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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on, February 10, 2014 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
Bob Martin
Gary Larrowe, County Administrator
Nikki Cannon, Assistant County Administrator
Jim Cornwell, County Attorney

Mr. Hutchins called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

Mr. Dickson lead in invocation and pledge.

Mr. Hutchins told that he appreciates everyone for being here. He told that if you looked out there it looked like we were going to have a little snow but it may have passed at least for now and will be there Wednesday according to the weather. He told that this past week three of them went down to visit with the legislators on several issues and it was a warm welcome and they shared their thoughts about several things that are affecting at least rural counties. He told that he is not sure that you ever know how effective you are but when the votes are taken you have some idea. He told that they also met while they were there with DHCD about some other things and that turned out to be very positive. He told that Legislative Day is well worth our participation.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the agenda.

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. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved the minutes of the meeting on January 13, 2014 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. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for February 2014 and did authorize the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign checks for the March 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)

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved the Consent Agenda.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes

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Dr. Littrell Yes
Mr. Martin Yes

(Order)

GAS UTILITY AMENDMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved an amendment for the Gas Utility Budget in the amount of \$82,772.

VOTES

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

(Order)

CLERK OF COURT APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved an appropriation in the amount of \$45,891 to the Clerk's Office in Technology Trust Funds.

VOTES

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

(Order)

DEPRECIATION FACTOR 2014

Dr. Littrell asked if those were the same that they have been in previous years.

Mr. McCraw told that they are.

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved the Depreciation Factor for 2014.

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

(Order)

EMPTY BOWLS RESOLUTION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved the Empty Bowls Resolution below.

WHEREAS, volunteerism is vital to local community growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, every day, someone in our community goes hungry; and

WHEREAS, it is important to encourage people of all ages to recognize the needs of their neighbors and to appreciate the bounty they enjoy; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon organizations such as The Arts & Cultural Council of the Twin Counties and local businesses and organizations to provide opportunities for our citizens to make a difference; and

WHEREAS, the power of the arts can be marshaled to feed more than just the soul; and

WHEREAS, through the serving of a simple meal of soup and bread our community can come together to help those in need;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Carroll County Board of Supervisors recognizes Thursday, March 20, 2014 as Empty Bowls Day and supports the activities that day and beyond that foster and support the partnership of volunteerism, generosity and the arts to support the necessary work of our area food banks.

VOTES

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

(Order)

SHERIFFS OFFICE ALLOCATION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved an allocation in the amount of \$20,000 for the Sheriff's Office for part time salaries for dispatch.

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VOTES

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

(Order)

SHERIFFS OFFICE ALLOCATION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved an allocation in the amount of \$16,746.37 to the Sheriff's Office from two grants that have been received.

VOTES

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

(Order)

SHERIFFS OFFICE ALLOCATION

Mr. Dickson asked if it would be possible to get some invoices on this to see what it is.

Mr. Larowe told that it is for communications equipment and he is certain that we can get that.

Mr. Dickson told that he would like to have a copy of that if it is acceptable.

Mr. Hendrick told that he assumes that is coming from the allocated amount of Highway Safety.

Mr. Larowe replied yes.

Mr. Dickson asked if that was coming from radar money.

Mr. Larowe replied yes.

Mr. Dickson asked if the vehicles have to go through this if they buy a new vehicle.

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Ms. Cannon told that they did in the CIP last year.

Mr. Larrowe asked if the \$300,000 was the only one he was requesting copies of.

Mr. Dickson replied yes, the others are small compared to \$300,000.

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved an allocation in the amount of \$300,000 to the Sheriff's Department for improvement to radio equipment and communications.

VOTES

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

(Order)

SHERIFFS OFFICE ALLOCATION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved an allocation in the amount of \$4000 to the Sheriff's Office from a donation received from Morgan Sherpherd Charitable Fund.

VOTES

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

(Order)

SHERIFFS OFFICE ALLOCATION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved an allocation in the amount of \$6,688.97 to the Sheriff's Office for recovered costs.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes

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

(Order)

WOODLAWN SCHOOL ALLOCATION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved a budget transfer for the operational costs of Woodlawn School.

VOTES

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

(Order)

AWARD PRESENTATION

Mr. Hutchins told that it is an honor and privilege for him to present an award and ask that Mr. Lundy come forward. He told that Mr. Lundy has demonstrated skills in football and he has exceeded the passing record significantly with 4443 yards and that is outstanding. He told that he understands that now that football is over he has had a career high game the other day scoring 33 points. Mr. Hutchins told that we appreciate his efforts and would like to give Mr. Lundy a certificate of special recognition for the accomplishment of becoming the all time career passing leader at Carroll County High School.

(Order)

PHASE III/HVAC UPDATE

Mr. Dennis Cole told that they are at the point where they are starting to button up a lot of things at the high school. He told that the first floor is complete and they will be dropping ceiling tiles on the second floor this week. He told that they have some last inspections to take care of and once those are complete they will be doing some testing on the fire alarm system and all of the other devices. He told that they have all four boilers on line and they are running as prescribed and the chillers have been hooked up and they will be running chill water through the pipes to get those washed out. He told that they are very close to finishing out the project and they don't have anything outstanding on it and they feel like they will have it complete by the middle of the month.

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Mr. Martin told that he used to monitor the temperatures in another occupation assignment and at this time of year the typical temperature in the hall at the high school was 62 degrees and sadly you went into many of the rooms and they were the same. He told that the Board and many others deserve a pat on the back for pushing the upgrade on the mechanical system. He told that you do not know what it was like trying to repair pipes until you were in that building and it is like dropping a hemi engine in a volts wagon.

Mr. Cole told that by the end of the month we will appreciate the system more because some classrooms call for heat and some call for cool and now they will be able to do that. He told that they have had a slight delay in the STEM Lab and they ended up having to take out the existing concrete mezzanine that they anticipated leaving. He told that once they got in there and started doing the demolition the floors didn't line up. He told that this will give them a much better product at the end. He told that the contractor is on site and getting ready to pour floor and starting to work on the lower part. He told that they are still looking at the end of April for completion.

Mr. Martin asked if he keeps up with industry stuff and how are construction prices going at this point.

Mr. Cole told that it is really hard to say. He told that he knows there are some firms right now that are busy and prices right now he doesn't think are too far out. He told that we got some high prices on the STEM Lab and there are a lot of reasons for that but he doesn't think it is because there is less work out there. He told that as far as numbers he hasn't seen anything that says we will see a continued escalation.

(Order)

SCHOOL BOARD DISCUSSION – AUXILIARY GYM

Mr. Hutchins told that at our last meeting Mr. Martin had asked if Dr. Blankenship could come present on the auxiliary gym. He told that he appreciates the board members that are here, especially the Chairman Mr. Spencer and asked if he had any comments.

Dr. Blankenship thanked the Board for their past support and current support of Carroll County Public Schools. He told that you were just talking about the HVAC system and that is going to make a huge difference and they appreciate that. He told that we also need to thank you for the security money that you gave us where they were able to install buzz in systems and card readers as well as video cameras on the buses. He told that he hasn't had a single complaint about that and that is amazing. He told that parents understood the need and were very grateful to you for providing that. He thanked the Board for inviting us down to talk about an auxiliary gym and he will have to tell you that this discussion is going to be a little more than an auxiliary gym. He told that with the construction that occurred three years ago there were still four issues that were still on the table for the high school. He told that while safety and security has been taken care of in

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our buildings with the generous amount of money you gave us to do that, they still have one major security concern and that is the movement of children between buildings between the day. He told that they have about 300 students who transfer between buildings out in the open in the weather during the day about five times a day if you include lunch particularly going by such a major highway. He told that it is a security issue and it also causes other issues for example if we are in the middle of a really hard rain storm they end up delaying classes long enough for the rain to let up. He told to get from the upper level of the new construction to the upper level of the old building you have to go down the elevator, outside and around or go all the way around to the senior parking lot and go across the bridge. He told that reason for that is because by code the levels of the two floors are different. He told that they now have 1182 students at the high school and that is about 300 more than last year. He told that 51% of those students are required by law to have PE and during the first semester they had 35% and in the second semester they had 37.1% enrolled and at any one time there may be as many as 130 students having class in the gym and as many as seven sections. He told that they have 32 sports that they participate in and having an opportunity for everyone to practice as well as participate in games is problematic with one gym. He told that as you are aware our wrestling program is housed in the old Woodlawn building because they have no home for them. He told that the home they had is now an air handling system. He told that when the new construction occurred they had three new classrooms in the main building and in the new building they created seven but they have over 300 students added to the population so they have some classroom issues and have some teachers that travel meaning they have no classroom. He told that tends to cause class to start late because they have to get the room ready. He told that finally they have some handicap accessibility issues and they had one student who was on crutches and it was very problematic to get him back and forth between buildings. He told that they have more students on the way who are in wheelchairs and also have various physical handicaps. He told that they also do not have any handicap accessible bathrooms in the area between the gym and the auditorium. He told that the auditorium has a capacity of 900 and the gym can seat 1800. The men's restroom has one stall and three urinals and the female restroom has two stalls and neither one is handicap accessible. He told that he has been there twice this year when we have had events and the restrooms are inadequate. He told that it is also true that the handicap students cannot get to the second floor of the gym. He told that the issue of the auxiliary gym actually started the conversation but there are many issues. He told that you have in your packet a list of things called proposed construction and you will see what they need there. He showed the footprint of what they are looking at and explained where everything is. He told that this solution solves all four issues that we have talked about. He told that this also allows them to completely block off a section and you would only have to have one part of the building open for an event. He told that they would be happy to discuss this better at any time and would be glad to get you a bigger footprint.

Mr. Martin asked if this allows for the chorus music program to come off of the stage.

Dr. Blankenship told that any of these rooms would work.

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Mr. Martin told that this past weekend they had regional chorus and they had kids and parents from all over this end of the state.

Dr. Littrell asked if this takes away some of the need of the Woodlawn gym.

Dr. Blankenship relied absolutely with the possible exception of the outside ball fields.

Dr. Littrell told that he is talking about the gym itself.

Dr. Blankenship told that it would remove that need for them. He told that the outside ball fields are a different story and he thinks they would need those.

Mr. Hendrick told that he has a question about the auditorium. He told that it seats 980 and with 1182 students.

Dr. Blankenship told that they have to do two different assemblies if you want them all there.

Mr. Hendrick asked how much of a problem does that create.

Mr. Chuck Thompson told that he would give an example, they have a talent show at the end of the month and they will have one for 9th and 10th grade and one for 11th and 12th grade so the students will not get to see all the performances. He told that they also have Barter Theatre coming next week and they can only present that to two grades.

Mr. Hutchins thanked Dr. Blankenship and told that he is sure there will be more discussion.

(Order)

SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE MODIFICATIONS

Mr. Newman told that the first is section 27 under the street layout, it has been modified a little from last time which requires that the location of the driveway be shown on the plat. He told that the next paragraph is the same as before and asked if he needs to go over what you have seen before.

Mr. Hutchins asked if they could go back to the first one where it says it will be determined if it is a state maintained road if it meets the state maintained road at a point and he presumes that would be if there are any VDOT requirements as long as you had ample width, is that kind of what you are saying.

Mr. Newman told that being at a point where a driveway can be built and he will use for instance a couple that is here in the audience, the lot they were looking to cut off had

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a big ravine between the lot and the road and it was determined that a road could not be built there so they took a little more of their property and put with the lot.

Mr. Hutchins asked if that would be a VDOT requirement.

Mr. Newman replied no, VDOT would have some requirements especially if there is a commercial or industrial type usage. He told that there is not a lot of requirements with VDOT but what we are looking at more is like the slope is it too steep to be able to build a feasible driveway.

Mr. Hutchins asked if it is covered somewhere else or is it an interpretation.

Mr. Newman told that it will be an interpretation.

Mr. Hutchins replied, based on each situation.

Mr. Newman replied, yes.

Mr. Martin told that he has a couple questions but he is not sure where they will come into play so he will just wait a little bit.

Mr. Newman told that under section 29 lot requirements under property that was determined to be served by public water and sewer that has been changed to comply with PSA and that was changed to meet PSA connection requirements. He told that under section 42 they are trying to figure out how to allow people to take agricultural tracks that have been listed in the growth tier in the comprehensive plan and be able to take part of the property and leave it in the growth tier and leave the rest in the ag tier so it can be put in a conservation easement. He told that change from before is from 100 feet to 200 feet to stay in the growth tier to meet PSA requirements and change the right of way on the ag part of the property from 30 feet to 50 feet and then added the last sentence.

Mr. Hendrick asked why the 50 foot right of way from 30.

Mr. Newman told that Mr. Cornwell advised that it would be best not to adversely affect someone in the future if they wanted to any development on the property.

Mr. Cornwell told that he thought it would be wise for the future.

Mr. Hendrick told that it looks to him that would be the purpose of putting it in a conservation easement.

Mr. Cornwell told that you can put it into a conservation easement and it can be subdivided depends on how it is written up.

Mr. Hendrick asked on the last sentence that was added where evidence must be presented, he thought about that and is there any way to have a clause that says you have

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12 months to have it in a conservation easement or it reverts back to the growth tier. He told that just because you provide evidence that it qualifies does that force anybody to go ahead with it.

Mr. Cornwell told that he and Ronald had a discussion about it if we needed to have this. He told that the problem with anything is enforcement and tracking the 12 months.

Mr. Hendrick told that if we approve a plat or the planning commission approves a plat and it is taken out of the growth tier into an ag tier and they present documents that qualify and they get it approved with a 50 foot right of way. He asked if it matters anyway.

Mr. Cornwell told that is a question you have to decide. He told that you can put something in about plat not being approved for recordation.

Mr. Hendrick asked if it even matters because there is nothing that says they have to go through with the conservation easement.

Mr. Martin told that there is potential development on 52 south and on 58 west and asked if that is the issue with both of them.

Mr. Newman told that on 52 south is that what you are talking about.

Mr. Martin told that he doesn't know enough to talk about it.

Mr. Newman asked if he was talking about the growth and ag tier.

Mr. Martin replied yes.

Mr. Newman told not that he was aware of. He told that the ones that have come forward concerning this issue are mostly out in the Double Cabin Road area. He told that the ones that he is aware of on 52 and 58 involve commercial establishments.

Mr. Martin asked if this applies to commercial.

Mr. Newman told that what this applies to is if you have a large acreage tract that joins a state maintained road and you have a good road and have water. He told that when the comprehensive plan was done the front part of it fell within the tier to be considered growth but since it's the same tax map number the entire lot is considered growth. He told that what this would do is allow cutting the front end off that is actually the growth part of the lot from the back part of it which is agricultural and then the agricultural part could be put in a conservation easement. He told that next items are new and review each of those.

Mr. Hutchins told that the latest he heard is there is a request for extension until July 2015 and he thinks that was killed in committee.

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Mr. Newman told that last he seen if a locality was prepared January 2015 DEQ would manage it for a year.

Mr. Hutchins told he also heard there is one bill that would allow DEQ management of this instead of localities. He told that this is his opinion, while this move is strongly supported by our friends in the Chesapeake Bay water basin for those of us in rural Virginia it is going to be horrendously expensive for anyone to build or do almost anything and the fees that are being dictated is sad.

Mr. Newman told that he doesn't think you will find any disagreement with that in Carroll County. He continued to go over the new changes.

Mr. Hendrick told that it looks to him that Class C is going to create as many problems as it is going to solve looking at it from a designer's aspect. He told that just because ditches and shoulders are not mentioned doesn't mean they won't be there and 25 foot is not wide enough to put in a road and maintain it. He told that without permanent maintenance easements there will be problems.

Mr. Hutchins told that he thinks the intent originally was for this to be a private drive to serve just those lots.

Mr. Hendrick told so is Class B.

Mr. Hutchins told that Class B originally started out because we were inundated with folks who are not citizens of the Commonwealth who were interested in locating here for peace, quiet and tranquility and they wanted places that were cutoff and private. He told that there was no limit to the size Class B could be but the intent was to not have some of the things on the side of the mountains that we have.

Mr. Newman told that the Recreational subdivisions are the primary reason that you have Class B road building requirements. He told that they were taken and almost copied for the Class C.

Mr. Dickson told that Class C is similar. He told that this takes care of some of the flag lots because a lot of where the road bed will be rejected will never be built anyway.

Mr. Newman replied right.

Mr. Dickson told that doesn't mean that you shouldn't prepare for the ones that do build but a lot of them won't.

Mr. Hendrick told that he would still see the flag lot as a viable tool verses this.

Mr. Dickson told that as long as you don't have to many flag lots in a row.

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Mr. Hendrick told that is not good for development either because it is hard to sell a mess like that.

Mr. Hutchins told that this was really not set up for sales so much as it was to allow individuals who had 25 or 40 acres that was land locked the opportunity to take two pieces of that and sell it to someone other than a family member. He told that it would allow them to use it. He told that he doesn't have a problem going with flag lots but because there was no definition of flag lots it was easier to classify it as a subdivision. He told that we are not going to settle it today.

Mr. Newman told that he doesn't think the planning commission would have a problem with including both flag lot and the class c going back to the definitions we had on the flag lots if that is the wishes of the Board.

Mr. Hutchins asked the Board members if we were to ask Mr. Newman to work with Mr. Cornwell to maybe tweak that to make that inclusion and send it back out for review. He told that he understands from Mr. Chambers that he would like to have a joint public hearing in March.

Mr. Cornwell asked if there would be some advantages to changing road requirements in Class c.

Mr. Hendrick replied reducing. If the concern is getting a fire truck in there no.

Mr. Cornwell told that he and Ronald discussed about the flag lots and there are no requirements for access and somebody could have 100 feet of road frontage.

Mr. Hendrick told that is a possibility as far as but he still thinks flag lots are an essential tool and you can put a percentage or whatever to negate something like that. He told that 25 foot on a flag pole is not a lot of room and the same thing on class c, 20 foot was the policy being utilized before June and 20 foot is not enough room to put a driveway in and maintain it. He told that we require a 30 foot right of way for a cemetery and we are going to let five lots subdivide off of 25. He told that he thinks 30 foot should be a minimum for everything.

Mr. Hutchins told that anything that is developed from this time forward he doesn't have a problem with that but for those pieces that are land locked today, many of them don't have 30 feet.

Mr. Hendrick told that they are not land locked if they touch a road.

Mr. Hutchins replied no but if they don't have 30 feet they are in essence land locked.

Mr. Hendrick replied no they have one entrance.

Mr. Hutchins told so you are saying that if they have a 15 foot entrance that is okay.

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Mr. Hendrick replied if that is all they have got.

Mr. Hutchins told that I have 30 acres and have 15 or 20 foot entrance and want to sell off 5 of those 30 acres but can't do it because I don't have 30 feet.

Mr. Hendrick told that there are people who could have created another lot and only had 95 foot of road frontage. He told that if somebody comes up and says I could have got another lot out of this but the last one is only going to have 95 or 90 feet can we choke it down just for this one time, is that what we are going to do every time an issue comes up. He told that he doesn't see it any different than that. He told that 25 foot if you are putting 18 foot of pavement with no shoulder specifications and your ditch is going to be a minimum of 2 foot that is going to be real tight and we haven't even talked about slopes or pipes yet. He told that it is suppose to be maintained by a homeowners association.

Mr. Newman told that it would either be maintained by the developer or the homeowners association.

Mr. Dickson told that this is not the normal subdivision anyway and he is alright with the 25 foot since it is a class c cause it is out there to help what we do have especially with the flag lots. He told that we could have a separate one for flag lots.

Mr. Hendrick told that it is not going to help flag lots. He told that he has looked at several plats that may have been a five or 6 lot subdivision that had one or two flag lots in behind it and that is what a flag lot is intended to do. He told that if you are building residential lots you can only make it so deep and that is where the flag lot comes in.

Mr. Dickson told that if there is anymore created they will have to have this amount.

Mr. Hutchins told everyone to send Ronald their thoughts and he can look at those. He told that he is not sure, if there are significant changes we would have to look at it again and he doesn't want to put this off we need to resolve it but he is okay with this. He told that it answers the question that we were trying to do for places that he calls land locked, Mr. Hendrick says they aren't but they are pretty useless for anything except that one individual. He told the Board that if they wanted to have a joint public hearing then he would entertain that motion.

Upon motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved to hold a joint Public Hearing with the Planning Commission on March 10, 2014.

Mr. Dickson asked if you make it stricter you have to have another public hearing but if you make it less restrictive it will go on through.

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

Mr. Hutchins asked Mr. Hendrick if he did not want it on that date when did he want it.

Mr. Hendrick replied that he doesn't want a public hearing. He told to him this is not a subdivision ordinance that he thinks is going to be protecting the safety and welfare of the county citizens so to him there is no use to proceed with the public hearing. If you want him to ratify the date, he is available on March 10th.

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DELINQUENT TAXES

Mr. Dickson told that on delinquent taxes he has a concern and sees Bonita sitting there and asked if she wanted to talk to us first.

Ms. Bonita Williams told that she noticed on the agenda there was delinquent tax again so as far as the requesting a delinquent tax list continuously, you get one at the end of the fiscal year, 60 days after.

Mr. Dickson asked if he could explain something before we get too far on the article that was in there from Mr. Larrowe. He told that what he is asking for was a list of delinquent taxes, properties that we can sell.

Ms. Williams replied okay so you are looking for a delinquent list of sale properties.

Mr. Dickson told that somehow during the conversation that got exchanged to mean a complete list and if you read a little bit farther it says that Cornwell reported to us that the last one he got was in October of 2012 so he thought maybe it was time for us to get another new list so we could go out and he knows that is up to you.

Ms. Williams replied, yes that is up to her.

Mr. Dickson told that whenever she has one they would love to have it so they can collect some taxes.

Ms. Williams told that once she gets one they will receive it but there is not one right now. She told that the economic times are terrible.

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Mr. Dickson told that is why they want to collect the back taxes. He told that David paid his and he is upset that they didn't pay theirs.

Ms. Williams replied everybody is. She told that she does want to bring to your attention because it has been an issue over the past few meetings or whatever. She told that this is your newest audit report and asked if everyone got one yet, they just came this week she thinks. She told that on page 68 it states there the percentage and it is for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013 to make that very clear, but anyway it has on page 69 you have your percentage of total collection 98.63 and she doesn't know how you can beat that percentage for the total.

Mr. Dickson asked what does it say in the next column.

Ms. Williams told that in the next column is your outstanding for 20 years on June 30, 2013 and that has already been knocked down cause we are almost June 30, 2014.

Mr. Dickson told that there is another page in here that shows last year we collected \$1.6 million in delinquent taxes.

Ms. Williams told that is in there also.

Mr. Dickson told that if you take \$1.6 from \$4.2 there is still.

Ms. Williams replied well no on your report that you get each month it breaks down your delinquents and the collection amount that is being budgeted and asked if they ever look at that.

Mr. Dickson replied yes.

Ms. Williams told that you look at those budgeted amounts and this is June 30th of last year so we are almost already to June 30th of this year.

Mr. Dickson told that we are 6 months.

Ms. Williams told that they have had two notices that have gone out since that time so that collection is a lot more than this. She told that this is just the balance that was due at that time.

Mr. Dickson told that he read that statement where the auditor sent back that it is a viable number.

Ms. Williams told that is not to do with the tax collection.

Mr. Dickson told that is the part that drops off after 20 years right.

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Ms. Williams replied no. She told that it is a proposed amount, they use a formula to come to this amount and you take what might be on the books at that time but that is not the amount that is written off, it is a proposed amount. She told that amount is never written off and told that last year it was like \$4000. She told that there were some on the books that were left but they will come off this time so there will be less on the books.

Mr. Dickson told that he doesn't know the numbers because they are the expert people, you tell us the numbers but he was concerned with the ones that were not collected and he realizes it takes a while. He told that he didn't want another list of delinquent taxes he wants a list of properties and they will go get it.

Ms. Williams replied so you are not asking for another full list of delinquent taxes.

Mr. Dickson replied no.

Ms. Williams told that we got that situated so that is good. She told that she thinks there are some issues on the fund balance and she thinks that is referring to some of the interest and different things. She told that she has compiled a report that she will have to you all in the morning showing the different departments that are in the general county operating bank account and it will do a breakdown on them as to charges and your interest.

Mr. Dickson asked if we fixed an RFP for the fund balance.

Ms. Williams replied no, that it is up to the discretion of the Treasurer and she has not put one out yet.

Mr. Dickson told that what he is concerned with is the fund balance and he knows on the PSA they collected \$37,000 this year on interest on a checking account and last year they collected \$60,000 and the PSA has a lot less money than the county does.

Ms. Williams told that the PSA doesn't have all the entities within it that the county has.

Mr. Dickson told that he talked to Grayson and what they do.

Ms. Williams responded, let's not compare to other localities, there is no way, there is different structures with each county and you don't have the same population or the same taxable parcels. She told that there is total difference.

Mr. Dickson told that he was just talking about fund balance and every locality has a fund balance, right.

Ms. Williams replied sure.

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Mr. Dickson told that they have a fund balance and they take their fund balance and they put it on LGIP which is very low interest and we used to do that.

Ms. Williams told that we still have one in LGIP but right now the bank is higher than LGIP.

Mr. Dickson asked if we have our fund balance collecting.

Ms. Williams replied that we do have some in LGIP but the thing of it is the way to go now and we could do this is to go to commercial paper. She told that if she can be informed as to your upcoming liabilities, what you have out there, what you need from month to month in say a three month period, the best thing to do is commercial paper because it is paying higher.

Mr. Dickson told that maybe that is what Wythe does.

Ms. Williams told that if we could look at that and she could get all that information as to upcoming liabilities.

Mr. Dickson told that what Grayson does is they put in their LGIP and when they need a drawdown they can get it instantly.

Ms. Williams told that she is aware.

Mr. Dickson asked if we could do that.

Ms. Williams told that she might.

Mr. Dickson told that Wytheville has a larger amount and they put out an RFP and one of the local banks come in and offered them 2.5%.

Ms. Williams told that they are doing that on commercial paper.

Mr. Dickson told that he knows and they got \$1 million off of their fund balance.

Ms. Williams told that they are doing that on commercial paper and she will be glad to do that if she can know the upcoming liabilities and what you all will need and what you want your fund balance to stay at.

Mr. Dickson asked how long would this take.

Ms. Williams told that she doesn't know, how long would it take to get the upcoming liabilities.

Ms. Cannon told that we have a chart that basically gives you what our liabilities are.

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Ms. Williams told that she knows the basics.

Mr. Dickson asked if Ms. Cannon could produce that.

Ms. Cannon replied yes.

Ms. Williams told lastly, issues related to the Treasurer's Office will no longer be funneled through Administration. She told that if you have a question, she has a good working relationship with Administration; they work really well together but if you have a question come to her, call her, if you need to see her one on one let her know and she will set up a time. She told that she hates to ask you to call to set up a time but we are not fully staffed with the position you all didn't fund fully but she does thank you very much for the part time but she is missing 80 hours a month and she wishes you would look at it and see because during tax time such as Mr. I don't remember him name come up here and complained about his tax payment, that might be why it didn't get through as soon as he thought it should but it went through very quickly.

Mr. Dickson replied so you are short one worker from what the State says you need.

Ms. Williams told actually she is short 2.3.

Mr. Martin told that was going to be his question a minute ago, it has been his experience that everyone comes up with ideas and you are going to staff at the same level but do twice as much work and that is impossible.

Ms. Williams told that they are working with the staff they had 20 years ago with a big increase in the workload and everyone has a higher now that is nothing any different.

Mr. Dickson told that is kind of how we have done ours we have cut several jobs from our staff and it has taken a toll and that is one reason why we seriously need to collect delinquent taxes to keep things rolling better.

Ms. Williams told that if you want those taxes collected you need to fully staff her, yeehaw.

Mr. Dickson told that you haven't requested them. He told that we have asked you to come several times and it has never been convenient but we didn't know that the reason for this is that you were short from what the State says you are suppose to have. He told that what the State says you needed according to whatever their standards are that you had that.

Ms. Williams replied no, what is was she had a personnel retire December 2013 and you all chose to not fully fund that position for six months, but then you all gave me part time help which she is very gracious to have but she really needs the other 80 hours.

Mr. Dickson asked if you had that one person you would be up to standards.

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Ms. Williams replied no, it would still be down 1.3.

Mr. Dickson asked if she could operate with one more.

Ms. Williams replied umhumm, it would be very helpful.

Mr. Dickson told that maybe with budget time we can do something about that especially if we start getting in some interest and some delinquent taxes, we would have money then.

Ms. Williams replied, you are bribing me Sam.

Mr. Dickson told that he is not trying to be hard, this is what he hears when he hits the road.

Ms. Williams replied, I know.

Mr. Dickson told that he is sure they think we can do it all and our hands are tied.

Ms. Williams told that it is sort of like when you became an adult and found out there isn't a Santa Clause, it made her mad.

Mr. Martin told that one of his issues is this whole shebang belongs to the people and each of us need to be as courteous, friendly and helpful to the public as possible. He told that he has to commend your office and many others and he thinks you have done that because he has never heard a complaint.

Ms. Williams told that she hopes not and that is the goal.

Mr. Martin replied, is he completely satisfied, no but he commends you on the professional demeanor that is presented even though you are a couple people short.

Ms. Williams told that she appreciates that, she told that they actually needed three but they had to drop off with that other person not being there so actual workload they have dropped off a percentage.

Mr. Dickson told that if we can find just one person that can do 1 ½ person job we would be alright.

Ms. Williams told that multitasking is hard when you get a little older.

Mr. Dickson told that they appreciate you coming up and same thing goes for us, if you need something you don't have to go through them, call us we all have email.

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Ms. Williams told that she would do that and she will get you the report in the morning for that breakdown on that and we will look for the upcoming liabilities, good luck for the rest of the evening.

(Order)

CITIZEN'S TIME

Mr. Bob Spencer told that after Bonita spoke there is not much use in him speaking but he will take his time anyway. He told that he was at the December meeting to speak about the lengthy time it takes for the Treasurer to process the real estate checks and sounds like from what he just hear that it is all you alls fault. He told that Mr. Hutchins told him at that time that the Board doesn't have any input as far as the Treasurer's Office processing checks and he saw Mr. Hendrick later and he told him pretty much the same thing but he has been pondering this for the last few weeks and did a little research. He told that he can't help but think that this Board could have some influence over how fast the check processing takes place. He told that in February 2001 the Carroll News did a front page article about this very issue. He told that according to this article it appears that the Treasurer, Bonita Williams came before the Board and was questioned by the supervisors about the processing delays so back in 2001 the Board obviously to an interest in the delay issue and after the Carroll News article in 2001 he noticed that the check process really speeded up. He told that he recalls his wife commenting about how fast those checks were posted all the sudden for the next few years. He told that she keeps an evil eye on his check writing I guess she thinks she is going to catch me writing a check to a wrongful woman that she doesn't agree with. He asked why do you suppose those things improved after 2001, he has no way of knowing for sure but he strongly suspects it had something to do with the Board at that time making an issue out of the delay. He told that he does think there are some hard working efficient people in the Treasurer's Office but it seems to him this check processing leaves a lot to be desired and how long it is taking for those checks to be deposited. He told that it seems like over the last year or two it has gotten worse and sometimes when things start getting worse it will continue to worsen. He told that the point he wants to make is just like the Board back in 2001 it seems to him like the Board could have some influence over the check processing if you so choose.

Mr. Dickson told that he was on that Board also, maybe he has been here to long but he remembers that it was a concern and it did get better.

Mr. Stephen Gregson told that he has to laugh about Ms. Williams, he has never met her before but that was hysterical by all means and he knows that they are doing a tough job and it is tough to do that job day in and day out. He told that he wanted a couple of things, one Mr. Martin had mentioned earlier that the school was 62 degrees and the only thing is he is not sure that is something for adult education down the road but living with his wife for many years now and going through menopause he would give anything for 62 degrees during that period. He told that the reason he is here today is primarily because to thank some people and you have mentioned it already about the storm water

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issues that affect Carroll County but Jim Whitten, Tim Carpenter and Ronald Newman had a seminar last week he believes Mr. Hendrick was there and he was impressed with their openness and the way they handled it because it is a crisis for this county from a builders standpoint because the quotes they heard there could add anywhere from \$2500 to \$6000 per single lot. He told that it doesn't affect commercial properties because that has been in effect. He told that the law has been in effect for years it is the transition from DEQ and back to the county. He told that he was amazed by how Mr. Whitten handled the workshop to hear the people and it is honorable for him to take that time because some of the questions were pretty tough and they were difficult questions but yet it seemed that the three guys that were there handled it very well and it was a great informative and he wanted to pass his hat off to them and thank you for the time.

Mr. Lowell Bowman thanked the Board for letting him speak and told that he is one of the owners of the place at Crooked Creek out there in Woodlawn building a commercial building there on the left going to Galax across from Harmon's and just wanted to express this is the first commercial project that he has done in the County and working with Ronald Newman which has been great to work with, so far everyone has been. He told that they have found that the subdivision ordinance isn't particularly kind or really doesn't address a lot of the commercial issues that they come in contact with. He told that VDOT regulates how many entrances they can have and they like to see shared entrances between adjoining properties and we noticed that the subdivision ordinance was geared more towards residential where each property owner had one driveway per say. He told that he just wanted to ask and see if there is anything that they can do or you could do to help facilitate that and certainly he would be more than willing to sit down with each of you to show you exactly what challenges it has brought to them. He told that he appreciates all the help the county has shown to them and how gracious everyone has been.

Mr. Griffen told that he doesn't think he needs to say anything just see what happens next month with the Public Hearing.

Mr. Hendrick asked if he could make a comment to Mr. Bowman. He told that language to that effect was in the draft subdivision ordinance that identified commercial lot and industrial lot. He told that without a zoning ordinance basically they can't do anything.

Mr. Cornwell told that was his point. He told that you can come in and call a plat anything you want but we can't control the use on it.

Mr. Hendrick told that was something the Planning Commission looked at and was trying to gear up for was commercial access knowing that the spacing requirements changed and they want to see shared usage and things like that.

(Order)

SUPERVISOR'S TIME

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Mr. McCraw told that he appreciates everyone coming out tonight and there is a lot of interesting comments. He told that it is always good to see citizens of the county come to the supervisors meetings and that is the way they find out things. He told that he is very sorry but he has to excuse himself, he is having a little bit of an issue and he will be slipping out.

Mr. Hendrick told that the only thing he has is about the Carroll County Softball Team and the school administration didn't ask him to bring this up and the coaching staff didn't ask him to bring this up but he wanted to because the kids and coaches have worked hard. He told for those of you who don't know they are trying to put lights on the softball field at the high school and are trying to raise \$36,000 and they have \$27,000. He told that they are doing a push to raise the last \$9000 and get them up this spring. He told that he would like the Board to consider helping them and more less reward their hard work that they have done raising money and not going to the school administration or the Board to start with. He told that they are real close to their goal and ask you to consider that and maybe look at it next month.

Mr. Martin told that he has been working with numbers and he would like to throw out for consideration, the school board proposal for the auxiliary gym early is \$3.4 million but he can see the feasibility of where the swimming pool or swimming complex is coming up February 25th, he can see the feasibility of combining the two projects on the funding and he knows it all may change with the report and so forth. He told that if you take a swimming complex and you put it on a pretty ready to go site such as Woodlawn you avoid spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on buying a piece of property and by the same token you avoid a blue zillion dollars on grading because the county already owns that property and it would take either zero grading or very little if it was there and it would settle the issue about what are we going to do with Woodlawn. He told that he just threw it out and do some soul searching on those and he is waiting on the report from Mr. Dickson and Dr. Littrell and he just thinks that both of them are doable and it is not going to go away and he think that might be the answer to it.

Mr. Hutchins replied, as long as you have a funding stream Mr. Martin.

Dr. Littrell told that he wanted to retract from what he said last month, the airport terminal opening has been delayed because of weather and they are looking at a date later in March and he will make sure the public knows about it. He told that it is going to be a beautiful building and it is essentially complete but the grounds have not been able to be cleaned up so that is what they are waiting on. He told that the second thing, he was asked about an appointment last month and he has that now and with the Boards permission he would like to make a motion to appoint Gerald Goad to the Regional Library Board.

Mr. Hendrick seconded the motion.

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VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Not Present
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Dr. Littrell told that he appreciates the opportunity to attend Legislative Day last week and they got a chance to meet with the legislators and one thing that they talked about that is of concern was the potential closing of the Training Center. He told that there have been some bills presented to the General Assembly and to date none of those have gone past the subcommittee level. He told that he thinks from his discussion with some of our legislators it would be imperative that we as a county contact our new Governor and see if we can sway his thoughts to keeping that facility open. He told that the former Governor tended to think that it was a thing that needed to close but he thinks if some leadership came from the Governor that might enhance our chances of keeping it open. He told that there are five training centers in the state and right now there is one open in Eastern Virginia with only 75 beds and he doesn't think that is acceptable. He told that he would suggest that you contact the Governor with your concerns. He told that he had a citizen contact him and he has since talked with our Recreation Director about the possibility of establishing some adult playgrounds in the county for exercise and training and it really looks like a good idea. He told that she brought him several plans of ones that have been done in other places. He cautioned everyone that if you do an internet search for adult playground you will be surprised at what pops up but he has the legitimate website if anyone would like to see that.

Mr. Hutchins asked if that is a motion for a resolution from our Board to the Governor.

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved to send the Governor a resolution supporting the Southwest Virginia Training Center.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Not Present
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. Dickson told that he would like to echo Dr. Littrell and we went to Legislative Day and we got to talk to some of the delegates and senators and they were very gracious and gave us time in their offices and actually listened to our concerns. He told that they went as a group with Galax and Grayson and that always helps to because they like when

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you get together because they commented on working together as a region. He told on another note on the use of the Woodlawn gym, he has a list from Mr. McClendon he is the one that schedules everything and he doesn't know if he is trying to sell Bob's auxiliary gym or what but if you take what time the school is not using it the rec department has very little time to get their games in. He told that there is so much demand for that gym and he doesn't know if we can afford it or not but there is no question that it is something we need to look at and we need to help find a solution. He told that in hindsight if you look back at all the elementary schools that were built with gyms with carpeted flooring, that was a mistake and it is hard to go back and change. He told that hopefully we can look at it and do better scheduling not just for our rec department but for others. He told that we have a tremendous basketball team if you haven't seen them play and they are competing with the big schools. He told that the football team didn't do quiet as well but a lot of that has come down through AAU basketball.

Mr. Martin told that the boy's varsity is in first place and the girls are tied for first place.

Mr. Dickson told that when we go out on Economic Development one of the biggest problems we have is do you have qualified people that can do the skills and we are working to make sure they have the skills and the next thing they ask is do you have any kind of drug problem. He told that if you have any people on drugs we have a drug problem so we need to work on that.

Mr. Hutchins told that we did have an opportunity during our trip to Richmond, those who were there for Rural Caucus he thought it was extremely informative and the new Secretary of Commerce was there and he discussed many of the issues that are facing rural Virginia and it was pretty obvious that he understood farming and a lot of those challenges. He told that he is also familiar with Southwest Virginia and has made a commitment that he will be out here at some point in the near future to visit. He told that he hasn't a clue if this is a fact or not but would say that we, being rec use several of the gyms from time to time so it is probably and the lawyers have a term for when you give something and get something but he would say there is some put and take there so he would say we both share that piece of it. He told that Workforce Development is an issue and drug screening is an issue and it is a tough nut to crack.

Mr. Hendrick asked when the budget meeting is.

Ms. Cannon told that she was going to poll you all to see when a good time would be. She told that she needs a couple weeks to get some information assembled. She told that she would send out an email and try to get it scheduled.

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

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Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board adjourned.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Not Present
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

Chairman

Clerk