

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD THEIR SPECIAL SCHEDULED MEETING ON TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2020, AT 4:00 P.M., IN MEETING ROOM B75 LOCATED IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 1255 FRANKLIN STREET, ROCKY MOUNT, VIRGINIA.

THE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH (**ORDINANCE #02-04-2020**) **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO EFFECTUATE TEMPORARY CHANGES IN CERTAIN DEADLINES AND TO MODIFY PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES TO ADDRESS CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH PANDEMIC DISASTER**

THERE WERE PRESENT: Mike Carter
Tommy Cundiff
Leland Mitchell
Ronald Mitchell
Lorie Smith
Tim Tatum

ABSENT: Ronnie Thompson

OTHERS PRESENT: Christopher Whitlow, County Administrator
Jim Guynn, Legal Counsel
Madeline L. Sefcik, Clerk

Chairman Mitchel reconvened the Board Meeting previously recessed on May 26, 2020.

FY 20-21 BUDGET DISCUSSION & DELIBERATION

General discussion ensued regarding the Budget and potential ways in which the Board could give some tax relief to the citizens. A consensus was reached to decreased Personal Property taxes by 5 cents from \$2.46 per \$100 assed value to the rate of \$2.41 per assed value of \$100.

SETTING OF TAX RATES, ADOPTION OF BUDGET

(RESOLUTION #01-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to set the following tax rates.

1. Setting a tax levy of \$.61/\$100 on 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 \$2.41/\$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.

MOTION BY: Tim Tatum
SECONDED BY: Tommy Cundiff
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Cundiff, L. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum
NAYS: Carter, R. Mitchell
ABSENT: Thompson

(RESOLUTION #02-06-2020)

ANNUAL RESOLUTION OF APPROPRIATION OF THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

A resolution to appropriate designated funds and accounts from specified estimated revenues for FY 20-21 for the operating budget and the Capital Improvements Program for the County of Franklin and to authorize and empower County officers to expend funds and manage cash assets; and to establish policies under which funds will be expended and managed.

The Franklin County Board of Supervisors does hereby resolve on this 2nd day of June, 2020 that, for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2020, and ending on June 30, 2021, the following sections are hereby adopted.

- Section 1. The cost centers shown on the attached table labeled Appropriations Resolution, Exhibit B, are hereby appropriated from the designated estimated revenues as shown on the attached table labeled Appropriations Resolution, Exhibit A.
- Section 2. Appropriations, in addition to those contained in this general Appropriations Resolution, may be made by the Board of Supervisors only if deemed appropriate and there is available in the fund unencumbered or unappropriated sums sufficient to meet such appropriations.
- Section 3. The School Board and the Social Services Board are separately granted authority for implementation of the appropriated funds for their respective operations. By this resolution the School Board and the Social Services Board are authorized to approve the transfer of any unencumbered balance or portion thereof from one classification of expenditure to another within their respective funds in any amount.
- Section 4. The County Administrator is expressly authorized to approve transfers of any unencumbered balance or portion thereof from one classification of expenditure to another within the same cost center for the efficient operation of government.
- Section 5. All outstanding encumbrances, both operating and capital, at June 30, 2020 shall be reappropriated to the 2020-2021 fiscal year to the same cost center and account for which they are encumbered in the previous year.
- Section 6. At the close of the fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriations lapse for budget items other than those involving ongoing operational projects, or programs supported by grants or County funds, which must be preapproved by the County Administrator or his designee. Such funds must be applied to the purpose for which they were originally approved.
- Section 7. Appropriations previously designated for capital projects will not lapse at the end of the fiscal year but shall remain appropriated until the completion of the project if funding is available from all planned sources, or until the Board of Supervisors, by appropriate ordinance or resolution, changes or eliminates the appropriation. Upon completion of a capital project, the County Administrator is hereby authorized to close out the project and

return to the funding source any remaining balances. This section applies to all existing appropriations for capital projects at June 30, 2020 and appropriations as they are made in the FY20-21 Budget. The County Administrator is hereby authorized to approve construction change orders to contracts up to an increase not to exceed the budgeted project contingency and approve all change orders for reduction of contracts.

- Section 8. The approval of the Board of Supervisors of any grant of funds to the County shall constitute the appropriation of both the revenue to be received from the grant and the County's expenditure required by the terms of the grant, if any. The appropriation of grant funds will not lapse at the end of the fiscal year but shall remain appropriated until completion of the project or until the Board of Supervisors, by appropriate resolution, changes or eliminates the appropriation. The County Administrator may increase or reduce any grant appropriation to the level approved by the granting agency during the fiscal year. The County Administrator may approve necessary accounting transfers between cost centers and funds to enable the grant to be accounted for in the correct manner. Upon completion of a grant project, the County Administrator is authorized to close out the grant and return to the funding source any remaining balance. This section applies to appropriations for grants outstanding at June 30, 2020 and appropriations in the FY 20-21 Budget.
- Section 9. The County Administrator may reduce revenue and expenditure appropriations related to programs funded all or in part by the Commonwealth of Virginia and/or the Federal Government to the level approved by the responsible state or federal agency.
- Section 10. The County Administrator is authorized to make transfers to the various funds for which there are transfers budgeted. The County Administrator shall transfer funds only as needed up to amounts budgeted or in accordance with any existing bond resolutions that specify the matter in which transfers are to be made.
- Section 11. Appropriations are hereby authorized for the Courthouse Maintenance Fund, the Forfeited Assets Program Fund, the Law Library Fund, the E911 Fund, the Debt Service Fund, the Utility Fund and EMS Billing Revenue equal to the total cash balance on hand at July 1, 2020, plus the total amount of receipts for the fiscal year 2020-2021. The County Administrator is also authorized to appropriate carryover funds from any designated revenues or donated funds.
- Section 12. The Treasurer may advance monies to and from the various funds of the County to allow maximum cash flow efficiency. The advances must not violate County bond covenants or other legal restrictions that would prohibit an advance.
- Section 13. All procurement activities with funds appropriated herein shall be made in accordance with the County purchasing ordinance and applicable state statutes.
- Section 14. It is the intent of this resolution that funds be expended for the purpose indicated in the budget; therefore, budgeted funds may not be transferred from operating expenditures to capital projects or from capital projects to operating expenses without the prior approval from the Board of Supervisors. Also, funds may not be transferred from one capital project to another without the prior approval of the Board of Supervisors.
- Section 15. The County Administrator is authorized, pursuant to State statute, to issue orders and checks for payments where funds have been budgeted, appropriated, and where sufficient funds are available. A listing of vendor payments shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors not less frequently than monthly.
- Section 16. Subject to the qualifications in this resolution contained, all appropriations are declared to be maximum, conditional and proportionate appropriations – the purpose being to make

the appropriations payable in full in the amount named herein if necessary and then only in the event the aggregate revenues collected and available during the fiscal year for which the appropriations are made are sufficient to pay all the appropriations in full. Otherwise, the said appropriations shall be deemed to be payable in such proportions as the total sum of all realized revenue of the respective funds is to the total amount of revenue estimated to be available in the said fiscal year by the Board of Supervisors.

Section 17. All revenues received by an agency under the control of the Board of Supervisors or by the School Board or by the Social Services Board not included in its estimate of revenue for the financing of the fund budget as submitted to the Board of Supervisors may not be expended by said agency under the control of the Board of Supervisors or by the School Board or by the Social Services Board without the consent of the Board of Supervisors being first obtained, and those sums appropriated to the budget. Any grant approved by the Board for application shall not be expended until the grant is approved by the funding agency for drawdown. Nor may any of these agencies or boards make expenditures which will exceed a specific item of an appropriation.

Section 18. Allowances out of any of the appropriations made in this resolution by any or all County departments, commissions, bureaus, or agencies under the control of the Board of Supervisors to any of their officers and employees for expense on account of the use of such officers and employees of their personal automobiles in the discharge of their official duties shall be paid at the same rate as that established by the State of Virginia for its employees and shall be subject to change from time to time to maintain like rates.

Section 19. All previous appropriation ordinances or resolutions to the extent that they are inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 20. This resolution shall become effective on July 1, 2020.

MOTION BY: Tim Tatum
SECONDED BY: Tommy Cundiff
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum
NAYS: Carter
ABSENT: Thompson

Supervisors R. Mitchell addressed the Board regarding a previous request he had made to reallocate \$50,000 of the Board's contingency fund in 15 equal portions to disperse among the Volunteer Fire Departments within the County and the 5 active EMS Volunteer Departments.

This money will be used to help the Departments recover from their inability to host money-raising events due to COVID-19.

(RESOLUTION #03-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to reallocate \$50,000 of the Board's contingency fund, giving \$3,333.33 to each of the Volunteer Fire Departments within the County and the 5 active EMS Volunteer Departments (Scruggs, Red Valley, Glade Hill, Snow Creek, Callaway).

MOTION BY: Ronald Mitchell
SECONDED BY: Mike Carter
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum
ABSENT: Thompson

(RESOLUTION #04-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to appoint Mr. Don Smith to the Ferrum Water and Sewer Authority.

MOTION BY: Tim Tatum
SECONDED BY: Tommy Cundiff
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum
ABSENT: Thompson

Adjournment until June 16, 2020 Board of Supervisors Meeting