

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD THEIR REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015, AT 1:30 P.M., IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING ROOM LOCATED IN THE GOVERNMENT CENTER, 1255 FRANKLIN STREET, SUITE 104, ROCKY MOUNT, VIRGINIA.

THERE WERE PRESENT: Cline Brubaker, Chairman
Charles Wagner, Vice-Chairman
Bob Camicia
Ronnie Thompson
C. B. Reynolds
Bobby Thompson
Leland Mitchell

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard E. Huff, II, County Administrator
Christopher Whitlow, Deputy Co. Administrator
B. J. Jefferson, County Attorney
Sharon K. Tudor, MMC, Clerk

Cline Brubaker, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Invocation was given by Supervisor Bobby Thompson

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Leland Mitchell

PUBLIC COMMENT:

❖ Steve Waterman, Preserve Franklin County
Mountain Valley Pipeline

Gentlemen:

My name is Steve Waterman and I am a resident of the Blackwater District. I am following up on comments from the March 2015, Board of Supervisors meeting, as well as an editorial in the Franklin News Post. As a volunteer fire fighter for over 19 years in both urban and rural settings, I have serious personal concerns for the public safety of residents in Franklin and other counties, if the proposed pipeline were to be approved.

First, I would like to take this opportunity to personally invite you to a community meeting on May 14, 2015 at the Redwood United Methodist Church where I will be speaking at length about pipeline integrity and the risks to the community. Just the few minutes I have with board today, only touches the tip of the iceberg on a very complicated matter.

If the Mountain Valley Pipeline were to be approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, MVP and its investors have already filed that 91% of the pipeline would be in a class 1 area. What does this mean?

Federal regulations for gas transmission pipelines establish **pipe strength** requirements based on population density near the pipeline. Locations along gas pipelines are divided into classes from 1 (rural) to 4 (densely populated) and are based upon the number of buildings or dwellings for human occupancy. Class location is determined by counting the number of dwellings within 660 feet of the pipeline for 1 mile. The result of this, is that the more populated an area, the greater the pipe strength needs to be. In short, given the same amount of pressure in the pipeline, the wall thickness of the pipeline in a rural community is much thinner than in a highly urban community. In fact, the wall thickness of a pipeline in a rural area could be almost 1/2 the thickness of a pipe in a rural area. Since MVP is proposing a 42 inch diameter pipeline with a pressure of nearly 1500 pounds per square inch, volume is important to the company. The more gas that MVP can push through the pipe, the more money they can make. The very nature that federal regulations recognize safety issues but choose to give lower priority to rural areas puts every rural community in the pipeline corridor at greater risk as all pipelines do not have the same integrity.

So, an unprecedented 42" high pressure gas line will cross the ridges of Cahas Mountain; that same mountain that feeds Maggodee Creek and the North Fork of the Blackwater River, both of which empty into Smith Mountain Lake. This is the same mountain that has numerous springs and aquifers that supply our drinking and well water. And this is the mountain that is the highest

point in Franklin County and as everyone knows southern and eastern Franklin has a lower elevation and water (and whatever is in it) rolls downhill.

In addition to pipe wall thickness, class locations will determine the number of shutoff valves that a pipeline company and its investors are required to install. Rural areas are only required to have block valves every 10 linear miles where more urban areas would have a block valve every 2.5 miles. If an undetected pinhole leak were to develop, this natural gas would contaminate our water. If a rupture or explosion were to occur in Franklin County, no matter how quickly the gas were turned off, we would have a **minimum** of ten miles of compressed natural gas under pressure to deal with. Worse still, if a rupture occurred **at** a shutoff valve, we would have twenty miles of compressed gas spewing from the ground.

A rupture is unlikely you say? Natural gas experts will assert that this is the safest method of transportation and that pipeline accidents are rare. Accidents do in fact happen. To further complicate matters, federal regulations will talk about Potential Impact Radius. (Think ground zero) PIR is the distance beyond which a person standing outside in the vicinity of a pipeline rupture and fire would have a 99% chance of surviving. The PIR increases as the diameter of the pipeline increases and as the pressure in the pipeline increases. Because of the high pressure and large diameter of the proposed MVP, rural communities become what is called a high impact area since the potential impact radius is greater than the 660 feet mentioned earlier in determining class locations. The potential impact radius for the MVP in Franklin County is actually a little over $\frac{1}{4}$ mile, well beyond the 660 feet. And the recommended safe evacuation distance for a pipeline rupture from the proposed pipeline is almost $\frac{3}{4}$ mile. The closer you are to the source of the explosion the less chance you have of surviving.

So how do citizens fair with all pipeline companies concerns and safety regulations?

Despite existing federal regulations, there actually was an **increase** in gas transmission pipeline significant incidents from 1995–2004 resulting in 4169 incidents, 219 deaths, and 998 injuries with over \$1 billion in property damage. These numbers are for natural gas pipelines only.

Alarmed at this increase, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) in 2004, issued more regulations governing pipeline integrity and addressing safety trends. The study included recommendations addressing a broad range of improvements.

Based on these new regulations we would hope for safer pipelines and a reduction in accident rates, correct?

But, accidents continued. The NTSB investigated three **major** gas transmission pipeline accidents in which operator and Pipeline Administration oversight deficiencies were identified as concern. These three accidents alone, resulted in 8 deaths, over 50 injuries, and 41 homes destroyed with many more damaged. (there were hundreds of minor incidents investigated by PHMSA) One major incident occurred in Sissonville WV melting steel guardrail and blacktop on Interstate 77 closing that road for days. The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) found continuing systemic weaknesses in gas pipeline safety and in January of this year adopted a safety study. (the full report can be found at; http://www.nts.gov/news/events/Pages/2015_Gas_Transmission_SS_BMG.aspx).

Theoretically, using an integrity management system that were addressed in 2004 regulations, gas pipeline operators should be finding and addressing potential problems before they result in accidents. Clearly, that is not working as evidenced by the accidents mentioned, leading the NTSB to adopt this safety study.

The abstract from NTSB states, “**There is no evidence that the overall occurrence of gas transmission pipeline incidents in High Consequence Area pipelines has declined.**” The complexity of the integrity management programs developed in 2004, require expertise in multiple technical disciplines from both operator personnel and pipeline inspectors, and PHMSA does not have the resources for guiding them. The thirty-three findings of the study are published in the abstract and are followed by twenty-eight recommendations.

Additionally, the Department of Energy commissioned a 2012 study with respect to public and environmental safety. The study recommended more stringent regulations on shutoff valves and their spacing and showed economic and safety related benefits in doing so. (The full report can be reviewed at

http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/portal/site/PHMSA/menuitem.920aaa011db032e5ea19d71708558a0c/?vgnnextoid=4a38272cb3eae010VgnVCM1000008055a8c0RCRD&vgnnextchannel=4a38272cb3eae010VgnVCM1000008055a8c0RCRD&as_epq=&as_eq=&as_dt=&sort=&as_sitesearch=&num=10&as_oq=&as_occt=&as_q=Studies+for+the+Requirements+of+Automatic+and+Remotely+Controlled+Shutoff+Valves+on+Hazardous+Liquids+and+Natural+Gas+Pipelines+with+Respect+to+Public+and+Environmental+Safety

The Senior Vice President of Environment, Safety and Operations from the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America responded with a ten page letter disputing 11 components of the study. In part, the Association which represents the majority of pipeline companies, said the report over represented savings on property damage, inaccurate benefit models, optimistic fire mitigation assumptions and underestimating the cost of additional shutoff valves. The association quoted nearly \$1 million dollars for each valve. (The full letter can be read at; www.ingaa.org/File.aspx?id=19253)

'Reckless Disregard' by James Kunen is a book that examines the corporate practice of using a cost/benefit analysis for any action a company is considering taking, to determine what would be the most cost effective approach for a company to pursue. In the instance that is the basis for the book, the Ford Motor Company was deciding if should recall fleets of school buses in order to repair a defective chassis design, or pay damages from any accidents caused by the defective chassis. They chose the latter, a 'credible worst case failure event'. This decision led to the deaths of 24 children riding one of their buses.

Currently we leave the handling of these 'credible worse case failure' events to our dedicated and well trained fire department volunteers, career staff and law enforcement personnel. These women and men are well trained and will respond at a moment's notice to any emergency. And, while what I am about to share with you is my personal opinion and does not represent any department or agency, it is very real. If a pipeline were to rupture, the overburden over the pipeline is ejected from the crater by the high pressure gas released from the pipe interior, expelling the overburden as shrapnel. The associated pressure wave is able to break nearby windows, and scouring the dirt forming a crater shape. The gas initially escapes to the atmosphere at the highest flow rate sounding like the roar of a jet engine. Multiple agencies will need to respond with the primary objective being evacuation. The gas may escape for a period of hours depending on the size of the rupture and how quickly valves are shut off.

If an explosion were to occur, most damage and loss of life will occur within the first 30 seconds if you are in the potential impact radius that will be over 1/2 mile in diameter. There is little if anything that a public safety official can do. In addition nearby homes will ignite from the heat and much of the blast zone will be unapproachable by fire and rescue personnel. Land, buildings, livestock that are not initially impacted, may burn later as radiant heat ignites other areas. Yes at some point, firefighters will be able to take a defensive stand but as in most rural communities, they will be hampered by an adequate water supply, particularly if multiple buildings are involved. The response in many cases will become regional.

But quite candidly, one cannot battle the catastrophic failure of a pipeline. Generally, safety personnel must wait until the fire is approachable and pick up the pieces.

So how do you choose to plan for a credible worst case failure event? Do you as supervisors attempt to avert it ahead of time by joining your constituents and oppose the risk? Do we as volunteers and career personnel take a pro-active approach to public safety by saying that the risk is too great for our communities? Or do we clean it up later and apologize for loss of life and damages?

I am respectfully asking for the following:

1. A motion from the Board of Supervisors, however symbolic, to stand in unity with those who elected you and oppose the pipeline. Please join the other boards in this area with your vote.
2. Equal representation on the Franklin County BOS website for opposition to the MVP. You have given a private for profit company, a forum to discuss the supposed benefits of the pipeline. Your constituents or an organization like Preserve Franklin deserve the same.

Thank you for your time.

Cline Brubaker, Chairman, Franklin County Board of Supervisors, thanked each attendee for attending the Board meeting today and stated Franklin County has very little say when it comes to FERC and the Federal Government. However, Mr. Brubaker stated the Board would take under advisement their request for the Board to take a vote.

Ronnie Thompson, Boone District Supervisor, advised the Board he had invited a representative from the Mountain Valley Pipeline to attend his community meetings in May and they have declined.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTING, APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS & APPROPRIATIONS

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Economic Development	Tobacco Loan Repayment	CIP	\$4,187
E911	Wireless Board Grant for Voice Recorder	30350051-	\$41,445
Treasurer	Budget DMV Stop Fees Collected	1213- 53002	\$20,184
Public Safety	Fire Program Funds for Apparatus Replacement	CIP	\$138,178
Clerk of Court	State Technology Grant	2106- 57003	\$15,820
Clerk of Court	Part Time Reimbursement	2106- 51003	\$260
Sheriff	Insurance Reimbursement	3102- 53004	\$1,251
Domestic Violence	Budget VSTOP Grant	3105- 51001	\$35,390
Library	Book Sales	7301- 55411	\$405
Library	Donation	7301- 53007	\$500
Planning	State Stormwater Funds	8103-	\$66,240
	Total		\$323,860
Transfers Between Funds or Capital Accounts			(Decrease), Increase
Regional Jail	Move Regional Jail credit to		(\$168,000)
Regional Jail Capital Reserve	Capital Reserve Account		\$168,000
Landfill	Move funds from General Fund to		(\$100,000)
Landfill-Capital Reserve	Capital Fund		\$100,000
	Total		\$0

GBS/CIDP AWARENESS MONTH

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WHEREAS, The GBS/CIDP Foundation International, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, was founded by Estelle and Robert Benson in 1980; The Foundation is committed to continuing to provide the experience of care and support so indicative of the original Foundation;

WHEREAS, Guillain-Barré (Ghee-yan Bah-ray) Syndrome is an inflammatory disorder of the peripheral nerves outside the brain and spinal cord. It's also called: Acute Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy or Landry's Ascending Paralysis;

WHEREAS, Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP) is a rare disorder of the peripheral nerves characterized by symmetrical weakness in the arms and legs that progressively

worsens for longer than two months. It is often but not always associated with impaired sensation, absent or diminished tendon reflexes, an elevated cerebrospinal fluid protein level, and changes in nerve-conduction. CIDP can occur at any age, with peak prevalence in the sixth and seventh decade, and is twice as common in men as in women. CIDP is believed to be under diagnosed and undertreated. Therefore, its prevalence is difficult to determine, with some estimates ranging up to 8.9 per 100,000 adults. If left untreated, approximately 30 percent of CIDP patients will progress to wheelchair dependence. Early recognition and treatment can help prevent disability and improve recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE THE Franklin County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim the month of May, as

GBS/CIDP MONTH

Given under our hands and the Seal of Franklin County this 21 day of April, 2015.

PRIVATE PROVIDER APPOINTMENT TO CPMT

Virginia code section 2.2-5205. Community policy and management teams; membership; immunity from liability. Reads as follows:” The team shall also include a representative of a private organization or association of providers for children's or family services if such organizations or associations are located within the locality...Persons serving on the team who are parent representatives or who represent private organizations or associations of providers for children's or family services shall abstain from decision-making involving individual cases or agencies in which they have either a personal interest, as defined in § 2.2-3101 of the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act, or a fiduciary interest.”

Stephanie Hoer, Youth Services Director for Goodwill Industries of the Valleys, Inc was appointed to the Franklin County Community Policy and Management Team by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors on May 21st 2013 to serve a two year term that began on July 1st 2013. Local policy allows for private providers to serve a 2nd consecutive two year term on the Franklin County Community Policy and Management Team before having to leave the team for a period of at least one year before being eligible to serve again. Mrs. Hoer has indicated that she is willing to serve a 2nd two year term on the Franklin County Community Policy and Management if it be the pleasure of the Franklin County Board of Supervisors to appoint her.

RECOMMENDATION:

The C.P.M.T. membership recommends that the Franklin County Board of Supervisors appoint Stephanie Hoer, Youth Services Director for Goodwill Industries of the Valleys, Inc., to a 2nd two year term on the Franklin County Community Policy and Management Team to begin on July 1, 2015 and end on June 30, 2017.

AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING/VDOT 6-YEAR SECONDARY ROAD PLAN

The Commonwealth of Virginia requires the Board of Supervisors to review and adopt, by resolution, the Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP) annually.

Funds for the Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP) and the construction budget are derived from state and federal fuel taxes, vehicle title fees, vehicle sales tax and one-half cent of the State's general sales tax. The predictability of funding amounts is greatly dictated by the financial climate of the times and changes of funding levels by the federal government. Therefore, in dealing with construction funds, especially in the Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP), VDOT is dealing with approximations or projections. The Secondary Six Year Plan is based on estimated funding which is provided by the Financial Planning Division of VDOT.

On March 19, 2015, VDOT staff presented to the Board of Supervisors information concerning the FY2016-2021 Secondary Six Year Plan. VDOT staff informed the Board of Supervisors there was no funding allocated for CTB Formula – Unpaved Road beginning in FY 2021 and the only funding source would be TeleFee funding. TeleFee funding would be approximately \$152,256.00. Also, as directed and unanimously voted by the Board of Supervisors, VDOT staff will move the rural addition funds of \$75,771.00 towards roads on the plan that are not completely funded.

VDOT staff suggested the Board of Supervisors should use FY 2021 funds to continue funding the Route 865, Timberline Road, Rural Rustic project instead of adding any new unpaved roads to the plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests that the Board of Supervisors hold a public hearing in May for the FY2016-2021 Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP) adoption and resolution.

REVIEW OF 2015-2016 TOURISM MICROGRANTS GUIDELINES

The Franklin County Board of Supervisors annually awards small grants to organizations within the community for promotional expenses related to local tourism-related projects and events. These funds assist with marketing of those events and/or programs, while at the same time assisting Franklin County in promoting itself to potential visitors. Funding for the Tourism MicroGrant Program is generated by the transient occupancy, or lodging tax, applied to the motels, hotels and bed & breakfast properties in the County. The purpose of this MicroGrant program is to increase the local tourism industry thus creating new jobs, attracting new tourists, spawning new hospitality-related investments and improving the quality of life for Franklin County residents. For 2015-2016, \$20,000 has been proposed within the Franklin County Tourism budget for these awards. During the last grant cycle, some questions arose from the Board concerning the guidelines of the program and Staff, in response, has proposed changes to the program guidelines to address these concerns.

Proposed edits to the guidelines do not represent major changes but are intended to codify certain principles that better meet the goals of the Board of Supervisors for the program. Other than updating dates in the submitted guidelines, the most substantial changes are as follows:

1. A change from “may” to “will” that applicants are to show supporting documentation such as invoices to support their reimbursement requests.
2. The insertion of a statement that grants will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis only, rather than any funding being provided up front. This is essentially how the program has been operating but has not been explicitly written into the guidelines previously.
3. The insertion of a notice that failure to provide the required post-event summary information may disqualify an applicant from receiving future Microgrants.
4. The insertion of verbiage that award amounts will be made on the basis of current or potential community impact (as determined through the scoring of application criteria) and not simply a percentage of the amount requested or by pro-ration of available funds.

It is hoped that these changes will alleviate any Board questions or concerns and will better describe the program to potential applicants.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board approve the Staff recommendations for Tourism MicroGrant Program guidelines changes and authorize Staff to begin the process of advertising for applications.

Program Overview

• **Applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., ~~Friday, April 18, 2015~~ Monday, June 1, 2015** and may be mailed or delivered to Tarah Holland, Office of Economic Development, 1255 Franklin Street, Suite 112, Rocky Mount, VA 24151. Grant forms and instructions also are available online at www.VisitFranklinCountyVa.org.

• This is a 1:1 matching grant and the maximum amount of the Tourism MicroGrant to any one event or project is \$4,000.

• Awards under this program shall include, but are not limited to events, fairs, festivals and other projects promoting the tourism industry in Franklin County, Virginia. Only Franklin County based businesses or organizations may receive grant funds and those funds can only be used for events that are held in Franklin County.

• The grant application must include a detailed description of the project that is no more than three pages in length, an submitted marketing breakout, a contact information page, an event/project budget, a report of funding sources, a signed disclosure and a completed application certification form.

• The beginning event or project date may not be earlier than July 1, ~~2014~~ **2015**. No cost incurred before that date will be ~~paid for or~~ reimbursed by the grant and the period of service of all invoices must fall within the beginning and ending project dates specified on the project application. All requests must be completed and billed prior to June 30, ~~2015~~ **2016**.

- Approved grant recipients must provide the Franklin County Office of Economic Development with a final report detailing the outcome of the event or project and it must include copies of print ads, brochures and other related materials funded by the grant. Supporting documentation ~~may~~ **will** include, but is not limited to invoices for such items as advertising and creative expenses, appropriate tear sheets and vendor/supplier invoices.
 - The applicant must disclose in the application any personal financial benefit to be gained or conflicts of interest that may exist regarding any member of the applicant business or organization.
 - The grantee must submit event or project details to the Office of Economic Development no later than ONE MONTH prior to the event date for inclusion on the Franklin County tourism website. Information may be submitted by email, fax or mail.
 - The event or project must also be listed on the Virginia Tourism Corporation website at www.Virginia.org (please see submitted directions or contact the tourism office for assistance).
 - All grant recipients will be required to maintain a website and provide a link to their website. All projects receiving funding from the Franklin County Tourism MicroGrant Program are required to visually and/or audibly display the Franklin County brand identity and logo, *Franklin County – A Natural Setting for Opportunity*. The Franklin County Office of Economic Development also reserves the right to require brand identification on any approved project as part of the application and/or require that the applicant appropriately display the county's tourism website, www.VisitFranklinCountyVa.org, and apply a link from the grantee's website to the Franklin County tourism website.
 - The Franklin County Office of Economic Development reserves the right to require the placement of surveys or allowance of Franklin County representatives to survey participants and/or guests at the grantee's event(s). Data obtained from surveying attendees and/or guests at an event can be extremely valuable to both Franklin County and the grantee's business or organization in deciding where and how to market events. Franklin County agrees to share all data related to your event with the grantee's business or organization.
- **Grants will be distributed on a reimbursement basis only.**
 - **Failure to provide event summary information from prior Microgrant awards may be a disqualifying factor for future grant awards.**
 - **Amount of award for successful applicants will be judged on an individual basis and scored using a variety of weighted selection criteria, including positive impact on the tourism market of the community.**

If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

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AGING SERVICES VAN REPLACEMENT

The Franklin County Aging Services provides medical and recreational transportation for the senior and disabled citizens of Franklin County by utilizing grant funding through Southern Area on Aging and the Department of Rail and Transportation. The County matches these federal funds with 20% of local funding for vehicle replacement.

Franklin County Aging Services staff has applied and been approved for a vehicle replacement for one of the fleet vehicles that has suffered complete computer failure. Staff has discussed the repair issue with several local repair shops and the repairs would be exponentially more expensive than the worth of the vehicle itself.

Current Vehicle

Make / Model: FORD MINI-BUS

Year: 2006

Mileage: 153,593

Condition: Vehicle has complete computer failure.

The vehicle's age and condition necessitates replacement as set forth in and meeting the guidelines of the County Vehicle Policy. Planned disposition of the vehicle is to sell on GovDeals and remit the allocated funds from the sale back into the transposition budget for Aging Services as required by DRPT funding requirements.

The current 06F5898 vehicle will be replaced by a 15 passenger vehicle with a wheelchair lift (Contract # 50513CC0010). This vehicle will be very similar to the current fleet of Aging Services, however, staff has opted to include an additional option of a third wheelchair space with a fold away seats so that drivers can now transport three wheelchair passengers to appointments within close proximity of each other to better utilize staff time and funding.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests the Board to approve and authorize staff to continue with the purchase process of a replacement truck from the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (VDRPT) in the amount of \$50,373.00, whereby \$10,075 match funding for this vehicle was previously budgeted, is currently available, and hereby appropriated from the Aging Services capital account (#30290009-57005: Aging Services Vehicle Match).

2015 SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT/CONNIE PHILPOTT

Connie Philpott is requesting Board approval for their annual 2015 Special Entertainment Permit set **May 2, July 25, & September 5, 2015**. In the past, the Board has granted approval for the completed permit and setting a property bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 to be posted with the County Administrator (10) days prior to the day the festival is to begin per County Code Section 3-80.

With all of the required County departments signing off on the proposed Special Entertainment Permit, the application is in order and Ms. Philpott has executed the required property bond in the amount of \$10,000 (as in the past years set by the Board) per County Code Section 3-80. Ms. Philpott has remitted the filing fee of \$200.00 per County Code Section 3-83.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests Board approval on the proposed Special Entertainment Permit for Ms. Connie Philpott for May 2, July 25 & September 5, 2015.

J & D COURT JUDGE OFFICE FURNITURE

The Commonwealth of Virginia has authorized a new Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Judge for Franklin County beginning July 1, 2015.

The County has received a request for furniture for this new position (submitted). The estimate for a new U-shaped desk with hutch and desk chair is approximately \$3,500. \$1,800 is available for this purchase in the J and D Court budget. The remaining \$1,700 is available from the County's capital contingency fund.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests the Board to appropriate \$1,700 from the County's capital contingency fund for the purchase of office furniture for the new Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Judge.

LANDFILL SKID STEER PROCUREMENT

Franklin County operates a landfill and solid waste collection service for residents and businesses of the County.

The first part of this service is the Franklin County Landfill. In 2012 the County constructed the first of six new landfill cells that will handle the solid waste requirements of Franklin County for decades. To access these cells and contain their associated stormwater runoff, over a mile of new road and several stormwater ponds were constructed. Most of the slopes for the roads and ponds were constructed with a 2:1 slope in the interest of saving space. These slopes were seeded with crown vetch to stabilize erosion issues. The County does not have equipment capable of getting on a slope this steep for mowing or controlling the growth of weed trees (locust, bull pine, and briar) through the crown vetch.

The second part of this service is the waste collection division which includes waste collection sites (greenbox sites). The Board of Supervisors has approved consolidating the numerous existing sites to 12 or 13 larger sites. Most of the new consolidated collections sites are located on gravel lots the County already owns. These lots will have their gravel footprint increased. The County does not have equipment for maintaining these gravel lots or clearing them of snow, and currently contracts these tasks out to private vendors. The County spent \$17,049 on these tasks in Fiscal Year 2014.

Staff has been exploring an efficient solution to these required tasks and has found a track skid steer could complete these tasks efficiently and safely. Funding for a track skid steer with a mowing and bucket attachment was budgeted and included in the 2014 - 2015 Fiscal Year Landfill Equipment Capital budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests the Board of Supervisors authorize advertisement for a quality track skid steer by RFP from qualified dealers, thereby appropriating the necessary funds from the Landfill Equipment Capital Account (#3000-036-0004-7001) accordingly. Once proposals / bids are received, staff will come back before the Board to request approval of the equipment purchase.

2015 TELECOMMUNICATOR'S WEEK RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at anytime that require police, fire or emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and EMS is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our police officers and firefighters is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Franklin County Communications Center; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers are the single vital link for our police officers, firefighters and EMS by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and insuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers of the Franklin County 9-1-1 Communications Center have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients;

WHEREAS, each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Franklin County Board of Supervisors declares the week of April 12-19, 2015 to be National Telecommunicator's Week in Franklin County, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our County and citizens safe.

RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE TRI-COUNTY RELICENSING COMMITTEE

During the Smith Mountain Hydro Project relicensing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Counties of Pittsylvania, Bedford, and Franklin came together to adopt a cooperative agreement to coordinate common positions regarding relicensing implications for the communities around the Project. Campbell County later joined the effort and the group negotiated all the way through the revisions made to the Shoreline Management Plan that were imposed by the FERC. The entity was designated as the Tri County AEP Relicensing Committee (TCRC).

Now that the relicensing activities are settled, it is time to dissolve TCRC as it had a limited purpose that has been fulfilled. There are responsibilities of TCRC articulated in the Shoreline Management Plan as well as license articles that require ongoing activities and the Tri County Lakes Administrative Commission representing the same four counties has proposed to take on those responsibilities.

On April 13, 2015, TLAC recommended the adoption of the submitted resolution and agreement to the four County governing boards for approval which would dissolve the TCRC and move any ongoing responsibilities in the relicensing or Shoreline Management Plan to TLAC.

RECOMMENDATION:

TLAC has recommended, and County staff concurs that the submitted resolution and agreement of dissolution should be adopted.

WHEREAS, a cooperative agreement was entered into by the counties of Bedford, Franklin and Pittsylvania for formation of the Tri-County AEP Relicensing Committee (“TCRC”); and

WHEREAS, the cooperative agreement was subsequently amended to include the County of Campbell; and

WHEREAS, the purpose for forming TCRC was the realization that the four counties could be more effective if they negotiated a common position throughout the relicensing process of American Electric Power’s Smith Mountain Hydroelectric Plants if they worked in unison towards achieving common goals; and

WHEREAS, the purpose and mission of the TCRC was to exclusively focus on the relicensing process of the Project; and

WHEREAS, by Order dated December 15, 2009, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the “FERC”) issued a new and amended license to Appalachian for the project; and

WHEREAS, a Shoreline Management Plan was made part of Appalachian’s license by FERC Order dated July 5, 2005. When the FERC renewed Appalachian’s license in the FERC License Order, it stated that the Shoreline Management Plan filed with Appalachian’s license application on March 27, 2008 was approved and made a part of the license; and

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2013, Appalachian and TCRC signed a Settlement Agreement with revisions to the Shoreline Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the purposes for which TCRC were formed have been met; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Counties to name the Tri-County Lake Administrative Commission as the successor in interest to TCRC for any issues that may arise and specifically to be the successor in interest as to the above referenced license issued to Appalachian Power and the above referenced Settlement Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the _____ County Board of Supervisors concurs that the purpose and mission of TCRC has been accomplished and that Tri-County Lake Administrative Commission should be named the successor in interest to TCRC and that the Chairman of the _____ County Board of Supervisors is authorized to sign the Dissolution of the Tri-County AEP Relicensing Committee Agreement dissolving TCRC.

DISSOLUTION OF THE TRI-COUNTY AEP RELICENSING COMMITTEE

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into this the ____ day of _____, 2015 by and between Franklin County, Virginia, Bedford County, Virginia, Pittsylvania County, Virginia and Campbell County, Virginia.

WHEREAS, a cooperative agreement was entered into by the counties of Bedford, Franklin and Pittsylvania for formation of the Tri-County AEP Relicensing Committee (“TCRC”); and

WHEREAS, the cooperative agreement was subsequently amended to include the County of Campbell; and

WHEREAS, the purpose for forming TCRC was the realization that the four counties could be more effective if they negotiated a common position throughout the relicensing process of American Electric Power’s Smith Mountain Hydroelectric Plants if they worked in unison towards achieving common goals; and

WHEREAS, the purpose and mission of the TCRC was to exclusively focus on the relicensing process of the Project; and

WHEREAS, by Order dated December 15, 2009, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the “FERC”) issued a new and amended license to Appalachian for the project; and

WHEREAS, a Shoreline Management Plan was made part of Appalachian’s license by FERC Order dated July 5, 2005. When the FERC renewed Appalachian’s license in the FERC License Order, it stated that the Shoreline Management Plan filed with Appalachian’s license application on March 27, 2008 was approved and made a part of the license; and

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Tri-County AEP Relicensing Committee is dissolved upon the passage of resolutions by the Counties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tri-County Lake Administrative Commission be designated as the successor in interest for any issues that may arise and specifically to be the successor in interest to TCRC as to above referenced license issued to Appalachian Power and to the above referenced Settlement Agreement.

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY _____
Cline Brubaker, Chairman

Date: _____

ATTEST:

CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

B. James Jefferson, County Attorney

BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY _____
Tamara F. Parker, Chairman

Date: _____

ATTEST:

CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

G. Carl Boggess, County Attorney

PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY _____
Brenda H. Bowman, Chairman

Date: _____

ATTEST:

CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

J. Vaden Hunt, County Attorney

CAMPBELL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY _____
James A. Borland, Chairman

Date: _____

ATTEST:

CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

David Shreve, County Attorney

2015 SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA ANTIQUE FARM DAYS

WHEREAS, the Southwest Virginia Antique Farm Days will be held in Franklin County from June 19, 2015 through June 21, 2015; and

WHEREAS, 2015 is the **12th Anniversary** of the Southwest Virginia Antique Farm Days; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Virginia Antique Farm Days has grown into one of Franklin County's largest tourism events bringing visitors from all over the region to the community and creating substantial revenue for local businesses; and

WHEREAS, the show brings enjoyment and recreational opportunity to thousands of Franklin County residents annually; and

WHEREAS, the show is made possible only because of the hard work and dedication of the citizens of Franklin County who volunteer their time to host this wonderful event, specifically those associated with the Southwest Virginia Antique & Power Festival, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 show welcomed well over 5,000 visitors and exhibitors to Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, the show celebrated the agricultural heritage of the region and the role that mechanization played in Franklin County's growth and prosperity in the 1900's; and

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors hereby expresses and acknowledges its sincere appreciation for the contributions that the Southwest Virginia Antique & Power Festival, Inc. and others have made to the economy of Franklin County and to the enjoyment and education of thousands of residents and visitors alike through the 2015 Southwest Virginia Antique Farm Days. The Board of Supervisors declares June 19, 20 & 21, to be Antique Farm Days in Franklin County.

YMCA LEASE RENEWAL

The County bought the former YMCA property in 2013 to accommodate its multigenerational activities at the Essig Center. As part of that acquisition, the County believed that a healthy vibrant YMCA was a positive asset in attracting new business to the community and as such, set up 2 leases that essentially replicated the amounts they had been paying to the bank that had acquired the property prior to the County's purchase.

Since that time, the YMCA has worked diligently to turnaround their finances and has met with some measure of success. County staff has looked for ways to partner with the Y where it makes sense and now that the lease is up for renewal, a modest adjustment is warranted.

There are two leases with the YMCA, both ending on June 19, 2015. Lease #1 is for Building #1 which is the main YMCA building that contains the pool and exercise rooms. It is proposed that the lease increase by 7.3% from \$5256/mo. to \$5640/mo. Building #2 is for portions of the Essig

Center that house the YMCA's Day Care operations and shared spaces for recreation. It too is recommended to increase by 7.3% from \$1874/mo. to \$2011/mo.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board authorize the advertisement of a public hearing at the May Board meeting to consider a new lease at the rates stated above.

DAILY GRIND/LEASE AGREEMENT PUBLIC HEARING

The County owns property at 285 S. Main Street, Rocky Mount, VA that is currently occupied by the Daily Grind Coffehouse. The lease agreement needs to be reset as of June 1, 2015 and a public hearing is needed in order to renew the lease currently held by the owner of the Daily Grind.

The proposed lease would be for 1 year with two, 1 year renewals. The initial rent would be at the existing rate of \$350.00 and increase by the CPI each year that is renewed.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board authorize a public hearing to consider renewing the lease with Ms. Susan Gauldin for 1 year with two, 1 year renewals available at an initial rent of \$350.00.

(RESOLUTION #01-04-2015)

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

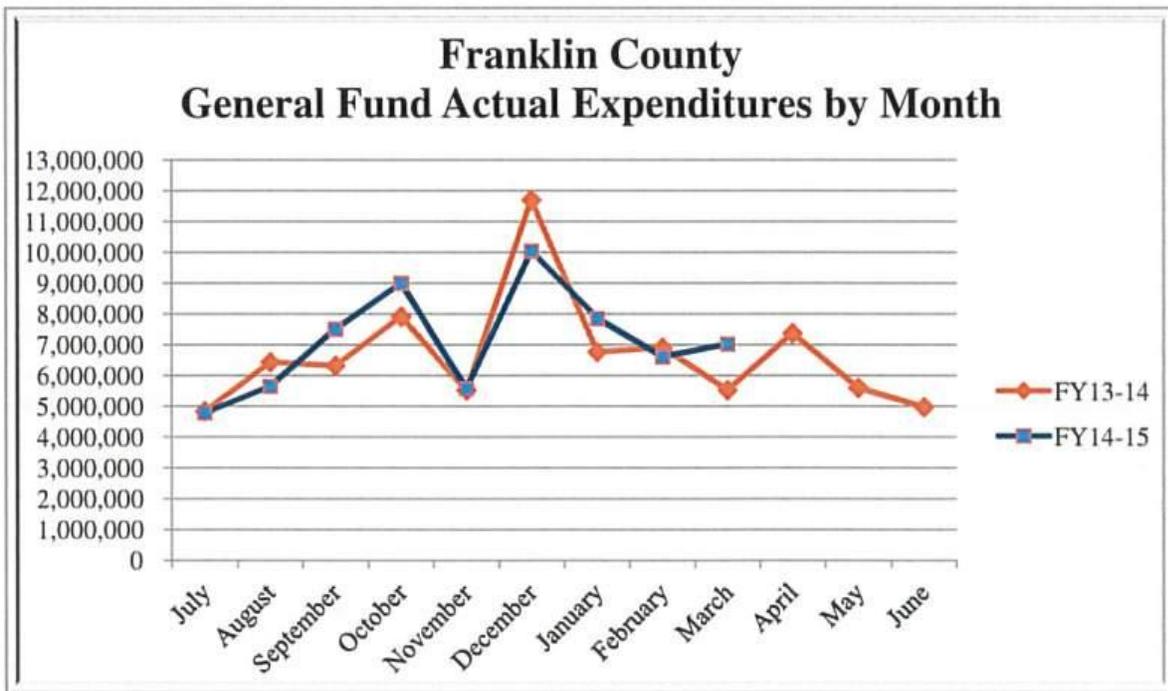
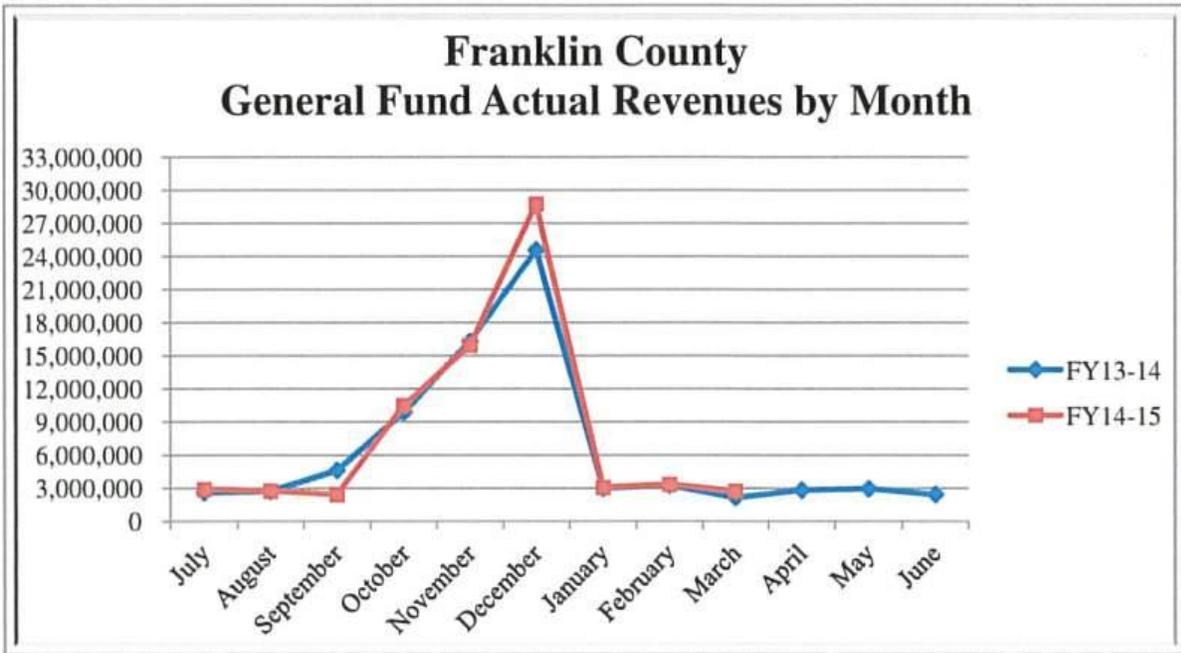
MOTION BY: Charles Wagner
 SECONDED BY: Ronnie Thompson
 VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
 AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

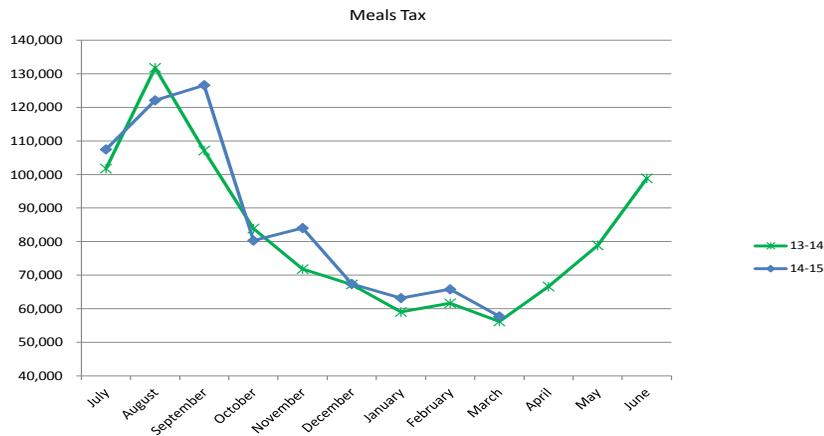
Vincent K. Copenhaver, Director of Financed, presented the monthly financial reports as follows:

Franklin County
 Cash Basis Revenue and Expenditure Summaries (Unaudited)
 General Fund and School Fund Only
 For The Nine Months Ending March 31, 2015 and 2014

REVENUES:	Budget and Appropriations Current Year	Actual Year to Date Revenues	Balance To Be Realized	Percent of Budget	Prior Year Actual At This Date
General Property Taxes	47,349,410	47,584,650	235,240	100.5%	45,653,542
Other Local Taxes	11,040,728	8,753,459	(2,287,269)	79.3%	7,611,512
Permits, Fees and Licenses	372,000	399,905	27,905	107.5%	273,515
Fines and Forfeitures	98,000	125,090	27,090	127.6%	130,362
Revenue from the use of Money and Property	1,139,883	435,292	(704,591)	38.2%	855,108
Charges for Services	2,624,967	1,854,137	(770,830)	70.6%	2,064,085
Miscellaneous Revenue	368,041	542,956	174,915	147.5%	353,363
Recovered Costs	545,806	636,629	90,823	116.6%	390,899
Revenue from the Commonwealth	15,622,872	11,855,292	(3,767,580)	75.9%	11,575,963
Federal Government	199,735	115,011	(84,724)	57.6%	92,680
Subtotal	79,361,442	72,302,421	(7,059,021)	91.1%	69,001,029
Carryover Funds	2,109,481				
Total General Fund	81,470,923				
Schools					
Cafeteria, Misc, State, Federal	49,814,309	34,381,114	(15,433,195)	69.0%	34,470,538
Local Funding from County	33,768,223	28,123,555	(5,644,668)	83.3%	25,429,465
Total School Fund	83,582,532	62,504,669	(21,077,863)	74.8%	59,900,003
EXPENDITURES:	Budget and Appropriations Current Year	Actual Year to Date Expenditures	Balance To Be Expended	Percent of Budget	Prior Year Actual At This Date
General and Financial Administration	4,449,232	3,398,516	1,050,716	76.4%	3,054,895
Judicial Administration	2,318,767	1,859,805	458,962	80.2%	1,687,199
Public Safety (Sheriff, Corrections, EMS)	13,632,426	9,596,577	4,035,849	70.4%	9,795,878
Public Works	3,671,331	2,337,037	1,334,294	63.7%	2,305,850
Health and Welfare	11,783,847	8,362,990	3,420,857	71.0%	8,072,096
Parks, Recreation, Libraries, Cmty Colleges	2,016,711	1,396,582	620,129	69.3%	1,373,661
Community Development	2,988,466	2,148,039	840,427	71.9%	1,932,037
Transfers to Schools, Capital, Debt	40,610,143	34,954,972	5,655,171	86.1%	33,691,308
Total General Fund	81,470,923	64,054,518	17,416,405	78.6%	61,912,924
School Fund	83,582,532	61,900,639	21,681,893	74.1%	59,092,335



Year to Date through April, Sales Tax is trending 4% ahead of last year



Year to Date through March, Meals Tax is 4.6% ahead of last year

Overall Comparisons

- Through March, total General Fund Revenues are running approx 1% ahead of last year.
- Expenditures approx 2.5% more than last year from cost of living payment last fall for the County and Schools.
- Monitoring School Revenues closely as we close in on the end of the fiscal year.

ANIMAL SHELTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Daryl Hatcher, Director, Public Safety, and Cindy Brooks, Animal Control Manager, presented a preliminary report to the Board of Supervisors works session in January of this year outlining numerous structural issues at the current animal shelter. The report identified structural deficiencies and specified how additional space is needed to house animals surrendered to the county as well as those that are picked up by officers. The Board of Supervisors approved a needs assessment to be conducted. The assessment has been completed and those recommendations are outlined in the report submitted to this summary.

Staff contracted with ShelterPlanners.com Incorporated in Charlottesville to conduct the study authorized by the Board in January. Shelter Planners completed the report March 5. The report is based on data collected as part of the U. S. Census Bureau and from the American Veterinary Medical Association's "U.S. Pet Ownership & Demographics Sourcebook" 2012 Edition. The study also looked at data collected by the Animal Control Division as well as data supplied by the Franklin County Humane Society. In addition to animal intake records, the report considers the average length of stay for dogs and cats as well as surge capacity that occurs during seasonal peak demands that are typically seen locally during the spring and early summer months. The study offers two sizing scenarios – one for a new Franklin County Animal Shelter and one for a combined facility for the Franklin County Animal Shelter and Franklin County Humane Society. Although everyone hopes that the Humane Society will continue to receive animals forever, it is necessary for the county to plan and prepare for every potential scenario during the planning process. The first option is based on a stand alone shelter in which the county continues to function with the assistance of the Franklin County Humane Society also continuing to receive animals from the public. The second option combines all animal intakes from Animal Control as well as the Humane Society. The second factor in determining the size of a future facility is

based on the number of days that dogs and cats are held awaiting transfer or adoption and is identified as “length of stay” in the report. It is necessary to consider length of stay to determine building size as the county is required by state law to hold stray a minimum of 5 days without a collar or identification and 10 days for animals that have a collar or identification. Animal Control policy currently holds all dogs for 15 days and cats for 10 days due to space limitations at the current facility. Results of the study recommends a new facility that is approximately 6024 square feet to meet the current and future needs of the county based on the information examined in the report. Using recent shelter construction costs (+/- \$215 - \$240 per sq. ft) as a basis the estimated building costs are between \$1,308,340 and \$1,460,472. Based on bid history of other Virginia shelter projects, Shelter Planners broke the cost down as follows understanding that projects costs vary from project to project:

New Construction (+/- \$215 to \$240 per Square Foot)

Site Work 16%	\$ 209,334	to	\$ 233,676
General Building 84%	\$1,099,005	to	\$1,226,796
Anticipated Totals 100%	\$1,308,340	to	\$1,460,472

The General Building Category contains the following cost estimates:

General Construction 60%	\$ 659,403	to	\$ 736,078
HVAC 24%	\$ 263,761	to	\$ 294,431
Plumbing 9%	\$ 98,910	to	\$ 110,412
Electrical 7%	\$ 76,930	to	\$ 85,876
Building Totals 100%	\$1,099,005	to	\$1,226,796

**Salliport (optional)	(+/- \$125	to	\$150 per Square Foot)
Anticipated Total 100%	\$ 106,250	to	\$ 127,500

The report recommends an approximately 6024 square foot facility to be constructed to meet the current and future needs of the county. The Board should remember that studies do not always accurately reflect the costs of local projects. A building plan based on the needs assessment must be conducted in order to more accurately reflect anticipated building costs. Shelter Planners recommends that in addition to the cost estimates shown that there should be a planned contingency allowance of approximately 10% to account for unforeseen items, usually associated with site work. Construction costs vary and it will be difficult to project cost estimates accurately until a final building plan is approved and a new site is determined. Staff has identified an area on county property between Larc Field and the existing shelter that may be a suitable location for a new facility but additional research still needs to be conducted to determine the feasibility of the site.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff respectfully recommends that the Board of Supervisors authorize a building plan be developed that includes construction estimates to be delivered to the Board of Supervisors at a future meeting to consider the feasibility of constructing a new animal shelter.



NEEDS ASSESSMENT STUDY 2015



Background

- October 2014 Shelter report delivered to Board. Approved Shelter study to be conducted.
- Shelter study completed March 2015.
- Study looked at the following:
 - Census data
 - Animal Shelter records
 - Humane Society records



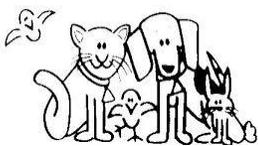
Background

- State regulations require a minimum length of stay (LOS) for all strays brought to the shelter.
- State requirements vary based on whether animal has identification or collar.
 - Dog/Cat w/o I.D./collar: 7 days
 - Dog/Cat with I.D./collar: 12 days

Franklin County currently holds all animals a minimum of 14 days to comply with state regulations if not critically ill or injured.

County average stay (dogs): 12.6 days

County average stay (Cats) 14.5 days



Review

- Current facility constructed in 1973 with the following structures:

– Office building:	18 x 16	288 sq. ft.
– Kennel building:	24 x 42	1008 sq. ft.
– <u>Isolation/Cat bldg:</u>	<u>16 x 24</u>	<u>384 sq. ft.</u>
	Total sq. ft.:	1968 sq. ft.



PLANNING

- **Although shelter staff works well with local and regional rescue agencies, the shelter is constantly overcrowded with animals due to lack of space.**
- **Length of Stay (LOS) is the predominant predictor of shelter size.**
- **Other considerations:**
 - Census data
 - County Shelter intake/adoption data
 - Humane Society intake/adoption data
 - Seasonal Peak Animal Populations



SHELTER PRELIMINARY SIZING

Study recommends three options:

	<u>Dogs/Cats</u>
County shelter with LOS:	15 / 10 days
County shelter LOS:	20 / 25 days
Combined shelter :	20 / 25 days



County Shelter

- Considering the shelter's current animal overcrowding, the recommendation is to construct a shelter based on a 20-day LOS for dogs and 25-day LOS for cats to meet the county needs for 20 years.
- This would require a 6,072 square foot shelter and depicts an estimated cost range between \$1,305,480 and \$1,457,280.
- Shelter would consist of 38 dog kennels and 28 cat cages.
- A percentage of those spaces will have the ability to flex to accommodate more than one dog during times of SEASONAL PEAK ANIMAL POPULATION.

County Shelter options (Based on LOS and Census based projections)

Recommended

Shelter Sizes based on LOS: 15/10					Shelter Sizes based on LOS: 20/25				
Year:	Census Population	Animals	Dogs	Cats	Year:	Census Population	Animals	Dogs	Cats
2015	56452	1103	700	403	2015	56452	1103	700	403
2025	57043	1115	707	407	2025	57043	1115	707	407
2035	57640	1126	715	411	2035	57640	1126	715	411
Anticipated Shelter Statistics					Anticipated Shelter Statistics				
		Spaces Available	Dogs by LOS	Cats by LOS			Spaces Available	Dogs by LOS	Cats by LOS
Physical Animal Spaces		40	29	11*	Physical Animal Spaces		66	38	28
			365	365				365	365
Available LOS (days)			15	10	Available LOS (days)			15	10
Shelter Size:			3972 sq. ft.		Shelter Size:			6072 sq. ft.	
Projected Cost:			\$850,000	\$950,000	Projected Cost:			\$1,305,000	\$1,457,280

Note: Current facility has 18 cat cages available

Combined facility (County Shelter & Humane Society)

If Franklin County should decide to build a joint shelter thus combining the Animal Shelter and the Humane Society to house the unwanted animals currently in our County.

This Project would need 100 canine spots and 77 feline spots.

This sizing equates to a 16,108 square foot shelter and an estimated cost range between \$3,463,220 and \$3,865,920.

Combined facility based on 20/25				
Year:	Census Population	Animals	Dogs	Cats
2015	56452	2950	1823	1120
2025	57043	2981	1842	1132
2035	57640	3012	1861	1144
Anticipated Shelter Statistics				
		Spaces Available	Dogs by LOS	Cats by LOS
Physical Animal Spaces		177	100	77
			365	365
Available LOS (days)			20	25
Shelter Size:			16,108 sq. ft.	
Projected Cost:			\$3,463,220	\$3,865,920



Combined Facility (For comparison)

- Humane Society data is included as the county is responsible for these intakes in the event the agency closes.
- State law mandates all localities to have a plan and facility in place to manage stray dog populations.
- If Franklin County should decide to build a joint shelter thus combining the Animal Shelter and the Humane Society to house the unwanted animals currently in our County.
- This Project would need 100 canine spots and 77 feline spots. ***This sizing equates to a 16,108 square foot shelter and an estimated cost range between \$3,463,220 and \$3,865,920.***



Project Costs: (Estimates)

New Construction (6,024 sq. ft.)		\$215		\$240
Site Work 16%	Cost per square ft.	\$209,334		\$233,676
General Building * 84%	estimated range	\$1,099,005		\$1,226,796
Anticipated Totals 100%	\$215 - \$240			
	Total Cost:	\$1,308,340		\$1,460,472
*General Building Category				
(contains the following cost estimates:)				
		\$215		\$240
General Construction 60%		\$659,403		\$736,078
HVAC 24%		\$263,761		\$294,431
Plumbing 9%		\$98,910		\$110,412
Electrical 7%		\$76,930		\$85,876
Building Totals 100%	With Salliport option:	\$1,308,357		\$1,587,972
**Salliport (optional)				
	Cost per square ft.	\$125		\$150
Anticipated Total 100%	estimated range			
	\$125 - \$150	\$106,250		\$127,500



Conclusion

After analyzing data for the existing Franklin County shelter as well as US Census and Pet Ownership statistics provided by the AMVA, it is recommended that Franklin County Animal Shelter build a new shelter to a size based on this study

Our projections into the future clearly show that if Franklin County can build a shelter that accommodates the current population of unwanted animals and can provide its staff with sufficient space and updated presentation of adoptable animals - the community's sheltering needs will be met for 20 years and beyond.

Recommendation



- Next steps:
 - Site selection
 - Shelter design
 - Determine actual costs based on location.
- Staff respectfully recommends the Board approve hiring an architect to design and determine actual cost to construct a new animal shelter.

General Discussion ensued.
(RESOLUTION #02-04-2015)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to authorize staff to explore possible sites for a new animal shelter and report back to the Board as to the feasibility of such sites.

MOTION BY: Charles Wagner

SECONDED BY: Bob Camicia

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

FERRUM PEDESTRAIN BRIDGE ENGINEERING CONTRACT

Mike Burnette, Economic Development Director, stated over the past fifteen years, Franklin County has worked to obtain funding from various sources to execute a number of improvement projects in the Ferrum community. Over the past two years, the highest priority among these projects has become the construction of a pedestrian bridge on Route 40 over the Norfolk-Southern railway. This project has been identified by Staff and Ferrum College as crucial for pedestrian safety, especially for students making their way into downtown Ferrum to shop and eat. Additionally, the community has vocally supported the need for such a bridge as a safety measure for area residents and for the thousands of visitors that come to the village during the year for events such as the Blue Ridge Folklife Festival. The bridge project is estimated to cost \$1.0 to \$1.4 million, though better estimates are needed. One of the work products that would come out of the proposed engineering contract is a firm estimation of the final construction cost of the project. While the County has already received \$709,000 in VDOT Revenue Sharing grant dollars, this funding source requires a 1:1 cash match for each dollar spent. County officials are currently working to identify and secure other grant funds that require a smaller match to make the project a reality.

In mid-2014, Franklin County was successful in obtaining a Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Revenue Sharing grant in the amount of \$709,000 for proposed pedestrian safety improvements along Route 40 in Ferrum. Unfortunately, applications for additional funding for the project through the VDOT Transportation Enhancement Program (also known as MAP-21) and the Department of Housing and Community Development were not successful. As part of the VDOT Revenue Sharing guidelines, the project must be initiated and at least part of the funding spent by July 1, 2015 or the County is at risk of losing the grant.

Should the County wish to move the project forward, an engineer needs to be procured to create the design of the project, to obtain necessary rights-of-way, and get all appropriate project permits to cross the Norfolk Southern railway. Once these items are in hand, the County will be in a position to apply for various types of funding that could reduce the amount needed in local dollars. Basic information, such as whether this walkway could be an expansion of the existing bridge or must be a stand-alone structure, is still unknown and can only be determined through the proposed engineering contract.

The great need for this project is two-fold: public safety and economic development. As to public safety, the constant pedestrian use of the existing bridge mixed with the ever-growing vehicular traffic volume has the potential to be a lethal combination. While researching the unsuccessful CDBG application last year, it was found that accident data over the past nine and one-half years from the Franklin County Sheriff's Office indicates an average of one accident with injury and two accidents without injury per year on the bridge. Many, if not most, of Ferrum's approximately 1,500 students and many life-long Ferrum residents walk to the Ferrum Business District over the existing bridge at all times of the day and night with very little space and no barrier between themselves and oncoming traffic. Additionally, thousands of area residents and visitors make this same unsafe trek when coming to visit the College or for the many festivals that occur each year (especially the Blue Ridge Folklife Festival that draws over 10,000 attendees annually).

As for the economic development aspect of the project, it is a basic concept that the more safely the walking public can enter the Ferrum Business District the more trips they will make and the more money they will spend with local merchants. Going a step further it should be expected that safety and access to services are significant factors that are weighed when a prospective student evaluates attending Ferrum College. The safer and easier it is to get around the community, the better the College's chances to continue its already impressive rise in the size of the student body. As more and more students attend College here, they will bring ever increasing amounts of dollars with them that will be spent at Ferrum businesses and businesses throughout the County. Students at Ferrum come from twenty-five (25) different states and a dozen countries and bring with them untold numbers of visiting family members and friends. This obviously represents a huge market for new and existing businesses to tap. The College has spent approximately \$50 million in the last decade for upgrades to campus buildings, construction of additional dormitories, creation of the Ferrum Mercantile, expansions to house the YMCA, and many other improvements to the campus and its vicinity that are enjoyed by both students and residents alike. In addition to these many improvements, the College has added approximately one

hundred (100) new high-skilled, high-paying jobs on and around campus over this time. It now stands as one of the top five employers in Franklin County with over three hundred employees (300) and a total annual payroll of \$17 million. The total economic impact to Franklin County and the region is estimated at \$93 million annually. In so many ways, Ferrum College and its surrounding Business District are ever-growing economic drivers for the Franklin County economy and with the right assistance and investment, such as with the proposed pedestrian bridge, can become an even more potent economic engine.

Staff currently estimates the cost of the proposed engineering project to be approximately \$80,000 in total. Of this amount, 50% would come from the VDOT Revenue Sharing grant leaving \$40,000 or so to be funded locally. Ferrum College has pledged to pay for one-half of this cost. This leaves a remaining balance of approximately \$20,000 to be covered by Franklin County. These numbers are an approximation and will be finalized once an engineering firm has been selected and a contract price negotiated. If given authority to move forward by the Board, Staff will advertise for proposals from engineers to do the work and expects to have a contract in place by June 30, 2015. The decision not to move forward with the engineering contract will, in all likelihood, result in the deallocation and loss of the \$709,000 Revenue Sharing grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board approve approximately \$20,000 in local funds to be matched with Ferrum College and VDOT monies for engineering of the Ferrum Pedestrian Bridge project. This funding is available in the Board’s contingency budget. In addition, it is requested that the Board authorize Staff to advertise, per federal guidelines, for engineering services for this project.

(RESOLUTION #03-04-2015)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to authorize staff's request in the appropriation of \$20,000 (Board's Contingency Fund) matched with Ferrum College and VDOT Revenue Sharing monies for engineering of the Ferrum Pedestrian Bridge project, AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to authorize staff to advertise, per federal guidelines, for engineering services for this project.

MOTION BY: Bobby Thompson

SECONDED BY: Ronnie Thompson

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA AUTHENTIC, DISTINCTIVE, ALIVE

Ms. Becky Nave, Southwest Virginia Marketing Director, presented the following PowerPoint Presentation for the Board's review and consideration:





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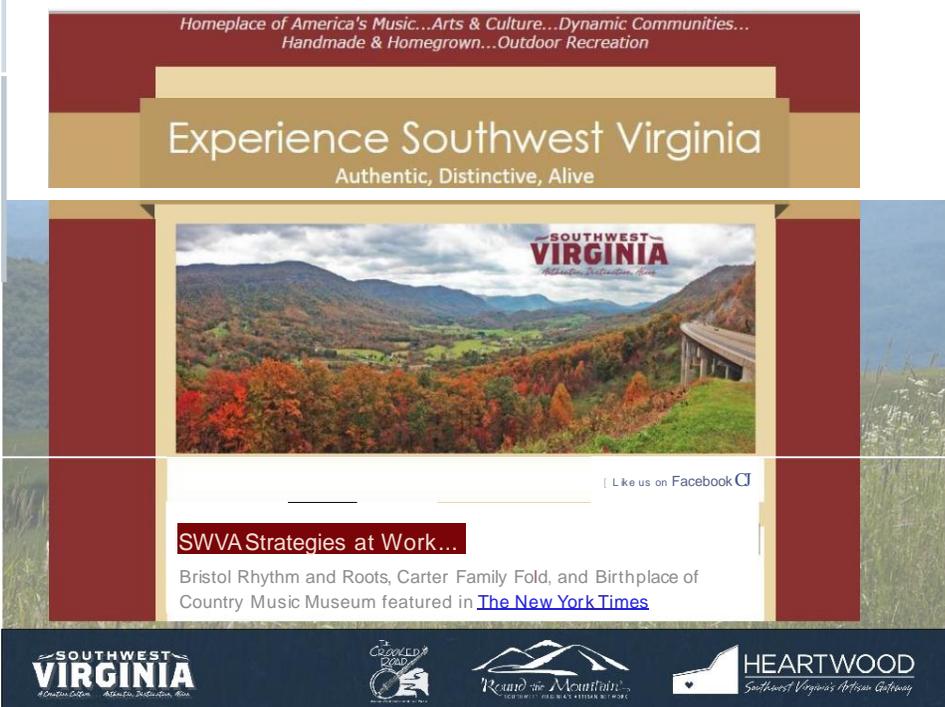
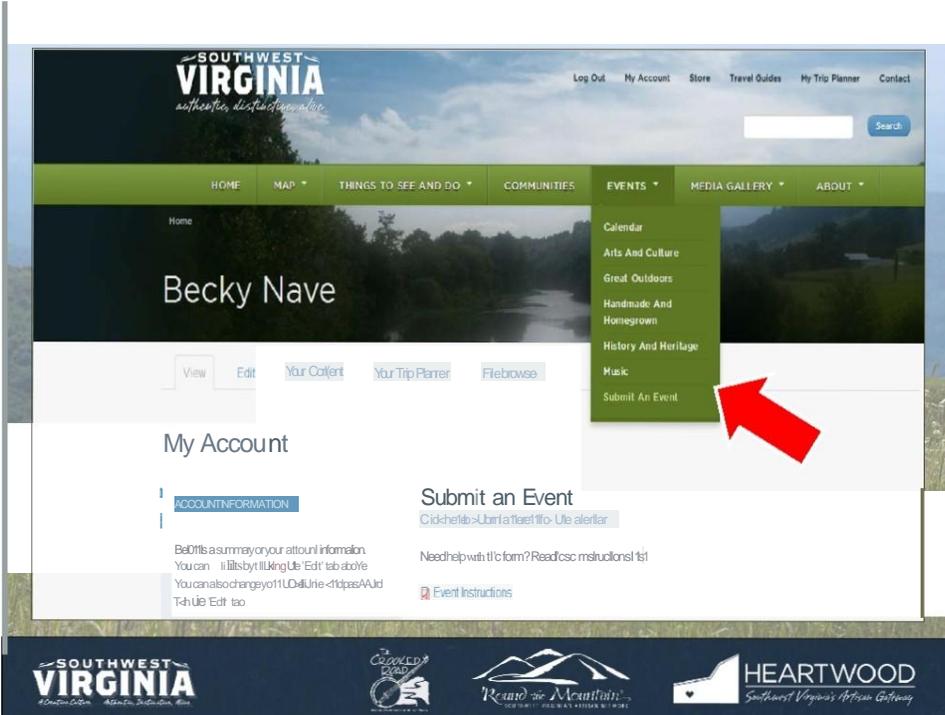
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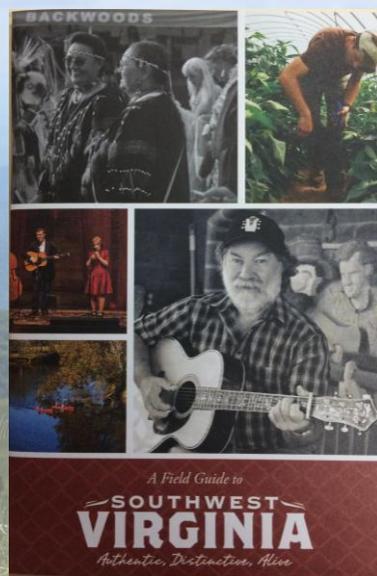
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This business highlight series is provided by Appalachian Spring, a community and economic development initiative that focuses on outdoor recreation and natural assets of Southwest Virginia. Overall, the initiative works in partnership with its sister organizations, Round the Mountain and The Crooked Road, to further enhance the region's quality of life by exploring various development strategies around natural and cultural heritage tourism. For more info, visit www.myswva.org or email nproctor@myswva.org

The Appalachian Spring staff is proud to announce the launch of its new "Southwest Virginia Home Grown" campaign on October 14, 2014. The campaign focuses on bringing fresh energy to the region's creative economy developments by highlighting Southwest Virginia, regional businesses that cater to the outdoor recreation enthusiast.

During its early launch period, Appalachian Spring will release two business highlights per month through various digital media platforms. Current successes are found through the Appalachian Spring and Southwest Virginia Facebook and Twitter accounts. Samples of the "Southwest Virginia Home Grown" campaign can be found here: <http://myswva.com/mg8qsvu>.

The campaign is a marketing and entrepreneurial tool. It assists the Southwest Virginia Cultural Heritage Foundation and its efforts to brand and market Southwest Virginia as a world-class destination for the arts, traditional music, and outdoor recreation. The Home Grown campaign raises awareness of Southwest Virginia businesses, exposing them to a larger audience. While the campaign is already demonstrating success (1,000+ views per post), the team looks forward to expanding and further developing the exciting "Southwest Virginia Home Grown" campaign.



Save the date!

- Southwest Virginia Craft Beer Summit- May 15th
- Southwest Virginia Wine Festival – June 13th
- Southwest Virginia Outdoor Expo – September 12th



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Becky Nave
 Public Relations & Marketing Director
becky.nave@dhcd.virginia.gov



Jack Morgan, Data Collection and Analysis, shared with the Board the following PowerPoint:

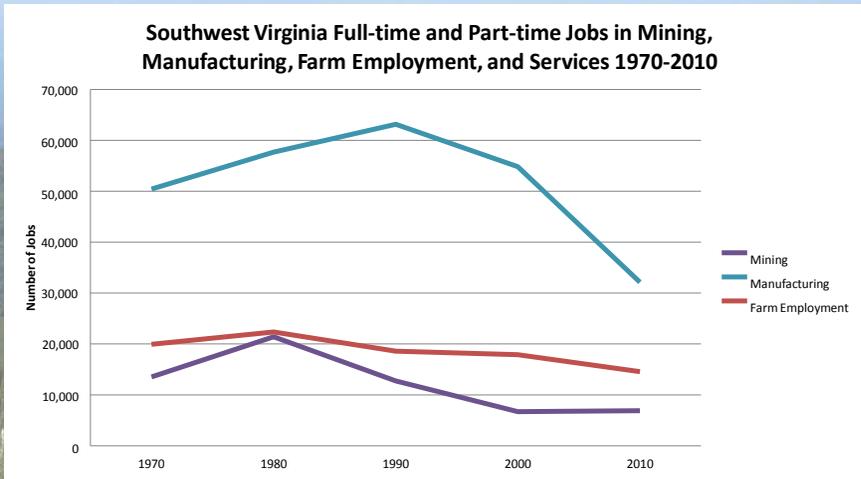
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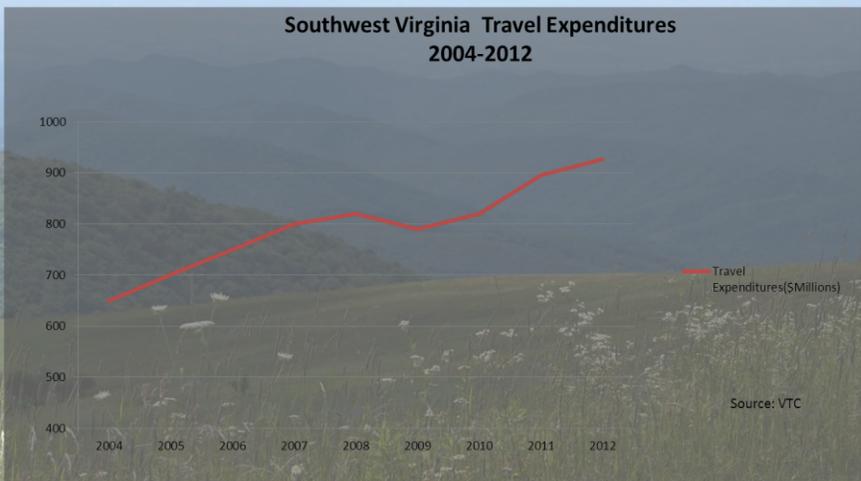
ECONOMIC TRENDS IN SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA



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Virginia Tourism Corporation



SWVA Travel Data

- 2004-2012
- 43% Increase in Travel Expenditures
- 28% Increase in Local Tax Revenue from Travel
 - \$22.54 Million in Local Tax Revenue from Travel
 - \$243.37 = Average Household Tax Relief from Travel



Travel Expenditure Increases

- Galax 71.3%
- Floyd, Russell, Pulaski, Lee, Montgomery, Tazewell, Norton, Bristol, Wise, Dickenson= All over 47% increases



Franklin County

- \$96.6% Million in Travel Expenditures in 2013
 - 32% Increase from 2004
 - 11% Increase from 2010
- \$2.3 Million in Local Tax Revenue from Travel in 2013
 - 21% increase from 2004



Meals and Lodging Tax Revenue



Quality of Life → Talent

- QOL attracts visitors, but also attracts and retains residents.
- Brain Drain & Attraction and Retention of Young/Gen Y
- **30%** increase in SWVA residents w/ Bachelor's Degree or Higher, 2000-2012
- **17.5%** increase in 25-34 age bracket with a Bachelor's Degree region wide, 2000-2012

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Quality of Life → Talent

- **Change in Number of Residents w Bachelors Degree or Higher**
- **Floyd County**
 - 62% increase
- **Dickenson County**
 - 51% increase
- **Washington County**
 - 49% increase
- **Galax**
 - 48% increase
- **Franklin County**
 - 46% increase

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Quality of Life → Talent

- **Change in 25-34 with Bach. Degree or Higher:**
- **Galax**
 - 339% increase
- **Floyd Co:**
 - 129% increase
- **Dickenson Co:**
 - 97% increase
- **Washington Co:**
 - 48% increase

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Quality of Life → Business Growth

- “Double Quality of Life Businesses”
 - Wineries: Abingdon, Mt Vale, West Wind Farm, Stanburn, Attimo.
 - B&B’s, Restaurants, Specialty Shops
- “Anywhere Businesses”
 - Backcountry.com, Inorganic Ventures, Rackspace, Nanosonic
 - Coburn Creative, Crenshaw Lighting

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- “I got off the plane and it just felt like Backcountry. The area’s outdoor culture aligned nicely with the company’s culture.” —Jeff Carter, Vice President for Fulfillment
- “It was important to Backcountry.com to be centrally located to serve our customers, but we wanted an environment that supported our brand focusing on outdoors and adventure.” —Jill Layfield, CEO

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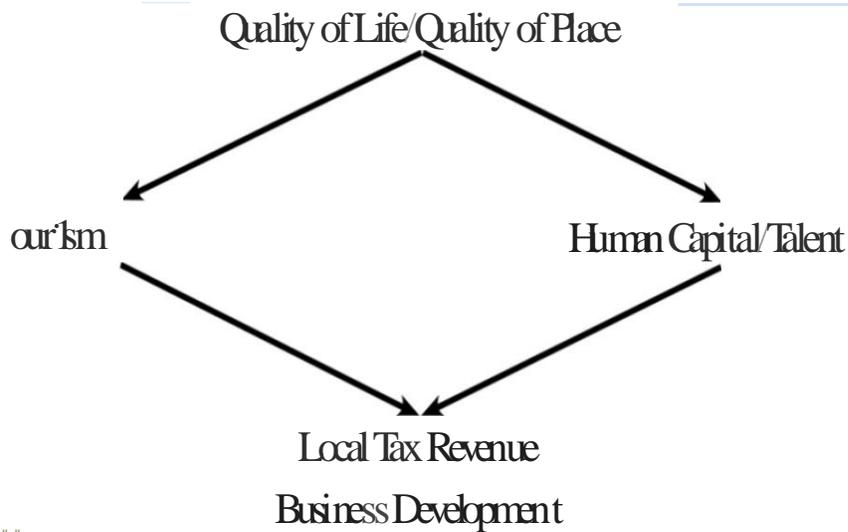
NanoSonic

- “They like the area. They like the New River; they know what an inner-tube is. They know where the Appalachian Trail is. They enjoy it, and they’re more likely to stay here...You don’t need to be at MIT, and you don’t need to be at Stanford. You can do it right here in Giles County!” — Richard Claus, President & Co-Founder.

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Outdoor Recreation

- Outdoor Recreation Industry
- \$646 Billion spent on outdoor rec
 - More than pharmaceuticals, motor vehicles/parts
 - More on bicycling gear and trips than airline tickets
- Outdoor recreation economy grew 5% annually, 2005-2011
- VA: \$13.6 Billion spent, 138k jobs, \$923 Million in state and local tax revenue

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Outdoor Recreation

- USDA ERS Research
 - Outdoor Amenities/Rec part of ‘Rural Growth Trifecta’
 - Recreation counties growing faster than any other rural counties
 - Significant correlation between recreation counties and employment and income growth

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Outdoor Recreation

- SWVA State Parks
- ↓
- **2.5 Million** visits in 2014
- ↓
- **\$56.7 Million** economic impact in 2014

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Outdoor Recreation

- Fairy Stone State Park
- ↓
- **87,446** visits in 2014
- ↓
- **\$3.3 Million** economic impact in 2014

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General discussion ensued. The Board felt they needed to look at all of the opportunities available for Franklin County and the Crooked Road. Ronnie Thompson stated he felt there was plenty of joy to spread around and it was not fair to separate one from the other (Southwest/Roanoke).

CLOSED MEETING
(RESOLUTION #04-04-2015)

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, a-5, Discussion of a Prospective New Business or Industry, or of Expansion or Retention of an Existing One and a-7, Consult with Legal Counsel, of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

MOTION BY: Charles Wagner

SECONDED BY: Ronnie Thompson

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

MOTION: Ronnie Thompson

RESOLUTION: #05-04-2015

SECOND: Leland Mitchell

MEETING DATE April 21, 2015

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, Wagner, Reynolds Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT DURING VOTE: NONE

ABSENT DURING MEETING: NONE

Chairman Brubaker called the meeting to order.

APPOINTMENTS:

THE FOLLOWING TERMS ARE UP FOR RE-APPOINTMENT

BY JUNE 30, 2015

(NOTIFICATION IS GIVEN ACCORDING TO THE BOARD'S POLICY/60 DAYS PRIOR TO EXPIRATION)

DAN RIVER ASAP	Tom Webster	Post Office Box 81 Boones Mill, VA 24065		3-Year	6/30/2015
LIBRARY BOARD	Jim Morrison	117 Clipper Drive Moneta, VA 24121	Gills Creek	4-Year	6/30/2015
LIBRARY BOARD	Bethany Worley	2821 Beech Mountain Road Ferrum, Virginia 24088	Blue Ridge	4-Year	6/30/2015
PATRICK HENRY COMM COLLEGE	Sam Cook	181 Chestnut Grove Road Callaway, Va 24067		4-Year	6/30/2015
PIEDMONT COMM. SERVICES BOARD	Justin Sigmon	500 Lighthouse Road Henry, VA 24102	Rep.	3-Year	6/30/2015
PIEDMONT COMM. SERVICES BOARD	Peggy Woody	500 Orchard Street Rocky Mount, VA 24151	Rep.	3-Year	6/30/2015
PIEDMONT COMM. SERVICES BOARD	Tillie Thompson	2140 Rakes Road Rocky Mount, VA 24151	Rep.	3-Year	6/30/2015
PIEDMONT COMM. SERVICES BOARD	Charles Wagner	330 Riverview Street Rocky Mount, VA 24151	Rep.	3-Year	6/30/2015
RECREATION COMMISSION	Frank Chrzanowski	13400 Booker T. Washington Hg Moneta, VA 24121	Boone	3-Year	6/30/2015
RECREATION COMMISSION	Brenda Perdue Un-Exp. Term of Greg Davis	1092 Big Oak Lane Wirtz, VA 24154	Union Hall	3-Year	6/30/2015
RECREATION COMMISSION	George Martin	3768 Snow Creek Road Martinsville, VA 24112	Snow Creek	3-Year	6/30/2015
STEP, INC.	Joey Cornwell	Post Office Box 411 Ferrum, VA 24088		3-Year	6/30/2015

(RESOLUTION #06-04-2015)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to re-appoint Bethany Worley to serve as the Blue Ridge District Representative on the Library Board with said term to expire June 30, 2019.

MOTION BY: Bobby Thompson

SECONDED BY: Leland Mitchell

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

PAGE MATHERLY RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
IN MEMORIAM

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Mr. Page Alfred Matherly, served on the Franklin County Board of Supervisors from January 1, 1992 until December 31, 2005, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Matherly provided **14 years** of public service as the Snow Creek District Representative on the Franklin County Board of Supervisors, and

WHEREAS, did faithfully and steadfastly serve the interests of the citizens and his County, and

WHEREAS, Page was a lifetime member of Forrest Hill Christian Church, retired from DuPont after 31 years of service and was also a tobacco farmer most of his life, and

WHEREAS, God in his infinite wisdom chose to call Page home to be with him on Thursday, March 12, 2015, and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes Mr. Page Alfred Matherly untiring service to the citizens of this great County, and

BE IT LASTLY RESOLVED, to express the Board's appreciation to Mr. Matherly's family along with the County's recognition of their support for Mr. Matherly's many community efforts, the betterment of Franklin County for all its citizens, and do hereby extend their most sincere appreciation for all he has done to make Franklin County a better place to live.

PUBLIC HEARING/PURCHASE OF COUNTY PROPERTY/STIK-PAK SOLUTIONS, INC.

**COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, VIRGINIA
ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING
TO CONSIDER GRANTING OF OPTION TO PURCHASE COUNTY PROPERTY**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 15.2-1800 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, notice is hereby given to all interested parties that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Franklin, Virginia will conduct a public hearing on a proposed option to purchase property located at 244 Corporate Drive, Rocky Mount, Virginia with said property identified as a portion of Franklin County Tax Map # 0820013811; which tract contains approximately 30.541 acres of the 53.502 acre tract recorded in the Franklin County Circuit Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 814, at Page 1494. The graded building pad located thereon contains a total of approximately 9.5 acres. The County of Franklin is interested in granting an option to purchase right through September 1, 2015 for the above-mentioned tract to Stik-Pak Solutions, Inc.

Mike Burnette, Executive Director, presented the option to purchase county property, as advertised.

Public Hearing was opened.

No speakers.

Public Hearing was closed.

(RESOLUTION #07-04-2015)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to approve the option to purchase County Property to Stik-Pak Solutions, Inc., as advertised.

MOTION BY: Bobby Thompson

SECONDED BY: Charles Wagner

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING/PROPERTY EXCHANGE -SHIVELY

(RESOLUTION #08 -04-2015)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to authorize staff to advertise for public hearing the proposed exchange of a portion of County Property known as Franklin County Tax Map #0800011400 and a portion of property owned by Darryl & Lisa Shively and identified as Franklin County Tax Map #0800011201.

MOTION BY: Bobby Thompson

SECONDED BY: Charles Wagner

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENT OF \$17,515.57 FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

(RESOLUTION #09-04-2015)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to authorize payment of **\$17,515.57** to the General Receiver of the Franklin County Circuit Court with regard to **Case #09-3573** Board of Supervisors vs. Florence Olive Sink Hodges, et als. regarding reimbursement on delinquent taxes paid.

MOTION BY: Ronnie Thompson

SECONDED BY: Leland Mitchell

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

SOLICITATION FOR COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES

(RESOLUTION #10-04-2015)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to authorize staff to advertise for the solicitation for an "RFP" for the collection of delinquent taxes.

MOTION BY: Bob Camicia

SECONDED BY: Charles Wagner

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

CLOSED MEETING

(RESOLUTION #11-04-2015)

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, a-5, Discussion of a Prospective New Business or Industry, or of Expansion or Retention of an Existing One and a-7, Consult with Legal Counsel, of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

MOTION BY: Charles Wagner

SECONDED BY: Ronnie Thompson

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

MOTION: Ronnie Thompson

RESOLUTION: #12-04-2015

SECOND: Leland Mitchell

MEETING DATE April 21, 2015

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;

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VOTE:

AYES: Mitchell, Thompson, Wagner, Reynolds Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT DURING VOTE: NONE

ABSENT DURING MEETING: NONE

Chairman Brubaker recessed the meeting for the previously advertise public hearing as follows:

PETITION FOR SPECIAL USE – Petition of **Linda A. Glover, Petitioner/Owner** requesting a Special Use Permit for "Home Occupation, Class A" on a +/- 0.5904 acre parcel of land, located at 277 Bull Run Drive in the Union Hall District of Franklin County, and further identified by Franklin County Real Estate records as Tax Map/Parcel # 0510403106. (Case # SPEC-1-15-13791)

Planning staff presented the staff report as follows:

REQUEST:

Petition of **Linda A. Glover, Petitioner/Owner** requesting a Special Use Permit for "Home Occupation, Class A" on a +/- 0.5904 acre parcel of land, located at 277 Bull Run Drive in the Union Hall District of Franklin County, and further identified by Franklin County Real Estate records as Tax Map/Parcel # 0510403106. The subject property is zoned R-1, Residential Suburban Subdivision District, which allows a maximum residential density of 1.25 dwelling units per acre without public water or sewer; 2.9 dwelling units per acre with either public water or sewer; and 5.8 dwelling units per acre with both public water and sewer. The Future Land Use Map of the Franklin County Comprehensive Plan identifies this area as appropriate for Low Density Residential uses, with an anticipated residential density of one to two dwelling units per acre. The subject property has a density of approximately 1.69 dwelling units per acre; this Petition for Special Use Permit would not result in any additional dwelling units, nor any increase of residential density for this property.

BACKGROUND:

The petitioner requests a Special Use Permit for the purpose of allowing “Home occupations, Class A,” in order to provide services to individual clients as an esthetician in her home. According to the Random House Unabridged Dictionary, an esthetician is “a person with special training in administering facials, aromatherapy, hair and skin care, makeup, etc.” and is synonymous with “skin care specialist,” or “beauty therapist.” Ms. Glover stated in her pre-application review meeting that she provides these sorts of services at other locations and would like to provide the alternative of her home should it be more convenient for an individual client.

The subject property consists of approximately .5904 acres, located at 277 Bull Run Drive [SR 1120], a public road serving residential lots in the Bull Run Acres subdivision at Smith Mountain Lake. The subject property is developed with one (1) site-built single-family home. All of the parcels within this subdivision are zoned R-1, Residential Suburban Subdivision District. The parcels vary in size and amount of frontage, with some being occupied by homes and others vacant and wooded. There appears to be ample spacing between homes with more than double the minimum setback requirements between property lines and existing structures.



The applicant desires to use a portion of her home for the operation of her skin-care business. According to the applicant, the business will not have any employees other than herself. The business will not involve any commercial traffic to the site, other than occasional parcel delivery and pickup. She states in her letter of application that the home has a generous area for off-street parking, and that she plans “to book appointments so that there will be no additional stress or inconvenience on the traffic pattern” of the street. She included with her application packet a copy of a letter she sent to her neighbors prior to applying for the Special Use permit, as well as a diagram of the interior floor area of her home and photographs of the dwelling, showing where the business is to be operated.

The use, as requested by the applicant, is considered a "Class A Home Occupation" under the provisions of Sec. 25-40 of the Franklin County Zoning Ordinance. The use requires a Special Use Permit for properties within the R-1 zoning district.



SITE STATISTICS:

Location: Bull Run Acres subdivision Lot 7 Sec 2. Off of Waters Edge Drive and approx. 2.5 miles north of the intersection of Old Franklin Tpke [SR 40] and Old Mountain Rd [SR 645] in Penhook, Union Hall District.

Size: +/- .5904 acre

Site access: Secondary public road

Existing Land Use: Residential

Adjoining Zoning: R-1

Adjoining Land Uses: Residential, Vacant

Adj. Future Land Uses: Low Density Residential

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

The 2025 Comprehensive Plan for Franklin County identifies this area as appropriate for Low Density Residential uses. The Comprehensive Plan states the following related to Low Density Residential areas:

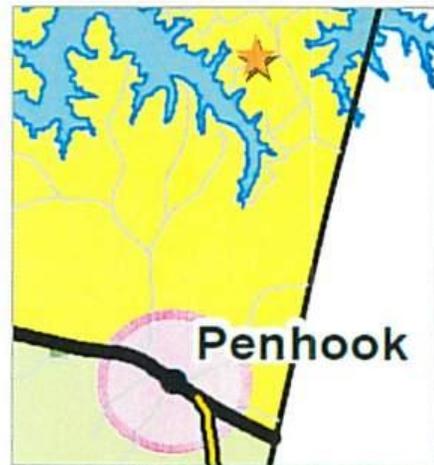
Low Density Residential Areas are intended to allow gross densities of one to two dwellings units per acre and minimum lot sizes of 20,000 - 30,000 square feet in general proximity to residential support services such as schools, playgrounds, and churches. These areas should either be located in or near existing Towns, Villages, or Rural Neighborhood Centers. It is envisioned that public water and/or

sewer will someday serve these areas, meeting all local and state standards and requirements. They should be served by new public roads built by the developer to State standards and dedicated to the State. Recreational facilities and other amenities should be provided.

While low density residential areas are typically comprised of traditional neighborhood developments they may also include manufactured housing, free standing townhomes, patio homes and other similar building types.

Policies for Low Density Residential

1. All roads should be built to state standards and offered by the developer for inclusion in the state system for maintenance.
2. Lots in new subdivisions abutting County arterial or major collector roads should be provided access onto service or interior roads so as to prevent the stacking of driveways.
3. On site centralized treatment plants to provide public sewer for each subdivision should be encouraged.
4. The density of all new subdivisions to be served by wells and/or septic systems should be determined by the long term carrying capacity of the land. All new lots should have adequate reserve areas in the event of septic system failures.
5. Centralized water systems should be required to provide water to all new subdivisions.
6. All new subdivisions located in prime farmland areas should include adequate buffers to separate residential uses from agricultural operations.
7. Encourage interconnection of residential and commercial developments in order to lessen the traffic loads on arterial roads and provide pedestrian and bicycle linkages.
8. Streets within subdivisions shall be designed to provide interconnections to adjacent vacant land for future subdivision access and circulation.



The Long-Range Planner had these comments for the application: *This property is designated in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan as Low Density Residential according to the Future Land Use Map. The home occupation meets the intent of the low density residential set forth in the Comprehensive Plan and would not be detrimental to the traditional neighborhood setting of the area.*

ZONING ORDINANCE:

Pursuant to Sec 25-223 of the Franklin County Zoning Ordinance, a Special Use Permit is required for approval of the use of "Home occupations, Class A," in the R-1 Zoning District.

The Zoning Ordinance offers the following definitions for "home occupations:"

Home occupations. An occupation conducted in a dwelling unit for profit. The county uses two (2) categorizations of home occupations: Class A and Class B, with Class B being less restrictive.

The following general regulations apply:

- (a) The use of the dwelling unit for the home occupation shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to its use for residential purposes by the family.
- (b) There shall be no change in the outside appearance of the building or premises, or other visible evidence of the conduct of such home occupation other than one (1) sign, not exceeding the sign regulations of this chapter.
- (c) No traffic shall be generated by such home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in the immediate neighborhood and any need for parking generated by the conduct of such home occupation shall be met off the street and other than in a required front yard.
- (d) No equipment or process shall be used in such home occupation which creates noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors or electrical interference detectable to the normal senses off the lot, if the occupation is conducted in a single-family residence, or outside the dwelling unit if conducted in other than a single-family residence. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers off the premises. Boardinghouses and roominghouses, tourist homes and private educational institutions shall not be deemed home occupations.

Home occupation, Class A. An occupation conducted in a dwelling unit for profit in connection with which no person other than members of the family residing on the premises is engaged in such occupation.

Home occupation, Class B. An occupation conducted in a dwelling unit for profit, with or without the use of one (1) or more accessory structures, in connection with which there are employed not more than three (3) persons other than members of the family residing on the premises, which persons may be in addition to such family members.

Special Use Permits are governed by the procedures and requirements set forth in Sec. 25-110, 25-111, and Sec 25-638 – 25-645 of the Franklin County Zoning Ordinance.

Sec. 25-638 of the Zoning Ordinance sets forth the County's authority to issue special use permits for certain uses. The ordinance states that, in order to issue a special use permit, the Board of Supervisors must find that *"such use will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent property, that the character of the zoning district will not be changed thereby, and that such use will be in harmony with the purpose and intent of this chapter, with the uses permitted by-right in the zoning district, with additional regulations provided in*

sections 25-111 through 25-137, supplemental regulations, and amendments, of this chapter, and with the public health, safety, and general welfare.”

Sec. 25-640 of the Zoning Ordinance sets forth the County’s authority to impose conditions for the issuance of special use permits. The ordinance states that the Board of Supervisors “*may impose upon any such permit such conditions relating to the use for which such permit is granted as it may deem necessary in the public interest...*” Conditions associated with a special use permit must be related to the particular land use which required the permit, and must be related to some impact generated by or associated with such land use.

Sec. 25-641 of the Zoning Ordinance states that a special use permit shall expire eighteen (18) months from the date of issuance if “*no commencement of use, structure or activity has taken place.*” The ordinance states that “commencement” shall consist of “*extensive obligations or substantial expenditures in relation to the project,*” including engineering, architectural design, land clearing, and/or construction.

ANALYSIS:

Staff believes that the request for Special Use Permit for "Home occupations, Class A" is generally consistent with the goals and objectives of the 2025 Comprehensive Plan, and with the regulatory provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.

The subject property is currently developed with a residential density of approximately 1.69 dwelling units per acre, which is in accordance with the Comprehensive Plan's



anticipated density of one to two dwelling units per acre. This request for Special Use Permit would not result in any increase in residential density.

Staff believes that the subject property is of sufficient size, with adequate spacing between neighboring homes, so as to minimize any potential impacts of a Class A home occupation on surrounding properties. By definition, a Class A home occupation cannot have employees outside of immediate family members who reside on site. The applicant states, and the nature of

the proposed activity supports, that there will be no commercial traffic to the site, other

than occasional parcel delivery and pickup. Staff notes that Sec. 25-40 requires that "no traffic shall be generated by such home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in the immediate neighborhood." Staff believes that daily parcel delivery and pickup - such as FedEx, UPS, or US Postal Service - is consistent with "normal" expectations for residential uses; such vehicle trips are anticipated by VDOT in calculating average daily trip expectations for typical residential uses.

The scheduled public hearing for this Special Use Permit request has been duly advertised and posted, with notices mailed to adjoining property owners. As of this writing, staff has heard from only one property owner in the vicinity who was not supportive of the request. The neighboring property owner had concerns about traffic and local impacts with anticipated number of clients. However, the applicant has stated that her clientele is limited, and that she also sees a number of her customers at locations other than at her home. Therefore it appears to be reasonable to consider that the traffic and local impacts to the neighborhood could be said to be minimized.

From a code administration and enforceability standpoint, it would be difficult to determine whether visitors to the property are there because of the home occupation, or are the applicant's family and personal visitors. Nonetheless, the Planning Commission recommends that the Special Use Permit, if approved, be conditioned in a manner that would limit the permitted home occupation to the requested use of "esthetician," and to limit the number of client vehicles at the residence at any given time.



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SITE DETAILS

Property Identified as:
TM # 51.4-31.6 - Lot 7, Sec 2,
Bull Run Acres

Location
277 Bull Run Dr. [SR 1120] off of
Waters Edge Dr and Regatta Dr,
Penhook

Future Land Use:
Low Density Residential

Zoned:
R-1, Residential Suburban
Subdivision District

Size: .5904 acres

District: Union Hall

Applicant/Owner:
Linda A. Glover

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FUTURE LAND USE PLAN

Penhook

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SURROUNDING ZONING

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EXISTING CONDITIONS

LOWER LEVEL
277 BULL RUN DR

COVERED AREA

UNFINISHED

WORKSHOP

257

30'4"

18'3"

WORKSHOP DIMENSIONS BY SPACE REQUIREMENTS OF HOME DEPOT

THE DIMENSIONS OF ANY OTHER STRUCTURE OR EQUIPMENT ARE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CLIENT AND THE ARCHITECT.

- Sidewalk to front entrance shaded by mature trees
- Parking beside home
- Planned improvements include additional walkway and steps to rear of home at ground level
- Lower level entrance to location of client reception and service area
- Restroom available on ground floor

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Public Hearing was opened.

Linda Glover, Petitioner, presented her special use permit.

Steve Ruff of 764 Bull Run Trail urged the Board to deny the request, stating the area was residential and he did not feel the subdivision was a good fit for a business.

Ms. Glover, stated she had a letter of support from neighbor Perry Hambrick and had spoke with Charles Adams, a neighbor noting he was in support of the special use permit.

Public Hearing was closed.

(RESOLUTION #13-04-2015)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to approve the special use permit with the conditions as discussed for uses as provided in this chapter finding by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors that such use will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent property, that the character of the projected future land use of the community will not be adversely impacted, that such use will be in harmony with the purpose and intent of the zoning ordinance and with the public health, safety and general welfare and in accord with the requirements of Section 25-638 of the Franklin County Code and Section 15.2-2283, Purpose of zoning ordinances of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended. Further the proposal encourages economic development activities that provide desirable employment and enlarges the tax base. Approval with the following conditions:

Approved Conditions:

MOTION BY: Charles Wagner

SECONDED BY: Leland Mitchell

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Mitchell, Bobby Thompson, Wagner

NAYS: Reynolds, Ronnie Thompson, Camicia & Brubaker

THE MOTION FAILS WITH A 3-4 VOTE.

(RESOLUTION #14-04-2015)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to deny the special use permit with the conditions as discussed for uses as provided in this chapter finding by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors that such use will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent property, that the character of the projected future land use of the community will not be adversely impacted, that such use will be in harmony with the purpose and intent of the zoning ordinance and with the public health, safety and general welfare and in accord with the requirements of Section 25-638 of the Franklin County Code and Section 15.2-2283, Purpose of zoning ordinances of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended. Further the proposal encourages economic development activities that provide desirable employment and enlarges the tax base.

MOTION BY: Bob Camicia

SECONDED BY: C. B. Reynolds

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Reynolds, Ronnie Thompson, Camicia & Brubaker

NAYS: Mitchell, Bobby Thompson, Wagner

THE MOTION PASSED WITH A 4-3 VOTE.

Chairman Brubaker recessed the meeting to the East Franklin Middle School Auditorium for Advertised Public Hearings for the Proposed FY'2015-2016 County/School Budget.

Chairman Brubaker called the meeting to order.

Chairman Brubaker recessed the meeting for the previously advertised public hearings, as follows:

PUBLIC NOTICE
FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA
A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FY' 2015-2016 BUDGET

In Accordance with Sections 15.2-2503 and 15.2-2506 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, on ***Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at approximately 7:00 P.M.*** or soon thereafter, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors will conduct a hearing on the proposed FY' 2015-2016 County budget at the Benjamin Franklin Middle School East Auditorium in Rocky Mount, Virginia.

On **Tuesday, April 28, 2015, at approximately 6:00 P. M.**, the Board will meet in the Franklin County Board of Supervisors Meeting Room in the Franklin County Government Center, Suite 104, Rocky Mount, Virginia to consider the adoption of the FY' 2015-2016 budget and to set the appropriate tax levies for local taxation. The following synopsis of the budget is provided for fiscal planning purposes only. No entry in the budget constitutes an obligation on the part of the County until such funds are appropriated by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors.

SYNOPSIS OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR FY' 2015-2016

<u>Expenditure Function</u>	<u>Proposed Expenditures</u>	<u>Percent of Budget</u>
General and Financial Administration	\$4,190,231	3.19%
Judicial System	\$2,609,701	1.99%
Public Safety	\$13,749,495	10.48%
Public Works	\$3,669,138	2.80%
Health and Welfare	\$11,585,425	8.83%
Schools	\$83,625,158	63.73%
Recreation and Cultural	\$1,913,925	1.46%
Community Development	\$2,864,849	2.18%
Debt Service	\$3,081,859	2.35%
Non-Departmental	\$672,373	0.51%
Capital Outlay	\$3,235,501	2.47%
Utilities	\$24,000	0.01%
Sub-Total	\$131,221,655	100.00%
Transfers Between Funds	\$40,171,585	
Total	\$171,393,240	

<u>Revenue Function</u>	<u>Proposed Revenues</u>	<u>Percent Of Budget</u>
General Property Taxes/Other Local Taxes	\$59,512,938	45.35%
State Funds – County	\$15,728,816	11.99%
State School Funds	\$39,067,150	29.77%
Federal School Funds	\$8,452,110	6.44%
Local School Funds	\$2,994,028	2.29%
Other County Funds	\$4,831,337	3.68%
Fund Balance	\$635,276	0.48%
Sub-Total	\$131,221,655	100.00%
Transfers Between Funds	\$40,171,585	
Total	\$171,393,240	

Richard E. Huff, II, County Administrator, presented the following PowerPoint:



Franklin County
A Natural Setting for Opportunity

FRANKLIN COUNTY FY 2015-16 ADVERTISED BUDGET

April 21, 2015

Comparisons

- Bedford County's Machinery & Tools Tax Rate is 72% higher than Franklin County
- Pittsylvania County's Real Estate Rate is 4¢/\$100 higher than Franklin County + they charge a \$5/month Solid Waste Fee (equivalent to 3¢ on a \$200,000 house)
- Floyd and Patrick Counties' tip fee at the landfill is 49% higher than Franklin County
- Botetourt County's Real Estate Rate is 24% higher than Franklin County + all household solid waste is privatized at an average cost of \$21/month (12.6¢ on a \$200,000 house)
- Henry County's Machinery & Tools Rate is 106% higher than Franklin County
- Roanoke County's Real Estate Rate is 98% higher than Franklin County

FY15-16 Financial Planning

- Begin by saying there is no tax increase proposed although commitments have been made which will require such an increase in the near future for capital projects
- Financial Planning is not a buzz word, it is a fiscal imperative
- Plan all you possibly can, it has been the uncontrollables that have impacted us so harshly over the last several years
 - Mandated VRS increases, additional inmates in juvenile and adult facilities, across the board state cuts in "Local Aid to the State", reduced state school funding, Social Services caseload growth, and "strings" required in order to receive state funding in prior years

Budget Conditions for FY 15-16

- Economy Remains Relatively Flat
- Real Estate Growth Projected at .7%
- Interest on County Deposits Reduced by \$429,000 due to a New Bank Bid for Deposits
- Landfill Revenues Projected to Be Down by 12.5%
- Sales Tax Showing Projected Growth of 3.03%
- State Revenues Flat Except for Compensation Related Assistance for State Supported Positions (2%-September 1) & State Support for Teacher Compensation (1.5% for SOQ Only Positions-August 16)
- Regional Jail, Juvenile Detention, and CSA Requirements Remain Volatile

FY15-16 General Fund Budget Highlights

- Very much a maintenance budget
- No new General Fund positions, although 12 were requested and justified
- No New Fees
- No New Taxes
- No New Programs
- **Original** Proposed General Fund Budget Increases \$495 in total for the year
- **Advertised** General Fund Would Increase \$635,771 due to use of Carryover Funds Requested

Franklin County Discretionary Revenue Summary					
	Adopted Budget 14-15	Projected Collections 14-15	Proposed Budget 15-16	Adopted to Proposed Increase (Decrease)	Adopted to Proposed Percent Incr/Decr
General Property Taxes:					
Real Estate	35,484,134	35,566,318	35,732,596	248,462	0.70%
Public Service Corp	872,246	966,773	969,067	96,821	11.10%
Personal Property	9,042,197	9,346,919	9,552,887	510,690	5.65%
Machinery and Tool	639,709	688,654	688,654	48,945	7.65%
Merchants Capital	671,124	662,082	675,000	3,876	0.58%
Penalties and Interest	640,000	631,753	632,000	(8,000)	-1.25%
General Property Taxes	47,349,410	47,862,499	48,250,204	900,794	1.90%
Other Local Taxes:					
Sales Tax	4,003,534	4,179,067	4,125,000	121,466	3.03%
Consumer Utility Taxes	973,782	977,674	975,000	1,218	0.13%
County Business License	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0.00%
Utility License Tax	220,000	230,923	225,000	5,000	2.27%
Communications Tax	2,271,784	2,344,962	2,244,962	(26,822)	-1.18%
Motor Vehicle License Fees	1,876,174	1,876,174	2,024,637	148,463	7.91%
Bank Stock Taxes	128,791	128,791	128,791	0	0.00%
Tax on Deeds	500,000	424,217	425,000	(75,000)	-15.00%
Hotel/Motel/Trans Occ Tax 2%	32,730	34,366	34,000	1,230	3.82%
Meals Tax	980,000	1,015,706	1,000,000	20,000	2.04%
Other Local Taxes	10,991,515	11,116,580	11,187,090	195,575	1.78%
Interest on Bank Deposits	1,029,323	600,000	600,000	(429,323)	-41.71%
Commonwealth of Virginia Revenues:					
Motor Vehicle Carriers Tax	40,962	42,797	42,500	1,538	3.75%
Mobile Home Tiling Tax	110,499	75,328	75,000	(35,499)	-32.13%
Motor Vehicle Rental Tax	46,660	50,118	50,000	3,340	7.16%
Personal Property Tax Relief	2,626,618	2,626,618	2,626,618	0	0.00%
Total Commonwealth Revenue	2,824,739	2,794,861	2,794,118	(30,621)	-1.08%
Total Discretionary Revenue	62,194,987	62,373,940	62,831,412	636,425	1.02%

Allocation of Discretionary Revenues

FY 14-15 Original Budget:			
Total School Operating Transfer		29,708,271	
Total School Debt Service Transfer		2,650,459	
		32,358,730	
School Transfers as a Percentage of Discretionary Revenues		52.03%	<small>(\$32,358,730 divided by \$62,194,987)</small>
School Share of New Discretionary Revenue		\$331,118	
Remaining New Revenue for the County		\$305,307	

FY15-16 Budget Highlights

- Original total budget increases only 0.61% or \$794,802
- Uses no non-recurring funds
- Includes an additional \$101,000 for juvenile detention costs
- \$24,000 for additional voting requirements such as cardstock paper ballots (new state requirement) plus \$450,000 for new Voting Machines
- Within existing budget funds (savings, cuts, reallocations, reduction of 2 open positions), the budget provides for a 2% salary increase July 1, 2015 for General Fund employees, only the second such increase since 2008 (5% total in 8 years)

School Funding

- Original operational increase of \$331,118 in new local funds or 1.1%
- Captures debt drop off of \$248,000 for five year capital plan and plans for these funds in future years to be available for BOS discretion (programmed for new CTE Center)
- State option for 1.5% increase for SOQ teachers and staff, only the second such increase since 2008 (example-SOQ provides 7.5 elementary principals for Franklin County's 12 elementary schools)
- Year 4 of 5 for 1% increase for employee share of VRS
- Schools will likely have to reallocate savings in other areas to cover compensation increases within existing resources just as General Government is doing

Franklin County						
Schedule of Local School Funding						
School Operating Fund:	FY14-15 Original Budget	FY15-16 School Request	Difference Request to Orig Budget	FY15-16 BOS Proposed	Difference Orig Budget BOS Proposed	Percent Increase
County Funds for Operations	\$29,708,271	\$33,111,308	\$3,403,037	\$30,674,665	\$966,394	3.25%
Local School Funds (Cafeteria, etc)	\$2,999,431	\$2,994,028	(\$5,403)	\$2,994,028	(\$5,403)	-0.18%
State School Funds	\$38,707,535	\$39,067,150	\$359,615	\$39,067,150	\$359,615	0.93%
Federal School Funds	\$8,010,170	\$8,452,110	\$441,940	\$8,452,110	\$441,940	5.52%
	\$79,425,407	\$83,624,596	\$4,199,189	\$81,187,953	\$1,762,546	2.22%
Funds for School Debt Service	\$2,650,459	\$2,402,459	(\$248,000)	\$2,402,459	(\$248,000)	-9.36%
Cannery Funds	\$34,746	\$34,746	\$0	\$34,746	\$0	0.00%
Total School Budget (includes Adult Regional Program)	\$82,110,612	\$86,061,801	\$3,951,189	\$83,625,158	\$1,514,546	1.84%
School Capital Fund:	FY14-15 Original Budget	FY15-16 School Request	Difference Request to Orig Budget	FY15-16 BOS Proposed	Difference Orig Budget BOS Proposed	
County CIP Funds for School Capital	\$880,000	\$880,000	\$0	\$880,000	\$0	0.00%
County Debt Service Reserve (Funds for 5 Year School CIP)	\$457,000	\$705,000	\$248,000	\$705,000	\$248,000	54.27%
County CIP Funds for School Bus Replacement	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$0	\$340,000	\$0	0.00%
	\$1,677,000	\$1,925,000	\$248,000	\$1,925,000	\$248,000	14.79%

CIP Highlights

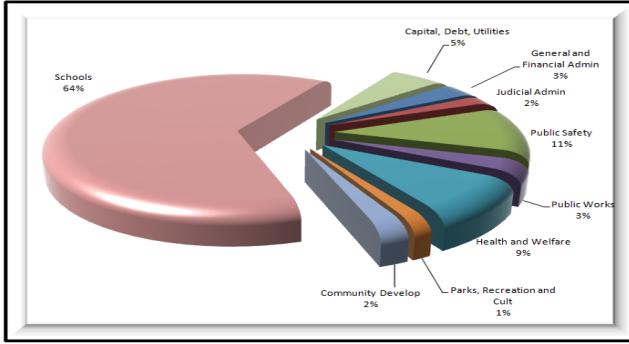
- \$250,000 to replace 10 of the 20 requested vehicles with more than 125,000 miles on Law Enforcement emergency vehicles
- \$282,672 for mission critical information technology infrastructure
- Includes \$180,000 for EMS vehicle replacement
- Level funds \$400,000 in local economic development funding including job creation and site development funding
- Includes \$100,000 for shoreline stabilization at Smith Mountain Lake County Park
- \$100,000 payment (year 7 of 10) for Smith Farm which goes to VWCC Scholarships for Franklin County High School and Home School students
- \$880,000 for School CIP Projects (year 4 of 5 year plan)
- \$340,000 for School Bus Replacements

Additions After Budget Presented

- Request from the School Board to use :
 - \$287,445 – FY14-15 Projected One Time Carryover
 - \$260,000 - Energy Carryover
 - ~~\$87,831~~ - Contingency Carryover from FY 12-13
- **\$635,276** One Time Funds to Use for Compensation Increases (1.7% or a step whichever is greater)
- This would increase the recommended School Budget from \$82,989,882 to \$83,625,158, an increase of \$1,514,546 over the adopted budget in the current year (1.84% increase)
- However, it has been determined that the \$87,831 from FY12-13 had already been returned to the Schools for the current year's Cost of Living Payment. This will require, if the numbers remain the same, for the Schools to save \$375,276 in carryover in the current year.

PROPOSED FY 15-16 COUNTY EXPENDITURES

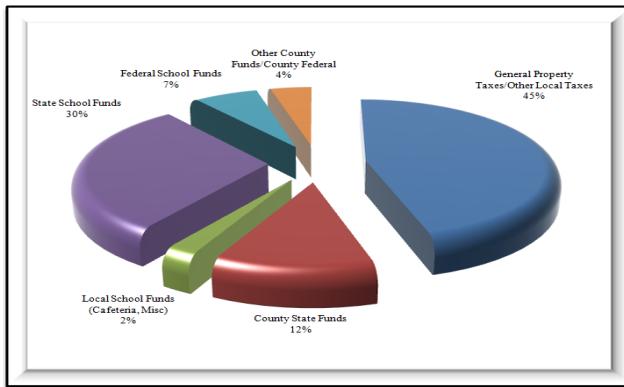
(Net of Interfund Transfers)



	FY14-15 Adopted	FY 15-16 Proposed	FY 14-15 / FY 15-16 Difference	% Change	Percent of Total
General and Financial Admin	\$4,195,798	\$4,190,231	(\$5,567)	-0.13%	3.19%
Judicial Admin	\$2,256,094	\$2,609,701	\$353,607	15.67%	1.99%
Public Safety	\$14,251,880	\$13,749,495	(\$502,385)	-3.53%	10.48%
Public Works	\$3,545,150	\$3,669,138	\$123,988	3.50%	2.80%
Health and Welfare	\$11,694,429	\$11,585,425	(\$109,004)	-0.93%	8.83%
Parks, Recreation and Cult	\$1,928,496	\$1,913,925	(\$14,571)	-0.76%	1.46%
Community Develop	\$2,883,108	\$2,864,849	(\$18,259)	-0.63%	2.18%
Schools	\$82,110,612	\$83,625,158	\$1,514,546	1.84%	63.73%
Capital, Debt, Utilities	\$6,926,010	\$7,013,733	\$87,723	1.27%	5.34%
Totals	\$129,791,577	\$131,221,655	\$1,430,078	1.10%	100.00%

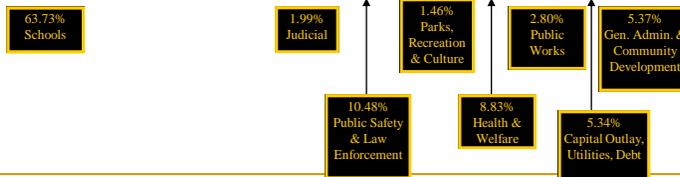
PROPOSED 2015 - 2016 COUNTY REVENUES

(Net of Interfund Transfers)



	FY 14-15 Adopted Budget	FY 15-16 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	% Change	Percent of Total
General Property Taxes/Other Local Taxes	58,390,138	59,512,938	1,122,800	1.92%	45.35%
County State Funds	15,580,032	15,728,816	148,784	0.95%	11.99%
Local School Funds (Cafeteria, Misc)	2,999,431	2,994,028	(5,403)	-0.18%	2.28%
State School Funds	38,707,535	39,067,150	359,615	0.93%	29.77%
Federal School Funds	8,010,170	8,452,110	441,940	5.52%	6.44%
Other County Funds/County Federal	6,104,271	5,466,613	(637,658)	-10.45%	4.17%
Totals	129,791,577	131,221,655	1,430,078	1.10%	100.00%

Proposed FY 2015-2016 County Expenditures



Proposed FY 2015-2016 County Revenues



45.35%
County-Gen.
Property &
Other Local
Taxes

11.99% Stat
e- Funds
County

2.28%
Local
School
Funds

29.77%
State
School
Funds

6.44%
Federal
School
Funds

4.17%
Other
County
Funds/
Federal
County

Franklin County		
Schedule of Expenditures Funded by Local Taxes		
Proposed Budget FY15-16		
"When a citizen writes a check to the County, where does it go"?		
Revenue Sources:		
Real Estate Taxes	\$35,732,596	
Personal Property Taxes	\$9,552,887	
	\$45,285,483	
Expenditures: *		
Schools - Local Funding	\$33,077,124	73%
Parks, Recreation, Libraries, Sr Citizens	\$1,861,946	4%
Sheriff's Dept & E911 Dispatch	\$3,670,811	8%
Fire, EMS, Animal Control	\$2,456,052	5%
Solid Waste/Recycling	\$1,305,099	3%
Social Services, Family Resources, Health Dept	\$1,749,624	4%
Comprehensive Services - Youth	\$1,561,814	3%
	\$45,682,470	
* Total General Fund Expenditures are not shown.		

Sincerest Appreciation to County Staff for Their Hard Work in the Development of This Budget & Presentation !!

Public Hearing was opened.

No one presented comments regarding the proposed FY'2015-2016 budget.

The public hearing was closed.

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN
PUBLIC NOTICE
HEARING ON SETTING OF TAX LEVIES

In accordance with Sections 15.2-1427 and 15.2-2507 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Franklin County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on ***Tuesday, April 21, 2015***, at approximately ***7:00 P. M.*** in the Benjamin Franklin Middle School East Auditorium, Rocky Mount, Virginia.

**A HEARING TO SET TAX LEVIES FOR THE FOLLOWING
 CLASSES OF PROPERTY:**

1. Setting a tax levy of \$.55/\$100 of assessed value on real estate, public service corporation property, and mobile homes; pursuant to the authority of 58.1-3200, 58.1-3201, 58.1-3202, 58.1-3203, 58.1-3204, 58.1-3205 of the Code of Virginia, as amended.
2. Setting a tax levy of \$2.36/\$100 of assessed value on personal property, pursuant to the authority of 58.1-3500, 58.1-3501, 58.1-3502, 58.1-3503, 58.1-3506 of the Code of Virginia, as amended.
3. Setting a tax levy of \$1.89/\$100 of assessed value on personal property, classified as heavy construction machinery, including but not limited to land movers, bulldozers, front-end loaders, graders, packers, power shovels, cranes, pile drivers, forest harvesting and silvicultural activity equipment and ditch and other types of diggers owned by businesses pursuant to the authority of 58.1-3508.2 of the Code of Virginia, as amended.
4. Setting a tax levy of \$0.70/\$100 assessed value on machinery and tools based on original cost and declining depreciation over a 7-year period. By the seventh year of depreciation, the effective rate is \$0.28 per \$100 assessed value. This rate is levied pursuant to the authority of 58.1-3507(B) of the Code of Virginia, as amended.
5. Setting a tax levy of \$1.08/\$100 of assessed value on merchants' capital, pursuant to the authority of 58.1-3509, and 58.1-3510 of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

Public Hearing was opened.

No one presented comments regarding the proposed FY'2015-2016 Tax Levies.

Public Hearing was closed.

Chairman Cline Brubaker adjourned the meeting.

CLINE BRUBAKER
 CHAIRMAN

SHARON K. TUDOR, MMC
 COUNTY CLERK