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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their Regular meeting on, February 11, 2008 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Present were: W.S. "Sam" Dickson, Chairman
 David V. Hutchins, Vice-Chairman
 Andrew S. Jackson
 Wesley G. Hurst
 Dr. Thomas W. Littrell
 N. Manus McMillian
 Gary Larrowe, County Administrator
 Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Administrator

Mr. Dickson called the meeting to Order at 4:13 p.m. and asked Mr. Larrowe to lead in prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Dickson welcomed everyone and invited them to come in at any time.

(Order)

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE BREIFING

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Hurst and passing unanimously, the Board approved to add a briefing by the Assessor's Office to the agenda prior to the Consent Agenda and also to table the Board Appointments.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Mr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

Ms. Janie Harrison, County Assessor told that as far as the Real Estate Notices that two years ago the State required certain information to be on the notices, which includes, old and new assessment, old tax rate, and the percentage of change. She told that the tax rate for 2008 has not been determined yet and that should have also been on the statement. Ms. Harrison told that she had read the codes concerning information on the assessment notices and she had gathered information from other localities of the notices that they use. She told that during the January meeting she had told that the County can only bring in 1% more revenue in the year of reassessment or if the needs of the County dictate that they need more funds there would have to be a public hearing.

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Ms. Harrison told that the tax rate has not been established at this time. She told that the term “improvements” come from the code and anything that is attached to land such as buildings, well, septic, etc. has improved land to being more than vacant land.

Ms. Harrison told that HB 1009 is suggesting another change to real estate notices in which the notices would not be sent out until tax rate is set. She told that the overall value increased 40%, but each individual property would be different.

Ms. Harrison told that they would be having hearings and that citizens could appeal until February 29th. She told that changes can only be made through the appeal process. She told that if a change can not be made through this process then it would go through a Board of Equalization that is appointed by Circuit Court and beyond that it would have to go through Circuit Court. She told that the Board members can not change the assessment. Ms. Harrison told that she wants to be fair with everyone and she asked that if anyone has problems to see her or Jason Akers. She told that mistakes can be made. Ms. Harrison told that May 1st is the deadline for appealing to the Board of Equalization.

Mr. McMillian asked if people get a fee appraisal on their property can they bring it in and it be considered.

Ms. Harrison told that it would be considered.

Mr. Dickson told that the process took longer than they thought and they did get a 3 month extension. He told that the State requires assessment to be at 100% of value and there is a possibility of mistakes. He told that it is possible that land in the area has sold high. Mr. Dickson told that they will set the tax rate as low as possible. He told that the State looks at the assessment to determine the amount they fund for schools and if the State doesn't send as much then the County has to increase the tax rate to make up the difference.

Mr. McMillian told that the process has been going on for 2 years and it is not something that the Assessor's Office just jumped into.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND PAYROLL

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. Hurst, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the minutes of their regular meeting held on January 14, 2008, and an adjourned meeting held on January 15, 2008.

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VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

(Order)

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. Hurst, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for January 2008 and authorized the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign on the 15th and 29th 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.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

(Order)

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. Hurst, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the County General Claims as presented this day and as evidenced by check numbers 88796-88971.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes

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Mr. McMillianYes

(Order)

WELCOME TO HISTORIC HILLSVILLE SIGN

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the request for the Greater Hillsville Civic Association to install a VDOT approved sign in the median on Route 58 east of the crossover at Peking Palace stating Welcome to Historic Hillsville with directions and possible advertising for businesses in town.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillianYes

(Order)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passed unanimously, the Board approved to transfer funds from the Circuit Court Health Insurance line item to General Properties, Repair and Maintenance in the amount of \$2544.00.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillianYes

(Order)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passed unanimously, the Board approved to transfer funds from Complex Miscellaneous line item to General Properties Repair and Maintenance line item in the amount of \$2000.00.

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VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

(Order)

RECREATION APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passed unanimously, the Board approved to appropriate \$3595.00 received as funds raised for cheerleading uniforms to Recreation Department Fundraiser line item # 071010-9010.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

(Order)

RADIO MAINTENANCE APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passed unanimously, the Board approved to appropriate \$150.00 received as insurance reimbursement to Emergency Services line item # 032020-5601.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

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CANA RESCUE SQUAD APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passed unanimously, the Board approved to appropriate \$1434.40 received as insurance reimbursement to Volunteer Rescue Squads line item # 032030-5601.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

(Order)

VJCCCA RESOLUTION

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passed unanimously, the Board approved to adopt the following resolution:

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

Carolyn Stewart
VJCCCA Regional Coordinator
Dept. of Juvenile Justice
Eastern Regional Office
925 Capital Landing Road
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Dear Ms. Stewart:

Be it resolved that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors will participate in the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act and accept funds

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appropriate for the purpose set forth in this Act until it notifies the Department of Juvenile Justice, in writing, that it no longer wishes to participate.

Be it further resolved that Carroll County will combine with the governing bodies of Grayson County and Galax City. Grayson County will act as fiscal agent for these localities.

Be it further resolved that the Carroll County Administrator, Gary Larrowe, is hereby authorized to execute a local plan on behalf of the County of Carroll.

Gary Larrowe, Carroll County Administrator

date

Sam Dickson, chairman
Carroll County Board of Supervisors

date

(Order)

ADOPT FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 BUDGET CALENDAR

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passed unanimously, the Board approved the 2008-2009 Budget calendar below.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget Calendar

February 11, 2008 Adopt budget calendar. County Administrator to advise all County Departments to submit budget requests to the

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County
Administrator no later than March 1

March 10, 2008	Budget Presentations 6:00 p.m.
March 17, 2008	Budget Presentations 1:00 p.m.
March 31, 2008	Budget Workshop 6:00 p.m.
April 7, 2008	Presentation of School Budget and direct advertising on School Budget - 6 p.m.
April 9, 2008	Advertise School Budget
April 16, 2008	Advertise School Budget
April 21, 2008	Special Meeting for Public Hearing on School Budget and County Budget work session. Review first draft-County Budget - 6:00 p.m.
May 5, 2008 Direct	Approve School Budget and budget work session. Advertising of County Budget synopsis – 6:00 p.m.
May 7, 2008	Advertise County Budget synopsis
May 14, 2008	Advertise County Budget synopsis
June 9, 2008	Public Hearing on advertised County Budget - 5:30 p.m.
June 23, 2008	Adopt budget, make appropriations, and set Tax levies, and close out fiscal year 2007 – 2008
July 14, 2008	Final adopted budget available for distribution

(Order)

LIFESKILLS TRAINING

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passed unanimously, the Board approved a letter of support for the Lifeskills Training Tobacco Use Prevention Program for Youth.

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Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

(Order)

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

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. McMillian, and passed unanimously, the Board convened a Closed Session at 4:42 p.m. to 5:17 p.m. for the discussion of personnel, for the discussion of disposition of real estate where public discussion would be detrimental to the County's position, for the discussion of a prospective business or industry where no public announcement has been made concerning the business or industry's desire to locate or expand in the County, and for the discussion of legal matters pertaining to threatened or pending litigation as authorized by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A1), (A3), (A5), (A7).

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

(Order)

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. McMillian, 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;

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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.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

CITIZEN'S TIME

Mr. Ray Melton told that he got his assessment this week and has talked to people that have had a 300% increase. He told that his went up 71% and told that he is a senior citizen and he doesn't get inflation on retirement. He asked the Board to lower the tax rate.

Mr. James Faddis told that he called the Administrator's Office last Friday and was told the meeting would be at 6:00. He told that it appeared the County didn't want people at the meetings. He told that assessment was high and told that he realized the tax rate was not set but the letter upset the older citizens.

Mr. Olen Gallimore told that the real estate ranged from 10% - 400%. He told that he would pay more even if the tax levy was brought to 40 cents. He asked how long the new rate would stay and asked if it would go up next year. He told that nation wide real estate was down 3% and wanted to know why it is up here. He told that people out of state were giving high prices for land and it should not automatically make his go up. He told that if the County sets the value of land and citizens do not get satisfaction through the system that the County should find a buyer within 90 days. He told that the Board is Ms. Harrison's boss and they should talk to her before she does another assessment.

Ms. Velma Swicegood told that in 2004 she had a 49% increase and when she got this notice it was up 82%. She told that she felt like the improvements were close but doesn't feel the land was fairly assessed. She told that they

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only looked at a small part of the land. She told that she would sell 80+ acres at the assessed price. She told that she worry's about the people that can not afford high taxes. She told that in 1999 the rate was 62 cents and in 2004 it was 64 cents. She told that if it was dropped to 43 cents like Wythe County we would still be paying 10% more. She told that she has a meeting at 2:30 tomorrow to review.

Mr. Lewis Vass told that he was born and raised in Carroll County. He told that the County has an issue of collecting fees and not providing services. He told that one service is trash service and he thinks that the citizens should not be charged to put trash in the landfill that is run by the County. He told that other places collect oils, antifreeze, propane tanks and cardboard.

Mr. Lacy Mayes asked what happens with all the money that the County collects. He told that he does not get any service for what he pays. Mr. Mayes suggested cutting the budget by 20%.

Mr. Phil McCraw told that he runs VA 500 Fruit Market in Cana. He told that he realized that the Board inherited this mess, but the tax rate will not work where it is at. He told that the County has lost industry and the only thing that would bring in new industry is a low tax rate and good work force. He told that the Board hires and fires the Assessor and the Board works for the people. He told that he had to take off from work to attend this meeting and people in Cana have never felt like they belonged to Carroll County. He told that he understands if we collect a bunch more taxes it automatically goes to the School System and asked if that was true. Mr. McCraw asked why we went from 6 year assessment to a 4 year. He told that his improvements didn't go up that much but the land did. He told that it is tough times and people are hurting for money. He told that the housing is down nationwide 20-40% but the assessment increased. He told that 55-61 cents would not cut it.

Mr. Clyde Easter told that he attends about 90% of the Board meetings. Mr. Easter discussed his military actions and told that when he got out of the Army that he moved to Radford then to Tennessee. He told that when he moved back to Carroll County he purchased 10-12 lots at Chalet High. He told that his income was from Social Security and he makes \$1000 per month and his wife makes \$300 per month. He told that he has heard that the tax is out of the Board and Assessor's hands and it is in the States hands. He told that he has been working to get the lots in Chalet High perked. He told that other lots around his have been approved, but his has not. Mr. Easter asked how the Board would like to pay on lots when they can't get septic on them. He told that Mr. Gibson should be replaced.

Mr. Bobby Patterson told that he is the President of the Carroll County Genealogy Club. Mr. Patterson told about publications that have been printed and are available for purchase. He told that they are currently located above

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the drugstore and there are about 22 steps that you have to go up. Mr. Patterson asked the Board to allow the club to lease the old Board of Supervisors Room and the old Tourism Office with the same lease that the Chamber of Commerce has. He told that he believes the Genealogy Club will draw people to Carroll County.

Mr. Tony Sifford told that he is here because of the tax increase. He told that when he came into the building he saw a sign that said Blazing New Business Trails and told that he can not think of any new business that have come to the area. He told that he would love to see his family inherit the family land, but they can not afford to live here. He told that Hillsville Elementary School was closed and he thought it was going to be condemned, but there are still students there. He told that it is required by the State to do reassessments, but it is up to the County to set the rate. He told that the money is coming out of his pocket. He told that he works in Charlotte and knows what the rates are there. He told that he would never have thought that he would consider selling his property. He told that the Board inherited this mess and they will have to work through it, but you can't kill the horse pulling the plow. He told that the reason the taxes are high is because of the buildings and it takes 20-50 years to pay for them.

Mr. Scott Webster told that he bought property in 2005 and moved here from New York and told that the tax issue is very serious and the statements were very confusing. He told that his concern is with the blanket assessment. He told that in New York it takes up to a year to do an assessment and he can't understand how it can be so far off if it was done in 2004. He told the County should have trash collection and he is appalled at what you see along the roads with trash being thrown out.

Mr. Dickson told that this is a new Board and they know about some of the problems but not all of them. He told that he will search to see why it is costing more to run this county as opposed to others. He told that he hopes the Assessor will be able to answer more of the questions and they hope to set a rate that everyone can live with.

Mr. Dickson told that they have an agreement with Galax and Grayson County on the landfill and the Board has talked with the garbage collectors concerning recycling. He told that they are aware that the County has lost jobs, but over the last month they have been to 3 meetings with people from the State and thanks to Mr. Turman and Mr. Branscome they have several areas of flat land.

GARBAGE COLLECTION FRANCHISE

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Mr. David Duke, Waste Industries, told that they would stay under the terms of the present contract and would like to modify the request from last month to a 2 year extension with no increase in residential rates for 1 year. He told that they would request an increase in commercial.

Mr. Cornwell told that the franchise agreement was awarded in August 2004 and it has been 4 years. He told that it is legal to extend, but he wanted the Board to be aware of the contract.

Mr. Larowe told that they had other operators under the contract since it is non-exclusive, but they have not had people knocking down the door while this organization has served.

(Order)

GARBAGE COLLECTION FRANCHISE EXTENSION

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. McMillian and passed unanimously, the Board approved to authorize a 2 year extension with Waste Industries with no increase in residential rates for a 1 year period.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

FIRE FUNDS DISTRIBUTION

Mr. Joe Roma discussed the Fire Funds distribution. He presented a plan for distribution and told that they are trying to get mostly training and equipment with the money.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF FIRE FUND DISTRIBUTION

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Hurst, and passed unanimously, the Board approved to distribute the Fire Funds as suggested by Mr. Roma.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes

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Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

Mr. Roma told that he had a request from Hillsville Fire Department to use fire funds to purchase a mini attack truck. He told that they would be getting rid of 2 trucks.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF HILLSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT TRUCK PURCHASE

Upon motion by Mr. McMillian, seconded by Mr. Hutchins, and passed unanimously, the Board approved to allow Hillsville Fire Department to sell two trucks and purchase one, using fire funds for the purchase.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

Mr. Roma told that Cana Fire Department would like to purchase a 2000 used brush/extraction truck and they will remove an older truck from the department.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF CANA FIRE DEPARTMENT TRUCK PURCHASE

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Hurst and passing unanimously, the Board approved to allow Cana Fire Department to purchase a used brush/extraction truck.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes

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Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

Mr. McMillian commended the fire departments.

Mr. Hurst asked how long before a truck is too old for service and affect ratings.

Mr. Roma responded 20 years.

Mr. Hurst commended Mr. Roma.

Mr. Hutchins told that Mr. Roma has worked hard over the last year and he thanked him.

Mr. Roma told that Cana Rescue has requested to apply for a grant to purchase a crash truck and he discussed the sale of the previous crash truck and the use of the proceeds going towards the building.

Mr. Larrowe told that Cana still owes a lot of money on the buildings. He told that there was an agreement when they sold the previous unit for the funds to go toward the buildings. Mr. Larrowe encouraged the Board to encourage Cana Rescue to get the building up and running so they can receive revenues. He told that Cana Fire Department has a crash truck.

Mr. Roma presented the monthly report for emergency services.

Mr. Larrowe commended Mr. Roma on the job that he is doing as Emergency Services Coordinator.

Mr. Hutchins told that when it comes budget time they need reports from the departments.

Mr. Larrowe told that he would send a letter to the departments encouraging them to submit monthly reports.

**PUBLIC HEARING – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT FUNDING**

Mr. Dickson opened the Public Hearing at 6:53 p.m.

Mr. Larrowe told the purpose of the meeting and explained that DHCD would be funding revitalization/redevelopment in Fries through RIFA.

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With no one to speak the Public Hearing was closed at 6:55 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – INTENT TO APPLY/PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Mr. Dickson opened the Public Hearing at 6:56 p.m.

Mr. Larrowe told the purpose of the meeting.

With no one to speak the Public Hearing was closed at 6:57 p.m.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF INTENT TO APPLY/PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. McMillian, and passed unanimously, the Board approved applying for grant funding for playground equipment and authorized Mr. Larrowe to sign all documents associated with the application.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

PUBLIC HEARING – EROSION & SEDIMENT ORDINANCE

Mr. Dickson opened the Public Hearing at 6:58 p.m.

Mr. Larrowe told the purpose of the public hearing.

With no one to speak, the public hearing was closed at 7:00 p.m.

(Order)

ADOPTION OF EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL ORDINANCE

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Hurst, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the amended Erosion & Sediment Control Ordinance.

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VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

Mr. Dean Gall with DCR told that they completed the program review last fall. Mr. Gall presented a printed report and flow chart to the Board and told that because of previous history over the last 2 years that Carroll County did not pass. He told that a draft has been submitted of the Corrective Action Plan. He told that it would go before the State Water Control Board and the County will have 180 days to comply.

(Order)

WIRED ROAD AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. McMillian, and passed unanimously, the Board approved to authorize the County Administrator to select the best qualified individual as the representative for the Wired Road and the Board will confirm as part of approving the authority in March.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

SUBDIVISION AGENT

Mr. Larowe told that the Subdivision Agent gathers and reviews documents and prepares a packet for the Planning Commission. Mr. Larowe recommended Terry Nester.

(Order)

APPOINT SUBDIVISION AGENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell, and passed unanimously, the Board appointed Mr. Terry Nester as Subdivision Agent.

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VOTES

Mr. Jackson Yes
Mr. Hurst Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. McMillian Yes

STAGGERED TERMS

Mr. Cornwell reviewed the process of staggered terms. He told that it has to be done in the year before the election. He told that the Board could adopt an ordinance now that would have to be changed if circumstances changed. Mr. Cornwell told that he would give a report at the next meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME

Mr. Larrowe told that the County has seized cattle along the Parkway and the cattle are now in better shape. He told that a hearing is scheduled for Friday.

Mr. Larrowe told that the County Fair is seeking to become a 501C3 and they need to enter into a contract with the carnival company and requests permission to sign the contract. It was the consensus of the Board to sign the contract.

Mr. Larrowe told that the Personnel Committee is about 2/3 of the way through the review. He told that 3 Board members attended VML/VACO Legislative Day and they visited the State Tourism office and met with the Governor and discussed the State budget. Mr. Larrowe told that the IDA voted to acquire Industrial Park signage. He told that Extension through 4-H requested an intern position and requested a line item transfer for this.

Mr. Larrowe told that a Youth Forum was held at Crossroads. He told that a staff meeting will be held on Wednesday morning and that several new businesses have opened up recently. Mr. Larrowe told that the contract is now signed between Ivanhoe Civic League and the Fire Department. He told that Dallas Garrett is now the Director of Small Business Development. Mr.

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Larrowe told that we are working to redesign the County website. He told that this is the first meeting for using the new sound system and told that we are transitioning to virtual Board packets. He told we will be making some modifications to the Commonwealth Attorney area for security reasons.

Mr. Dickson requested getting a weekly email of meetings that Board should be aware of.

Mr. McMillian told that they also need to be aware of new businesses so they can show their appreciation. He thanked Mr. Larrowe and Mr. Cornwell.

VDOT

Mr. Bob Beasley with VDOT told that the six year construction plan needs to be in by mid-March. He told that the Board needs to pick candidates for the last 3 years of the plan. He told that federal money is going to Route 620 and there is about \$1.5 million for unpaved roads. Mr. Beasley told that the County has options like Rural Rustic Road Program or to roll projects back into the plan as they were taken off. He told that almost 40% of roads are unimproved roads.

Mr. Hutchins suggested Route 745 and Mr. Jackson suggested Route 633.

Dr. Littrell told that the County can do more with projects that have previously been graded. He told that at the public hearing he only had one request from his district and it will take grading and straightening.

Mr. McMillian discussed Route 918 and Magnolia Lane.

Mr. Hutchins asked if there was one section in each district that would most efficiently use the available funds.

Mr. Beasley told that there are candidates for the Rural Rustic Road Program in all of the districts with the possible exception of Pipers Gap.

Mr. Johnny Hurst told that projects would not occur until year 4 so there would be time to make more changes.

Mr. Beasley told that he would look at each area and make recommendations to Board.

SUPERVISOR'S TIME

Mr. McMillian thanked everyone for coming to the meeting tonight and told that he felt for citizens when they received their assessment notices. He told that they will address this with the levy in June. Mr. McMillian reminded the

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public to appeal to the Assessor's Office if they feel it has been assessed improperly. He told that people don't mind paying taxes if they see that they are getting something for it.

Dr. Littrell told that he appreciates the citizens coming to the meetings and told that the Board needs to hear what they have to say. He told that we have one of the best 911 organizations in the State and they are getting significant grant funds to improve the system. He told that Carroll County is moving forward and told that Exit 19 looks impressive from the air. Dr. Littrell told that we are collecting money off of the interstate and we didn't have to supply any services for it. He told that lodging and meals tax have both increased.

Mr. Hutchins told that they had a productive trip to Richmond. He told that he and Mr. Jackson spent a lot of time with DHCD. He told that Dr. Garrett has helped several businesses with obtaining loans and expanding employment. Mr. Hutchins asked if Mr. Cornwell would work with the Treasurer's Office on delinquent tax.

Mr. Cornwell told that the Treasurer's Office has done a good job with delinquent taxes but they need some help.

Mr. Hutchins commended the Chairman on how the meeting was conducted.

Mr. Hurst told that it has been a fulfilling day for the County and he is glad to see the people come and voice their concerns. He told that the Board has a common goal.

Mr. Jackson told that he appreciates the citizens coming to the meeting. He told that he appreciated being on a Board with gentlemen that might not always agree, but agree to disagree.

Mr. Dickson reminded the members to submit their goals.

Mr. Larowe told that the bids came in high for the expansion at the Farmers Market and they are looking to separate the bids for expansion and paving.

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Hurst, and passed unanimously, the Board adjourned at 8:36 p.m. until March 10, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

February 11, 2008

W,S, "Sam" Dickson, Chairman

Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Clerk