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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on, June 8, 2015 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Present were: Phil McCraw
Dr. Tom Littrell
Joshua A. Hendrick
Bob Martin
W.S. Sam Dickson
Gary Larrowe, County Administrator
Jim Cornwell, County Attorney

Mr. McCraw called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Dr. Littrell, and passing, the Board convened a Closed Session for the discussion of personnel, legal matter, as authorized by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A1).

Mr. Cornwell explained the purpose for entering Closed Session as listed below.

1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board.
3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.
5. Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community.
7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.

VOTES

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

(Order)

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Dr. Littrell, 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	Not Present
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. McCraw lead in invocation and pledge.

Mr. McCraw welcomed everyone. He told that Ronald Newman's brother passed away, he wasn't that old and had a heart attack, Mike Mock's mom passed and keep Crystal Adam's father in your prayers and Debbie Frost's mom passed away. He asked for a moment of silence. He told that Mr. Hutchins is not here, he has gone to his grandson's graduation. He told that he would also like to mention the Carroll County girls softball team, they play again Friday at 10:00 and if they win they will play Saturday. He told that they have had a stellar year and they have a really good shot at going all the way.

(Order)

MIKE MOCK - HERO DAY

Mr. Mock told that he is not going to get into a lot of the details of Hero Day but he wanted to thank the Board for your support in making sure it was a success. He told that he was not able to attend because of the death of his mother but they had a lot of people there. He told that everyone enjoyed themselves and they gave out a lot of awards and everyone appreciated that. He told that they did miss one person and he would like to do that tonight. He told this plaque is going to the Chair of the Board and he read the plaque and presented it. He told that he has been personally involved in many meetings in the last few months and they appreciate what he has done.

Mr. McCraw told that he is honored to receive this and he is just trying to help the community and the County.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the minutes of the meeting on May 4, 2015 and May 11, 2015.

VOTES

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

(Order)

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for June 2015 and did authorize the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign checks for the July 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	Not Present
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(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	Not Present
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

CONSENT AGENDA

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

VOTES

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

(Order)

NACo VOTING CREDENTIALS

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved to appoint Mr. Hutchins as the voting candidate for the NACo Conference and Mr. Larowe as the alternate.

VOTES

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

(Order)

FARMERS MARKET REPURCHASE

Mr. McCraw read the resolution regarding the Farmers Market Repurchase. He told that we deeded this to the State in 1991 and we had it assessed and it was \$475,000 and they are able to buy it for \$222,000 and there has been \$1.3 million in capital improvements done so we are buying a piece of property that is worth more than it was appraised for and they are going to ensure that the farmers have a place to go for the next 20 years. He told that this is a wonderful opportunity

Upon motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved the Farmers Market Repurchase Resolution.

Dr. Littrell told that this is an excellent opportunity for the County.

Mr. Martin told that if you look at the number that use the market it would surprise us all.

VOTES

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

(Order)

CROSSROADS INSTITUTE ALLOCATION

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved an additional allocation in the amount of \$17,205.08 for the payout of funds from SREC.

VOTES

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

(Order)

ELK RESOLUTION

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Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board a Resolution opposing the amendment of 4VAC15-90-85 Game: Deer-Elk Hunting.

VOTES

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

(Order)

ASSESSMENT CONTRACT

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the Assessment Contract with Wampler Eanes.

VOTES

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

(Order)

VRS RESOLUTION

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

VOTES

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

(Order)

NATURAL GAS BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved an additional allocation to the Natural Gas Utility fund in the amount of \$3988.00.

VOTES

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

(Order)

CHARLIE WHITE - WCC UPDATE

Mr. White told that he would like to thank you for supporting WCC while he has been there and it is a great place to be. He told that Mava Vass and Dick Dalton are with him

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and serve on the Board representing Carroll County. He told that Crossroads is a great addition and in the past 10 years 33,000 have taken classes there. He told that 15-20% of their enrollment is at Crossroads so it has been good for both. He told that most of their students come from Wythe County and Carroll County. He told about 46% come from Galax, Carroll and Grayson. He told that it has always been pleasant coming over and he is retiring at the end of this month and they have hired a guy from Statesville. He thanked Gary for helping them.

Mr. McCraw told that they have something they would like to give him and presented him with a food basket.

Mr. Larrowe presented Mr. White with a gift.

Mr. White told that he appreciates it and he admires what you do.

Mr. Dickson told that Mr. White is a true educator and he believes in educating a person right.

(Order)

JUSTIN BARNARD - GIS UPDATE

Mr. Barnard told that generally he spends most of his time providing support for other departments and they have updated the Web GIS. He told that he has recently updated the Natural Gas GIS. He told that his most recent project is with the school system trying to map out their bus routes. He told that it has been almost a year ago that they came to him to get maps for substitute drivers and they have done the bus routes. He told that he started by taking the drivers worksheets and tried to plot it out and it didn't work out well and he wanted to capture detailed routes. He told that he ended up riding with the drivers in the mornings and went through all the routes and captured data including pick up times, side of road kids get on, etc. He told that he was able to process it and make maps. He told that they ended up mapping out 63 buses and total miles rode was 1700 and he was only riding in the mornings. He told that he did a quick Google before he came in and from Virginia Beach to San Francisco is 2900 miles and these buses are going more than that per day. He told that the bus drivers impressed him with their ability to be able to turn those buses around on a dime and to know where the kids get on and off the bus because it may be a different place each day. He told that he thinks it has really helped out the school bus garage. He told that at the beginning of the school year next year there will be some changes so he will get with the drivers for minor changes.

Mr. McCraw told that he appreciates the information.

Mr. Dickson told that it has been a big help and it has saved the county money and when you get it on paper you can see where you can change routes. He told him that he appreciates him doing it because it is a little bit out of his range.

Mr. Barnard told that he has enjoyed it.

(Order)

PUBLIC HEARING - BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Mr. McCraw told the purpose for the Public Hearing and told that it is a balancing of the books at the end of the year.

Mr. McCraw opened the Public Hearing at 5:37.

With no one to speak, the Public Hearing was closed at 5:38 p.m.

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved to approve and appropriate the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Amendment request of Carroll County General Operating expenditures of \$2,498,553.

VOTES

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

(Order)

SCHOOL SYSTEM CIP CREATION

Dr. Littrell told that anytime you can plan for the future, even if those plans have to be changed it is important to have them in place and he would encourage the school system to do so.

Mr. Hendrick asked if this would be separate from what we have been doing.

Mr. Larowe told that this would allow the school system to have nothing more than another account like for textbooks that they could put any funds in that were unused.

Mr. Hendrick told that we talked about this during the budget process.

Mr. Larowe told that we have talked about it but we never took action on it. He told that the Superintendent thinks he may have \$5000 to put in it this year.

Upon motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Dr. Littrell and passing, the Board approved to encourage and allow the Carroll County School System to establish a Capital Improvement Plan for funds not used in the regular budget cycle that may assist in better future planning for purchases such as buses, roof replacement and other capital needs and to also require that the County and School Finance Directors work together for the CIP creation to the satisfaction of the County Finance Director.

VOTES

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

(Order)

CITIZEN'S TIME

J.B. Gardner told that he went to the ballgames on Saturday and they very well may win this thing.

(Order)

SUPERVISORS TIME

Mr. Hendrick told that a CIP is absolutely necessary and critical to any business and told that he is glad we are going in the right direction. He told that he appreciates everyone coming out.

Mr. Martin told that he agrees. He told that he has spent some time working as a teacher in West Virginia and they didn't spend any money on schools for years. He told that it got so bad that the Department of Education took over the system and this past March they condemned the Middle School. He told that no preparation was made to provide for the buildings. He told that the CIP is a great idea because things get cut and

they don't show back up in the budget. He told that he read about Grayson County and the problems with the school budget and he would like to see our County assist in any way possible.

Mr. McCraw told that something could be in the works.

Dr. Littrell told that the Maintenance Department does an excellent job and the Carroll County sign at the interstate looks nice. He told that Boy Scout Troop 188 will be doing a flag retirement ceremony on Flag Day at 2:00 in Felts Park. He told that looking at the Animal Control report a lot of the dots are the same color so it is confusing to see what is what but other than that it is an excellent map.

Mr. Dickson told that he noticed a new sign at Wildwood and it looks good. He asked if the IDA is going to have the FRP back for Woodlawn School usage any time soon.

Mr. Larowe told that it is being surveyed and having the timber cut and nothing has come back yet. He told that the RFP has not gone out yet because they have not got back which property is actually being used yet. He told that as soon as we get that back with the maps then the RFP will go out. He told that it has taken a while but they have been working on it.

Mr. Dickson told that he knows everything has speeded up over there and he knows that it comes at a cost to us but it is being used widely. He told that he is sorry he missed the last meeting but he is glad to be back. He thanked everyone for the calls, texts and flowers.

Mr. McCraw thanked everyone for coming out tonight. He told that we didn't have a big crowd tonight but he wished we did.

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTES

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

(Order)

Chairman

Clerk