

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD THEIR REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2010, AT 1:30 P.M., IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING ROOM IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

THERE WERE PRESENT: Charles Wagner, Chairman
Wayne Angell, Vice-Chairman
Leland Mitchell
Ronnie Thompson
David Cundiff
Russ Johnson
Bobby Thompson

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard E. Huff, II, County Administrator
Christopher L. Whitlow, Asst. County Administrator
Larry V. Moore, Asst. County Administrator
B. J. Jefferson, County Attorney
Sharon K. Tudor, MMC, Clerk

Chairman Charles Wagner called the meeting to order.

Invocation was given by Supervisor Bobby Thompson.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor David Cundiff.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- ✓ Bernard "Bud" Goehring – I-73 Mr. Goehring, gave an overview for the proposed Interstate 73 in Virginia. Mr. Goehring shared with the Board the proposed route of Interstate 73 and how the Southeast Roanoke Historic District alters a segment of I-73 Route. Mr. Goehring shared with the Board the following resolution for the Board's review and consideration:

WHEREAS, the Federal and State financial situation for funding the I-73 ALC as a new terrain highway is bleak and worsening; and

WHEREAS, the environmental damage caused by construction of 71 miles of new terrain highway far exceeds the adverse impact of improving US 220 through sensible access management practices; and

WHEREAS, property owners in the path of the I-73 ALC are now subjected to uncertainties of loss of their land, buildings and lifestyle through condemnation proceedings, and are required to disclose such possibilities to any prospective buyers; and

WHEREAS, highway projects in more critical areas of the state will likely take precedent over a massive new terrain highway that duplicates an existing roadway which, by congressional intent, should be utilized; and

WHEREAS, life cycle repair and maintenance costs caused by wear and weathering are doubled by creating a second arterial north/south highway when only one is warranted; and

WHEREAS, long term trends in transportation suggest far more passenger and cargo movement by rail, bus and smaller more efficient vehicles with a much lower carbon footprint and far less revenue from fuel taxation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors that the final version of the I-73 ALC should utilize the existing 220 Corridor as originally intended by VDOT.

Bruce Dungan – HB 168 & Senate Bill 93. Mr. Dungan, on behalf of the State Boating Alliance, gave a brief summary of House Bill 168 & Senate Bill 93 as follows:

Personal flotation devices required for children; civil penalty.

A. No person shall operate a recreational vessel on the waters of the Commonwealth that are subject to concurrent state and federal jurisdiction if there is a child 12 years of age or younger onboard who is not wearing a Type I, II, III, or V United States Coast Guard-approved personal

flotation device that is in good and serviceable condition and of the proper size for the child. This section does not apply to a recreational vessel that is moored or anchored, or to a child who is below deck or in an enclosed cabin.

B. Any person who violates this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$100. The penalty may be waived for any person who completes an approved boating safety education course subsequent to, but no later than six months from, the date of the violation. All penalties collected pursuant to this section shall be paid into the Motorboat and Water Safety Fund of the Game Protection Fund and used for the purposes provided in § [29.1-701](#).

2. That the provisions of this act shall become effective on January 1, 2011.

Mr. Bruce Dungan requested the Board to adopt a resolution supporting the aforementioned House Bill 168 & Senate Bill 93.

(RESOLUTION #12-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to support House Bill 168 and Senate Bill 93 as presented for the Board's consideration.

MOTION BY: Russ Johnson

SECONDED BY: David Cundiff

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

Charles Wagner, Chairman, shared with the Board a request from Dean and Martha Bowman, Petitioners, Valley AFC to table their Special Use Permit until the February 16, 2010 meeting, as advertised. Mr. Wagner stated the petitioners stated the additional time will allow them to address questions and concerns of nearby residents and members of the Board of Supervisors regarding the SUP request.

Petition for Special Use Permit - Valley AFC/ Petitioners, Dean Bowman and Martha Bowman/Owners requesting a special use permit for property consisting of +/- 62 acres currently zoned A-1, Agricultural, to allow for a private recreational facility. Property is located on Jubal Early Highway in the Gills Creek Magisterial District and recorded as Tax Map # 18, Parcel # 121 in the Franklin County Real Estate Tax Records. (Case # SPEC-11-09-5770)

(RESOLUTION #13-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to approve the request, made by the petitioners, to pull the advertised public hearing for Valley AFC until February 16, 2010, Board meeting.

MOTION BY: Russ Johnson

SECONDED BY: David Cundiff

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTING, APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS & MINUTES FOR – DECEMBER 15, 2009 & JANUARY 4, 2010

STEP, INC. – COTTAGE RENTAL LEASE

The County of Franklin owns a building and approximately 0.5 acres at the intersection of Dent and College streets in Rocky Mount, Virginia (Tax Map# 207-409.01).

On April 22, 2003 the County entered into a lease agreement with STEP, Inc. The agreement is such that the County receives one dollar (\$1.00) annually from STEP, Inc. for use of this property. The agreement automatically renews annually unless one of the parties gives notice to the other with intent to terminate said lease. The original lease further states that STEP, Inc. shall be responsible for ALL maintenance of the property and for any work that must be done to get the property in condition for suitable use, but no structural or major changes may be done to the property without permission of the County.

Recently, the County received notice from STEP, Inc. that their agency will be adding 30 new positions to the Early Head Start staff which serves approximately 52 children (ages 6 months to 3 years) and infants in Franklin County. In addition, 2-4 new positions will be added to their Administrative staff. This opportunity is the result of a recently awarded grant.

To accommodate this growth, STEP is requesting permission to perform renovations to the County-owned building.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that STEP be allowed to proceed with planning for the requested renovations. At a minimum, STEP must be responsible for the following:

1. All associated costs for said work and the proper procurement of those services.
2. All permits/licenses which may be necessary for said work.
3. A detailed scope of work/plans must be submitted and approved by Franklin County's Director of Facilities prior to the start of work.

COURTHOUSE MONUMENT

The Monument to the Confederate Soldiers of Franklin County was destroyed by an automobile accident. Work is currently underway for a replacement monument/statue.

Currently, all "remains" are in Vermont at the Rock of Ages facility, the company which was selected to re-create the monument. These remains have been pieced back together to be used as a model for the sculpting of a new statue.

The County's contract with Rock of Ages includes the stipulation that **all** remains of the monument/statue will be returned to the County after they serve the purpose of being used as "models". Recently, the local Historical Society made a request that all the original pieces of the monument be donated to that agency.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests that the Board of Supervisors consider placing "ON LOAN" the remains of the Confederate Monument to the Franklin County Historical Society.

Such an agreement would reserve some control regarding these "remains" until such time that definite planning and funding can be demonstrated by the Franklin County Historical Society.

GOVERNMENT CENTER CLEANING SERVICES BID AWARD

Plans are in place to begin occupying the new County Government Center at 1255 Franklin Street in early February 2010. The contractor is responsible for providing the total cleaning of the building until acceptance (mid January) and the County must provide this service from that time forward.

In an effort to explore ALL options (with regard to cleaning) the decision was made to advertise and solicit proposals for cleaning services from qualified contractors.

While the low bid is certainly a consideration, the advertised guidelines placed emphasis on references, company stability and the reserved right to require a complete review of individual employees that will be providing services. Adequate proof of insurance, licenses, etc. will be required as well. (At the time of submittal of this summary, all background information is being reviewed).

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests the Board to authorize the County Administrator to negotiate and award the cleaning contract as advertised, once all pertinent information has been obtained. Based on these findings and consideration of price, it is further requested that the Board authorize staff to enter into an agreement with the chosen company in the best interest of the County.

Should for any reason, all companies fail to meet the required standards AND if pricing exceeds staff estimates, it is further requested that permission be granted to refuse all proposals.

COMMERCE CENTER GRADING

In April 2009, Franklin County received approval from the Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Revitalization Commission for a grant to grade two new pads at the Franklin County Commerce Park. These two sites, one five acres in size and the other five to eight acres, will be used to attract new and expanding businesses into the community providing new jobs and tax revenues. Up to 250,000 square feet of new facilities could be accommodated on these new building pads. Franklin County has limited "greenfield" sites to show prospective businesses and is in need of increasing this inventory in order to be competitive in its economic development efforts.

Earth Environmental Consultants has been retained to design the project and are nearing completion of bid documents. The bidding environment, though not as good as a year ago, remains advantageous to buyers. By going to bid on this project quickly, the County should

receive favorable bids and ultimately get the greatest amount of grading work done for the funds that are available.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests that the Board of Supervisors approve advertising the project for bid.

12/28/2009 WINTER STORM EVENT DECLARATION

On 12/18/2009 the Governor of Virginia declared a state of emergency for the Commonwealth due to a predicted winter storm event. Likewise, on 12/18/2009 a declaration of a local emergency was enacted by the County Administrator to assist county agencies in responding to the event. 44-146.21 of the Code of Virginia requires that following a declaration of a state of emergency, the local Board of Supervisors must affirm the action.

Between 14 and 24 inches of snow fell throughout the county during the storm. Hundreds of calls for assistance were answered by emergency service agencies in Franklin County. One storm related fatality was reported to Public Safety. One structural collapse as well as two roof collapses were reported. Public Safety personnel estimates damages to personal property to be \$513,931. Local governments spent \$18,249 in snow removal and recovery costs. Initial damage assessment reports have been compiled by Public Safety staff and submitted to the Virginia Department of Emergency Management. Virginia Emergency Management officials are waiting to see if the President declares the Commonwealth a disaster area as a result of the storm. A disaster declaration would make Franklin County eligible to receive federal reimbursement for snow removal and storm recovery costs if the local declaration is affirmed by the Board of Supervisors.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board affirm the State of Emergency declaration prepared on 12/18/2009.

(RESOLUTION #14-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to approve the consent agenda items as presented above.

MOTION BY: Wayne Angell

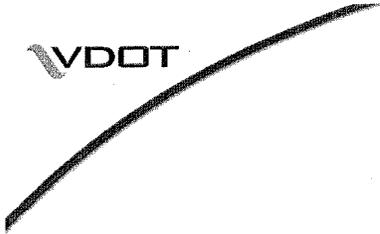
SECONDED BY: David Cundiff

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

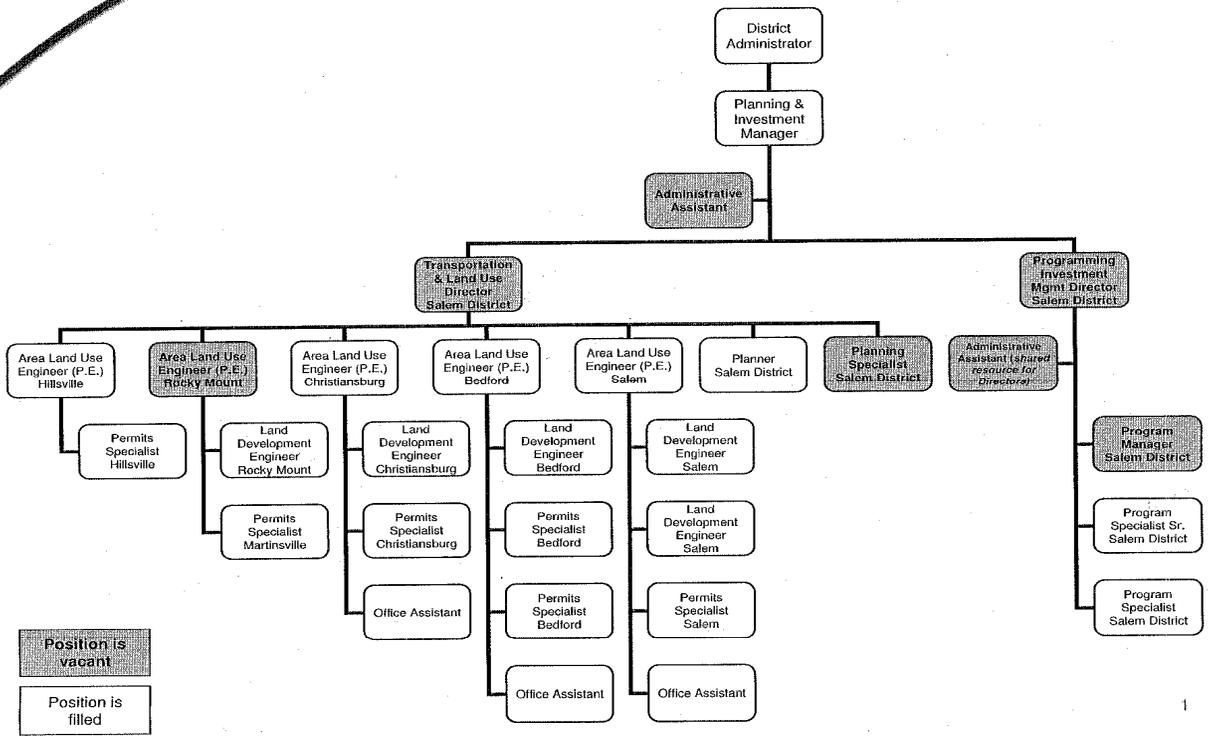
AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

VDOT – LAYOFFS

Tony Handy, Resident Administrator, VDOT, advised the Board he had received 12 layoff notices for his existing staff. Mr. Handy advised the Board he was pleased to announce two employees would remain in Franklin County for contact. Mr. Handy shared with the Board the Salem Planning and Investment Management Plan:



Salem Planning and Investment Management



CLEMENTS MILL BRIDGE UPDATE

Tony Handy, Resident Administrator, VDOT, advised the Board VDOT will begin the scoping services around April with a time line and cost then somewhere in mid June/July VDOT will be holding a citizens information meeting and then the project will begin to move forward.

STATE ROUTE 641 BRIDGE CLOSURE

Tony Handy, VDOT, Administrator, advised the Board Route 641 (Callaway Road) bridge over South Fork Blackwater River, near Old Forge Road (Route 756) will be constructed as originally proposed. Mr. Handy stated the bridge will be closed during construction for approximately 45 days, outside of normal school year with an appropriate detour to be in place during bridge closure. The Board concurred with the request.

TMDL COUNTY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Mike Tabor & Tony Goff, TMDL Conservation Technicians, Blue Ridge Water & Soil Conservation, shared with the Board available programs within the County.

CONGRESSIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Christopher Whitlow, Assistant County Administrator, shared with the Board Congressman Perriello's office has requested that we submit any requests for direct appropriations directly to his office no later than February 22, 2010. The following is a summary of the FY-10 requests that were made plus an additional request made at a later date to include Diamond Avenue Extension Stormwater issues.

Mr. Whitlow, stated on behalf of the Franklin County Board of Supervisors, thank you for the opportunity to submit our community's capital appropriations requests for your consideration. The projects listed below offer the opportunity to make Franklin County a safer, stronger, healthier, and more economically viable community. Projects listed below are also included across a range of County planning documents. Below you will find a table that summarizes the projects, the committee assignments, partners, and county prioritization. The table, and the submitted prioritization, is submitted with full Franklin County Board of Supervisors endorsement.

Priority	Project	Sub-Committee	Allies/Partners	Funding Request
1	Natural Gas Pipeline Service	Commerce	Town of Rocky Mount Roanoke Partnership Roanoke Gas	\$12,143,367
2	Wireless Broadband Initiative	Agriculture & Rural Development	Ferrum College West Piedmont	

		USDA – RD	Planning District B2X Online Services	\$1,400,000
3	Public Water Service Extensions Boones Mill Elementary Wirtz Road Public Water Tank Installation	Interior/Environment (EPA STAG Grants)	Western Virginia Water Authority Franklin County Public Schools	\$1,340,801
4	Clements Mill Bridge Replacement	Transportation and HUD	VDOT	\$1,200,000
5	Pigg River Power Dam Removal and Pigg River Park Development	Interior & Environment US Fish & Wildlife Service Partners for Wildlife Program	US Fish & Wildlife Service* NRCS* Va. DGIF Virginia DCR Virginia Tobacco Commission Ward Burton Wildlife Foundation Town of Rocky Mount	\$3,500,000
6	Mutual Aid Channel Implementation	Homeland Security	Franklin County Public Safety	\$18,911
7	Microwave E-911/Public Safety Communications Ring	Homeland Security	City of Martinsville Patrick County Henry County	\$270,760
8	Public Water Service Extensions Uttermost Incorporated (Brick Church Rd) Blackwater River Loop	Interior/Environment (EPA STAG Grants)	Uttermost Inc. Western Virginia Water Authority	\$1,340,801
9	Franklin County Commerce Park/Rocky Mount Water/Sewer Extensions	Interior/Environment (EPA STAG Grants)	Town of Rocky Mount Roanoke Partnership	\$4,970,560
10	TEA-21 Ferrum College "Walkable Downtown" Pedestrian Bridge and Connector	Transportation and HUD	Ferrum College VDOT	\$1,116,336
11	Public Safety Communication Repeater Installation	Homeland Security	Franklin County Public Safety	\$690,400
12	Philpott Reservoir 216 Study Completion	Energy & Water Development	Corps of Engineers Henry County Patrick County Friends of Philpott Trout Unlimited Virginia DGIF Virginia DCR Dan River Basin Assoc.	\$2,828,000
13	Smith Farm Sustainable Forest Laboratory Site and Sustainable Agriculture Demonstration Study Area	Interior/Environment	Sustainable Forest Partnership Virginia Tech Skelton 4-H Center	\$1,000,000
14	Public Water Service Extensions Green Level Road	Interior/Environment (EPA STAG Grants)	Western Virginia Water Authority	\$1,727,995

*Dam Removal & Wetland Conservation Components

Staff seeks the Board's guidance on requests for FY-11 so the appropriate documentation can be developed in order to meet the deadline.

Mr. Russ Johnson, Gills Creek District, requested the Board to add the Diamond Avenue Project to the listing. The Board concurred with the request.

RECOMMENDATION:

Provide direction to the staff on how to respond to Congressman Perriello.

The Board directed staff to prioritize the listing explaining the importance to the area and to include Diamond Avenue flooding project with a top priority rating.

GOOD NEWS – THE COUNTY HAS BEEN AWARDED \$451,000 IN TOBACCO FUNDS

Mr. Huff stated the County has been awarded a grant in Tobacco funds in the amount of \$451,000 for the construction of 4 classrooms, 3 resource rooms and bathrooms for the bottom floor of the Franklin Center. Mr. Huff advised the Board that Patrick Henry Community College is starting an LPN (Licensed Practical Nurse) program at the center in the fall.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

Richard E. Huff, II, County Administrator, at the Board's Organizational Meeting, noted that feedback was provided to an earlier draft policy on reimbursements for Boards and Commissions. Staff was requested to compile the comments and suggestions and return an updated draft to the January meeting. A draft was also distributed earlier in January and no comments were received.

The draft before the Board articulates that for any Board appointed by the governing body, mileage will be reimbursed at the IRS rate for all regular or called meetings of the body or commission appointed by the body.

The following draft policies were presented for the Board's review and consideration:

Boards and Commissions Reimbursement Policy

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to establish rules, regulations and procedures for members of appointed Boards and Commissions in seeking reimbursement for expenses incurred in the conduct of official business for Franklin County.

Policy:

The County of Franklin values the contributions of all of its citizen Boards and Commissions. The donation of time, talents and expertise for the purpose of citizen involved, good government is important to the County.

Members of Boards and Commissions required by State Statute and appointed by the Board of Supervisors; and/or appointed by the Circuit Court Judge (i.e., Board of Zoning Appeals and Equalization Board) shall be reimbursed mileage at the prevailing IRS approved rate for travel to and from any regular scheduled or called meeting of the body for which the Board of Supervisors or Circuit Court Judge appointed them. In addition, mileage may be reimbursed for any called meeting of a committee appointed by the Board or Commission itself **and made up of members of the appointing body.**

Board of Supervisors Reimbursement Policy

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to establish rules, regulations and procedures for members of the Board of Supervisors in seeking reimbursement for expenses incurred in the conduct of official business for Franklin County.

Policy:

A) Mileage Reimbursement:

Board members shall be eligible for reimbursement of mileage at the prevailing IRS approved rate for travel to and from:

- a) any regularly scheduled meeting or special called meeting of the Board of Supervisors, and
- b) any regular or called meeting of any committee or commission that the Board member is appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve on whether in county or not, and
- c) any meeting attended by a Board member at the specific request of the Board of Supervisors.

Mileage reimbursement must be submitted on such forms as provided for all other County employees and shall be submitted not later than 10 days following the end of any fiscal year for the preceding 12 months.

B) Other Items:

No other expenses involved in conducting business as a member of the Board of Supervisors shall be reimbursable with County funds including telephone, cell phone, fax, or internet service.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board review and adopt suitable policies on reimbursement.

General discussion ensued. A pro-rata use on cell telephone bills for reimbursement was discussed.

(RESOLUTION #15-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to approve 30 days versus 10 days (*as presented in the draft policy*) for submittal of mileage reimbursement for payment to Board of Supervisors and Board and Commissions made up by the appointing body and to include an Item D authorizing the pro-rata of actual cost incurred for cell phones for County use.

MOTION BY: Wayne Angell
 SECONDED BY: Bobby Thompson

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Thompson & Wagner

NAYS: Johnson

THE MOTION PASSED WITH A 6-1 VOTE.

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS:

Russ Johnson, Gills Creek District Supervisor, advised the Board May 1, is a Take Pride at Smith Mountain Lake Campaign Day, which consists of many volunteers. Mr. Johnson asked the Board the possibility of such a campaign as Take Pride in Franklin County to help clean up litter on County roads as well as other needs. The Board instructed the County Administrator to explore the possibilities and report his finding back to the Board regarding the request.

APPOINTMENTS

- WPPDC Citizen Appointment (Unexpired Term of Marshall Blair) (Term Expires 12/31/2010)
- Planning Commission – Boone & Rocky Mount Districts (Terms Expires 3/30/2010)
- Roanoke Valley Alleghany Regional Commission (Unexpired Term of David Cundiff 6/30/2010)

(RESOLUTION #16-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to appoint William “Bill” Brush to fill the unexpired term of Marshall Blair on the West Piedmont Planning District Commission with said term to expire 12/31/2010.

MOTION BY: Russ Johnson

SECONDED BY: Leland Mitchell

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

ROCKY MOUNT MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMISSION

(RESOLUTION #17-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to re-appoint Doc Law, Rocky Mount District, to the Planning Commission with said term to expire 3/30/2010.

MOTION BY: Wayne Angell

SECONDED BY: David Cundiff

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

Chairman Wagner recessed the meeting.

Chairman Wagner called the meeting to order.

BUDGET WORK SESSION

Vincent Copenhaver, Director of Finance, presented and highlighted with the Board Preliminary Revenues Summary – Subject Change as follows:

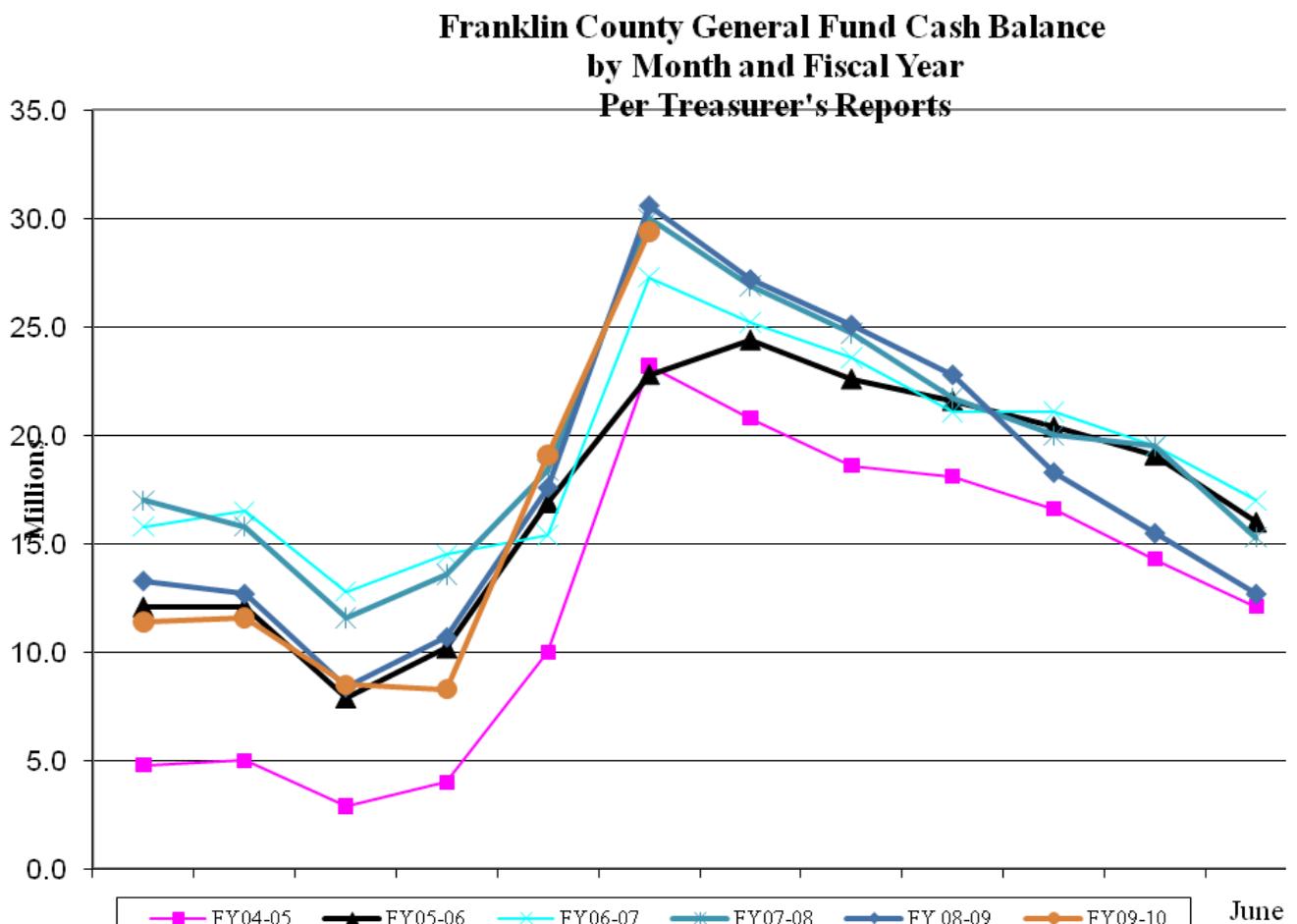
**Franklin County
Preliminary Revenue Summary - Subject to Change**

	Adopted Budget 09-10	Proposed Budget 10-11	Difference	Percent Change
General Property Taxes:				
Real Estate	33,379,028	33,862,195	483,167	1.45%
Public Service Corp	679,204	715,000	35,796	5.27%
Personal Property	6,093,443	5,759,307	(334,136)	-5.48%
Move Personal Prop to State Revenue		(5,759,307)	(5,759,307)	
Machinery and Tools	430,000	485,000	55,000	12.79%
Merchants Capital	660,000	634,000	(26,000)	-3.94%
Penalties and Interest	320,000	400,000	80,000	25.00%
General Property Taxes	<u>41,561,675</u>	<u>36,096,195</u>	<u>(5,465,480)</u>	-13.15%
Other Local Taxes:				
Sales Tax	3,800,950	3,360,000	(440,950)	-11.60%
Consumer Utility Taxes	950,000	965,000	15,000	1.58%

County Business License	4,500	4,500	0	0.00%
Utility License Tax	200,000	200,000	0	0.00%
Communications Tax	2,450,000	2,300,000	(150,000)	-6.12%
Motor Vehicle Decals	1,270,650	1,227,000	(43,650)	-3.44%
Bank Stock Taxes	99,000	106,000	7,000	7.07%
Tax on Deeds	450,000	575,000	125,000	27.78%
Hotel/Motel Trans Occ Tax 2%	39,000	40,000	1,000	2.56%
Hotel/Motel Trans Occ Tax 3%	61,000	61,000	0	0.00%
Meals Tax	800,000	800,000	0	0.00%
Other Local Taxes	10,125,100	9,638,500	(486,600)	-4.81%
Permits and Licenses/Fees	400,000	325,000	(75,000)	-18.75%
Court Fines and Costs	11,000	11,300	300	2.73%
Interest on Bank Deposits	800,000	800,000	0	0.00%
Charges for Services:				
Clerk of Court Fees	134,523	160,000	25,477	18.94%
Commonwealth Attorney Fees	3,000	2,890	(110)	-3.67%
Off Duty Pay-Sheriff Deputies	15,000	15,000	0	0.00%
Care of Prisoners	9,000	9,000	0	0.00%
Animal Control Fees	5,000	4,000	(1,000)	-20.00%
Landfill Fees	776,587	620,000	(156,587)	-20.16%
Family Resource Ctr Donations	18,100	18,500	400	2.21%
Aging Services Local Revenue	25,233	25,233	0	100.00%
Recreation Fees	90,000	60,000	(30,000)	-33.33%
EMS Billing Revenue	900,000	850,000	(50,000)	-5.56%
Library Fines and Fees	25,000	25,000	0	0.00%
Sale of Maps and Code	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Total Charges for Services	2,006,443	1,794,623	(211,820)	-10.56%
Miscellaneous	350,000	350,000	0	0.00%
Recovered Costs	437,450	390,806	(46,644)	-10.66%
Commonwealth of Virginia Revenues:				
Motor Vehicle Carriers Tax	35,582	37,000	1,418	3.99%
Mobile Home Titling Tax	150,000	85,000	(65,000)	-43.33%
Motor Vehicle Rental Tax	29,000	25,000	(4,000)	-13.79%
Shared Expenses Comm Atty	505,843	424,843	(81,000)	-16.01%
Shared Expenses Sheriff	2,961,240	2,415,174	(546,066)	-18.44%
Shared Expenses Comm of Rev	170,130	80,814	(89,316)	-52.50%
Shared Expenses Treasurer	166,840	80,488	(86,352)	-51.76%
Shared Expenses Registrar	59,752	53,777	(5,975)	-10.00%
Shared Expenses Clerk of Court	314,078	263,826	(50,252)	-16.00%
Shared Expenses Jail Costs	292,310	219,233	(73,078)	-25.00%
Public Assistance Grants	4,191,921	4,557,676	365,755	8.73%
VJCCCA Grant	27,869	26,432	(1,437)	-5.16%
Family Resources Grants	178,229	178,338	109	0.06%
Comprehensive Services	2,799,095	2,627,669	(171,426)	-6.12%
Selective Enforcement Grant	20,000		(20,000)	-100.00%
Workforce Development Grants	63,000	63,000	0	0.00%
Other State Grants				
State Share of 1% Income Tax Surcharge		8,385,925	8,385,925	100.00%

Personal Property Tax Relief	2,626,618	0	(2,626,618)	-100.00%
Library Grants	158,301	158,301	0	0.00%
Recordation Taxes - State	198,953	200,000	1,047	0.53%
Aging Services Revenue	92,977	93,345	368	0.40%
Grantor Tax on Deeds	142,000	140,000	(2,000)	-1.41%
Total Commonwealth Revenue	<u>15,183,738</u>	<u>20,115,841</u>	<u>4,932,103</u>	32.48%
Federal Revenues:				
Park Land-Pymt in Lieu of Tax	10,079	16,575	6,496	64.45%
Indoor Plumbing Rehab Grant	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
Aging Services Federal Grants	137,000	132,220	(4,780)	-3.49%
Family Resources Grants	14,236	14,500	264	1.85%
Drug Enhancement Grant	16,328		(16,328)	-100.00%
Total Federal Revenue	<u>187,643</u>	<u>173,295</u>	<u>(14,348)</u>	-7.65%
Subtotal	<u>71,063,049</u>	<u>69,695,560</u>	<u>(1,367,490)</u>	-1.92%
Fund Balance	<u>497,752</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(497,752)</u>	100.00%
Total	<u><u>71,560,801</u></u>	<u><u>69,695,560</u></u>	<u><u>(1,865,242)</u></u>	-2.61%

Richard E. Huff, II, County Administrator, presented the following General Fund Cash Balance by Month and Fiscal Year per the Treasurer's reports:



Vincent Copenhaver, Finance Director, briefly presented and highlighted a draft Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) for the Board's review and consideration. General discussion ensued.

Russ Johnson, Gills Creek District, requested staff to share with the Board data and graphs reflecting semi-annual tax collection.

Staff presented a listing of Potential Budget Balancing Strategies as follows:

User Fees	Description	Amount	Comments
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Recreation/Park Fees/Late Fees

Possible Solid Waste Collection Fees; Increase Tip Fees

Public Safety Alarm Fees

Library Fees (i.e. Late fees, DVD/tapes fees)

Public Access Computer Fees

Franklin Center Fees (meeting rooms, partners, misc. , etc.)

Planning & Building Permitting Fees

Other Sheriff Department Fees

Court fees – Local surcharges

Dog Tags

Adoption Fees at Animal Shelter

Family Resource Center Housing Fees

Burn Permits – Public Safety – Other Fire Inspection Fees

GIS Fees

Government Center (meeting rooms)

Armory Fees – Parks & Recreation

Library Room Rental fees

Fiscal Agent Fees

Special Occasion/Event Fees

Administrative Fees for Fuel Services

IDA Application Fees

Taxes			
	Description	Amount	Comments
	1 ¢ increase in Real Estate	\$725,000.00	
	Personal Property	\$43,018.00	1 Penny at a 96% collection rate
	Business PP – M & Tools		
	Twice Year Tax Collections	\$16,931,097.00	one-time windfall
	Increase Vehicle Decal fees		
	Use of Fund Balance		
	Reduce CIP transfer		
Service Reductions			
	Description	Amount	Comments
	Reduction in operating hours of landfill including OT savings		
	Reduced Saturday hours		
	No pickup on certain weekdays and / or Holidays		
	Reduce Library hours at Central & Westlake		
	Reduce Bookmobile hours		
	Eliminate paid crew at Public Safety Station		
	Closing of Public Safety Sub-Station		
	Reduced Hours – Franklin Center (Saturday Closings)		
	Aging Services – Reduced transports		
	Eliminate Number of Recreation Programs and / or Events		
	Eliminate EMT program at High School	\$53,000.00	
	Sheriff – Eliminate DARE program	\$65,000.00	
	-Eliminate School Resource Officer	\$60,000.00	
Support Reductions			
	Description	Amount	Comments
	VPI Extension – staffing		
	Charge for solid waste pickup – 4H, Schools, DSS		
	Phones or IT support to non County departments		
	2 PDC Memberships		
	All External Agency Contributions		
	Stipends for BZA & PC & IDA		
	Reduce County Support to Volunteers/fees back to volunteers		
	Stipend		
	Apparatus		
	Operational Support		
	Public Safety Training Fees		
Personnel - Staffing			
	Description	Amount	Comments
	Unpaid Furlough Days – cost each	\$47,000.00	Admin. Constitutionals, DSS, 24 Day Shift, Other??
	Elimination of PT benefits		
	VRS contribution per 1% reduction (shift to employees)	\$118,000.00	
	County contribution and share of Health, Other Insurance		
	OT savings as result of 40 hour workweek		
	Salary Reductions	\$120,000.00	1%
	Further Staff - Personnel Reductions (RIF)		
	Early Retirement Package		

The Board discussed the \$1M shortfall projected for the Constitutional Offices. Discussion was held on the proposed shortfall in funding from the Commonwealth and should this shortfall be shared with the School System. General discussion ensued.

Chairman Wagner recessed the meeting for dinner.

Chairman Wagner recessed the meeting for the previously advertise public hearings as follows:

Petition for Special Use Permit - Valley AFC/ Petitioners, Dean Bowman and Martha Bowman/Owners requesting a special use permit for property consisting of +/- 62 acres currently zoned A-1, Agricultural, to allow for a private recreational facility. Property is located on Jubal Early Highway in the Gills Creek Magisterial District and recorded as Tax Map # 18, Parcel # 121 in the Franklin County Real Estate Tax Records. (Case # SPEC-11-09-5770)

*** The applicant has requested that this item be continued until the Board of Supervisors' February meeting. The Board voted to approve the applicant's request for continuance.**

The Board voted earlier in the afternoon session to allow the petitioner to pull the special use permit until the February meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of Section 24.2-306 and 24.2-307 of the Code of Virginia, as amended notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Franklin, Virginia proposes to move the polling place for the Central Absentee Precinct and the Voter Registrar Office from the County owned Virgil Goode Building, 70 East Court Street, Rocky Mount, to the Franklin County Government Center located at 1255 Franklin Street, Rocky Mount. The proposed change will take place on the date the United States Justice Department pre-clears this submittal.

Public Hearing was Opened.

No one spoke for or against the proposed move.

Public Hearing was Closed.

(RESOLUTION #18-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors to approve the move the polling place for the Central Absentee Precinct and the Voter Registrar Office from the County owned Virgil Goode Building, 70 East Court Street, Rocky Mount, to the Franklin County Government Center located at 1255 Franklin Street, Rocky Mount, as advertised. The proposed change will take place on the date the United States Justice Department pre-clears this submittal.

MOTION BY: Bobby Thompson

SECONDED BY: Ronnie Thompson

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR FUNDING AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The County of Franklin hereby provides notice that it intends to file an application for grant funding with USDA, Rural Development for assistance in funding for the acquisition of equipment to serve the Franklin County Government Center.

A public meeting on the proposed project will be held on **January 19, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.**

Anyone requesting information on this project or to offer comments should attend this meeting, which will be held at the Franklin County Board of Supervisors meeting room in the Courthouse located at 275 Main Street, Room 221, Rocky Mount, VA 24151.

Public Hearing was Opened.

No one spoke for or against the proposed move.

Public Hearing was Closed.

(RESOLUTION #19-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to authorize staff to apply for USDA Rural Development Grant as advertised and as follows:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that, in order to facilitate obtaining financial assistance from the United States of America, acting by and through the Rural Housing Service, an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture, (the Government) for assistance in funding for the acquisition of equipment to serve the Franklin County Government Center, and forms required by the Government to be executed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Richard E. Huff, II, County Administrator, be authorized to execute on behalf of the Franklin County Board of Supervisors above-referenced agreements and to execute such other documents including, but not limited to, debt instruments and security instruments as may be required in obtaining the said financial assistance.

MOTION BY: David Cundiff
 SECONDED BY: Leland Mitchell
 VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
 AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

CLOSED MEETING
(RESOLUTION #20-01-2010)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to into a closed meeting in accordance with 2.2-3711, a-1, Personnel, a-3, Acquisition of Land, and a-7, Consult with Legal Counsel, of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

MOTION BY: David Cundiff
 SECONDED BY: Bobby Thompson
 VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
 AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

MOTION: David Cundiff **RESOLUTION: #21-01-2010**
 SECOND: Leland Mitchell **MEETING DATE** January 19, 2010

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors has convened an closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act: and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712(d) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Franklin County Board of Supervisors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Franklin 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 by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors.

VOTE:
 AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Cundiff, Angell, Johnson, Thompson & Wagner

NAYS: NONE
 ABSENT DURING VOTE: NONE
 ABSENT DURING MEETING: NONE

Chairman Wagner adjourned the meeting.

CHARLES WAGNER
 CHAIRMAN

RICHARD E. HUFF, II
 COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR