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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 15, 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 9:05 a.m. and asked Mr. Sam Dickson to lead in prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

(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 October 9, 2007 and a Special Meeting held on October 25, 2007 as previously distributed to the members of this Board by its Clerk and as recorded in Minute Book No. 25 in the County Administrator's Office.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mrs. Myers	Yes

(Order)

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for October 2007 and did authorize the Chairman, Clerk, and Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign checks on the 15th and 30th days of November 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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EMERGENCY RESOLUTION

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

**CARROLL COUNTY
RESOLUTION FOR THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Carroll County does hereby find that:

1. Due to size and scope of the Animal Welfare Rescue, the County of Carroll is facing extraordinary strain of resources.
2. Due to the fact that 880+ animals were voluntarily given to the County for identification, triage, and placement with adoption agencies the Animal Welfare Rescue Operation had to be undertaken immediately and constituted an emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that an emergency now exists throughout said County; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said emergency that powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the County Administrator of the County of Carroll shall be those prescribed by state law and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved plans of the County of Carroll in order to mitigate the effects of said emergency, including a suspension of procurement regulations as necessary.

Chair

Clerk

Adopted this 15th day of November, 2007.

VOTES

Mr. Evans Yes
Mr. Jones Yes
Mr. Early Yes
Mr. Martin Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mrs. Myers Yes

Mr. Early asked if the puppy situation caused a strain on County resources.

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Mr. Larrowe asked the Board to imagine what the strain might have been if the County hadn't been able to access State resources. He told that the invoices would be minor. He told that the State connected the County with resources from other agencies such as Virginia Tech, labor from the Detention Center, Pet Smart and stated that the County used time and redirection of employee time.

Mr. Hutchins asked if the Commonwealth Attorney's offices actions directed County actions.

Mr. Larrowe told that the County was helped by the Commonwealth's Attorney, County Attorney, Animal Control Officer, Joe Roma and himself.

Mr. Early asked if this was the only course of action that could take place.

Mr. Larrowe told that the County could have taken no action and then the animals would have been seized. He told that they were voluntary turned over.

Mr. Early asked if the actions were due to legal actions outside of the County.

Mr. Dalton told that it wasn't a higher authority. He told that the County found violations of the County Code and had to take some action and that they also discovered what appeared to be animal neglect which violates the Virginia Code. He told that there would probably be local and state charges.

Mr. Hutchins asked if the Commonwealth Attorney could brief the Board today.

Mr. Martin told that he was involved in one of the earlier meetings as the Vice-Chairman and all of the people at the meeting told that what the County was doing was best for the animals. He told that there was the option of putting 1100 dogs down, but that was not an option at the meeting.

Mr. Dalton told that the veterinarian told him that they found cases of neglect.

Mr. Early asked if there were not violations of the County Code on a daily basis.

Mr. Dalton replied that he hoped if there were that the County is notified and they are prosecuted.

Mr. Early told that he certainly wants to consider the welfare of the animals and asked if the County could be reimbursed without the resolution.

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Mr. Larrowe replied no.

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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 87593-87768.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mrs. Myers	Yes

BUSINESS APPRECIATION

Mr. Larrowe announced that the Board was recognizing and saluting Surratt & Cox, a local construction business. He told that Mr. Don Surratt and Mr. Junior Cox had formed the partnership in the early 1970's after meeting while working for Mr. Eldon Utt. He stated that both Mr. Surratt and Mr. Cox had served their country as Vietnam Veterans.

Mr. Larrowe told that Surratt & Cox became incorporated in 1973 and build residential, small commercial, and multi-housing units. He stated that the business also offers remodeling services as well as building over 200 custom stick built homes in Carroll, Grayson, and Pulaski counties. He stated that the County appreciates their service and the investment they have made in the area. He told that Mr. Surratt would attend the night meeting and would be presented with a Certificate of Appreciation at that time.

CITIZENS TIME

Neil Edison told that the issue he is interested in has not been introduced by the Board yet. He told that he understood that a bill would be introduced by the Board to allow liquor by the drink and it upsets him greatly. He told that the Board is going against the wishes of the people. He asked if the Board is going to serve its self or do the wishes of the citizens.

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EROSION AND SEDIMENT

Mr. Terry Nester told that during the program review that he learned the County would have to update the Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance. He told that the E&S authority needs to be changed from the Building Official's Office to the E&S Office. He told that the Agreement in Lieu of Plan needs to be approved by the E&S office instead of New River Soil & Water Conservation District. He told that there needs to be an alternative inspection program for the review of places under an Agreement in Lieu of Plan. Mr. Nester told that Carroll County had done more building permits than the surrounding localities.

Mr. Martin asked if that included Pulaski.

Mr. Nester told that he is familiar with Montgomery County and they only had 100. He told that he has been out doing inspections, enforcing the existing Code, requiring performance bonds, and just getting familiar with everything.

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EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ORDINANCE

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans and passed unanimously, the Board approved to hold a Public Hearing on December 11, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. regarding repealing the current E&S Ordinance and adopting the proposed ordinance.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mrs. Myers	Yes

MIXED DRINK REFERENDUM

Mr. Larrowe told that the mixed drink referendum is only able to come before the County as a petition.

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Mr. Dalton told that a question has been asked as to what actions needed to happen to get this on the ballot. He then reviewed Virginia Code Section 4.1-124.

Mr. Hutchins told that this is a mute issue until significant signatures appear on a petition presented to the Circuit Court Judge. He stated that he had been told the Board could ask for this to be put on the ballot.

Mr. Evans asked who brought up the issue.

Mr. Hutchins told that Mr. Early discussed it with him and he asked that it be put on the agenda.

Mr. Early told that he asked that the issue be brought before the public so it could be put on the ballot. He asked that Mr. Dalton at the next meeting review 501C3 organizations taking part in political discussions and any IRS tax consequences.

Mr. Evans asked if he did not want churches involved.

Mr. Early told that he did not want any 501C3 organizations lobbying for or against the issue.

ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME

Mr. Larrowe told that the last 2 years the Board has authorized a Christmas bonus for employees. He told that he was asking for \$3750 from Board Reserve for this and it was 75 employees at \$50 each.

Mr. Larrowe told that leaders from Virginia Tech would be meeting with RIFA tomorrow on the Broadband project. He told that there would be a wireless facility authority formed. He told that the Small Business Development Center Director position is receiving a \$50,000 grant and will be housed at Crossroads.

Mr. Larrowe told that the NACO prescription program report showed County citizens had a savings of \$120,292.67. He told that VACO annual meeting was held this week and four Board members had attended.

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AUTHORIZE CHRISTMAS BONUS

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Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and passed unanimously, the Board approved for the County General Employees to receive a \$50 Christmas bonus.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mrs. Myers	Yes

Mr. Martin told that he is in favor of bonuses but it doesn't include constitutional offices.

Mr. Larrowe told that those offices get raises at that time.

Mr. Martin told that those folks feel like red headed stepchildren thinking neither the state nor the county loves them.

Mr. Larrowe replied that the general county employees feel the same way because they are not on the same raise cycle.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Mr. Larrowe told that the Hillsville Elementary playground equipment was partially funded by Rural Development. He told that there is a possibility of extending this to other schools but they have to have a 4 year old program.

Mr. Martin told that it has not involved County money because the PTA raised the match. He told that he was glad to have new schools, but there was not enough money for playgrounds. He told that playground equipment is so expensive and it involves the community people raising money.

Mr. Larrowe told that the grant has been offered to St. Paul and they will be looking at other schools. He told that he would be asking for a future public hearing to allow submission of the application.

Mr. Martin told that all of the other elementary schools are in need of updated equipment.

Mr. Larrowe congratulated Mr. Martin, Sheila South, and Kathy Alley for their work in getting the equipment for Hillsville Elementary.

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RESULTS

Mr. Larrowe told that Results has 170 floor workers and 35 administrative staff. He told that there are 115 females and 55 males and that 45 of those are from Carroll County. He told that the majority of the workers are ages 25 – 30.

Mr. Early asked where the majority of the workers are from besides Carroll County.

Mr. Larrowe told that they are from Galax, Wythe County and Grayson County.

ANIMAL ISSUE

Mr. Larrowe told that the County was contacted by the Humane Society of the United States that there was a puppy mill in Carroll County. He told that Mr. Woods visited the site with a veterinarian and 1080 animals were counted. He told that Mr. Horton admitted that he had too many animals and needed help getting rid of some of the animals.

Mr. Larrowe told that there was a meeting with the County attorney and the Commonwealth Attorney and Mr. Horton voluntarily handed over 980 animals and he would keep 100. He told that the County started working with adoption agencies to place the animals and came to the conclusion that it was best to leave the animals on site for a few days until everything could be mobilized. He told that there were approximately 128 volunteers and had groups from New York and Florida and all in between. He told that the office had received about 600 e-mails and thousands of phone calls. Mr. Larrowe told that there were 23 County employees, 1 trustee and the Detention Center helping. He told that there is a discrepancy in the numbers and that is under investigation. Mr. Larrowe told that Mr. Horton requested to keep 200 animals instead of 100.

Mr. Martin told that he was invited to a meeting with the Town and County people, Grayson Animal Control and that everybody was in one accord. He told that the question that he gets asked is why the animals were not made available to County citizens.

Mr. Larrowe told that the dogs had to be kept for 5 days after vaccinations, etc. He told that dogs were only given to adoption agencies and that people

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needed to connect with these agencies. He told that if the Twin County Humane Society had wanted animals they would have to keep them for 5 days before adopting them out.

Mr. Martin told that the Humane Society works off of donations. He told that they do not have a facility and the only way for them to keep animals for 5 days would be through foster homes. He told that it would not have done any good to take the animals out of one puppy mill and put them into another one. He told that he does not know where the County would have stored the dogs.

Mr. Early told that it makes it sound like Mr. Horton came begging to the County for help. He told that the statements in the paper contradicted that.

Mr. Larrowe told that he was there when Mr. Horton stated that he needed help and would be happy to keep 100-200 dogs. He told that he has seen some of the papers and made it clear that it was not a seizure.

Mr. Early told that the business was the man's livelihood. He asked who is liable if Mr. Horton decides to pursue.

Mr. Dalton told that since he turned over the dogs it is not an issue.

Mr. Evans asked if there was a violation of the law.

Mr. Dalton told that there are allocations of violations of laws. He told that there are certain requirements for keeping animals in kennels and he understood that there were violations.

Mr. Hutchins told that he had received calls from both sides. He told that the question he keeps getting is that if there is something wrong then why have charges not been filed. He told that he understood that this is still under investigation.

Mr. Evans asked who places the charges and why has there not been any placed.

Mr. Dalton told that the County could charge for the violations of the County Code. He told that the Commonwealth Attorney is still working on a Comprehensive report from the veterinarians and then they will make decisions.

Mr. Martin told that the County had to do what was in the best interest for the puppies. He told that the people in the community wanted what was best for the puppies at the time and it appeared that Mr. Horton was willing to cooperate with the authorities.

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Mr. Larrowe told that Mr. Horton was very cooperative.

Mr. Martin asked if most of the charges would be misdemeanors.

Mr. Dalton told that it was his understanding.

Mr. Martin told that he would have to worry about the IRS.

Mr. Early told that he has heard 2 people saying that Mr. Horton is guilty and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

(Order)

RE-OPEN CITIZEN'S TIME

Upon motion by Mr. Early, seconded by Mr. Evans and passed unanimously, the Board approved to re-open citizen's time to allow citizens that want to discuss the animal issue to come forth.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mrs. Myers	Yes

PUBLIC HEARING – OLD MT. TABOR ROAD

Mr. Larrowe opened the public hearing at 10:18 a.m. and told that the purpose was to hear public comments concerning the abandonment of Old Mt. Tabor Road.

Mr. Olen Gallimore told that there has not been any through traffic on the road for over 25 year. He presented pictures of where people have 4 wheelers in a hay field and a cabin that the windows have been shot out.

Mr. Jerry Caviness told that his aunt owns property off of Little Vine Road and it has been turned over to him. He told that he opened the road up for farm use and told that it has not been used as a public road in over 25 years. He told that 4 wheelers are tearing up the property and the mud waste is going into the stream. He asked for Board support.

With no one else to speak, the public hearing was closed at 10:24 a.m.

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Mr. Martin asked Mr. Gallimore if he realized that when the road is abandoned that it goes back to the landowners and asked if the people from North Carolina would cut them off.

Mr. Gallimore replied that they would deal with that as it comes.

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ABANDONMENT OF OLD MT. TABOR ROAD

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passing unanimously, the Board approved to abandon Old Mt. Tabor Road, Route 817.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mrs. Myers	Yes

VDOT RESIDENT ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Bob Beasley, VDOT Resident Administrator, told that the Board needed to schedule a 6-year Secondary Road Plan Public Hearing. He told that for the past few years that not many people have attended and he recommends holding it in the Board Room. He told that he can do it December 17 – 21 or after January 9th.

Mr. Hutchins suggested letting the new Board hold the public hearing and suggested January 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

(Order)

APPROVE PUBLIC HEARING FOR 6 YEAR SECONDARY ROAD PLAN

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Upon motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mrs. Myers, and passed unanimously, the Board approved to hold a Public Hearing regarding the 6-year secondary road plan on January 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board room.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mrs. Myers	Yes

Mr. Beasley told that the County has lost the option to apply for a lot of funds to improve roads. He told that only 18% can be put towards these roads. He told that federal funds can only be used on major collector roads and told that there are a lot of smaller unimproved roads that could be done under the Rural Rustic Road Program. He told that almost all of the roads are wide enough to be paved. He told that this could help the citizens by doing several projects rather than one large project. He told that it would be an effective way to spend dollars.

Mr. Early told that at the ground breaking for Route 58 that he spoke with Senator Reynolds about the lack of funds for Route 669 and he was told that it was being made a major connector road so the funds could be used for it.

Mr. Martin told that politicians are looking to see how to use funds for Route 669.

Mr. Beasley thanked the Board for their support on getting the funds for the Route 58 by-pass.

Mr. Evans asked what could be done about the guardrail on Route 97.

Mr. Beasley told that the traffic engineers are reviewing it.

Mr. Hurst told that the Board might need to pick an alternative date for the public hearing in case of bad weather.

The Board agreed that the date would be January 22, 2008.

Mr. Hutchins told that he appreciates the support from Mr. Beasley and his staff.

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PAYMENT OF ELECTION OFFICIALS

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board approved to pay the election officials subject to proper verification.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mrs. Myers	Yes

CITIZEN'S TIME

Mr. Marty Goad told that the animal operation is something that should not have been done. He told that the dogs were being taken care of and it was a business in Carroll County. He told that the County has 2 dog wardens and they should have been checking this out since he only had a license for 500 dogs. He told that it is a rumor that if a person has stature in this County then you could get a dog from there. He told that the government got scared when the Humane Society came in and they need to get a backbone and protect their people. He told that the dogs were healthier than most dogs are and told that the County should have give Mr. Horton 30 days to comply.

Mr. Goad told that this was a controlled situation and a class act and that the County should pat Mr. Larrowe on the back for how the operation was ran. He told that the County needs to look at the condition of the dogs and how Mr. Horton was treated and learn for next time. He told that there was no need to make new laws but enforce what the County has.

Mr. Hutchins asked Mr. Larrowe and Mr. Dalton to review the rumors.

Mr. Larrowe told that there were 3 dogs that were given by Mr. Horton to individuals before he signed the animals over to the County. He told that there were no animals given to any body other than the adoption agencies that he is aware of. He told that Dr. Jenkins does have some dogs at her office that are now ready for adoption.

Mr. Martin told that the veterinarian did go through the facility and she told that most dogs were taken care of, but understood that some that when taken out of their cage they could not stand.

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Mr. Larrowe told that there were some animals that could not stand properly. He told that some cages had puppies in them that their feet would go through the wire.

Mrs. Nancy Beasley told that she volunteered Thursday and what she observed was that the dogs were in overall good condition, but that some had issues. She told that she thinks Mr. Horton tried to do the best he could and that they will be beautiful dogs when they are groomed. She told that she fosters dogs through Twin County Humane Society and encouraged people to donate. She told that people could contact Suzanne Collins to volunteer.

Mr. John Lynch told that years ago Carroll County got put on the map from the Courthouse Shooting and now the County is on the map because of a puppy mill that was apparently breaking the law. He asked if this could not have been handled differently and the man have been sent a certified letter.

Mr. Larrowe told that he was not aware of the investigation until Thursday.

Mr. Lynch told that he saw on the news that the puppies were going for \$250 so they must have been in good shape. He asked if this really had to happen like this and get Carroll County on the map because it is the largest puppy mill in the world. He told that it was a lot on negative publicity. He told that he would like to compliment Mr. Larrowe on what he done, but it could have been done in an orderly fashion before the raid.

Mr. Early told that he does not condone the actions of HSUS or the County. He told that 5 months ago Mr. Horton probably was not over the 500 limit. He told that HSUS saw a pattern and just wanted to make big news with this.

Mr. Martin told that he heard that some places were charging a lot for the dogs, but stated that Carroll County was looking out for the puppies and there may have been mistakes, but the County did the best it could. He told that people should be proud that all of the agencies came together and made decisions on what was best for the dogs.

(Order)

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

Upon motion by Mrs. Myers, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board convened a Closed Session from 11:28 a.m. until 11:58 p.m. for the discussion of specific personnel, for the discussion of the disposition of real estate where public discussion would be detrimental to the County's position, the discussion of a prospective business where no public

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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 or pending litigation as authorized by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A1,A3,A5,A7).

(Order)

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

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

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

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

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

PUPPY MILL

Mr. Greg Goad, Commonwealth's Attorney, told that he was first notified Thursday before last by 2 members of VA Paws. He told that he did not have knowledge before that meeting and he was told that it would be on Entertainment Tonight that evening. He told that Mr. Woods and Chief Williams visited the site and counted more than 1000 dogs. He told that Mr. Horton had a town license, but he did not have a USDA license that is needed to sell puppies to stores. He told that the first report was that 750 dogs would have to be put down and this was determined to be grave condition. He told that Mr. Horton voluntarily turned over the dogs to the County and the County turned them over to adoption agencies. He told that Mr. Horton was allowed to keep 200 dogs and none were put down. He told that he commended the County for getting this done. He told that there is a discrepancy of about 90 dogs, but this is being reviewed with puppies being born, being sold and human calculation. He told that the charges would most likely be misdemeanors, but it is still under investigation.

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Mr. John Lynch told that the investigation was 5 months long and asked why the County was not notified before now. He told that other steps could have been taken and the owner could have received some compensation.

Mr. Goad told that he couldn't speak as to why the County was not notified of the investigation and told that Mr. Horton voluntarily released the dogs, they were not seized.

Mr. Early told that he learned 2 weeks ago that the investigation was being done and for 5 months the Humane Society allowed things that they deemed improper. He told that the HSUS allowed Mr. Horton to get into a situation that would make national news. Mr. Early asked if the County did inspections.

Mr. Woods told that the State inspects kennels.

Mr. Early told that Virginia is now labeled as a problem state for puppy mills and new laws will try to be enacted to prevent and it may be a good thing. He told that HSUS violated their own policy by letting this go on.

Mr. Martin told that it is possible that the man could have eliminated a lot of these dogs and buried them as long as it was done humanely.

Mr. Goad told that theoretically they could have done something because the County didn't have the resources.

Mr. Early stated that Mr. Horton told that he should have been allowed to sell the dogs.

Mr. Goad told that on Friday Mr. Horton voluntarily turned over the dogs.

Mr. Early told that there probably were not 1080 dogs 5 months ago.

SUPERVISORS TIME

Mr. Martin told that everyone is getting ready for Thanksgiving. He told that on the news a Lt. came into a school and surprised his 2 little boys. He stated that there are a lot worse problems in the world.

Mr. Early thanked the County for arranging for the VACO meeting. He told that it is a waste of money for a lame duck Board and in the future it should be offered to the incoming Board. He told that the agenda times are not on the agenda and people would like to see times on the agenda. Mr. Early told that he is disturbed that the members did not attend the joint meeting with the Planning Commission meeting. He told that one person stated that they didn't know all about the ordinance and the purpose of the meeting was to

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learn and another told that they had other things to do that make him more money. He told that the PSA tried to set a standard by resigning and putting citizens on the PSA board and would like for the PSA by-laws to be amended that might allow 1 Board member and the others from the public.

Mr. Evans told that there is another joint meeting with the Planning Commission tonight. He told that he feels like this Board should not go any further working on this ordinance. He told that he does not see any point in the meeting and the new Board members are the ones who need to be there.

Mr. Evans made a motion to cancel the Joint Meeting with the Planning Commission and to allow the new Board to work on the ordinance.

VOTES

Mr. Evans	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Early	No
Mr. Martin	No
Mr. Hutchins	No
Mrs. Myers	Yes

Mr. Martin asked if the new Board could reverse any vote taken by this Board.

Mr. Dalton told that they could change under the same conditions.

Mrs. Myers stated that there is nothing requiring that the Board adopt the ordinance before the new Board comes.

Mr. Dalton told that there is no requirement.

Mr. Dickson told that he looked at the ordinance and it is similar to Wythe County's and he is not sure that it is what Carroll County needs.

Dr. Littrell stated that changes need to be made, but he is not sure that 2 months would make a difference.

Mr. Dalton told that this Board has knowledge of problems that have been presented.

Mr. Early told that some members on the Board do not want the ordinance changed. He told that he changed his schedule to be here for the meeting tonight. He told that there are serious problems with the ordinance that need to be addressed.

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Mr. Evans told that things have been drug out and some people on the Board would benefit from the ordinance and told that there needed to be a new slate.

Mr. Martin asked if the County is better off adopting something that would need future changes or keeping something that has major problems.

Mr. Early asked if it could be changed for the Board to serve 46 months because it seemed like the Board doesn't seem willing to do anything the last 2 months.

Mr. Evans advised the public that if they could do any better then they need to run for election.

Mr. Early told that a person who lost the election 2-1 should not be a voice of public.

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ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion my Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously, the Board adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

David Hutchins, Chairman

Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Clerk