

Regular Meeting, Wednesday, October 28, 2009, 7:00 p.m. Government Center, Verona, VA.

PRESENT: Larry C. Howdyshell, Chairman
Gerald W. Garber, Vice-Chairman
David R. Beyeler
Wendell L. Coleman
Tracy C. Pyles, Jr.
Jeremy L. Shifflett
Nancy Taylor Sorrells
Patrick J. Morgan, County Attorney
Dale L. Cobb, Director of Community Development
Jennifer M. Whetzel, Director of Finance
John C. McGehee, Assistant County Administrator
Patrick J. Coffield, County Administrator
Rita R. Austin, CMC, Executive Secretary

VIRGINIA: At a regular meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, October 28, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 234th year of the Commonwealth....

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Chairman Howdyshell welcomed the citizens present and reminded them to remove their hats and turn off their cell phones.

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Cole Beyeler, a senior of Stuarts Draft High School (and David Beyeler's grandson), led the Pledge of Allegiance. Cole plays football and baseball, and is in SCLA, the Leadership Club and FFA.

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Larry C. Howdyshell, Supervisor for the North River District, delivered invocation.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC

Bill Bauer, 84 Liberty School Road, recommended a revocation of a Special Use Permit granted to his neighbor who operates a pallet business. Mr. Bauer stated that it had started as a part-time business but is now full-time. He asked the Board how to proceed in correcting the problem. Chairman Howdyshell said that he would look into the issue and report back.

David Karaffa appreciated Supervisor Pyles' suggestion of video-taping the Board's meetings to make it available on the internet. Because of his employment at the hospital with 12-hour shifts, he is unable to attend all of the meetings, and stated that he would like the accessibility of the meetings on the web. He understood that the software was too costly, but asked the Board to consider a digital camera that would not be a significant amount of money to support the implementation.

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FY09-10 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

The Board considered budget adjustments for FY2009-10.

Patrick J. Coffield, County Administrator, distributed budget information from the School Board and the following recommendations to the Board:

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**FY2009-10
BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

• **State and Local Revenue Adjustments:** \$836,000

• **Possible Budget Adjustments:**

	<u>CoAdmin</u>
o Infrastructure Accounts (CIP):	
▪ Option 1 \$ 70,000	
▪ Option 2 \$140,000	
▪ Option 3 \$210,000	-0-
o VDOT Revenue Sharing (CIP):	
\$100,000	\$100,000
o Agric Development (CIP):	
\$299,000	\$299,000
o Economic Development (CIP):	
\$100,000	\$100,000
o Parks and Recreation Revenue (OP)	
\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000
o CAPSAW (OP)	
\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000
o Health Insurance (OP)	
▪ Option 1 \$ 31,000	
▪ Option 2 \$ 68,000	
▪ Option 3 \$ 79,000	-0-
o Library E-Rate (OP)	
\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
o Board of Elections (OP)	
\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
o Furloughs (OP)	
▪ Option 1 \$ 41,000	
▪ Option 2 \$ 82,000	
▪ Option 3 \$123,000	-0-
o BOS Census, Survey and Reports (OP)	
\$ 52,000	\$ 40,000
o Traffic Ordinances (OP)	
\$ 10,000	-0-
o IT Vacancy (OP)	
\$ 44,000	\$ 44,000
o Clerk's Office IT Grant Position (OP)	
\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000
o Commissioner of Revenue Vacancy (OP)	
\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000
o Commonwealth Attorney Vacancy (OP)	
\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
o 2009 Real Estate Supplementals	
\$ 87,000	\$ 87,000
o FY08-09 Fund Balance	
\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000
o Courthouse Maintenance Fee	
\$ 30,000	-0-
Total	\$846,000

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Ms. Sorrells moved, seconded by Mr. Beyeler, that the Board approve the County Administrator's recommendations.

Mr. Pyles made the following statement:

To just jump into this, I think, it doesn't serve our folks well without putting where we are, where we've been, and what we are going to be facing. I'll start off by passing down to you the minutes from the July 22nd meeting wherein I brought up at that time concerns about our budget and where we were going to go. At that time, and the minutes reflect 'Mr. Pyles - Received an e-mail today from Mr. and Mrs. Piper regarding "out of hand spending". Distributed information to the Board reflecting the budget: Local Revenue continuing to decline (shortfall of \$1,449,704); State Revenue falling since budget (1% drop in State Revenue is over \$800,000 for Augusta County). VRS had 20% of Value losing \$12 billion in first half of 2009 (possibly \$1,000,000 or more increase next budget).

Mr. Pyles asked that the Finance Director present a status report of the budget (both revenue and expenditures) at each Staff Briefing.' Now, be it for vacation or other reasons, we get it after the first quarter. But if you look at what I handed out, which is on the next page, you'll see I was pretty well on target with the budget fall. Our revenue comes from the state and local and then the things we have to spend. So when I talk about a budget shortfall for the County of \$1.4 million, I think I'll be close; state drop of \$800,000, I think I'll be close; and the shoe that's not falling, yet, is VRS. I had it pegged that it may cost us at least a \$1 million. With that and where I think we're going to go on that, here is a handout of what Dean Lynch, who is from VACo, a VRS Alert – 'New rates certified by VRS Board' – that's Virginia Retirement System. You'll see on that that Mr. Lynch has predicted that the rates will go up 19 to 30%. So what does that mean for us?

I have taken the time to list every line-item in our budget that goes to VRS. It's for 412 employees on the County side \$1.8 million; it's for 1,575 employees on the School side. We spent \$1.9 million a year for VRS; the School Board spends \$1.8 million. If it's just the 19%, that's an increase for us of \$355,000 and an increase for the School Board of \$1.9 million. If it goes up to 30%, that's \$562,000 on the County side and \$3 million on the School Board side. These are scary numbers. And we haven't heard, yet, from the School Board what it is going to be. There are big things coming. I wasn't wrong when I gave you the information on July 22nd and I'm still right on what's going on and we have to face that.

I want to remind folks of what we've done with the budget so far. Let me remind you that our budget is just a little over a quarter old. Since this budget started, we've lost this \$855,000 in revenue. We spent \$1.6 million for a Library; we set aside \$800,000 for the new Greenville Station; so we spent \$3.2 million of stuff that we didn't have budgeted. So we are hemorrhaging money at the rate of \$250,000 a week. What we did in the budget, if you go through with me, the first thing is I would like to remind everybody that our employees did not have a pay increase this year. We went through a series of cuts of jobs. We cut Library aides; we cut folks with the Sheriff Department; and from Fire and Rescue; we started hearing our corps services already in the budget. We get further along, and I want to read to you a passage from the Administrator's budget letter. This is under "Fire and Rescue": 'The "reorganization" of Fire Administration will place more emphasis on personnel in the field.' That is the exact opposite of what this Board has chosen to do. They want to put money in the bricks and mortar instead of . . . We're cutting the number of Fire and Rescue people we have; we're not going to have anymore money to do it; and, instead, we go about adding another overhead cost for another building.

We have all these other needs that we have to come up with that the Administrator put and add on top of that is our communications system. Take one thing from our budget and that is under School Capital Accounts. Last year, they spent \$844,000 on school buses; this year, nothing. How many years can we go without replacing our buses until they become unsafe before they cost so much money to operate? Where are they going to get that \$844,000 when they are going to have spent \$2 million more for VRS when we will have to come up with more money? Where will they cut? Where will it come from?

Then I take note of some of the cuts that are happening—the state cuts – one of the things they cut was Library money. One of the things we cut in our budget was people to

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work the Library. One of the things that is on the recommendation that Ms. Sorrells just said we ought to do is to cut \$16,000 from the Library. We're cutting the funds to operate the Library at the same time we're making it bigger. We're just going to be able to say it looks like a fine building but people aren't going to be able to use it. Then we cut Economic Development. We hired a person to help us with economic development and then we're cutting the tools that he has to do his work with. Things don't fit. So this is my offer and you guys will vote as you see fit, you'll notice that I'm probably not going to be as angry as I used to be because there's no value in it and I'm over it now, but, these are things that we could do to address the issues that we have now and things we can do to prepare us for the next round of budget cuts. You ignored me in July and you can ignore me in October, but we're going to run out of money. As I said Monday, this is the Board whose slogan ought to be 'no dollar left unspent' because we're spending everything we got. I would like to say we ought to reallocate the Library costs. When I was helping to fund the Library in Craigsville, I put up over \$385,000 of Pastures Infrastructure and Recreation money to do it. I would propose that the \$600,000 that was in the budget for the repairs on the Library stand as it was from our General Funds, but the other \$1 million that four of you went for, and it mainly helps your district, that that come out of your infrastructure accounts. We don't need to do double-dipping; that's a fair way to do it and if it was so important to do it. One of the things that I hear from people all the time is 'you spend money easier because it is not yours'. Well show us that you can spend that same money even when you think of it as yours as your infrastructure money. So I very much ask you to take that money - \$250,000 from the four people who voted for it from your infrastructure and pay for the Library.

Second, with these cuts that are yet to come from VRS, the School Board, and other state cuts, they're on the way—there is an article that came from Weldon Cooper the other day that Dr. Steve Nichols, from the Staunton School Board, sent out to his employees. I will tell you that there are two good administrators in this area: Dr. Steve Nichols and Ken Fanfoni, the Director of the Service Authority. They keep you informed. They prepare for the future. We were looking at costs ahead for the Service Authority and we started building in for it. We need people who will step up to the plate and tell us what the problems are and help us address them in time rather than to just get to the end. With all that coming up, I'm asking that we make no decision, that we cease the contract or suspend the contract negotiations for Greenville, until after the VRS numbers come out November 20th. If they come out November 20th, you will be able to vote on it November 23rd. If I'm wrong with the million dollars or if it is not \$2 million or \$3 million, and you think we are ready to go, let's do it. But let's suspend those contract negotiations until that date.

Finally, because this thing is not going away any time soon – Mohawk just closed. If you read the articles in the paper, one of the employees there lives out in Craigsville. This didn't affect Waynesboro. This affected our area. This falls on top of McQuay's problems. We're just beginning to get hit with these things. The problems aren't over. I know Mr. Beyeler spoke glowingly of the stimulus funds that the School Board was getting. They're going to end. We're going to have to hit this VRS problem. There is more stuff coming down the road. And we can't spend on things we don't need now. Finally, my proposal is that we start marketing Mill Place Industrial Park. Blue Ridge Mass Appraisals said it is worth \$7 million. If we can get \$7 million for that, we would come out ahead. It will still be the Industrial Park, it will just belong to somebody else to market and do something with. Let's build back our reserves instead of further weakening our reserves by just mindlessly saying, 'okay, this looks like the right thing to do.' There are options out there if we take them that make sense to people.

Ms. Sorrells made the following comments:

I just want to address one portion of the comments that we just heard because Mr. Pyles has worked tirelessly to undermine the Riverheads Fire and Rescue Station. What has come to mind is that I was really not aware that the lives of the people in Riverheads and South River District are worth less than the people in the Pastures District; but, apparently, in some people's mind, they are. The undisputable fact is that the biggest fire and rescue hole in the County is in the Riverheads District and the heart of that hole is our schools which is our community. There are four Fire and Rescue companies in the Pastures District; three of those are combined stations; so in reality, that's seven; Riverheads has one. It is a fire station alone. It does a magnificent job, but it is one small station. Maybe, when you live a few yards away from a fire and rescue station,

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these issues aren't as uppermost in your mind. Because when you request in the middle of a funding cycle extra staffing, that wasn't part of our budget, for your fire and rescue station; when you request, in the middle of a budget cycle, another ambulance in Craigsville, that is responding to the needs. Are those needs more important in the Pastures District than they are in the Riverheads District? Are those people more important? The costs of additional staffing that Mr. Pyles requested would pay for the Riverheads station in six years. In the seventh year, that cost would continue; in the eighth year, that cost would continue. But at Riverheads, we would build a station and we would have zero staffing moving forward. So bricks and mortar would pay for itself in six years with no additional funding as far as staffing.

I don't know, Mr. Pyles, maybe, with because you missed so many meetings, you have not had the time to read through the minutes, but the Riverheads Station will come 40% out of infrastructure and not out of our capital funds that we have set aside. In the last meeting that we had, I noted that there were those who said this station was being pushed through for political gain. At that time, I said that those people ought to be ashamed of themselves; and they should be. How dare they. This is about saving lives; it's about protecting property. Remember on Monday, those of you who were here, we heard about the health, safety and welfare of our people. That's what we're talking about-- the health, safety and welfare of our people. We had, at Riverheads High School, this year on our high school parking lot a tragic shooting. It was a Sunday. The gymnasium was filled with parents; it was filled with students; it was more than 20 minutes before Fire or Rescue personnel got there. We had a church that burned to the ground. It burned to the ground. When you looked back on the reports, trying to study what happened, the conclusion was that it would not have burned to the ground had we had Fire and Rescue that could have responded to that tragedy. People along our County line are dying—have died—because it takes more than 45 minutes fore Rescue personnel to respond. It is not because we have irresponsible Rescue personnel, we have the best people probably in the State, but the resources are stretched thin. There are just gaping holes. We need to fill those. We need to fill those, now; and we need to fill those in the most fiscally responsible way that is going to provide the highest level of services for our people. I get that. I think Mr. Beyeler, who has been working hard with me, gets that. I think that most of the supervisors here get that. I'm not sure, Mr. Pyles, that you get that. And for that, I am embarrassed for you; I feel sorry for you, but you're not going to, with your rhetoric, bully us into doing the wrong thing. You know, when we get these presentations, I am sometimes reminded of a saying I heard of how a drunk man uses a light pole. He uses it for support to keep from falling down not for illumination to solve the problem.

Mr. Beyeler made the following comment:

Mill Place Park has been on the market ever since it was purchased. It is on the market. Hopefully, somebody will come in and buy some of it tomorrow. But to say it is not on the market, it is on the market. The other thing is at least five of us are going to the Association of Counties meeting next month. The Director of the State Retirement Program will be there to explain the status of the state retirement. I am aware that is happening because I am Chair of that session and I would encourage some of you to be there.

Mr. Shifflett made the following comment:

As for the Library that was brought up, and Mr. Pyles, in his conversation, made the comment of how many years will it take before we have to spend money on bus maintenance. The same thing can be said for the Library. The heating system from the 30's, structural cracks throughout the building, rotting floorboards found, that was causing some of those structural cracks, the renovation, luckily, what was going to be done, was going to fix those at a cheaper price than what it would have been to fix them individually. The only major capital projects that I am willing to spend money on is the Library renovation and the Greenville Station. And we used money from other projects in the capital budget, PDR fund for the Library; we didn't move Company 10 and that money was going to be used for Greenville. That's it. Because the money is not going to be there after this year and I am more than willing to use the capital money because I think it's going to come to that in our capital budget of the projects that are less than 20%

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funded, which is the Emergency Communications Center, the courthouse, and, I'll probably, if it comes down to it, even put the Verona Rec Center up. If that's what it is going to take to keep the budget going to fund our core services, I'll make that sacrifice.

But as far as any other spending, the Library, the Greenville Fire Rescue Station, that's it because we're going to have to use capital money I surely believe in the next year or two. The time to get it done was this year. After that, as I say, it's going to be the end of it and we're going to have to use capital money to the allocated projects to keep the corps services going.

Mr. Beyeler called for the question.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdyshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett and Coleman

Nays: Pyles

Motion carried.

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Motion to approve County Administrator's recommendations.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdyshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett and Coleman

Nays: Pyles

Motion carried.

Mr. Coffield added that, while furloughs were not recommended, in talking with Constitutional Officers, two Constitutional Officers are on the County holiday schedule and three Constitutional Officers are on the State holiday schedule. Those three indicated that they were willing to commit their offices to the County's holiday schedule; therefore, if staff wishes to take off Veteran's Day, it will be leave without pay, but the department will be open and operating.

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EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

The Board considered recommendations for calendar year 2010.

John C. McGehee, Assistant County Administrator, advised that this issue was discussed at the Staff Briefing on Monday. He added that the Health Care Consortium is made up of employees in Staunton, Waynesboro and Augusta County, which includes schools. An increase was locked in with the Health Insurance Company of 11% starting January 1, 2010. In looking at the projections if the 11% had not been locked in, it would have been closer to 14%. The Health Care Consortium made tough decisions on the benefit structure co-pays were increased, a \$250 deductible on hospital services was instituted (such as diagnostic testing) and we increased out-of-pocket from \$2,000 to \$2,500 for the individual. Those changes will be effective January 1, 2010. When that happened, it reduced the increase to approximately 6.3% for the coming year. The Health Care Consortium has agreed to go back out for proposals this spring to be effective January 1, 2011. Before the Board tonight is the issue of what the dependent care employee contributions will be.

Mr. Coffield distributed handouts reflecting the 2009 Health Insurance Rates. Proposal #1 is staff recommendation. The second document "To All Employees" is high-lighted on second page indicating the "plan" changes. The third document reflects Proposal

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A and B. Proposal A is the consortium recommendation maintaining the current percentages between the County and Employee shares (current year). Proposal B would take the \$31,000 savings and reallocate it to allow the employer share to go up and the employee share to go down to neutralize the cost for them so that there would not be any increase from the current year. The third proposal is what the Service Authority is proposing.

Mr. McGehee stated that his first inclination was to keep the percentage the same. But if you look at the \$31,000 saved, the actual calculation of what it would cost to go with dependent care, it was only \$500. He felt that the Board may want to take this into consideration when they make the decision.

Mr. Coffield recommended that the Board take the \$31,000 and apply it towards reducing the Employee share since there was no pay raise or cost-of-living increases this year. He noted that it does not change the deductible or co-pays but it would keep the monthly payments the same.

Mr. Beyeler moved, seconded by Ms. Sorrells, that the Board approve staff's recommendations.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdysshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Coleman moved, seconded by Ms. Sorrells, that the Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

VDOT-ROAD ABANDONMENT RESOLUTION

Adopted the following Old Route 616 Dam Town Road resolution (Middle River District):

R9 Project Adjustments Involving Addition, Discontinuance and/or Abandonment

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation has provided this Board with a sketch and letter dated October 13, 2009 depicting the abandonment's required in the secondary system of state highways as a result of Project 0616-007-348, M-504, along Dam Town Road which sketch is hereby incorporated herein by reference,

WHEREAS, the relocated and reconstructed road serves the same citizens as those portions of old road identified to be abandoned and new road to be added, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this Board abandons as part of the secondary system of state highways those portions of road identified by the sketch as Sections 1 through 5 to be abandoned, pursuant to §33.1-155, Code of Virginia:

Old Route 616-From: 775-feet west of intersection with Old Route 926 - Section 1

To: Intersection with Old Route 926
Length: 0.15 Mi. mile [measured along original center line], and

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VDOT-ROAD ABANDONMENT RESOLUTION (cont'd)

Old Route 616-From: Intersection with old Route 926 - Section 2
To: 100-feet east of intersection with Old Route 926
Length: 0.02 mile [measured along original center line], and

Old Route 616-From: 100-feet east of intersection with Old Route 926 - Section 3
To: 500-feet east of intersection with Old Route 926
Length: 0.08 mile [measured along original center line], and

Old Route 616-From: 500-feet east of intersection with Old Route 926 - Section 4
To: 1515-feet east of intersection with Old Route 926
Length: 0.19 mile [measured along original center line], and

Old Route 926-From: Intersection with Old Route 616 - Section 5
To: 325-feet north of intersection with Old Route 616
Length: 0.06 mile [measured along original center line], and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Board adds as part of the secondary system of state highways those portions of road identified by the sketch as Sections 6 through 10 to be added, pursuant to §33.1-229, Code of Virginia:

Relocated Route 616-From: 725-feet west of intersection with Relocated Route 626 - Section 6
To: Intersection with Relocated Route 926
Length: 0.14 mile [measured along relocated center line], and

Relocated Route 616-From: Intersection with Relocated Route 926 - Section 7
To: 350-feet east of intersection with Relocated Route 926
Length: 0.07 mile [measured along relocated center line], and

Relocated Route 616-From: 350-feet east of intersection with Relocated Route 926 - Section 8
To: 1365-feet east of intersection with Relocated Route 926
Length: 0.19 mile [measured along relocated center line], and

Relocated Route 926-From: Intersection with Relocated Route 616 - Section 9
To: 139-feet north of intersection with Relocated Route 616
Length: 0.03 mile [measured along relocated center line], and

Relocated Route 926-From: 139-feet north of intersection with Relocated Route 616-Section 10
To: 456-feet north of intersection with Relocated Route 616
Length: 0.06 mile [measured along relocated center line], and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Resident Engineer for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

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ALL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Considered Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission request for endorsement of "Letter of Intent" to participate in the process to revise the regional plan.

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UPPER MAURY RIVER FLOOD CONTROL

Considered response of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers relating to Flood Control Study.

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PRELIMINARY PLAT – MYERS CORNER

Considered preliminary plat – Myers Corner, containing 338 total lots; 22 General Business, 31 Single Family, 5 Multi-Family, 90 Duplex Residential, and 190 Townhouse

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PRELIMINARY PLAT – MYERS CORNER (cont'd)

Residential, located on the south side of Jefferson Highway (Route 250) across from the intersection of Jefferson Highway and Woodrow Wilson Avenue (Route 358) in Fishersville (Wayne District). The Planning Commission recommends approval pending the receipt of a pedestrian path/sidewalk plan that connects all the residential lots to the business area along Route 250. Prior to construction plan approval the road design will be modified to ensure that the street widths are appropriate for the project and will not require the streets to be marked "No parking".

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdyshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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(END OF CONSENT AGENDA)
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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD

The Board discussed the following issues:

Mr. Pyles – Suggested that the Economic Director meet with businesses about their concerns and come back with some proposals. Mr. Beyeler said that he was already doing this. He suggested that if Mr. Pyles had particular groups or businesses he wanted contacted to contact the Economic Director to make him aware of those businesses.

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AUGUSTA COUNTY SERVICE AUTHORITY - APPOINTMENT

Mr. Pyles moved, seconded by Mr. Beyeler, that the Board appoint William Hrovat to serve an unexpired 4-year term on the Augusta County Service Authority, effective immediately, to expire March 15, 2010.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdyshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS – REAPPOINTMENT

Mr. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. Shifflett, that the Board reappoint John H. Earhart to serve another five-year term on the Building Board of Appeals, effective November 1, 2009, to expire October 31, 2014.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdyshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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FIRE AND RESCUE GRANT

Mr. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. Coleman, that the Board authorize Fire and Rescue to apply for the reimbursable grant for smoke detectors.

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD (cont'd)

FIRE AND RESCUE GRANT (cont'd)

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdysshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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FOOD PANTRY EXPANSION

Mr. Garber moved, seconded by Ms. Sorrells, that the Board authorize the Property Committee to consider expansion for the Food Pantry where the storage room is located. He suggested that this be done immediately.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdysshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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AUGUSTA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION – REAPPOINTMENT

Mr. Shifflett moved, seconded by Ms. Sorrells, that the Board reappoint Wayne F. Hite to serve another four-year term on the Augusta County Planning Commission, effective January 1, 2010, to expire December 31, 2013.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdysshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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Ms. Sorrells:

1. National FFA Organization - Distributed information concerning the Campbell Soup website noting that it pertains to Augusta County because of Campbell Soup donating money to FFA. One of the top 10 clubs is at the Beverley Manor Middle School. Ten barns in the country have been chosen as the best barns in the country. Rollinghills Century Farm (Shomo Farm) is on the list. Ms. Sorrells has asked that you vote for the barn you would like to be preserved. \$1 for each vote (up to \$250,000) will be donated.
2. Recycling Committee – Packet will be placed in mail slots. Analyze dumpster sites as to which community is the “best recycler”. Currently, the best community is Verona.

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AUGUSTA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION – REAPPOINTMENT

Mr. Garber moved, seconded by Mr. Beyeler, that the Board appoint Eric M. Shipplett to serve a four-year term on the Augusta County Planning Commission, effective January 1, 2010, to expire December 31, 2013.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdyshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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RECYCLING COMMITTEE – APPOINTMENT

Mr. Garber moved, seconded by Ms. Sorrells, that the Board accept William E. Halterman’s resignation appoint Larry W. Dudley to serve an unexpired four-year term on the Recycling Committee, effective immediately, to expire September 24, 2010.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdyshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler, Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Ms. Sorrells suggested that a letter of appreciation be given to Mr. Halterman. “The man was amazing. He is 90+ years old. He would come to our Hazardous Waste Day and outwork the students that showed up. He is just a ball of fire and we will miss him.”

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Chairman Howdyshell: Emergency Services Officers Meeting – Committee on Revenue Recovery gave an update report and are waiting on comments of its proposal. Mr. Garber added that when this report is finalized, they will submit their recommendations to the Board (possibly in December).

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STAFF

Staff discussed the following:

1. Wayne Theatre Alliance – Letter thanking Board for its support and reporting that they will not be meeting all the requirements in the agreement due to their delay in opening the theatre.
2. School Board certified as Green School Division.

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October 28, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, Mr. Beyeler moved, seconded by Ms. Sorrells, the Board adjourned subject to call of the Chairman.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Howdyshell, Sorrells, Garber, Beyeler,
 Shifflett, Pyles and Coleman

 Nays: None

Motion carried.

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Chairman
H:10-28min.09

County Administrator