

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD A MEETING ON THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015 AT 7:00 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  
Leland Mitchell  
C. B. Reynolds  
Bobby Thompson  
Ronnie Thompson

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard E. Huff, II, Co. Administrator

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Cline Brubaker, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

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Richard E. Huff, II, County Administrator, presented the following Remote Participation Policy for the Board's review and consideration:

**Franklin County Board of Supervisors  
Remote Participation Policy**

1. As authorized by Section 2.2-3708.1 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors shall allow the participation of members of the Board in a meeting through electronic communication means from a remote location that is not open to the public subject to complying with all parts of the following written policy:
2. On or before the day of a meeting (no less than 1 hour prior to the start of the meeting), the Board member shall notify the County Administrator who will then notify the Chairman of the Board and the Board Clerk, that the Board member is unable to attend the meeting due to an emergency or a personal matter and the Board member shall identify with specificity the nature of the emergency or personal matter, or the Board member shall notify the County Administrator that the Board member is unable to attend a meeting due to a temporary or permanent disability or other medical condition that prevents the Board member's physical attendance. The Board shall record the specific nature of the emergency, personal matter, or fact of temporary or permanent disability, and the remote location from which the absent Board member participated, in its minutes.
3. If the absent Board member's remote participation is disapproved because such participation would violate the strict and uniform application of this written policy, such disapproval shall be recorded in the Board's minutes.
4. Such participation by the absent Board member shall be limited in each calendar year to two (2) meetings, or 25 percent (25%) of the meetings of the Board, whichever is fewer.
5. A quorum of the Board shall be physically assembled at the primary or central meeting location.
6. The Board shall make arrangements for the voice of the absent Board member to be heard by all persons in attendance at the primary or central meeting location.
7. Any votes taken during such a meeting where there is a remote participant shall be by roll call vote so as to accurately record all votes taken.

**Per State Code § 2.2-3708.1.**

**§ 2.2-3708.1.** Participation in meetings in event of emergency or personal matter; certain disabilities; distance from meeting location for certain public bodies.

A. A member of a public body may participate in a meeting governed by this chapter through electronic communication means from a remote location that is not open to the public only as follows and subject to the requirements of subsection B:

1. If, on or before the day of a meeting, a member of the public body holding the meeting notifies the chair of the public body that such member is unable to attend the meeting due to an emergency or personal matter and identifies with specificity the nature of the emergency or personal matter, and the public body holding the meeting records in its minutes the specific nature of the emergency or personal matter and the remote location from which the member participated. If a member's participation from a remote location is disapproved because such participation would violate the policy adopted pursuant to subsection B, such disapproval shall be recorded in the minutes with specificity.

Such participation by the member shall be limited each calendar year to two meetings or 25 percent of the meetings of the public body, whichever is fewer;

2. If a member of a public body notifies the chair of the public body that such member is unable to attend a meeting due to a temporary or permanent disability or other medical condition that prevents the member's physical attendance and the public body records this fact and the remote location from which the member participated in its minutes; or

3. If, on the day of a meeting, a member of a regional public body notifies the chair of the public body that such member's principal residence is more than 60 miles from the meeting location identified in the required notice for such meeting and the public body holding the meeting records in its minutes the remote location from which the member participated. If a member's participation from a remote location is disapproved because such participation would violate the policy adopted pursuant to subsection B, such disapproval shall be recorded in the minutes with specificity.

B. Participation by a member of a public body as authorized under subsection A shall be only under the following conditions:

1. The public body has adopted a written policy allowing for and governing participation of its members by electronic communication means, including an approval process for such participation, subject to the express limitations imposed by this section. Once adopted, the policy shall be applied strictly and uniformly, without exception, to the entire membership and without regard to the identity of the member requesting remote participation or the matters that will be considered or voted on at the meeting;

2. A quorum of the public body is physically assembled at the primary or central meeting location; and

3. The public body makes arrangements for the voice of the remote participant to be heard by all persons at the primary or central meeting location.

**(RESOLUTION #22-05-2015)**

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to adopt the aforementioned Remote Participation Policy, as presented.

MOTION BY: Bobby Thompson

SECONDED BY: Bob Camicia

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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

ABSENT: Ronnie Thompson

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**CLOSED MEETING**

**(RESOLUTION #23-05-2015)**

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to into a closed meeting in accordance with 2.2-3711, a-1, Personnel, of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

MOTION BY: Charles Wagner

SECONDED BY: Leland Mitchell

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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

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MOTION: Charles Wagner

SECOND: C. B. Reynolds

**RESOLUTION: #24-05-20154**

**MEETING DATE May 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, Wagner, Reynolds, Camicia, Thompson & Brubaker

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT DURING VOTE:

ABSENT DURING MEETING:

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Chairman Brubaker recessed the meeting until Tuesday, May 26, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.

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CLINE BRUBAKER  
CHAIRMAN

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SHARON K. TUDOR, MMC  
COUNTY CLERK