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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on, February 13, 2012 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Present were: David V. Hutchins
W.S. "Sam" Dickson
Dr. Tom Littrell
Joshua A. Hendrick
Phil D. McCraw
Ralph J. "Bob" Martin
Gary Larrowe, County Administrator
Nikki Shank, Assistant Administrator
Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Administrator
Jim Cornwell, County Attorney

CLOSED SESSION – PURSUANT TO VIRGINIA CODE SECTION 2.2-3711(A1, A3, A5, A6, A7)

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. McCraw, and passing, the Board convened a Closed Session for the discussion of personnel, disposition of real estate, prospective business, investments, legal matter, as authorized by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A1).

Mr. Cornwell explained the purpose for entering Closed Session.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Hendrick, and passing, 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.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. Ronald Newman led in the invocation and Blake with Boy Scout Troop 83 led in the Pledge.

Mr. Dickson told that it is good to see a crowd and told that he guessing everyone notices the young men. He told that he is going to get Dr. Littrell to introduce who they are and what they are doing. He told that most of you know our partner is also a Scout Leader and has been for many years and has made several eagle scouts.

Dr. Littrell told that we are pleased to have leaders and scouts from Troop 83 which is sponsored here in Hillsville by the First United Methodist Church. He told that he sees at least 3 leaders who are in uniform and there may be others here. He told that they are working on their citizenship and community merit badge. He told that last week was Scout week and was observed all over the United States and this is the 102 year of boy scouting here in America and he is proud to have these folks in our audience today.

Mr. Charlie Rand told that it is good to be here and he would like to compliment as he has in the past and that his observation has been that the gentleman do a much finer job than other Boards of the like in places he has been. He told that his Mr. Dickson is the first democrat that his wife has voted for.

Mr. Dickson told that he hopes he can earn that vote. He told that he appreciates that and appreciates them being here as well and working with these young men and he can see leaders coming out of group. He told that last week four Board members attended the VACO Legislative Day and was able to talk to the delegates and senators and tried to impress upon them some of the pertinent issues facing Carroll County. He told that they also encouraged them to open the prison in Grayson County because we believe that would be an asset to Carroll so we joined with Galax and Grayson which we have done in

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the past and we seemed to get verbal commitments from the ones that we talked to that they were going to try to get this done and hopefully they will. He told that it is hard to get a prison open when they are closing others. He told that we also talked about machinery tax and if you are familiar with the bills there is one to do away with machinery tax and the only problem with doing away with anything is the State doesn't allow you to do anything to make it up. He told that we also use it as an incentive to business that come in that their machinery tax is lowered for a certain amount of time. He told that they also talked to the Tobacco Commission. He told that they had a good time talking with everyone and they were well received and thanked his partners who took the time to go and do something to encourage them. He told that he knows the School Board was there the week before. He told that they are trying and working to get better things for the County.

Mr. Dickson told that the Intermediate School 8th grade girls basketball team completed the season undefeated. He told that their closest game was down to 3 points. He told that this is a milestone and he appreciates them being good representatives of the County and congratulated them.

Mr. Dickson told that the Republican Primary will be held on March 6th and he encourages everyone to take part if that is your party.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved to agenda with the addition of adding the School System after Committee Appointments.

Mr. Martin told that he had sent a couple things to you and ask if they were automatically included.

Mr. Dickson told that Budget Committee is right before Committee Appointments.

Mr. Martin told that the others were the question about the gates and the Training Center.

Mr. Dickson told that he thought that was going to be closed but he can do it during Supervisors Time.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes

Mr. Martin Yes

(Order)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved the minutes of the meeting on January 9, 2011 and February 2, 2012 as previously distributed to the members of this Board.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick Yes
Mr. McCraw Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. Martin Yes

(Order)

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for February 2012 and did authorize the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign on the 15th and 30th days of March 2012 of 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. Hendrick Yes
Mr. McCraw Yes
Mr. Hutchins Yes
Mr. Dickson Yes
Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. Martin Yes

(Order)

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved the budget transfers/allocations to fund performance evaluation increased. The funds were approved in personnel contingency for FY2012 and there is a net zero cost for the transfer and a budget increase of \$21,530 to recognize FM revenue for the allocation.

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VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

BOARD RESERVE TRANSFER

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved a board reserve transfer in the amount of \$3000 to Commonwealth's Attorney's travel expense. Funds were not budgeted for travel and new attorneys require training to maintain licensure.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

SHERIFF ALOCATION

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved an additional allocation in the amount of \$318,600 to purchase uniforms, office supplies and vehicles.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

CIP 2013-2017

Mr. Hutchins told that as looks back on the out years based on what our budget is and what our revenue streams are at least right now and as we discussed with our friends in Richmond of the uncertainty of the funding stream and the possibility of machine and tools being eliminated he would wonder if we think there is a revenue stream that will offset those so we can handle those expenditures. He told that there are some with the County and a couple with the PSA and with the School System. He told that the one that kind of hits him is the one in 2014 for \$4 million without a loan or funding stream. He told that he realizes that this is a plan because that is what we call it. He told that as long as everyone knows that is a plan that is one thing but if we believe that by what we approve today that is going to become a reality. He told that we may have a difficult time with revenue to cover those expenditures and thinks we need to be very careful about those.

Mr. Dickson told that it is a point well taken. He told that we don't want to pick on the school system but as you know it cost a lot to run a school so year 13 which is what we are working on now we are looking at Laurel Elementary needs a roof at \$130,000, St. Paul needs a roof at \$210,000 and they also need paving at \$24,000 so we are looking at \$364,670 and that is not the worst of it, the next year if we replace the HVAC at the high school we are looking at \$4 million. He told that even though this is a plan is this is what we want and are working for, if we approve this and are not able to come up with the money, who is going to be disappointed. He told that he can see some school board members back there that would probably be very disappointed if they were expecting this to happen and for some reason we didn't have the money and that is the point Mr. Hutchins was trying to make.

Mr. Hutchins told that would be for all of them.

Mr. Dickson told that we have things in ours that needs to be done but with these uncertain economic times we don't know that we will be able to afford it.

Mr. Hendrick ask if changes can be made to this plan between now and the adopted budget.

Mr. Dickson replied that is correct.

Mr. Hendick told that this is just approving a target.

Mr. Hutchins told that he thinks the law requires you to have a CIP Plan.

Mr. Cornwell told that is correct and some build a borrowing cycle into it.

Mr. Martin told that he thinks it is important to plan and back in the good old days where you flew by the seat of your pants and you got hit with a fire truck for less than \$100,000 that was still a lot of money. He told that it is important that you build into the

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budget tentative plans for different things if you have the revenue to do it but that doesn't mean you it is in concrete and steel.

Mr. Dickson told that he agrees and we have tried the plan of not having a plan and that didn't work either.

Mr. Hutchins thanked Ms. Smith for the plans she has developed over the last couple of years. He told that it is good.

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved the County CIP 2013-2017, PSA CIP 2013-2017 and School CIP 2013-2017 as presented with subject to change.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

CSA ALLOCATION

Mr. Dickson told that CSA for those of you who don't know is Comprehensive Services Act and you can relate it to Social Services.

Mr. Hutchins told that he has had a conversation with some folks who are on part of that board and we have been ask to make another appropriation of \$212,000 but a piece of that is State funded and a piece is County funded. He told that if he is not mistaken we are at or have exceeded what our budgeted amount was and we are not at the end of the year. He told that he is not saying they are not justified but the expenditures have been increasing tremendously and he wonders if we can afford without some insight if we can continue to approve these. He told that he knows we have to support the things that they support but it makes him wonder if there is some things that we could do to help reign that in a little.

Mr. Martin ask if this is money above and beyond what we have already budgeted for.

Mr. Hutchins replied yes. He told that the committee that handles that is the CPMT.

Mr. McCraw told that maybe we need to appoint a couple of people to be on that board to get a better handle on it.

Mr. Martin ask if we have any choice in this.

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Mr. Dickson told that we are obligated to 29.1%, but do we know that we are getting the best deal. He told that he is on the Social Service Board and has only been to one meeting so he hasn't found out a whole lot yet but he thinks he will as time goes on. He told that a lot of it is cut and dry and there is probably not much we can do but it can't hurt to have an extra eye looking.

Mr. McCraw told that since Mr. Hutchins brought it up maybe he needs to be on it.

Mr. Hendrick ask if that is not on the agenda.

Mr. Hutchins told that it is under committee appointments maybe.

Mr. Larowe told that it is listed under committee appointments.

Mr. Hutchins told that the allocation we have to make, but it is something that we really need to start paying attention to.

Dr. Littrell ask how much the allocation is for.

Mr. Dickson replied \$212,700 and Carroll's part is \$87,300.

Mr. Martin told that we contribute a lot of money to Social Services, over \$2 million.

Ms. Shank told that it is approaching \$2 million.

Dr. Littrell ask if our portion is \$87,300 and is that coming from other sources that we have identified.

Ms. Shank told that we have taken it from within the general budget. She told that we need the entire amount allocated but we will have an offsetting revenue for the State's portion.

Mr. Hutchins told that if they file their paperwork and everything is done correctly then the difference should be a revenue.

Ms. Shank told that the total appropriation is \$300,000 and \$212,700 will be offset by State revenue. She told that the \$87,300 we are offsetting within the approved budget.

Mr. Martin told that we have already spent right at \$2 million.

Ms. Shank replied with encumbrances.

Mr. Martin ask why do we need \$200,000 or \$300,000 more.

Mr. Larrowe told it is because there are additional services that are being requested by the CPMT for children that are associated with Comprehensive Services. He told there are a group of kids that are covered under that act and you budget off of what your projections are.

Mr. Dickson told that it is in addition to what we have budgeted.

Mr. Martin told that one of these days we are going to have to come up with the money to do all these things.

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved the CSA appropriation.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

VDOT

Mr. Huff introduced himself as well as Lisa Hughes. He told that he works out of the Hillsville Office and Ms. Hughes works out of the Martinsville Office and is over the maintenance of Carroll County.

Mr. Dickson told that she does a good job and has heard her name many times.

Mr. Huff told that he has several things on his list. He told that it is the time of year that we need to set the Public Hearing for the 6 year plan. He told that we have to put together a draft plan for that and currently the roads that are on the plan are what we use. He told we have the Route 620 project and Route 802 Waterberry, the Route 725 Stone Ridge and the Route 690 Brushy Fork Project. He told that the Route 620 Project, the FHWA has approved to shorten the project. He told that last year the Board ask us to look into shortening it and it has been approved. He told the next meeting is on March 12th and didn't know if that would be a suitable time to hold the public hearing.

Mr. Dickson told that he thought it would work and ask if everyone else was okay with it. He told that around 5:30 would be good.

Mr. Huff told that they would run an ad in the newspaper. He told that the next thing is BRCEDA is planning to apply for Economic Development funds for the Wildwood Road and we need a resolution passed before they can submit the application.

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Ms. Hughes told that she just wanted to let everyone know who she is and that she has been with the department for 27 years and 20 of those years have been spent in the Martinsville Office. She told for the last 2 years they have picked up Carroll County. She told that it may be frustrating if you don't know who to contact. She told that Mr. Huff has been really good to work with. She distributed her business card with her direct number. She told that she has been getting a few things and if they will let her know how to handle them, whether that is to respond to the Board or to Mr. Larowe. She told that anyway we need to get it done. She told that she has good maintenance people here to take care of things and they do a good job.

Mr. Hendrick told that he had a quick question on the 58 bypass. He ask if there is any work or discussions going on about fixing the hill design at the east interchange.

Ms. Hughes told that they have looked at a lot of different things and right now they are trying to handle it with signage and putting reflectors on the ends. She told that they did remove the guardrail and they did that a couple weeks ago and doesn't know if they have had any problems since. She told that she thinks it has gotten better.

Mr. Hendrick ask about the possibility of a yield if you are coming two land 58 and you take the ramp to go into town. He told that Jonathan McGrady has the right of way to everybody going to town. He told that he has seen one car eastbound that turned left off of the ramp to go to 669 and ask if there are any discussions on possibly widening it and making it a yield instead of a stop sign.

Ms. Hughes told that they have not discussed that but she can look at it.

Mr. McCraw ask if they have heard anything from Mr. Kaywood about Epworth Church Road.

Ms. Hughes told that one of the property owners contacted her before Christmas and she went to look at it and put up a few chevrons. She told that she did receive Mr. McCraw's note and they will look at the guardrail. She told that on the guardrail you have to have enough room to put them up.

Mr. McCraw told that he understands and he has had so many people to call him over it. He told that ever since they cut the timber off the bank all of the sudden people realized how steep it was. He told that he heard her mention Brushy Fork Road and ask what the plans are for that.

Mr. Huff replied that is a future project and there is currently only \$1000 for it. He told that it is a spot improvement project that was added to the 6 Year Plan last year and they really haven't identified it yet.

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Mr. McCraw told that there is an area from the bridge to Pipers Gap that is very crooked and narrow. He told that when tractor trailers come through there they have knocked mirrors off of School buses.

Mr. Huff told that when there is some money built up for it they would like to meet with the Board and try to identify the areas.

Mr. Dickson told that we have two projects approved right now, Route 620 and 802.

Mr. Huff told that was correct and on the Stone Ridge project they have enough money to do about ½ mile of it and if that is okay they will try to advertise the project later in the year. He told that it is about 1 mile in length but they only have enough money to do the first half.

Ms. Hughes told that Route 802 will also advertise this year.

Mr. Huff told that is the Waterberry project and it has a bridge on it that is not in great shape.

Mr. Dickson told that one is suppose to start in midsummer.

Mr. Huff replied that they hoped.

Mr. Martin told that he has a question about Double Cabin road that goes from the top of the hill towards Sylvatus and it was close to mailbox number 49.

Mr. Huff told that they have looked at that and are planning on putting some chevrons and signs in that curve.

Mr. Hendrick told that he had not reviewed the 6 year plan but the feeling that he got before he left the department was going away from rap and sap and ask what the stance is now and if they are open to those.

Ms. Hughes told that they have tried to separate now because they used to treat every project the same. She told that some of the smaller projects they are trying to do a little simpler.

Mr. Hendrick ask if minimum plan is still an option.

Ms. Hughes replied yes.

Mr. Dickson thanked them both for coming and for the work they are doing.

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WILDWOOD ACCESS ROAD RESOLUTION

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved the Wildwood Access Road Resolution.

Mr. Hendrick told that he would like to discuss the amount. He told that he knows it is already answered but since Mr. McFadden is here.

Mr. Dickson told that we can bring him up after we do this. He told that it doesn't have an amount in it.

Mr. Hendrick told that it does have an up to amount in it.

Mr. Dickson told that he sees that and they can put this on hold until we hear from Mr. McFadden.

Mr. McFadden told that he would try to answer any questions.

Mr. Hendrick told that the initial estimate was around \$1.2 million and it is over a 60% increase from the beginning of the project and that estimate was through the PER with Anderson and Associates. He ask if things have changed or things revealed that were not known before that caused the 60% increase and have similar increases been seen in other areas of the project.

Mr. McFadden replied no, not to that degree. He told that the access road was initially a two lane and it is now 4 lanes with a median. He told that he has ask the same question of our engineers. He told that also the increase is based upon what they found in a recent bid for a similar road in Bland County. He told that his sense in the engineers offering this cost estimate are giving us a higher figure in an estimate so that we are covered in the event that bids do come in at the high end. He told that they are being cautious and he doesn't fault them. He told that he too would like for it to be a little more realistic to the general construction market and that is where they came in with this recommendation for \$1.8 million.

Mr. Hendrick told that he just wanted to know, 60% increase since 2011 estimate. He told that it was probably 2010.

Mr. McFadden told that it was 2010 and it was a 2 lane and now it is 4 lane with a median. He told that they appreciate the Board of Supervisors consideration and support for Wildwood. He told that BRCEDA will manage the construction, bidding and all the items that need to take place in order to make this road happen in addition to all the other infrastructure at the commerce park. He told that because they are a regional authority, VDOT's program is only open to localities of which Carroll County is the host location so they would be the applicant to the VDOT Commonwealth Transportation Board. He told that BRCEDA will administer the project and will ensure that all requirements and so forth are followed to maintain Carroll County's good name.

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Mr. Martin ask if he was talking about the road for the entrance into the park.

Mr. McFadden told that is correct.

Mr. Hendrick told that it is more than an entrance; it is a mile of a road.

Mr. McFadden told that the original was 5000 feet and this is along the lines of 3300. He told that they are catching up and moving as they go along with the development of the ungraded portion. He told that this road had initially been proposed to go into the ungraded portion and they will catch back up with that at a later time when the construction of the grading occurs. He told that this road will serve all sites.

Mr. Martin ask if they were putting four lanes on 620 going North.

Mr. Hendrick told that this has nothing to do with 620.

Mr. Martin told that you are coming off of 620.

Mr. McFadden told it is coming off of 620 and going into Wildwood to the back site.

Mr. Martin told that you are not extending the four lane towards 52.

Mr. McFadden replied no.

Mr. Dickson thanked Mr. McFadden.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

EXTENSION UPDATE – TRAVIS BUNN

Mr. Bunn thanked the Board for the opportunity to be here tonight and present some of the things they have been working on as well as what is planned for the upcoming months. He told that he has jotted down a few things and tried to keep it in line. He told that one of the biggest things in the last couple months is the pesticide recertification classes and they have completed five. He told that one was in Grayson, one in Patrick and the rest have been in Carroll. He told that he is not real sure of the numbers but would say they recertified close to 150 participants. He told that they just finished up with the fruit school that was held in Mt. Airy and had 32 people there. He told that they

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had a silage trial last year and have just compiled all of that data and had a meeting on it last Thursday to reveal some of the data that we found. He told that they had a retained ownership program back in January with 18 participants. He told that retained ownership is assuming the responsibility of cattle after weaning through slaughter and giving the option of selling at live weight or sell based on their carcass net. He told that it is a lot different and there is a lot more to it than taking them to the sell barn and unloading them. He told that there is cash flow that is involved, instead of getting your check 2 or 3 days after you sell them you are looking at feeding the cattle for 6 more months and along with the feed bill. He told that there were a lot of people asking questions about that especially with cattle being as high as they are. He told that live cattle are doing really well right now and setting records. He told that people are looking to capture as much as they can for those cattle. He told that they will probably continue on with a series of programs on that topic over the next couple of months. He told that the goal of the group is to put together at least one load of cattle and doing retained ownership on them and have producers do just a couple each. He told that they are continuing on with the Commodities Grant and they are up to 13 funding applications and they have enough money for 16 to 18 depending on what the producers are wanting to put in. He told that he went to Savannah in January to the Fruit and Vegetable Conference and received some updates on GAP. He told that they have a good trade show and met a lot of good people and made some contacts. Mr. Bunn told that they have a pruning and grafting class coming up that will be held at two different orchards so it will not be a typical classroom setting. He told that they have the continuation of the broccoli trials and this year is the first year they did that. He told that they were able to identify a couple varieties but nothing that they are really ready to use because the first year could have just been a fluke. He told that they have two more years so hopefully they will have some data to share with the producers. He told that they have been working with the Virginia Young Farmer program and they are trying to develop a mentorship between young or even beginning farmers and there is no age limit. He told that they will team them up with some of the veterans so they can learn. He told that they are hoping to have one here and are in the planning stages and they will be targeting high school students and try to get them excited. He told that they are exploring the opportunity of grants and the first will be on livestock facilities and it is a grant that usually resurfaces about every five years and they are looking to get it funded again. He told that they are also looking at a grant with Virginia State University on specialty crops and they are going to focus on mushrooms since they have had several people call and have questions about them. He told that he has a forage meeting on Thursday and they will be looking at some stockpile fescue that they took samples from all winter and see how the nutritional levels vary. He told that the samples in January were better than some alfalfa hay. He welcomed the new Board members and told that they would love to have them come visit.

Mr. Dickson thanked Mr. Bunn. He told that after that presentation it is hard to believe that we are sharing him with another county.

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CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Mr. Gary Marshall told that in August 2010 they formed a committee of several citizens and they have all been working together to come up with a balanced and centennial commemoration for the greatest pain that has visited Carroll County and maybe even the State of Virginia which was 100 years ago on March 14, 1912. He told that on that day 5 of our serving citizens and officials were killed in the Carroll County Courtroom. He told that we not only lost 5 but an additional 2 with capital punishment. He told that the magnitude of this tragedy is so significant and there are so many lessons to be learned and the first thing they sat down as a committee to do is try to innumerate what value there would be for the memory of this horror and tragedy. He told that the Board has been given a packet and they knew there would be reason to take this tragedy and use it for good to redeem its value. He told that there are education and economical pursuits. He told that the centennial committee seeks to benefit the future by providing programs and projects to facilitate community reconciliation. He told that Thunder in the Hills will be a play that will be conducted on 9 different days and the tickets are being sold and people are coming in from different states because of this play so we will be gathering folks from outside our own region. He told that there will also be a two day symposium where they have recruited professional historians from various places and they will help us to understand the culture, conflict and the consequences of the tragedy. He told that there will be a Memorial Service on the eve of the tragedy and on March 14 the actual anniversary they will be visiting the seven grave sites and have wreath laying ceremonies. He told that he also included the latest edition of the Carroll County Chronicles and this is the first copy to be published. He told that the museum in the historic courthouse has been gathering some special display items just for this centennial. He told that they have a website that is www.courthousetragedy1912.com and it will keep you informed. He told that this is not a celebration it is a commemoration and the play is not a reenactment it is an interpretation of the pain of this history. He thanked the Board for their interest.

Mr. Dickson thanked Mr. Marshall.

Mr. Martin told them to tread lightly because he is related to both sides. He told that Mr. Jackson still has us fighting the Civil War and told them to be sensitive to the tragedies.

Mr. Marshall told that they are trying to be sensitive and balanced. He told that they have felt the tension within the committee even 100 years later and the tension in this community is still significant, but they believe they can offer some consolatory efforts through these programs.

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. Hendrick and passing, the Board approved the resolution below.

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Whereas, the infamous courthouse affray occurred in the Carroll County Courthouse, Main Street, Hillsville Virginia on March 14, 1912, a historical event that traumatized the nation and shocked its collective conscience;

And whereas, it is important to remember that a total of seven people lost their lives as a result of the actions on that fateful day. Regardless of public opinion, it cannot be denied that the profound effect of the actions that day resulted in a legacy of deprivation, anger and pain for the surviving families and that the details of the event continue to be tried in the court of opinion one hundred years later;

And whereas, the Courthouse Centennial Committee has been formed to educate citizens about the tragic events of March 14, 1912 and the timeless lessons arising therefrom, most notably the importance of our system of laws that serves to prevent the abuse of power and avoid civil conflict;

And whereas, the observance of the Centennial offers an opportunity for the public at large as well as the surviving families to see a redemptive value realized through a better understanding of the events and human emotions involved in the conflict, a special remembrance of those who died, and notwithstanding, the economic benefit to the community as a result of the Centennial activities;

And whereas, the Centennial Committee has worked tirelessly over the last year to develop a Centennial program including an educational symposium, a live community performance (“Thunder in the Hills”, written by the award-winning, New York Times bestselling author Frank Levering), a memorial service; and a sharing of the history of the tragedy through written chronicles and museum exhibits;

Now therefore, 2012, is hereby designated the “Centennial Observance of the Courthouse Tragedy”; and the Centennial Committee is hereby commended for its efforts to bring the citizens of Carroll County together in a spirit of reconciliation to educate modern generations on the historical events of March 14, 1912, and the civic lessons arising there from. The selfless efforts of the Centennial Committee and the numerous volunteers supporting this effort reflect great credit on our community for helping to turn the remembrance of an otherwise tragic event into a positive and beneficial civic experience.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

LIBRARY RENOVATION UPDATE

Ms. Nikki Shank told that as background information we applied for a USDA grant in the amount of \$200,000 and received that grant. She told that the County match on that grant is \$66,700 and we put the project out to bid and received them back in December. She told that we were a little apprehensive about how the bids were going to come in because the bidding environment hasn't been very friendly. She told that included in the base bid was the replacement of the HVAC, replacement of roof, installation of new windows and replacement of the exterior trim. She told that we included some additive bids in case the bidding environment wasn't good which were replacement of carpet, tile, painting of interior, paving of parking lot, remodel of restrooms, improvements to landscaping and fencing surrounding the HVAC units. She told that we received 2 bids on the project and J.G. Coram put in a bid of \$178,435 and Omega's bid came in at \$209,062. She told that a notice of award went out to J.G. Coram on the bid and since the base bid came in less than the grant amount we contact J.G. Coram to see if they could include some labor on the additive bids that only included materials. She told that they put in an additional bid on installation on some of the products which was \$29, 582 which puts the total contract at \$208,017. She told that the total project is \$266,700 so we also be replacing the technology in the amount of \$20,700 and included \$37,000 for furniture and fixtures. She told that we currently have a contract signed with J.G. Coram and it has been sent to the attorney for certification and that is required by USDA before they will approve it. She told that once we get the certification back from the attorneys we will send it to USDA for approval and schedule a preconstruction meeting and get this project underway. She told that she is really excited about the upgrades and improvements that are going to be made.

Mr. Dickson told that it sounds like we are making progress.

BOS BUDGET COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Mr. Martin told that it sounds like we are facing some budget problems and we need to get ready for it.

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Hutchins and passing, the Board appointed Dr. Littrell and Mr. McCraw to the Budget Committee.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Abstain
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Abstain
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. Dickson told that he trusts they will do a good job.

(Order)

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. McCraw nominated Mr. Richard Sowers for the IDA appointment for the unexpired term of Derrick Bryant from 2-13-2013 until 10-13-2013.

Mr. Hutchins nominated Mr. Bob Martin for the Smart Beginnings appointment.

Mr. McCraw nominated Mr. Hutchins, Mr. Larrowe and Mr. Teddy Felts as the alternate to CPMT.

Mr. Martin ask what that group does.

Mr. Larrowe told that it is associated with Social Services.

Upon motion by Mr. McCraw, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved the appointments listed above.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Abstain
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

SCHOOL UPDATE

Mr. Spencer thanked the Board for having them here today. He told that he thinks they had a good discussion a couple weeks ago and he enjoyed it. He told that originally the plan for Phase III was \$26.7 million. He told that so far the funding has been \$15 million which is a difference of \$11.7 million. He told that the School Board voted not to extend the cafeteria which means they can maintain the automotive program and not spend \$1.1 million on the building that would be detached from the school. He told that with the savings of \$1.1 million they are looking at replacing the water lines at the high school and plumbing and fixtures in the bathrooms and the locker rooms. He told that also they would like to put the HVAC system in at Carroll County Intermediate and this would include heating and cooling to rooms that it is not currently working in. He told that they have to be good stewards of the buildings and good custodians of the money that the Board of Supervisors gives for the renovations. He told that he hopes you understand why we made those moves. He told that it is easy to work on building a new building but you have to take care of what you have and that is what they were trying to do. He told that the fall enrollment for 2013 for 9th through 12th grades will be at 1300

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students. He told that 650 of those students are required to take PE. He told that they currently have 240 students enrolled in PE for 11th and 12th grade. He told that they looked at alternatives of a wish list if they could get additional revenue where they would ask the Board to help us. He told that at first to be honest he was not looking at a gym until he looked at the numbers. He told that the problem is when the original Phase III was introduced it was 22 classrooms and they are currently going to have 15 which means we have a short fall of 7 classrooms and it also had an auxiliary gym which would have incorporated the 240 students. He told that without that gym we have displaced those students so without the 9th grade wing and the loss of 7 classrooms, we are already maximizing the capacity of the building. He told that without the second gym there is no room for those 240 students. He told because of the necessity of needing space they did ask for the auxiliary gym to be first on the wish list. He told that the second is a media center at Carroll County Intermediate School for \$600,000. He told that it is the same issue with space and the problem is with the cut from the original requesting you have a whole 6th grade class which is 300 more students with the same size media center. He told that the reason the HVAC system came in third is because they are looking at avenues to conserve energy and work with some programs that could show us initial savings to help pay for a new system. He told that they think there is some grant money that could help us with those fundings. He reviewed the totals from the handouts which is \$7.1 million. He told that the original project was \$26.7 million and it was funded at \$15 million which leaves \$11.7 million difference. He told that the School Board looked at was a way to reduce the \$11.7 shortfall to \$7.1 which is a \$6.6 million savings. He told that they tried to cut everything they could and looked at spacing. He ask if there were any questions.

Mr. Dickson ask if it was a good estimate on the gym because it seems awful high and ask if that was what they were looking at before.

Mr. Spencer told that the auxiliary gym is attached.

Mr. Dickson told that makes it a higher option.

Mr. Spencer told that it was ½ million greater and the reason why is there are no bathrooms in a detached gym and your students will be changing then going outside. He told that the other problem would be if you are a spectator at an event and you need to use the restroom you will have to go outside and into the school and there is also a problem with parking. He told that they looked at putting it different places but the problem is 60 parking spaces and it is already tight now. He told that would force parking across the street plus paving and construction of a parking lot and there is a safety factor. He told that the school system in the past has ask for a crossover bridge but were turned down several times by VDOT.

Mr. Dickson told that he likes the idea of being attached better. He ask if we would be realizing any other benefits from that. He ask if there is any other advantage out of the ½ million in grading.

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Dr. Smith told that the attached restrooms are one of the advantages if you attend any of the events at school and utilize auditorium you know that we only have two restrooms. He told that has always been a concern and this will add those restrooms in. He told that basically what it does is the attached facility makes the school flow. He told that the parking will remain on the senior lot but there will not be any additional.

Mr. Martin told that he agrees with Mr. Dickson and is opposed to an unattached gym. He told that it doesn't fly nationwide and from a safety standpoint you need to keep the kids in the building and you don't expose them to outside unsafe factors. He told that he thinks it is a smart move because there is too much bad stuff that could happen going from one building to another.

Dr. Smith told that there will be additional, not parking but access. He told that from the junior parking down to the new facility and you would have access from the senior and junior parking lot.

Mr. Dickson ask Mr. Cole if he had looked at these.

Mr. Cole told that he is seeing them for the first time now.

Mr. Hendrick ask what the plans are for the 240 students should an auxiliary gym not be there in time.

Dr. Smith told that is a tough question. He told that school as you know we are carving out classroom space in addition. He told that they want the current auditorium to be used by the chorus students and the band room utilized by band students. He told that they will be using space that is not currently used or that are convenient for the students. He told that they will likely have to use cafeteria space for the same reason when it is not in use for food service and that is the most likely locations where students could be placed. He told on the CT classes they have little flexibility there because of the State regulations. He told that due to the quality of their CT programs they are literally maxed out. He told that it is going to be a tight squeeze and he really hates to say this but partial schedules might be a possibility for those juniors and seniors or they could go on a work study program. He told that we have to keep these students in school.

Mr. Hendrick ask if the idea has been explored of seven classrooms being cheaper than a gym.

Dr. Smith told that the location will be the problem. He told that they can explore it but it is about the same amount, \$130 per square foot right now and that is what they anticipate the cost to be. He told that doesn't solve the problems that we have as far as the wrestling room usage.

Mr. Hendrick told that obviously the gym carries more items that are beneficial other than just a classroom.

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Dr. Smith told that they are also carrying in that gym the weight room space and wrestling room space that can also be used as classroom space.

Mr. Hutchins told that as we were talking the other evening you realize some savings and he thinks it was \$180,000 savings from the cafeteria.

Mr. Spencer told that they are getting those numbers in right now and there is also the concern as you see 1300 students in 2013 which makes it 325 per lunch period and that makes it the max the fire marshal will allow so part of the idea was as you are entering into the cafeteria through the back there are those doors and a hallway and to use some of that as well as the conference room right there as cafeteria space and removing those exits doors from where they are to utilize about 1600 square feet. He told that it would give a little more room for those students and they have not gotten the trade off number yet.

Dr. Smith told that as you go out the cafeteria you go down the larger hallway and put the doors at the end of the hallway to open up that area which is currently finance, book store, teacher prep and athletic director. He told that if you clear it out you can use as dining area. He told that you could also utilize that as a classroom space when we are not in food service.

Mr. Spencer told that they were hoping after they sent to the architects to see the savings and use that money and it will help us with the fire marshal.

Mr. McCraw ask what percentage of students actually eat lunch.

Dr. Smith told that it is a pretty large percentage at the high school. He told that all of their food service programs are popular and it is closing in on plus 80. He told that they run four lunch shifts starting at 11:30 and running until about 1:30 and that is about as late as they can go. He told that they have all of the student population running through there and it is not a rush but it is a good push to get them all fed.

Mr. Spencer told that the hot meal lunch is the most popular so they are thinking of taking out the sub/salad line and making it a hot lunch line also to help with the flow.

Mr. Dickson ask if the gym would have bleachers on both sides.

Mr. Spencer replied no and told from what he understands if you go to the Intermediate School gym and look at it with bleachers just on one side that is basically what you will have.

Dr. Smith told that it is around 500 fan capacity which should be fine for most of our JV sports.

Mr. Dickson ask what they are going to do about the auditorium when you have an assembly because it is a little less than 1000 seats.

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Mr. Spencer told that they will not be able to have them all at one time. He told that he does appreciate what the Board has done so far and he did enjoy the dialogue. He told that he thinks you will find with our School Board that we want to work in conjunction with your Board. He told that there is a lot of people who always want to put the two boards in enemy camps but that is not their desire and they enjoyed the discussions.

Mr. Dickson told that they thank them for bringing this back. He told that it shows efforts to try to work out the problems that we have. He told that a small amount is easier to reach than a large amount.

Mr. Spencer told that it is still huge at \$7.1 million but it is \$4.6 less than the original. He told that it is an attempt to make the best of it and you build a new school every 40 years or so.

Mr. Dickson told that they will hand this over to the budget committee and see what they can come up with.

Mr. Larowe told that it has \$3.8 million on here for HVAC and previously it had \$4.3.

Mr. Hendrick told that figure was including the water lines.

CITIZEN'S TIME

There were no citizen's signed up to speak.

SUPERVISOR'S TIME

Mr. Hutchins told that they attended Rural Caucus last week and it was very informative. He told that they have taken on a leadership role and now have 64 delegates that are from rural areas that are starting to participate. He told that as he understands it machine and tools is alive and there is a vote tomorrow in the House of Delegates and this could potentially have an impact on our revenue. He told that it was a very informative week.

Mr. McCraw told that it was very interesting trip to Richmond and was very informative and he enjoyed legislative day. He told that he feels like Annie Crockett and Bill Stanley will work hard to help Carroll County.

Mr. Hendrick told that he is good.

Mr. Martin told that he only needs an hour and a half. He told on the sheet from the Sheriff's Department, the \$318,000 for upgrade of office supplies, uniforms and vehicles, how many vehicles is that.

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Mr. Larrowe told that he thinks there is five associated with that. He told that is from Highway Safety Funds which is generated by the Sheriff's Department.

Mr. Martin ask if this would be addressed in the upcoming budget.

Mr. Larrowe told that it would be current.

Mr. Dickson told that he is actually drawing from his own funds.

Mr. Martin moved that the Board of Supervisors go on record as not supporting the closing of the Southwest Virginia Training Center and that we send a letter of support for keeping it in Carroll County and in operation to the powers to be at the State government level.

Mr. Hutchins told that he would second that motion.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. Martin told that the flip side of that is he thinks the Board of Supervisors from 1972-1976 bought from Dr. Porter his farm in the Woodlawn area and he thinks a delegation of Bill Webb and others went to Richmond and they sold the idea to them that Carroll County would furnish the land for the Southwest Virginia Training Center if they would build it here. He told that if we can't keep it in place then he would like to see the County start to make the case that this land come back to the County and he points out that you have a gym there, a large cafeteria and ball fields. He told that it might be on down the road that a Board could relocate the Recreation Department to that site or do some things and turn it into a school site.

Mr. Dickson told that it is a very good thought so how do we go about doing it.

Mr. Larrowe told that we can start researching.

Mr. Martin told that we had a citizen that brought up about some missing gates that were purchased somewhere in the neighborhood of 10 to 15 years ago and were in the basement and he thinks they were purchased for the cemetery out back but they did not work. He told that Mr. Larrowe has done some preliminary stuff with it and talked with Ricky Dowdy and Ronald Newman. Mr. Martin told that he spoke with two former County Administrator's and some folks think that they remember the gates being down there but no one can get a handle on what happened and so forth. He told that it would have been through the IDA so one thing that gets confusing is that the Board of

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Supervisors may have been left out of the loop on buying it or disposing of it. He told that he thinks that way back in the middle to late 80's the County School System did a surplus sell and he thinks that they sold some gates. He told that he did not go to the sale but remembers seeing galvanized gates in the School sale. He told that he can not tell what year it was; he just remembers someone making a comment about if you need some gigantic gates now would be a good time to get them. Mr. Martin told that part of the problem is that you don't have to keep financial records but five years and certainly not for 10 – 12 years. Mr. Martin told moved that we put the matter to rest and it appears that there is not a reasonable answer to this. He told that if there was an issue it should have been settled at the time instead of waiting this long.

Mr. Hutchins told that it sounds like we have due diligence has been served.

Mr. McCraw seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. Martin thanked Ms. Smith for the charts on our debt service. He told that the total debt service that the County has, it is listed on there. He told that it appears to be \$5 million.

Ms. Smith told that is the debt service. She told that is what we pay each year.

Mr. Martin told that he thought there was some missing money is why he was asking.

Ms. Smith told that is not the outstanding balance.

Mr. Martin told that he is straight now, that he got kicked out of accounting. He told that is what we have to pay each year rather than what we owe. He told that he got all excited when he saw we only owed \$5 million.

Dr. Littrell told that he too enjoyed his time in Richmond meeting with the legislators and they do listen to what we have to say. He told that they may not always vote our way but they do listen. He told that the Rural Caucus is shrinking with each census because when the population of the State moves east and north we become less and less represented in the southwest and rural areas of the state. He told that it is more important than ever to stick together. He told that the one thing that has been fortunate for us is Northern Virginia and Richmond and Tidewater areas can seldom agree on anything among themselves so that helps us out. He told that everyone should let your legislators know if there is anything of interest to us in this area. He told that it has come to his

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attention that it is hard at times to find the 911 numbers for the homes. He told that there was a move some years back where the rescue squads sold signs that you put next to your driveway, but in reality there are many homes within our county that are not identified. He told that it makes it very difficult for fire and rescue to find the homes. He told that he is not sure if we need an ordinance for that but he thinks citizens need to be made aware of how important it is to identify the residence for emergency situations. He told that he was looking at his own house and has brass numbers on one of the porch posts and the post is weathered gray and the numbers have tarnished gray so you really can't see them. He told that he doesn't know if we want to make a recommendation formally or not, but it is an issue that we need to make sure that people are aware of.

Mr. Dickson told that we have a meeting in North Carolina on Friday to approve the sale of the lease of the Amerlink debacle. He told that our attorney will be there and he would also like to mention that it was held up from the last meeting but Carroll County has nothing to do with that and we did not hold anything up. He told that the bankruptcy trustee is the one who suggested that it be held over. He told that hopefully we will get this through either this Friday or if not hopefully at the next one.

Mr. Cornwell told that it is Thursday.

Mr. Hendrick told that he has a question; the County is not approving anything, correct.

Mr. Dickson replied correct.

Mr. Hendrick told that we will just be in attendance for the bankruptcy court. He told that he wanted everyone to know that the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Larowe and Mr. Cornwell are not approving anything; they will just be there to watch.

Mr. Dickson told that from the sale of it which is \$69,000 and out of that we got zero. He told that we will not get any money out of it because it will go to the bankruptcy court.

Mr. Cornwell told that hopefully we will have a tenant in the sales center who will create jobs.

Mr. Larowe told that there has been some confusion about Carroll County getting some money. He told that Carroll County is not approving anything.

Mr. Hendrick told that in the meeting after the auction there was a motion made that we recommend that the trustee do this or this and the part about this lease sale was left out of the motion pending review of the financial plan that was requested by the trustee.

Mr. Larowe told that is correct and it is also the request of the trustee for the continuation of this. He told that was by the trustee and not by Carroll County as it had been reported.

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Mr. Cornwell told that he did meet with the proposed tenant for the sale center today to go over the lease and to make sure that he understood the terms and conditions and he does. He told that is what is up for approval on Thursday.

(Order)

MACHINERY AND TOOLS TAX

Mr. Dickson told that we have a resolution opposing HB 512/SB 549 which is regarding the tangible personal property tax of certain machinery and tools. He told that it would exempt new manufacturing equipment from the machinery and tools tax for the first three years and it does not provide an alternative revenue source to make up for it. He told that it does not include any waivers or suspension of state mandates that drive up local government costs. He told that over the past three years the County has generated over \$77,000 worth of revenue from new purchases of machinery. He told that the passing of this bill would significantly decrease the revenue for the county.

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. Hendrick and passing, the Board approved the resolution opposing HB512/SB549.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board adjourned.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

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Chairman

Clerk