

Grayson County Board of Supervisors
August 13, 2009

Board members present at this meeting were: Joe Vaughan, Larry Bartlett, Thomas Maynard, Doug Carrico, and Brenda Sutherland.

IN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

Joe Vaughan questioned expenditure from December financial report to the Gazette and Roanoke Times. These charges increased due to advertising the Budget, several RFP's and public hearings. Joe Vaughan moved to approve the consent agenda, duly seconded by Larry Bartlett. Motion carried by vote of 5-0.

IN RE: VDOT

Matthew Cox, VDOT representative, addressed the Board. Maintenance concerns from the last Board meeting have been taken care of. The Route 94 Carrico Bridge will be closed for two weeks beginning August 17, 2009 for repair.

Thomas Maynard inquired about the orange flags along Route 16. These are for the piping for the Grant Water Project.

IN RE: DONALD HART, PRESIDENT – VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (VACO)

Donald Hart, President of VACO, made a presentation to the Board. He introduced himself and his plan to visit all 95 counties in Virginia. He expressed Grayson County's importance to Virginia and to VACO. He expressed his willingness to help Grayson County any way he possibly can while he is president.

IN RE: BAYWOOD RURITAN CLUB – SPECIAL USE PERMIT

A public hearing was held to receive comments regarding a request for a Special Use Permit to hold a lawnmower race submitted by the Baywood Ruritan Club. Mark Little, president of the Baywood Ruritan Club, was present to answer questions.

Brenda Sutherland moved to approve the zoning permit for the Baywood Ruritan Club, duly seconded by Doug Carrico. Larry Bartlett questioned if the motion was to approve the permit without the conditions set forth by the Planning Commission.

After some discussion, Brenda Sutherland amended her motion to include the condition that the special use permit be reapplied for next year to give the Board of Supervisors an opportunity to review the first lawn mower race, duly seconded by Doug Carrico.

After much more discussion, Brenda Sutherland accepted the friendly amendment from Larry Bartlett to her motion to approve the permit for a once per year lawn mower race event, duly seconded by Doug Carrico. Motion carried by vote of 5-0.

RE: APPOINTMENTS

Thomas Maynard moved to approve the following appointment as presented, duly seconded by Joe Vaughan. Motion carried 5-0.

Director of Emergency Services – Mr. Larry Bartlett (Recommendation)

Doug Carrico moved to approve the following appointment as presented, duly seconded by Brenda Sutherland. Motion carried 5-0.

Second Alternate – Regional Jail Authority – Mr. Mitch Smith (Recommendation)

IN RE: GRAYSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MONTHLY REQUISITION

Larry Bartlett moved to approve the monthly requisition for one-twelfth of the 2009-2010 County funding for school operations and debt service to the Grayson County School System in the amount of \$334,792, duly seconded by Joe Vaughan. Motion carried 5-0.

IN RE: MONTHLY REALLOCATION FOR UNANTICIPATED REVENUE(S)

Brenda Sutherland moved to approve the budget reallocation as presented for unanticipated revenue in the amount of \$9,396.80, duly seconded by Joe Vaughan. Motion carried 5-0.

IN RE: GRAYSON COUNTY DAY REPORT PROGRAM

Jonathan Sweet, County Administrator, presented information on the Grayson County Day Report Program.

IN RE: TWIN COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT – SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT FUNDING

Larry Bartlett presented information on the sewer extension project at Exit 19 Wildwood by the airport. He stated that the airport commission was seeking \$42,000 to put a sewer system in at the airport. Mr. Bartlett addressed the misconception that Grayson County does not receive any benefit from the Twin County Regional Airport. He stated that the airport does benefit Grayson County. Mr. Bartlett also stated that the current building does not make the impression that Grayson County wants to make. He also shared Congressman Rick Boucher's announcement regarding the allocation of federal funds to improve runways at Twin County Regional Airport.

Mr. Bartlett informed the Board that Grayson County has received a 50% matching grant from Mount Rogers Planning District Committee (MRPDC). Carroll County has offered \$7,000 towards this project. Galax has offered \$7,000 contingent upon Carroll County and Grayson County doing the same. Jonathan Sweet stated that funds were available.

Larry Bartlett moved that \$7,000 be provided to the Twin County Regional Airport for a sewer system to be installed, duly seconded by Doug Carrico. Motion carried 5-0.

Thomas Maynard mentioned the convenience of the airport and that the approval of \$7,000 towards the sewer extension project suggests a level of commitment on the part of Grayson County.

RE: GRAYSON COUNTY TRAVEL POLICY

Jonathan Sweet reviewed the proposed Grayson County Travel Policy along with the assistance of Catherine Asbury. Larry Bartlett moved to approve the proposed policy, duly seconded by Doug Carrico. Motion carried 5-0.

RE: GRAYSON COUNTY CREDIT CARD POLICY

Jonathan sweet reviewed the proposed Grayson County Credit Card Policy along with the assistance of Catherine Asbury. Doug Carrico moved to approve the proposed policy, duly seconded by Brenda Sutherland. Motion carried 5-0.

RE: PUBLIC HEARING – CHANGE TO CHIEF OF LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT

Joe Vaughan moved to set the public hearing date for comment on proposed change to the Chief of Local Elected Officials consortium agreement for September 10, 2009, duly seconded by Doug Carrico. Motion carried 5-0.

RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sweet updated the Board on the Grayson County Enterprise Zone. Grayson County is applying for one of four zones that have come up from the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). Mr. Sweet stated that Enterprise Zones are partnerships with local governments to provide incentives for business to locate in areas in distress. Grayson County is applying for one of the two available spots. Grayson County will work with the Town of Independence and the Town of Fries to make each a part of the Enterprise Zone. Mr. Sweet will be making a presentation to the Town of Fries. The County must give \$3,500 to make application, which can be amended if the effort is not successful. The Enterprise Zone may consist of three non-contiguous zones. Mr. Sweet stated that two of the three zones will be the Town of Independence and the Town of Fries, and that the third zone will be left open for future consideration. Mr. Sweet said that he will bring more information before the Board at a later date.

There was a hearing in Grant on the Grant Water project on Tuesday, August 10, 2009. Ten households were represented. Five wanted to hook on to the system. There will be a residential extension to Troutdale using a \$776,000 grant from Rural Development for construction. They are expected to meet the deadline in two weeks. Construction will commence soon. Mr. Sweet stated that once construction commences, it will take 70 days to complete lines to provide water to Grant, then another five months to complete the entire water project. Landscaping will take an additional month. Thomas Maynard mentioned that the project will benefit the area since there are a number of contaminated wells along the project route. The County received a wire transfer Wednesday, August 12, 2009 through a funding agency.

Larry Bartlett informed the Board that Mr. Ring has provided information on the progress of school construction. The information will be presented each month for review.

VDOT and the Department of Inland Fisheries, Carrico Bridge boat landing will provide one or two ramps and parking for access to the New River.

September is Emergency Preparedness month. Grayson County emergency crews will set up their equipment at the next Board of Supervisors meeting.

Thomas Maynard stated that VACO's annual meeting will be in September. Contact the County Administrator for more information.

Thomas Maynard informed the Board that the annual Rural Summit will be September 14 and 15 in Lynchburg, VA.

IN RE: NUCKOLLS CURVE WATER PROJECT

Joe Vaughan provided an update to the Board on the water project. Half of the people have signed up, and another two or three had questions before they signed. There are about 40 homes in the area, and about half of them are interested in water.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Thomas Maynard moved to approve an executive session in accordance with Subsection A (1-27) of Section 2.2-3711 Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, duly seconded by Joe Vaughan, motion carried 5-0.

Whereas the Grayson County Board of Supervisors has convened an executive meeting on this 13th day of August, 2009, pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information act; and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Board of Supervisors that such executive meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the 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 by Virginia law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (II) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Supervisors with recorded confirmation from members as follows: Larry Bartlett – I so certify; Joe Vaughan – I so certify; Mike Maynard – I so certify; Brenda Sutherland – I so certify; Doug Carrico – I so certify.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned.