

VIRGINIA: AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM OF THE PAMPLIN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, DINWIDDIE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, ON THE 4TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1993, AT 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: A. S. CLAY, CHAIRMAN
LEENORA EVERETT, VICE-CHAIRMAN
HARRISON A. MOODY
DONALD L. HARAWAY
EDWARD A. BRACEY, JR.
DANIEL SIEGEL
SAMUEL SHANDS

ELECTION DISTRICT #5
ELECTION DISTRICT #3
ELECTION DISTRICT #1
ELECTION DISTRICT #2
ELECTION DISTRICT #4
COUNTY ATTORNEY
DEPUTY SHERIFF

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon motion of Ms. Everett, seconded by Mr. Haraway, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay voting "aye",

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the minutes of the July 21, 1993, Regular Meeting are hereby approved in their entirety.

IN RE: CLAIMS

Upon motion of Mr. Haraway, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mr. Moody, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Bracey, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay voting "aye",

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the following claims are approved and funds appropriated for same using checks #24919 thru #25204, (void checks #24921 and #24954); General Fund - \$278,222.37; Self Insurance - \$25,468.68; Capital Projects - \$1,547.30; Fire Projects - 1,345.90; Landfill Fund - \$1,442.56; for a total of \$308,026.81.

IN RE: CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. Robert Ragsdale appeared before the Board with the following concerns:

- a. The expense of the County Attorney to the County.
- b. Feels County Officials not backing citizens, especially Mr. Bowman's situation with the permit for the horse barn on Duncan Road.
- c. The ridiculous cost of the road to Piedmont Explosives.

2. Spike Wells brought to the attention of the Board the historical value of Dinwiddie Elementary School to the County. He expressed concern regarding the condition of the paint on the front of the building. Mr. Wells said he had been trying to get the repairs made for two years.

Mr. Clay responded that he had spoken to Mr. Charlie Chambers and was told the painting at the Elementary School would be done after he finished at the Middle School.

3. Anne Scarborough expressed the same sentiments regarding the condition of the Elementary School. Ms. Scarborough stated she had spoken to the Chairman of the School Board twice and to the Superintendent about the School. She also asked the Board to consider line item budgeting for the School Board. Ms. Scarborough stated that the School Board was getting away with letting the buildings deteriorate; they have turned their backs on maintenance and it was up to the Board to do something about it.

IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING -- SV-93-1 -- CURTIS HOYLE

This being the time and place as advertised in the Monitor Newspaper on June 23, 1993, and June 30, 1993, for the Board of Supervisors to conduct a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comments on the request of Curtis M. Hoyle to vacate South Avenue, a paper street depicted on a recorded subdivision plat but never constructed in Edge Hill Park Subdivision.

Mr. Wayne Knox, Zoning Administrator, told the Board that Mr. Curtis Hoyle is requesting the vacating of South Avenue, a paper street in the Edge Hill Park Subdivision, between Lots #45 and #46 of Block A; and Lots #1 and #24 of Block B. It is Mr. Hoyle's desire to obtain this additional land to buffer a proposed residential building construction. Further, Mr. Hoyle desired to obtain all of the land constituting South Avenue through this vacation.

To vacate a street is a rarity for the County and thus should be handled in a judicious manner. State legislation requires that in vacating streets, the abutting property owners are to be given fee simple title to the centerline of the street being vacated. Staff recommends that this request be granted with the provision that each abutting property owner be given twenty-five (25) percent of the land constituting South Avenue.

Mr. Knox stated that three people had contacted him - one in opposition, one in favor of the vacating, and one noncommittal.

Ms. LeeNora Anne Jackson spoke in opposition to the vacating of the street.

After a lengthy discussion the Board asked that Mr. Ponder get in touch with Mr. Hoyle to find out when he would be able to attend a meeting to discuss the issues involved in the hearing.

Upon motion of Ms. Everett, seconded by Mr. Haraway, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay voting "aye", public hearing SV-93-1 is continued until such time that Mr. Curtis Hoyle can be present at a Board meeting for discussion of the vacating of South Avenue, a paper street in the Edge Hill Park Subdivision, between Lots #45 and #46 of Block A; and Lots #1 and #24 of Block B.

IN RE: REGIONAL PROMOTION OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

Mr. J. Dale Patton, Chairman of the Regional Tourism Committee for the Petersburg Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the Board to ask for their participation in a video concept to promote and increase tourism in our region. He stated that the majority of visitors to the Petersburg National Battlefield do not continue on to regional attractions. An interesting Video Presentation outside the Battlefield Visitors Center as well as the Petersburg Video Center on I95 in Carson, should dramatically increase the number of tourists into our respective regions. Regional sites of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Colonial Heights.....Violet Bank
- Dinwiddie.....Five Forks
Pamplin Park
- Hopewell.....City Point
- Petersburg.....Blandford Church
Centre Hill Mansion
Siege Museum
- Prince George.....Flowerdew Hundred

Each locality will be allocated one minute and fifteen seconds to present events and/or places of Civil War significance. To participate in this regional endeavor, each municipality will need to provide \$4,000 in funds to secure the aforementioned time allocation.

Collective funds will go toward the development of a first class video production as well as video equipment. Any excess funds will be returned to each locality.

The Interim County Administrator told Mr. Patton that the County had a limited amount of funding available at the present time but maybe it could solicit private industry to participate in the endeavor.

Mr. Patton told the Board that a meeting has been set at the Siege Museum for Thursday, August 12, 1993.

IN RE: RESOLUTION -- FOREIGN TRADE ZONE AT RICHMOND
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

The Interim County Administrator told the Board that the Capital Region Airport Commission authorized the initiation of the process to apply for a federal grant of authority to establish a foreign trade zone (FTZ) at Richmond International Airport (RIC). A FTZ is any size area operated by a U.S. Department of Commerce sanctioned grantee, such as a port or airport authority, city or nonprofit organization, in which imported goods are protected from U.S. Customs Service duties and quotas while in the zone. Duties are paid only on the applicable portion of a product once it leaves the zone for domestic distribution. No duties are paid on materials which may be later exported or destroyed. The zone requested would encompass the entire 2,400 acres of RIC.

Foreign trade zones are intended to stimulate economic development in communities by providing businesses with facilities for conducting international trade activities. Their public purpose is to promote employment in the United States by encouraging activities which could otherwise be conducted outside this country. A firm would use a FTZ to maintain the cost competitiveness of their U.S. based operations as compared to their foreign-based competitors. FTZ status for a firm provides an opportunity to reduce certain operating costs associated with a U.S. location when operating from a foreign site.

Today, there are over 400 zones and subzones in the United States. The zones generate nearly \$250 billion in international trade annually and employ nearly a quarter million people.

The development of a FTZ at the airport would complement the region's efforts for sustained economic growth as well as RIC's ongoing efforts to develop the Metropolitan Richmond Area as an air cargo center, thus opening up world-wide markets. The establishment of a zone would also facilitate the identification/approval of subzones which could be approved virtually anywhere in the region. The effect of this is that your jurisdiction could entice a prospect needing a FTZ to your particular location and you will be in an ideal position to request sub-zone designation as part of the base FTZ.

Paramount to the application itself is the economic justification and need for FTZ status at Richmond community. The Commission's staff is working with various area agencies to outline the economic strength of the region as required. We request that Dinwiddie County endorse the Commission's efforts to establish FTZ status at Richmond International Airport and to formally adopt a resolution in support of the FTZ.

Ms. Wendy Weber recommended that the Board adopt the following resolution in support of the FTZ for the Richmond International Airport:

Upon motion of Mr. Bracey, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay, voting "aye", the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Foreign Trade Zone Act of June 19, 1934 provides for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of Foreign Trade Zones, and

WHEREAS, the existing business and industrial community of the metropolitan Richmond Area will benefit from the establishment of a Foreign Trade Zone at the Richmond International Airport, and

WHEREAS, the existence of a Foreign Trade Zone will enhance and complement the region's industrial portfolio and recruitment program, create and maintain employment and improve the profitability of existing enterprises,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Dinwiddie County, Virginia recognizes the benefit of a Foreign Trade Zone which is accessible to regional enterprises; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia encourages active pursuit by the Capital Region Airport Commission of an application to the Foreign Trade Zones

Board and the Department of Commerce which will designate Richmond International Airport as a general purpose Foreign Trade Zone.

IN RE: DISPOSITION OF SHERIFF DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

Upon motion of Mr. Bracey, seconded by Mr. Haraway, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay, voting "aye", the vehicles turned in by the Sheriff's Department shall be distributed to the following:

	CAR ID#	YEAR	MAKE
Town of McKenney	2FABP72F1JX204359	1988	Ford
School Board	1G1BL5173KR1811028	1989	Chevy
	1G1BL517XKR211108	1989	Chevy
Keep at Bus Garage	2FABP72F2JX212499	1988	Ford
	2FABP72F9JX212502	1988	Ford

IN RE: AWARD OF VEHICLE FLEET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

The Interim County Administrator stated the following three proposals had been received for the County's vehicle fleet maintenance program, and recommended the contract be awarded to Jim's Heavy Truck & Auto Repair.

1. The Fleet Manager
Rt. 4 Box 265A
Glen Allen, VA 23060
2. Jim's Heavy Truck & Auto Repair
3820 Puddledock Road
Prince George, VA 23875
3. Wheel Service
2232 W. Washington Street
Petersburg, VA 23803

The Board agreed that the towing portion of the contract should be negotiated separately and kept within the county if possible.

Upon motion of Mr. Haraway, seconded by Mr. Bracey, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay, voting "aye", the vehicle maintenance contract was awarded to Jim's Heavy Truck & Auto Repair for the fleet maintenance program.

IN RE: DROUGHT RELIEF FOR DINWIDDIE COUNTY'S FARMERS

Upon motion of Mr. Haraway, seconded by Mr. Bracey, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay, voting "aye", the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the drought conditions in Dinwiddie County have severely affected the farmers; and

WHEREAS, total losses from drought conditions in Dinwiddie County are approaching the \$6,417,097.88 level; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the Board of Supervisors to request the Governor to declare the County a drought disaster area.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia that the County Administrator is hereby instructed to file with the Governor of Virginia a request that the County of Dinwiddie be designated a drought disaster area.

IN RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

1. The Interim County Administrator asked the Board for authorization to sign the contract with Mass Appraisal System for the new appraisal software system for the Commissioner of Revenue's Office which the Board previously approved.

Upon motion of Mr. Bracey, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay, voting "aye", the Interim County Administrator was authorized to sign the contract with Mass Appraisal System for the real estate appraisal system.

IN RE: WATER AND SEWER EASEMENT RELOCATION

The Interim County Administrator informed the Board that due to the location of some fiber optic lines in front of the Health Department that the easement for the water and sewer lines had to be relocated a few feet. She asked the Board for authorization for the County Attorney to prepare a new easement agreement and for authorization to sign it.

Upon motion of Mr. Bracey, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay, voting "aye", the Interim County Administrator was authorized to have a new water and sewer line easement prepared and to sign the deed.

IN RE: LOTTERY PROFITS DISCUSSION

Mr. Fred Sahl sent a letter to the Board requesting a resolution to have the lottery profits returned to the local governments to compensate for all the new unfunded laws and mandates. Mr. Sahl said the Virginia Association of Counties could be a very potent instrument in organizing and publicizing their collective thrust to have the lottery profits returned to the local governments and he requested a resolution be sent to prod VACO. He stated immediate action is necessary as the VACO's steering committee meets in August.

After discussion the Board agreed to have the Interim County Administrator contact VACO to prepare a resolution to equalize the formula for distribution of the lottery profits to be discussed at the August 18, meeting.

IN RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS CONTINUED

1. The Board requested that Mr. Ponder, Director of Planning, give a report on the issue of Mr. C. J. French putting a single wide mobile home at 10217 Wheaton Road. The Board stated they understood from Mr. C. J. French that he had a zoning and health permit which had been issued in February to locate the mobile home in the county. Mr. Ponder stated that a zoning permit had been issued to Mr. Robert Newton the owner of the property in February to allow him to get a health permit to install the septic system; but a mobile home permit had never been issued because Mr. French had never closed on the property until June 21. Unfortunately, on June 2, the new mobile home ordinance was passed which disallowed single wides in the county. On July 5, 1993 Mr. French came in to obtain the mobile home permit and he was informed that he could not obtain the permit due to the new ordinance. The Board asked Mr. Ponder if the citizens were properly informed of the process which they were to follow when applying for permits. Mr. Ponder stated they were given an information sheet to follow when making an application for any permit.

The Board inquired in a hardship case or if a mistake was made in a situation what process would the citizens have to appeal to. Mr. Ponder stated they would then take it to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

The Interim County Administrator stated she had not requested Mr. French to be present at the meeting only to supply information. She also stated she would inform Mr. French that he could appeal to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Mr. Haraway stated that the point he would like to emphasize again is that the county residents don't know all the red tape and it is up to the county officials to let the people know and go the extra step in providing information.

IN RE: CDEG -- AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE PROPERTY & ESTABLISH TRUST FUND FOR WEST PETERSBURG PROJECT

Upon motion of Ms. Everett, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay voting "aye",

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County., Virginia, that the Interim County Administrator be authorized to sign the deed for the purchase of the property in West Petersburg from Richard L. Jones for the CDBG not to exceed \$42,000; and the funds put in a trust with the County Attorney to be drawn on as needed.

IN RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS CONTINUED

1. The Interim County Administrator stated she had passed out the information on the Fort Lee Victory Celebration for anyone who wanted to attend.

2. The Interim County Administrator told the Board that Va Bio-Fuels was having a small informal tour at the co-composting facility on Friday morning at 10:00 a.m. for a limited number of people. She stated there would be a larger scale grand opening later for the facility when everything is in operation.

3. The Interim County Administrator also informed the Board that another letter had been provided to them from a soil scientist regarding an on-site sewage disposal permit for a client in the county. She said there was a meeting in regard to the matter with the health department tomorrow and that she would be advised of the action on the matter.

Mr. Haraway stated this was just another one of the numerous complaints received from this department and he was glad, finally, that someone had taken the initiative to write a letter and have this hearing.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Mr. Moody, seconded by Mr. Bracey, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay voting "aye", pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, Section 2.1-344(a) (1) Personnel; Section 2.1-344(a) (7) Legal; Section 2.1-344(a) and (3) Acquisition of Property; the Board moved into Executive Session at 9:16 P.M. A vote having been made and approved, the meeting reconvened into Open session at 11:14 P.M.

IN RE: CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE MEETING

Upon motion of Mr. Bracey, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay voting "aye", the following certification resolution was adopted:

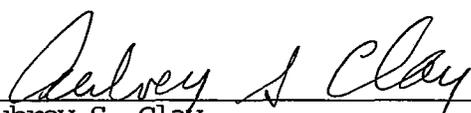
WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie county convened an executive meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

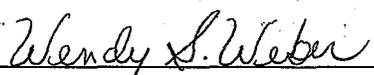
WHEREAS, Section 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, that such Executive meeting was conducted in conformity with the Virginia law;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. Bracey, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mr. Haraway, Mr. Moody, Mr. Bracey, Ms. Everett, Mr. Clay, voting "aye", the meeting adjourned at 11:16 P.M.


Aubrey S. Clay
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: 
Wendy S. Weber
Interim County Administrator