Cross helps families who lose their homes and told that they help people working on disasters. She stated that with the economic level in the County being bad they helped low income

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individuals with medical and electrical bills and with eviction notices. She told that they would be participating in a mock search at Grayson Highlands.

Mr. Evans stated that Ms. Isom had been a longtime volunteer and told that he appreciated what Red Cross does.

Ms. Isom stated that it was the humanitarian effort that counted. She told that when Katrina hit there were 27 families that came to the area. She told that if schools are opened for shelters and if Red Cross is there then there would be reimbursement for the food and personnel.

Mr. Larrowe discussed the usage of the NACo prescription drug program and told that 583 citizens were using the program at a savings of \$42,410.88 to date.

Mrs. Nichols stated that she had told other localities about this program and that Grayson County should get their cards in October.

#### **MICHAEL GALLAHER – WASTE TO ENERGY**

Mr. Michael Gallaher presented information concerning a Waste to Energy facility to the Board. He told that the current landfill had a remaining life of 24 years with a maximum of 6 cells at 6.5 acres each. He told that it would cost approximately \$4M to construct each cell along with costs for engineering, methane collection, and then 30 years of closure maintenance costs. He told that including the cost of locating a new landfill during that time the net difference between revenues and expenses over a 54-year time period would be a loss of \$11,800,000.

Mr. Gallaher then discussed technological alternatives such as Waste to Energy, Recycling/Composting to mulch, Recycling/Composting to Energy, or a Combination of All. He discussed the Waste to Energy option and compared the costs and revenues. He determined that over the same 54-year time period there would actually be a net profit of \$299,436,000.

Mr. Evans stated that this opens eyes to at least another method of trash disposal. He stated that landfills take up land that can't be used for years. He told that the plant in Maryland was clean with no smell at little or no cost to the taxpayers.

Mr. Larrowe told that this plant had revenue of \$13.9M from the sale of steam.

Mr. Martin asked where the initial start-up money of \$7.5M would come from.

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Mr. Gallaher told there were several different ways. He told that the next cell at the landfill would cost \$4M and then in 4 years another cell would cost \$4M. He stated that some members of the Authority had mentioned looking at this in 15 years but told that he doesn't see a reason to throw money in a hole for 15 years.

Mr. Early commented that this system was based on 100 tons of trash and asked if it would be worth looking at in bringing other localities trash in.

Mr. Larrowe told of a New Jersey case that prohibited dictating where the trash had to go and where it had to come from.

Mr. Martin told that he was open to the idea but didn't think it would be sold today because the County did not have the funds.

Mr. Gallaher told that politics is a big issue most of the time. He stated that if money was the only issue then a business plan could be put together and then find a banker.

Mr. Early stated that the ball needed to be rolling and suggested that the Board authorize Mr. Larrowe to contact EPA to validate the numbers.

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#### **APPROVE EPA CONTACT**

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board authorized Mr. Gary Larrowe to contact EPA to have someone validate the numbers given in the Waste to Energy presentation.

#### **RON DOERSCHUG – ROUTE 608**

Mr. Ron Doerschug spoke with the Board concerning State Route 608. He told that he had been talking to people about the Route 608 issue. He told that he had contacted Congressman Boucher and had contacted the landowners but had only received one call back. He told that there had been a head-on collision on the road and stated that luckily there was no one injured. He told that the State Police had put the blame on the road conditions. He told that the Board would need to declare this a construction priority.

Mr. Evans stated that there had been 6 wrecks on this road this year. He told that there probably were several that was not included and stated that this was a bad section of road. He told that he had not seen anyone put forth the effort on a road like Mr. Doerschug had.

Mr. Doerschug discussed all the commercial vehicles that use this road.

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Mr. Evans suggested that a traffic count be done during the off-season.

### **VDOT SIX-YEAR SECONDARY ROAD PUBLIC HEARING**

By Board consensus, the VDOT Six-Year Secondary Road Public Hearing was rescheduled to be held on October 24, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at Carroll County High School.

### **ANGELA EDWARDS – TWIN COUNTY REGIONAL HOSPITAL**

Ms. Angela Edwards, along with Ms. Rachel Vaughan, appeared before the Board to discuss hold a blood drive. They explained that they were both from the lab at Twin County Regional Hospital and told that they were having to pay a significant amount for blood. They told that the money was for all the processing to make sure the blood was safe and told that the prices were growing 8% each year. They told that an alternative needed to be found. They told that the blood drives were not at the expected level and that there were not that many blood vendors. They told that changing vendors would save about \$45,000. They told that the blood would now come from Johnston Memorial Hospital and invited everyone to participate in a blood drive.

By Board consensus, a blood drive was scheduled to be held on September 28 at the Governmental Center from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 or 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Martin suggested that this be advertised through the school system.

Mrs. Nichols suggested that it might also be advertised on the information channel through Adelphia.

Mr. Early commented that he had noticed when he donated blood that it always seemed to be understaffed and told that people did not have time to take off from work and then have to wait so long. He told that he hoped this would be well staffed.

Mr. Larowe told that there would actually be appointments.

Mr. Early asked where appointments would be made.

Mr. Larowe stated that persons could contact Mr. Tinney, recruiter, or Ms. Edwards.

Mr. Jones asked if people would be worked into the schedule.

Ms. Edwards responded yes.

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**BUILDING OFFICIAL OFFICE BOARD OF APPEALS**

Mr. Larrowe presented a list of persons who had volunteered to serve on the Building Official Office Board of Appeals. He told that these people had been in attendance at the Building Summit.

Mr. Early asked that this decision be held off until Ms. Myers could be here and have input into who was selected.

Mr. Evans told that the Board had waited 2-3 months and were required by law to have this.

Mr. Early stated that there were a couple on the list that had threatened litigation against the County and that he was not interested in those being on the committee.

Mr. Martin asked if it was proper to have a committee with alternates.

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**TABLE BUILDING OFFICIAL OFFICE BOARD OF APPEALS APPOINTMENTS**

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board Tabled making appointments to the Building Official Office Board of Appeals until the next meeting.

Note: Each Board member is to bring names from the list to the next meeting.

**CITIZEN'S TIME**

Mr. Paul Cooper, Laurel Rescue Squad, discussed the letter that the rescue squads had received concerning the billing issue. He told that the squads had never received anything about this before and that something should be put in the paper so the citizens would know. He then told that Carroll County had an ATV that was supposed to be for all squads. He told that Laurel Rescue Squad had asked for this during the Flea Market and had been told that no one from Laurel was trained to use it. He asked if someone from the County shouldn't train the volunteers to use it. He stated that Laurel was told Pipers Gap Rescue Squad could use it because they were trained.

Mr. Cooper then told that if the County was hard billing how could they be called volunteers. He told that he was volunteering his service for the community. He asked what the difference was between Carroll EMS being

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paid and the volunteers not. He told that Laurel Rescue Squad did not need people to pay extra money. He told that nobody on the Board of Supervisors received the letter until this morning from the rescue squads. He stated that everyone was supposed to help each other and told that Carroll EMS was started to cover if the volunteer squad couldn't answer a call. He told that there had been times the volunteers have covered for EMS. He told that the volunteers do miss some calls but that people were volunteering their time.

Mr. Jeff Sexton told that Laurel Rescue Squad was a good squad and told that he had been a volunteer since 1986 and that he really enjoyed it. He told that Laurel would lose 15 members if the County went to hard billing. He told that the County had good resources but they were getting walked on. He told that he understood the law. He told that when EMS was started it was to help the squads and now EMS was having to ask for more money. He told that he hoped the County did not have to go to hard billing. He told that he worked at the Training Center and that those people had bills that the insurance company would not pay all of and asked where the money was going to come from. He then told that people were complaining about Mr. Roma's training. He told that the Board needed to realize the legalities and also needed to watch the gas money.

Ms. Janet Tate told that she agreed with Mr. Evans about one thing. She told that she came to the Planning Commission meeting last month and that there was not a meeting. She told that the website needed to be kept current. She told that she would like for the Planning Commission to come and make a presentation to the Board. She told that she had been at the Planning Commission meeting where it was discussed that the Subdivision Ordinance needed to be updated. She told that the Board was required to have a Subdivision Ordinance and that they were required to have a Comprehensive Plan but did not have to implement it. She stated that she did not see how ½ acre allows for well and septic. She told that she did not remember anyone in 1.5 years bringing anything but Recreational Subdivisions to the Planning Commission. She stated that this did not seem like it was protecting the health and safety of the public and told that she would like to see the Planning Commission update the Subdivision Ordinance.

Ms. Shirley Steele told that without volunteers this would not be a good place to live. She discussed volunteering with Experimental Aircraft Aviation and the Young Eagles Program. She told that they met the second Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and had 35 members. She told that the goal was to get information out to kids about the opportunities in aviation. She stated that this area could be the aviation technology leader. She told that they were trying to make this a better place to live. She commended Mr. Early and Mr. Tim Brown for providing 370 free flights for the Young Eagles and told that they also paid for the fuel and furnished their time. She told that Mr. Early was #2 in the State for the number of children he had flown and that Mr. Brown was #3 in the

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State. She stated that she was a firm supporter of the airport and was tired of all the petty disagreements about the airport. She stated that all should work together to improve the airport and told that it was not a country club like some think it is. She asked what prosperous business man would want to come here if he looked at the condition of the airport. She then told that the next Young Eagles Rally would be held on October 7, with October 21 as the rain date, at Rotometrics. She told that there were 350 people at the last rally. She asked the Board to support the airport and told that there must be 60 occupations in aviation. She thanked Mr. Early and Mr. Brown for their support.

Mr. Joseph Goad told that he was the 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. for Laurel Fork Rescue Squad and told that nobody knew about the billing until they got the letter. He told that he found out the County had been hard billing for 2 weeks before they got the letter. He stated that the newspaper called up here and to get a copy of the letter and couldn't get it but got a listing of the calls and the number that was missed. He told that Carroll was supposed to come out and help but now the squad was being put down for missed calls. He told that he would quit if the County goes to hard billing. He told that if this goes on the County better be ready to staff all squads with paid people. He told that Carroll EMS continues to get in the newspaper saying they are the people in Carroll County. He told that he hears that the paid people are better than the volunteers. He told that they could beat the volunteers to the scene because they are paid to sit there. He told of a June 7 newspaper article telling about how Carroll EMS has cut down the response time. He stated that volunteers have paid for their training. He told that he would not be a volunteer to go out and tell people they will be sent to a collection agency.

Mr. Ronald Newman told that he wrote the letter concerning the billing issue. He told that it had been discussed with both the EMS Board of Trustees and the Board of Supervisors that there was a legal requirement to make the same collection efforts with the patients as was made with the insurance companies. He told that the Captains have been told in numerous meetings to inform their members that they are not to tell patients they are not going to be billed. He told that last week there were three letters from patients stating they were told they would not be responsible for paying the bill.

Mr. Evans asked how long EMS had been billing.

Mr. Newman told that Carroll EMS started in August 2001 but billing did not start until 2002.

Mr. Evans stated that this is not a new concept and it is a user fee. He told that the taxpayer should not have to pay but it is a user fee. He stated that patient care is the primary concern. He told that the person who just spoke should be a leader and should not be causing a problem.

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Mrs. Nichols told that the Insurance Clerk had stated that the citizens would not be billed but the insurance would be billed.

Mr. Dalton told that the County had to make the same efforts to bill the insurance companies and to provide the individual with a statement of how much is owed. He told that the County had never brought suit against an insurance company, Medicare, or an individual.

Mr. Larrowe stated that Diversified had told him that Carroll County was the less aggressive than other clients.

Mr. Sexton stated that he had not been in meetings where the billing was discussed.

Mr. Goad told that Wythe County bills three times. He stated that some people have been billed and been told that they were going to be sent to a collection agency.

Mr. Evans stated that somebody has to pay and mentioned that the PSA had discussed collection of bills not paid. He told that EMS was not in a financial shape to hardly operate. He stated that time is rough for someone or they would not be needing an ambulance.

Mr. Jones stated that it had cost more since starting EMS.

Mr. Goad stated that billing could not be stopped but told that as a volunteer he would not tell people they will be sent to a collection agency.

Mrs. Nichols stated that people were not being sent to a collection agency. She told that Diversified would be at the next meeting.

Mr. Cooper told that he had to have a certification. He told that the Board was worried about the law but that Mr. Roma would go to a scene and 10-22 the squads and he has no certification.

Mr. Early commented that some in the building want to legitimize full-time paid EMS. He told that he had talked at length with Kim Shropshire at Laurel Fork Rescue Squad and they feel like a redheaded step child.

Mrs. Nichols stated that other squads felt this way as well.

Mr. Jones asked why EMS takes over when the volunteers are ready to load a patient.

Mr. Roma told that if ALS assistance is needed EMS goes. He told that this morning Laurel Rescue Squad was tone twice before responding. He told that

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they asked for ALS assistance and EMS got on the Laurel truck to go to the hospital. He told that Laurel would receive that billing. He told that either the service had to be paid for or not have it. He told that the County needed all the volunteers it could get. He informed the Board that on October 7 he was going to Dugspur to try to recruit volunteers.

Mr. Jones asked about Mr. Roma's certification.

Mr. Roma stated that he gave up the certification in 1999.

Mr. Jones asked why he went to all the calls.

Mr. Roma replied to save the County money.

Mr. Evans told that it wears out firemen, equipment, and billfolds of taxpayers to have all these people respond to calls when they are not needed. He told that it is cheaper to have Mr. Roma go to the calls since he is on pay.

Mr. Jones asked who was doing the drug boxes.

Mr. Roma replied that it was Sam Leath. He then told that there were captains for some squads that were not ALS providers.

Mr. Evans commented that there were a lot of volunteers in the County. He told that the Board wanted the best care for the people who need care and stated that takes working together. He told that if something is started and then stones thrown at it, it should not have been started. He told that it was getting harder to get volunteers.

Mr. Early told that the concept of EMS was to cover when the squads could not answer calls.

Mr. Roma told that if everybody on the volunteer squads answered calls then the paid system would not be needed. He told that if the money comes in like it should then it would break even.

Mr. Evans told that when someone was laying there with something that was going to take their life time is important. He told that EMS is to compliment the volunteers.

Mr. Martin asked how it was determined if someone ran a call or not.

Mr. Evans explained that the squad would be toned, wait 2 minutes and tone again, wait another 2 minutes and then tone EMS. He told that the dispatcher hits a button on the computer and the calls are logged.

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Mr. Early told that he had a report that Laurel Fork had been ready to respond to help on a call but was told to stay back and another squad was called.

Mr. Roma told that at times both EMS squads are transporting to other hospitals and then it falls back to the volunteers.

Mr. Goad told that he could see where EMS needs the extra billing but told that Laurel Fork has sufficient billing to cover and did not need the extra billing. He told that they have money to cover what the insurance did not cover. He asked if it was not law that if the County was billing for the full bill that paid staff had to be on the ambulance.

Mr. Dalton replied that EMS has a contractual relationship with the volunteers but told this would be discussed with Diversified.

### **COUNTY DECAL DISCUSSION**

Ms. Bonita Williams, Treasurer, discussed the costs and the revenues associated with the County decals. She told that what some other localities were doing was rather than having the decals they were putting a vehicle license fee on the tax ticket. She told that some were putting a tax on vehicles that were not on the road. She told that if the Board decided to adopt a policy to do away with the decals the County would not get the revenue that was budgeted for spring.

Mr. Jones asked if this would go on the personal property tax ticket and commented that there were so many people who rented that didn't pay any taxes. He stated that if the Board done away with the decals the County would not get anything from these people.

Ms. Williams stated that DMV stops could be done at a cost of \$20.00 but that the County would get that back when the person came to pay their tax.

Mr. Martin asked if it would be a gain or loss to the County.

Ms. Williams stated that there would be a 6-month wait to get the money.

Mrs. Nichols stated that there would be a savings of \$13,000 plus the employee time.

Mr. Jones commented that if this was put on the personal property taxes the County would lose more than the \$13,000.

Ms. Williams read a listing of the localities that have went to a permanent decal.

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Mr. Larrowe stated that the County did not have a pool to get the money from to cover the shortfall.

Ms. Williams stated that the Board might look at implementing this in 2008 so it could be budgeted for.

Mr. Evans commented that if the Board done this it seemed like they would lose something.

Mr. Early stated that last month he had asked that a clarification be obtained from Corbin Stone on twice per year tax collection.

Mr. Larrowe presented the Board with a letter from Mr. Stone.

Mr. Martin stated that it looked like there should be a way to set money aside and keep it going but the Board made decisions month to month.

Mr. Larrowe told that there would be collection of 150% of taxes in one year to build a reserve fund and then invest the funds until they were needed.

Mr. Early read from the letter "localities switching to twice a year collections must take a disciplined approach to fund balance policy and that approach must be passed forward to future Board to prevent the expenditure of developed reserves." He then asked if twice per tax collection was so wrong why 90% of the localities do it.

Mr. Dalton stated that it was a sound principle and most people would probably like to pay some at different times.

Ms. Williams stated that the money received would be a windfall.

Mr. Martin stated that the County had windfalls in the past and the money was gone.

Ms. Williams informed the Board that once they implemented twice per year tax collection they could not change because they would lose 6-months of revenue.

Mr. Early stated that disciplined spending was the approach he was trying to bring out.

Ms. Williams stated that there were people who make monthly payments.

Mrs. Nichols suggested keeping the public informed of this option.

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Mr. Jones asked if some who pays half of their taxes by July could be given a 5% break.

Ms. Williams told that this was not allowed by the State.

Mr. Jones stated that the windfall could be put toward the debt.

Mr. Martin commented that if the Board could put aside money and then the next Board do the same thing the interest could be used at some point in the future.

Ms. Williams then discussed the sale of land for delinquent taxes. She told that she had brought a list in May and told that names needed to be pulled from that list for a sale.

Mr. Dalton stated that the Board needed to have a policy of what is sold rather than choosing names.

Mr. Evans asked for the percentage of paid versus unpaid.

Ms. Williams told that the collection rate was 97% but that did not account for old cases.

Mr. Evans asked if there were cases where people had not paid in years.

Ms. Williams stated that had happened in the past but that 2 were taken care of this year. She told that there had been discussion of combining lots to make them more attractive. She then told that a gentleman had come in and wanted only active military to get a free County decal. She stated that Louise Quesenberry was looking at the Code for tax relief. She then informed the Board that the Compensation Board had given her a new position and that she would need an additional appropriation. She then asked if the land to be sold should be sold with a clear title.

Mr. Dalton stated that any land sold should be as Special Warranty.

Mr. Larrowe told the Board that the listing of debt was in Section F of the packet. He reviewed the debt as of June 30, 2005 as \$49,226,052. He told that Corbin Stone had told him the County debt had never been \$60M and had stated that it might have went up to \$55M.

Mr. Larrowe told the Board that a ceremony honoring America and remembering the victims of September 11 was held and commended Stuart Shockley for a job well done as the guest speaker. He told that an RFP had been issued for engineering services concerning the Gynn property and that Galax had agreed to pay 1/3 the cost of the economic study by Virginia Tech

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discussed last month. He told that the County had received a Litter Control Grant in the amount of \$8629 for clean ups and planning of clean ups. He told that there had been a meeting with Wytheville Community College President Dr. White to discuss development of a curriculum to help with business development. He told that the Business Development Office was working with 78 businesses helping to create 57 jobs with 14 businesses being funded at \$1.2M. He told that he was working with Corbin Stone and Louise Quesenberry on the collection of utility taxes and explained that the State would be collecting these taxes in the future. He told that \$1,093,063 would be coming back to Carroll County but told that he anticipated that in the future the State would not return 100% of the taxes.

Mr. Larowe then told the Board that two vehicles had been purchased for the Assessor's Office. He told that a Jeep and a Cavalier had been purchased for a total of \$16,804. He stated that the original amount budgeted was \$25,000. He informed the Board that State Surplus had a 1999 Dodge with 38,000 miles priced at \$8575 and told that this line item lacked \$379.00 to be able to pay for this. He told that the plan was for this vehicle to go to the Building Official's office, the Ford from the Building Official's office to go to Ricky Dowdy, the van Ricky Dowdy was using would go to Mike Cook, the 1997 pickup used by Mike Cook would go to T. C. Stacy, the green Ford Crown Victoria would go to the Tourism Department, and the brown Ford Crown Victoria would go to surplus.

(Order)

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF 1999 DODGE PICKUP**

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board authorized the purchase of a 1999 Dodge pickup from State Surplus at a price of \$8575.00.

Note: Mr. Early asked if this was being brought to the Board because of the \$379.00 shortfall.

Mr. Larowe told that the timing of the other vehicles didn't come out to bring them to the Board.

(Order)

**APPROVE ABANDONMENT OF ROUTE 9474**

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

WHEREAS, a public notice was posted as prescribed under Section 33.1-155, Code of Virginia, announcing a public hearing to receive comments concerning abandoning the section of road described below from the Secondary System of State Highways, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation was provided the prescribed notice of this Board's intent to abandon the subject section of road, and

WHEREAS, after considering all evidence available, this Board is satisfied that no public necessity exist for the continuance of the section of school access Route 9474, from 688 East to 688 West a distance of 0.20 miles, and hereby deems that section of road is no longer necessary as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

WHEREAS, the School Board of Carroll County has deemed that school access Route 9474, from 688 West to 688 East a distance of 0.20 miles, is no longer necessary to provide access to a school facility in Carroll County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Board abandons the above described section of road and removes it from the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to Section 33.1-155, Code of Virginia.

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

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 ADDITION OF ST. PAUL SCHOOL ROAD**

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

WHEREAS, the road described below provides access for school bus traffic from State Route 688 to St. Paul Elementary School, a public school,

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WHEREAS, construction of the road is complete and meets standards, deemed by the Department of Transportation, appropriate for the traffic anticipated,

WHEREAS, construction was financed by sources other than those administered by the Virginia Department of Transportation,

WHEREAS, the School Board of Carroll County and this Board hereby guarantee a right of way of 30 feet and additional drainage and slope easements as necessary for maintenance of the road,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the School Board of Carroll County and this Board, pursuant to Section 33.1-68, Code of Virginia, request the following road be added to the Secondary System of State Highways,

Name of Road:	St. Paul School Road	Length:	0.14 miles
From:	State Route 688 East (via loop)		
To:	State Route 688 West (via loop)		

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

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.

Mr. Larowe then announced that the County had just received a grant from Rural Development in the amount of \$30,000 to pay toward the Cana Fire Truck.

Mr. Early asked about the Carter Home Grant.

Ms. Brenda Marrah, Grant Write, explained that Dallas Garrett was the program administrator for this grant.

Mr. Larowe told that Mr. Garrett had been asking where the money is and the response back from Washington was that it is on its way.

(Order)

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

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Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board convened a Closed Session at 3:10 p.m. until 4:03 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 Mr. Jones, 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 this 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 which this Closed Session was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting to which this certification applies.

### **SUPERVISOR'S TIME**

Mr. Evans stated that he had seen a notice in the paper about the school destroying records and asked if this was financial records or just student records.

Mr. Larrowe told that this was special education student records and that Dr. McBride had told him this was in compliance with State regulations.

Mr. Evans reported that the Regional Jail was hiring 24 new employees. He told that this did not increase the County budget but did only leave \$60,000 in

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reserve at the Jail. He told that if anything else happens they will come back to the localities and that the price would go up next year. He then told that a recommendation at the Building Summit is to hire an additional building inspector and health inspector. He asked if funds coming into the building office could be used to hire a health inspector and asked Mr. Larrowe to look into this.

Mr. Larrowe stated that this issue had come up at both sessions. He told that there would be a full set of recommendations after the final meeting. He told that any additional health inspector would have to be hired locally and told that the County can put a local fee on the well and septic permits.

Mr. Evans Mr. Larrowe to report on his meeting concerning the Airport.

Mr. Larrowe told that he met with Kenneth Vaught, Independence Town Manager. He told that he was the only one at the meeting and he did have some concerns about Airport operations. He reported that there had been no action since that time.

Mr. Evans stated that he knew of one person who did not show up under duress. He then announced that he would be having a Town Hall Meeting on October 5 at 6:30 p.m. at Oakland School. Mr. Evans then asked that a Public Hearing be held concerning the Nudity and Obscenity Ordinance that was presented last month. He told that it was a good beginning but would have to be tweaked over time.

(Order)

**APPROVE PUBLIC HEARING – NUDITY AND OBSCENITY  
ORDINANCE**

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board approved holding a Public Hearing concerning the proposed Nudity and Obscenity Ordinance.

Mr. Jones stated asked if there had been any complaints about Lambsburg School being locked up and not being used.

Mr. Larrowe told that he had not heard anything.

Mr. Dalton reminded the Board that the deed did contain a reverter clause.

Mr. Jones asked if anything was going to be in the paper about the trash burning.

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Mr. Larrowe told that he had worked with the paper and had given quotes. He told that Crystal Adams and Kathy Surratt had worked with the paper. He told that the law had been on the books for the State since 1972 and this had been brought forward by a neighbor complaining about another neighbor burning trash. He agreed that the notice should not have said Board of Supervisors across the top.

Mr. Early asked what the law was.

Mr. Larrowe stated that household trash could not be burned.

Mr. Early stated that it was not enforce very much. He then told that he had received several calls about Lambsburg School and had been told that only one person had a key and she lived in North Carolina. He asked Mr. Jones and Mr. Newman to look into this. He then told that last month he had asked about the naming of the Guynn Industrial Park and stated that Ms. Guynn would provide a copy of the contract if need be. He then asked where DMV and VDOT stood on the junk car issue.

Mr. Larrowe told that it was time to plant the trees at the Guynn Farm and told that he had talked with DMV and they had told him they would start the process.

Mr. Early asked about the cameras to be used to catch illegal dumping.

Mr. Larrowe stated that he had received a letter from the Department of Forestry.

Mr. Early stated that Route 608 needs improvement. He stated that a lot more people are living on top of the mountain. He told that Skyline Lakes Subdivision is a Recreational Subdivision with full-time residents. He asked that the Planning Commission be at the next meeting to discuss the Subdivision Ordinance and then for the Planning Commission to go back and re-write the Ordinance. He then told that he was not trying to be a stickler about Board rules but that citizen's time is listed as being after the invocation.

Mr. Martin told that he would like to see a School Board representative come before the Board more than once a year and asked that the Board get a quarterly report. He told that he attended the PDC meeting at Bland and that Delegate Carrico and Delegate Crockett-Stark had told him that the \$130M shortfall was actually \$260M because it was for 2 years. He then discussed the Board rules concerning all items to be discussed being numbered on the agenda. He told that he had never done that and asked if the Board was under this.

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Mr. Dalton stated that the Board can suspend the rules as they see fit and reminded the Board that the Code needed to be updated.

Mr. Martin stated that there needed to be flexibility in the meetings. He then told that he saw Brian Spencer at Laurel Fork on Saturday. He told that he was doing much better but still has blood clots and has no feeling from the knee down in that leg. He then told that it bothered him that so much was done to protect the Courtroom but not the rest of the building. He stated that people get in trouble, go to Court, then to Child Protective Services in Building C and then go to Building B to the School Board Office. He told that most of the people that go to Building A go through Building B so B was an extension of A.

Mr. Dalton told that he had spoken with Judge Geisler and the question was if Building B was a part of the Judge's Courtroom.

Mr. Martin read the rules on weapons from the Carroll County Student Handbook and then asked if a student with a 3" knife is more dangerous than someone sitting the Board room with a gun.

Mr. Dalton told of going through a metal detector when he went into Courtrooms during law school in Richmond. He told that this needed to be discussed with the Judge and Sheriff.

Mr. Martin stated that he did not think a detector was needed.

Mr. Larowe told that he had spoken with Judge Geisler and he felt they could come to a resolution.

Mr. Evans commented that a lot of people have concealed weapon permits and that he thought it was infringing upon the rights of those people who have those permits.

Mr. Martin stated that one could make a case that if not concerned about buns why be concerned about obscenity. He told that there had been 2 times he had heard that maybe we need to have another Allen shootout and that is an implied threat. He told that he had no problem with qualified people that have a permit.

Mr. Dalton stated that the problem was not the person with the permit but the person who can't get a permit.

Mr. Martin once again stated that if there was not concern about weapons why should there be concern about obscenity.

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Mrs. Nichols told that the Mount Rogers PDC dinner meeting was very nice and that there was a good message by Speaker Tom Elliott. She then asked how many credit cards the County had and told that there needed to be a check on what has been purchased over the last month. She then asked why Mr. Roma's vehicle is always parked in front of the Governmental Center.

Mr. Roma replied that he is normally in and out of the building real fast and that he is on calls. He also told that on Court days it is hard to find a parking space.

Mr. Dalton presented a proposed Resolution to the Board pursuant to the letter received from Rural Development concerning the Joint Utility Agreement between the County and the Town of Hillsville and recommendation adoption of the Resolution by the Board.

(Order)

**ADOPT JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF CARROLL COUNTY AND THE CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC  
SERVICE AUTHORITY**

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

**JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CARROLL COUNTY  
AND THE CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the County of Carroll, by and through its Board of Supervisors, and the Carroll County Public Service Authority have worked

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faithfully and diligently to create a positive relationship with the Town of Hillsville in order to enter into, execute and put in place a contract with the Town of Hillsville to work cooperatively to provide sewer service to the residents of the Woodlawn section of Carroll County; and

WHEREAS the County of Carroll County Public Service Authority and the Town entered into such a contract in February, 2005; and

WHEREAS this contract, inter alia provided that , pursuant to Section 18 of the Contract, the Agreement will not be effective until and unless it is approved by the USDA Rural Development; and

WHEREAS, the County of Carroll and the Carroll County Public Service Authority has requested a change of scope to its previous submission, asking that the scope of the Woodlawn Sewer project be changed in conformance with the aforementioned contract; and

WHEREAS, USDA Rural Development has issued a letter dated September 12, 2006, by which it has decided not to approve the change in scope;

WHEREAS, the County of Carroll and the Public Service Authority has made all possible efforts to obtain approval of said contract from USDA, Rural Development; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Carroll Board of Supervisors and the Carroll County Public Service Authority acknowledge receipt of the letter of USDA, Rural Development dated September 12, 2006; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Carroll and the Carroll County Public Service Authority regret that USDA Rural Development Agency could not approve the requested change in scope; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Carroll and the Carroll County Public Service Authority also regret that the County will be unable to execute the proposed connection with the Town of Hillsville System; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Carroll and the Carroll County Public Service Authority remain committed to providing adequate, efficient and affordable sewer to the residents of the Woodlawn section of Carroll County.

THE COUNTY OF CARROLL AND THE CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY FURTHER RESOLVE that they will

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consider all feasible alternatives for the purpose of developing a sewer system in the area to be served by the Woodlawn Sewer Project.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution is adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006, by the County of Carroll Board of Supervisors and the Carroll County Public Service Authority, and is effective immediately, pursuant to the following vote:

CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEMBER	ATTENDANCE	VOTE
Sharon Nichols		
Glenna Myers		
Joseph H. Early, III		
Jeff Evans		
L.J. Jones		
Ralph J. "Bob" Martin, Jr.		

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY

MEMBER	ATTENDANCE	VOTE
Sharon Nichols		
Glenna Myers		
Joseph H. Early, III		
Jeff Evans		
L.J. Jones		
Ralph J. "Bob" Martin, Jr.		

Given under my hand this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

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SHARON F. NICHOLS, CHAIRMAN  
Carroll County Board of Supervisors

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L. J. JONES, VICE-CHAIRMAN  
Carroll County Public Service Authority

September 12, 2006

Discussion:

Mr. Evans stated that this would take the Board back to where it was before the vote.

The Public Service Authority joined the Board at this time.

Mr. Dalton reviewed the letter from Rural Development and discussed the Joint Agreement.

Mr. Martin asked if the letter discussed Crooked Creek.

Mr. Evans asked if there was a way to decrease the costs.

Mr. John Adams, Adams-Heath Engineering, told that this would need to be discussed with Rural Development. He told that most of the concern was with the rate and the treatment costs. He stated that the County would probably have to live within the grant and loan amounts from Rural Development. He told that there was not a great amount of time to make this work before the money goes away.

Mr. Evans stated that he did not want to see the County totally turn its back on the sewer plant in Galax.

Mr. Adams told that it would be difficult at this time for the County to build its own plant. He told that the original letter of conditions was dated July 18, 2001 with Health Department approval of the plans dated July 2002. He told that if the project had been done at that time there was plenty of money to do the project. He told that Rural Development was looking at lower interest rates in the future but that grants would not be available. He told that there were options that could be looked into to see what could be done for the County.

Mr. Larrowe stated that if movement is being made toward an alternative the likelihood of Rural Development holding the money is better.

Mr. Adams stated that was right to a point.

Mr. Dalton told that something could be brought to the Board in October and approved in November and still be okay.

Mr. Adams told that Rural Development needed to be talked with about this.

Mr. Martin stated that while the County was pursuing options the Town might find savings that will allow for a lower rate.

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(Order)

**ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REGIONAL WATER  
SUPPLY PLAN**

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

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Virginia General Assembly has mandated the development of water supply plans throughout the Commonwealth and the State Water Control Board has developed regulations to implement this planning process; and

WHEREAS, based upon these regulations, the County of Carroll is required to complete a water supply plan that fulfills the regulations by November 2, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality has announced the availability of grant funds to assist localities offset some of the costs related to the development of these plans and are encouraging localities to submit applications for grants funds using regional water supply plans; and

WHEREAS, regional water supply planning is a sensible approach to developing a water supply plan since watershed boundaries do not follow political boundaries and since there will likely be cost savings to all jurisdictions participating; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission has previously managed the development of successful regional plans and is a logical entity to organize and manage a regional water supply planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission desires to participate in a regional water supply plan and desires to secure DEQ grant funds to help offset the cost of the plan development.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Carroll authorized the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission to develop an application for water supply planning grant funds and to develop a regional water supply plan which will meet mandated regulations; and

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IT IS RESOLVED, that the County Administrator is authorized to sign the DEQ grant contract and other appropriate documents related to the source water planning grant and the regional source water supply plan; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mount Rogers Planning District intends to provide \$2,500.00 of in kind matching funds and \$2,500.00 in cash for the project. In addition, other funds will be researched and local funds may be solicited from the local jurisdictions as the project progresses.

(Order)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Early, and passed unanimously, the Board adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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Sharon F. Nichols, Chairman

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Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Clerk