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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held the first of two regular meetings on Tuesday, February 6, 2007 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

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

Mr. Hutchins called the meeting to Order at 6:47 p.m. and asked Mr. Martin to lead in prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the minutes of their regular meeting held on January 9, 2007 and an adjourned meeting held on January 16, 2007 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.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for January 2007 and did authorize the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign on the 15th and 28th days of February 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)

ADOPT RESOLUTION – SUPPORT GRAYSON PRISON

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

RESOLUTION

SUPPORT OF GRAYSON PRISON

Whereas, the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Virginia has determined to place a medium security correctional facility in the Mount Rogers Planning District area; and

Whereas, such a facility would provide as many as 300 well paying jobs with full benefits to the people of the area; and

Whereas, the jobs created by such a facility would benefit surrounding counties, including Carroll County; and

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Whereas, the local economy will be enhanced by providing employment opportunities as well as enhanced infrastructure; and

Whereas, Grayson and surrounding counties have suitable and available work force for this facility; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors declare support of the proposed 1024 bed correctional facility to be placed in Grayson County.

(Order)

ADOPT PROCLAMATION – CELEBRATING AMERICA’S 400TH ANNIVERSARY

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

PROCLAMATION CELEBRATING AMERICA’S 400TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, May 14, 2007 will mark the landing of the first English settlers in America 400 years ago in Jamestown, Virginia providing Americans the opportunity to celebrate “the journey that changed the world”. This celebration is a rare opportunity for all Americans to better understand the foundation of our nation as we work together to shape our country’s future.

WHEREAS, Carroll County declares support for the 400th Anniversary celebration of the 1607 founding of Jamestown, Virginia: America’s first permanent colony sparked a series of cultural encounters and helped shape the United States and the modern world.

NOW THEREFORE, let the word go forth that Carroll County supports all 2007-2008 events: local, state and national commemorating Jamestown’s legacies, including self–government, free enterprise, concept of rule and the beginning of our great nation with the opportunities we are experiencing due to this momentous day May 14, 1607. This proclamation is to encourage recognition and instill pride in every American citizen of the tremendous opportunities that this great nation has been afforded due to the landing of this first English ship in America 400 years ago.

This Proclamation, made this ____ day of _____, 2007

(Order)

APPROVE SHERIFF’S OFFICE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved appropriating \$13,360.00 received as the Highway Safety Grant to the Carroll County Sheriff’s Office following line items:

031020-5409	Police Supplies	\$ 3,360.00
031020-1039	DUI & DEA Compensation	\$10,000.00

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APPROVE DISPOSITION OF HILLSVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved for the Hillsville Volunteer Fire Department to sell a 1995 Chevy Tahoe donated to the department and did authorize the proceeds of this sale to be returned to Hillsville Volunteer Fire Department.

(Order)

APPROVE AMBULANCE PURCHASE APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board appropriated \$82,500.00 received from VACo Insurance Programs to Vehicle Purchases line item 011010-9020 to be used toward payment of the 2007 ambulance for Carroll EMS.

(Order)

APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFER

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved transferring \$9498.41 from the Central Purchasing line item from the various departments and did appropriate these funds to the Central Purchasing Store, Central Purchasing Stock line item 011020-4300.

(Order)

APPROVE APCO EASEMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved an easement to Appalachian Power Company in a northeasterly direction from Appalachian Power Company's existing pole numbered 882-684 to and including new pole numbered 882-810.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the County General Claims as presented this day and as evidenced by check numbers 84405-84525.

(Order)

APPROVE CHECK FOR AMBULANCE PURCHASE

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board authorized a check in the amount of \$82,500.00 to Northwestern Emergency Vehicles as payment toward a 2007 ambulance for Carroll EMS.

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INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Larrowe told the Board that a letter had been written to the State Corporation Commission concerning the APCO rate increase. He told that he had received a call from the Assistant Director of the SCC who had indicated that that staff had recommended a 3-5% increase for fuel and a 3-5% rate increase for a total of an 8-10% increase rather than the 33% increase. He stated that if the SCC takes staff recommendation customers may see a reduced rate on the power bills.

Mr. Larrowe then told that three Board members and himself had attended Legislative Day to meet with legislators to discuss issues of interest. He told that Chairman Hutchins and himself had attended the Chairman's Institute. He presented the Board a copy of the Governor's Economic Development Strategy and told that he had served on this committee.

Mr. Larrowe informed the Board that the Regional Industrial Facilities Authority was working on broadband implementation. He stated that a contractor had been hired and the work was being paid for through a grant from the Department of Housing and Community Development. He told that a broadband management team was being put together and asked the Board to bring back names for this team to the February 20 meeting.

Mr. Hutchins stated that he would like to see the public advised that this team was being put together and asked that anyone interested in being a part of this team give their name to their Board member or to the Administrator.

Mr. Larrowe stated that the team would consist of 12-15 persons.

VIETNAM MEMORIAL

Mr. Larrowe presented the Board with a drawing of a proposed Vietnam Memorial and told that there had been a request to erect this memorial on a 3'x10' plot near the flag poles of the Government Center. He stated that this would have the names of the individuals from Carroll County who gave all during this war.

Mr. Hutchins stated that the request was merely for a piece of real estate and asked the pleasure of the Board concerning discussing this issue at this time or waiting until the next meeting.

Mr. Jones suggested discussing the issue at this time.

Mr. Bob Henley explained that there were 10 people from Carroll County that gave their life in Vietnam. He told that there would be two markers on one long base with a bronze rifle and boots in the center. He told that the plot would be 7'x2'.

Mr. Early stated that this was a worthy cause but told that his concern was how to recognize others from other wars. He told that this needed to be thought about and suggested that the VFW might be a better place to put this monument. Mr. Early then made a motion to Table this issue until the next night meeting.

Mr. Evans asked Mr. Henley where he was in the process.

Mr. Henley explained that the dedication would be held on Veteran's Day and that families would need to be contacted. He stated that the project could not be started until getting the approval. He stated that veterans from other wars were honored with ticker tape parades but that nothing was done for the Vietnam Veterans. He told that this would bring closure to the families and

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would show that the community is thankful. He stated that all 10 names were on the wall in Washington DC.

Mr. Evans stated that he thought this would be a good spot and he did not see a reason to wait. He stated that it could be moved in the future if needed.

Mr. Henley commented that he hardly seen anyone going over to the monument at the VFW.

Mrs. Myers suggested waiting and getting input from the public.

Mr. Early stated that he did agree these people needed honored.

Mr. Evans stated that DC did not have one monument that recognized everyone.

Mr. Hutchins asked if having an answer by February 20 would give enough time.

Mr. Martin told that the question was how to honor veterans from other wars.

Mr. Hutchins commented that there was land around the flag pole sufficient to allow for other groups.

Mr. Early then amended his earlier motion.

(Order)

VIETNAM MEMORIAL – TABLED

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed, the Board Tabled the decision concerning the request to allow a Vietnam Memorial to be erected near the flag poles of the Government Center until the February meeting.

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

CITIZEN'S TIME

There were no comments during Citizen's Time.

PUBLIC HEARING – CONTROL OF NUISANCE ANIMALS ORDINANCE

Mr. Hutchins Opened the Public Hearing at 7:31 p.m.

Mr. Larrowe stated that the purpose of this Public Hearing was to hear public comment concerning the proposed adoption of the Ordinance for the Control of Nuisance Animals. He then opened the floor for comments.

Ms. Nancy Beasley told that she lived in Town and that in the last few months there had been several dogs running at large on her street. She told that these dogs had been coming onto her property intimidating her dogs and that around Thanksgiving one of her dogs had received bites that had turned into an abscess. She stated that this had cost her over \$1200.00 and that she was still dealing with these sores. She told that around January 1 she had let her dogs out and one came back with its rear end chewed up. She stated that she had talked with the Dog Warden and he had asked if she knew who the dogs belonged to. She stated that she had found out who the dogs belonged to. She then told that she had company one day and she had to run the dogs back

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home to keep them away from her company. She stated that the Dog Warden had told her he could issue a warrant and that she would have to testify in Court. She told that she had spoken with the neighbor and had the problem solved. She stated that there were too many aggressive dogs running around and that these dogs should be confined, tied, or kept in the house.

With no one else to speak, the Public Hearing was Closed at 7:37 p.m.

After discussion, Mr. Hutchins announced that this matter would be Tabled until the first March meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING – DANGEROUS OR VICIOUS DOG ORDINANCE

Mr. Hutchins Opened the Public Hearing at 7:39 p.m.

Mr. Larrowe stated that the purpose of this Public Hearing was to hear public comment concerning the proposed adoption of the Dangerous or Vicious Dog Ordinance. He then opened the floor for comments.

Ms. Nancy Beasley stated that her earlier comments applied to this area.

With no one else to speak, the Public Hearing was Closed at 7:40 p.m.

After discussion, Mr. Hutchins announced that this matter would be Tabled until the first March meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING – CARROLL COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
(HELD JOINTLY WITH THE CARROLL COUNTY PLANNING
COMMISSION)**

Mr. Hutchins and Planning Commission Chairman Larry Chambers opened the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. Larrowe stated that the purpose of this Public Hearing was to hear public comment concerning the proposed adoption of the Carroll County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Hutchins explained that the Comprehensive Plan was a road map of where the County would like to be in the next 20 years and how best to get there. He then opened the floor for comments.

Mr. Donnie Garmon, Virginia Department of Forestry, told the Board that the forest resources were great for Carroll County. He discussed the economic value, the importance of forests to wildlife, and the role forests play in preserving the appearance, life styles, and traditions of the County. He presented the Board with a proposed addition to the Comprehensive Plan concerning forest resources.

Mr. Eddie Bunn asked how many of the Board had read the Plan in its entirety. He stated that he had not but that one thing that he sees that Carroll County is missing out on is there are not many places for people to stop who are traveling through the County. He stated that there were three interchanges without businesses because these did not have water and sewer. He stated that water and sewer should be a high priority and be emphasized in the plan. He suggested putting these utilities at the easiest interchange and then proceeding to the next easiest one.

Mr. Darry Griffin stated that Chapter 9 of the Plan had a little about water, sewer, and gas at the interchanges but told that he agreed totally that these are needed for businesses coming into the County. He stated that businesses will not consider coming if the County does not cooperate and have sufficient utilities. He told that he did not believe the citizens would care to spend \$3-

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5M to bring 300-500 jobs. He suggested that the County spend money on water and sewer to bring businesses to Carroll County.

With no one else to speak, the Public Hearing was Closed at 7:48 p.m.

The Planning Commission meeting was declared Adjourned by Chairman Chambers.

Mr. Martin told that someone else had mentioned to him that Budwiser had been run off from Carroll County.

Mr. Larowe told that he was not aware of any contact between Budwiser and his office.

Mr. Martin then told that he was still hearing that Pepsi had wanted to come to Carroll County and was turned away.

Mr. Newman told that there was no contact between Pepsi and the Administrator's Office and then stated that as had been told tonight if the company had wanted to come there was not sufficient water.

(Order)

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

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board convened a Closed Session at 7:50 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. for the discussion of the disposition of real property where public discussion would be detrimental to the County's position and 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, as authorized by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A3,A5).

(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 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.

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SUPERVISOR'S TIME

Mr. Early stated that he thinks the idea of the night meetings is good and he thanked the people for coming.

Mr. Hutchins stated that he hoped to have continued participation. He then stated that the budget sessions would be coming up and asked that each department schedule a time to appear before the Board to tell what they are doing and what their goals are.

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board adjourned at 8:35 p.m. until February 20, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

David V. Hutchins, Chairman

Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Clerk