

VIRGINIA: AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD IN THE BOARD MEETING ROOM OF THE PAMPLIN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN DINWIDDIE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, ON THE 19TH DAY OF APRIL, 1995, AT 2:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	DONALD L. HARAWAY, CHAIR	ELECTION DISTRICT #2
	AUBREY S. CLAY, VICE-CHAIR	ELECTION DISTRICT #5
	HARRISON A. MOODY	ELECTION DISTRICT #1
	EDWARD A. BRACEY, JR.	ELECTION DISTRICT #4
	LEENORA EVERETT	ELECTION DISTRICT #3
	BEN EMERSON	COUNTY ATTORNEY
	CLAIBORNE FISHER	DUPUTY SHERIFF

IN RE: AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay, Mr. Haraway voting "aye", the agenda was amended as follows:

Add, 14.(c) - Section 2.1-344(a) 7-Consultation with legal counsel.

IN RE: MINUTES

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the minutes for the April 5, 1995 Regular Meeting are hereby approved in their entirety.

IN RE: CLAIMS

Upon motion of Mr. Moody, seconded by Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay, Mr. Haraway 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 check #33473 for General Funds in the amount of \$72.74; check #33475 - #33684 (void 33474) for General Fund in the amount of \$303,011.71, E911 Fund \$2,530.33, Self Insurance Fund \$14,616.20, CDBG Fund \$14,616.20, Capital Projects Fund \$87,919.00, Fire Programs/EMS \$6,424.36, Courthouse Maintenance \$600.00 and Jail Phone Commission \$428.25 for a total of \$435,572.36.

IN RE: CITIZEN COMMENTS

No one spoke during the citizen comments period.

IN RE: COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE - REPORT

Mrs. Deborah M. Marston, Commissioner of Revenue, was not present.

IN RE: TREASURER -- REPORT

Mr. William E. Jones, Treasurer, presented his report for the month of March, 1995.

IN RE: COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY - REPORT

Mr. T.O. Rainey, Commonwealth Attorney, was not present.

IN RE: SHERIFF - REPORT

Mr. Claiborne Fisher, Deputy Sheriff, came before the Board and stated that he did not have anything to present at this time but was available if the Board had any questions.

IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mr. Dwayne H. Abernathy, Building Inspector, came before the Board and presented his report for the month of March, 1995.

IN RE: ANIMAL WARDEN

Mr. Steve Beville, Animal Warden, was not present.

IN RE: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING - REPORT

Mr. Wayne D. P. Knox, Director of Planning, presented his report for the month of March, 1995 and stated that he had a few other items to add to his report.

Mr. Knox requested that the Board enact an emergency ordinance that would allow the Virginia Department of Transportation to dispose of construction debris on private property because VDOT is presently widening Route 613 and is dumping on some private property. At the present time, this is prohibited under the County Code.

Mr. Ben Emerson, County Attorney stated that there is an old agreement between VDOT and the Department of Waste Management, which the County has no part in. The agreement states that VDOT has the right to dispose of construction debris on private property as long as they have permission from the land owner. This agreement contradicts our County ordinance, which prohibits the disposal of any type of solid waste on private property. Mr. Emerson has tried to get in contact with the Department of Waste Management about the agreement, since DEQ has superseded the Department of Waste Management. He feels that more time needs to be put into preparing a recommendation for the Board.

Mr. Bracey suggested authorizing the County Attorney, County Administrator and Planner to handle this.

Mr. Haraway stated that he wanted the Administration to come up with a recommendation and present it at the next meeting, May 3, 1995.

Mr. Moody asked Mr. Knox to bring the Board up to date on the rezoning of the 177 acers recently heard by the Planning Commission.

Mr. Knox stated that there will be a request coming before the Board soon to rezone 177 acres on Olgers Road and River Road to R-1A for a subdivision. In the request, the applicant is also requesting that curb and gutter requirements be waived. The Planning Commission recommended it be zoned as R-1 but not R-1A and that curb and gutter requirements be waived.

Mr. Knox stated that there were still a couple issues that need to be considered, such as the traffic on River Road and what to do with the sewage. It also conflicts with the Comprehensive Plan because the site was envisioned to be Agricultural.

IN RE: CERTIFICATION TRAINING FOR PLANNING COMMISSIONERS

Upon motion of Mr. Moody, seconded by Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay, Mr. Haraway voting "aye", two or three planning commission members are authorized to attend the Planning Commissioners Certification Training, sponsored by the Institute for Community Resource Development, to be held in Blacksburg, Virginia, at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.

IN RE: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES - REPORT

Mrs. Peggy M. McElveen, Director of Social Services, came before the Board and thanked the Board and the Administration for the work that has been done on their Building.

Mrs. McElveen stated that the Governor has declared April as Child Abuse Prevention month. She also stated that April has been declared as Older Americans Month by the Federal Government and Adult Abuse Prevention Month and Foster Care Month by the State.

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IN RE: FOUR YEAR OLD AT-RISK GRANT - APPROVAL OF APPLICATION

Mrs. Troilen Seward, Director of Student Services, came before the Board and presented an application for a Four Year Old At-Risk Grant. In November the Board authorized the County Administrator to apply for a Technical Assistance Grant in the amount of \$7,000, which would be used as a planning grant to apply for the \$81,659.00 that the State had allotted the County for a quality preschool program for four year old at-risk children. She stated that she was requesting approval for submittal of this grant.

Mrs. Seward stated that there is money already budgeted that can be used as in-kind local match funds. They are required to spend \$5,400 per student; and to put the program in place, they will need two teachers and possibly a bus driver.

Mrs. Seward stated that if the State does not fund this program next year, the program will cease.

The program will serve those children who are on the Head Start waiting list for a total of 21 children.

Mr. Bracey wanted to clarify that if the State does not fund the program, then it will no longer exist.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that Dinwiddie County Public Schools are authorized to proceed with their application for the 4 year old At-Risk Grant.

IN RE: APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR TRACK AT HIGH SCHOOL

Dr. Thomas H. Gaul, Superintendent of Schools, came before the Board and stated that he had an issue to discuss with the Board.

Dr. Gaul stated that they could take the \$107,000.00 that was set aside from carry over money to fund the track as one project, which will probably cost a little more than the \$107,000, or try to combine it with the High School Capital Improvements Project. If they do it as a separate project they were told by the Architects that it would probably be finished by the end of the summer. If they included it in the High School Capital Improvements Project it would take a separate contract and it would probably take more time. If they could go ahead and contract with the Architects, with a specified amount from the meals tax fund to cover their fee, they could save time.

Dr. Gaul stated that they would need \$300,000 plus the \$107,000 that they already have to get through the initial design phase of the Capital Improvement Projects and the track project this summer.

Mrs. Everett asked if the track would be around the football field or across the street from the High School.

Dr. Gaul stated that it would be around the football field.

Mr. Bracey stated that he was afraid if the Board kept advancing money out of the meals tax fund, there wouldn't be anything left for what it was set up for, which was the Capital Improvements Project.

Mr. Moody stated that he was a little unclear on the whole issue and would hate to approve all the money out of the meals tax fund without fully understanding it.

Mr. Clay stated that he would like to see the track built but he agrees with Mr. Moody and Mr. Bracey that he hates to be broke.

Mr. Moody wanted clarification about how the \$300,000 would be used.

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Dr. Gaul stated that it would not only be used to construct the track but would also start the initial design phase for the Capital Improvements Program.

Mr. Bracey feels that Dr. Gaul should go ahead and use the \$107,000 that they already have and when that runs out Mr. Bracey will be glad to advance more funds just to finish the track.

Mrs. Everett stated that last year a commitment was made the the students that if they held their track meets away this year, next year they would have a track and she feels that they need to stick by their commitment.

Mrs. Everett made a motion to transfer the balance of the meals tax fund, to the school construction fund, to construct a track at the high school and start the initial design phase for the Capital Improvements Project, in one lump sum.

There was no second to Mrs. Everett's motion.

Mr. Moody wanted the County Administrator to comment on the issue.

At this point, the County Administration received a projected payment schedule from Ballou, Justice & Upton Architects.

Mr. Burgess stated that the meals tax fund generates about \$25,000 a month and the difference between what the track will cost, which is about \$145,000 and what they already have, which is \$107,000 is only a little more than one months worth of revenue. He does not find that to be too disturbing. He thinks that the Board should give the go ahead to use the meals tax fund for the three Capital Improvement Projects.

THE CHAIRMAN RECESSED THE MEETING AT 3:15 P.M. AND RECONVENED AT 3:32 P.M.

IN RE: APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR TRACK AT HIGH SCHOOL - CONTINUED

Mr. Burgess, County Administrator, recommended that the additional funds be provided from the meals tax to enable construction of the track at the high school. An additional \$38,000 is requested to be provided from the meals tax revenue to supplement the \$107,000 the school system has already set aside for this project. The County Administrator also recommended the Board of Supervisors allow the expenditure of the meals tax revenue funds for the costs associated with the preparation of school Capital Improvement Project schematic and design phase documents by Ballou, Justice & Upton Architects and for necessary land surveys and soil analysis.

Mrs. Everett amended her motion to reflect Mr. Burgess's recommendation, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay, Mr. Haraway voting "aye",

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the difference (\$38,000.00) between \$107,000 and the estimated cost of the track (\$140,000 - \$145,000) be transferred from the Meals Tax Fund to the School Construction Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that funds be transferred from the Meals tax fund to the School Construction Fund to be used in the next several months to pay for A & E fees for the Capital Improvement Program in preparation of the schematics and design phase documents as well as necessary surveys and soil analyses.

Mrs. Everett amended her motion to state that those funds that are expended on the track above the \$107,000 be reimbursed out of the CIP money. (A reimbursement resolution was adopted by the Board on May 18, 1994 in the amount of \$25,000,000.00). This was seconded by Mr. Bracey, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay, Mr. Haraway voted "aye".

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Anne Scarborough stated, from the audience, that the last she heard was that if the participants waited two years they could get a 1st class track so they agreed to wait.

Dr. Gaul responded that he has an obligation to do the track now.

IN RE: RECREATION DIRECTOR - REPORT

Mr. Toni S. Rinaldi, Director of Recreation was not present.

IN RE: PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR - REPORT

Mr. David Nichols, Public Safety Officer, presented his report for the month of March, 1995.

IN RE: JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER PROGRAMS - PROPOSED CHANGE IN ORDINANCE

Mr. David Nichols, Public Safety Officer presented a proposed change in the ordinance for Junior Firefighter Programs.

Mr. Nichols stated that under Section 7 of the Department of Fire Programs (DFP) Fire Instructor Manual it, addresses "Junior Firefighter Programs". The DFP interpretation is that junior firefighters may not participate in ANY training which involves fires in structures. Section 40.1-79.1 of the Code of Virginia allows localities to adopt an ordinance allowing training of junior firefighters, 16 & 17 years of age, with parent or guardian approval. He attached a copy of a draft ordinance and copies of other local ordinances addressing this issue.

After some discussion from Wendy Weber Ralph, Assistant County Administrator, Ben Emerson, County Attorney and David Nichols, Public Safety Officer the Board agreed that the Administration should discuss the issue further and come back to the Board with a recommendation.

IN RE: DIRECTOR OF WASTE MANAGEMENT - REPORT

Mr. Dennis E. King, Director of Waste Management, presented his report for the month of March, 1995.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY - REPORT

Mr. Ben Emerson, County Attorney, was present but did not have anything to present.

IN RE: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - REPORT

Mr. Ronald H. Reekes, Resident Engineer, came before the Board and presented his report for the month of March, 1995.

IN RE: DINWIDDIE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT - DISCUSSION OF VEHICLE REPAIRS

This item was postponed until the next Board meeting on May 3, 1995 at 7:30 P.M., because no one was present from Dinwiddie Volunteer Fire Department.

IN RE: DINWIDDIE AIRPORT & INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY - RENEWAL OF NOTE

Mr. Charles W. Burgess, County Administrator, referred the Board to their packets containing a copy of a promissory note in the amount of \$100,000.00 that is due April 30, 1995, and is being presented for consideration by the Board to renew.

Mr. Burgess also stated that the Airport Authority expressed a desire to talk to the Board about this promissory note and some of their future plans.

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

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the note in the amount of \$100,000 payable to the County by the Airport Authority be renewed for a period of one year, expiring April 19, 1996, with Mr. Burgess arranging a meeting between the Airport Authority and the Board to discuss their plans of repayment in connection with future plans for the airport.

IN RE: RENEWAL OF VIRGINIA POWER CONTRACT

Mr. Charles W. Burgess, County Administrator, stated that Virginia Power forwarded a new agreement to the County containing new rates negotiated by the Virginia Municipal League and the Virginia Association of Counties (VML/VACO). Mr. Burgess requested authorization to sign the new Virginia Power Agreement with the specified new rates.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the County Administrator is authorized to sign the new Virginia Power Agreement, for the purchase of electric service, which is effective July 1, 1994, through June 30, 1997.

IN RE: APPOINTMENT - CRATER PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

Action was postponed till May 3, 1995

IN RE: APPOINTMENT - BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Mrs. Everett stated that Mr. Paul Myers, who was on the Board of Zoning Appeals passed away and someone needs to be appointed to finish his term.

Action was postponed till May 3, 1995.

IN RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW HENING, VEST & COVEY TO ASSIST IN ENGAGING THE SERVICES OF A GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER FOR NEW COURTHOUSE

Mr. Burgess, County Administrator, requested that the Board allow the Administration to contract with Hening, Vest & Covey Architects to assist the County in engaging the services of a Geotechnical Engineer for the New Courthouse Project.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the Administration is authorized to sign an agreement to allow Hening, Vest & Covey Architects to assist the County in engaging the services of a Geotechnical Engineer for the New Courthouse Project at a cost of \$1,056.00.

IN RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR CONTRACTOR TO REROOF THE PAMPLIN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Mr. Burgess, County Administrator, stated that Hening, Vest & Covey Architects submitted a proposal to provide a study that will investigate the addition of a sloped metal roof to the Pamplin Administration Building in the amount of \$30,000. Mr. Burgess stated that after discussing this option with staff members they could not see spending a lot of money just to be told what kind of roof is needed. Mr. Burgess recommended getting the Board's approval to bid out a contractor to come in and reroof the structure. The slope issues will be addressed at some future date and possibly that will be something that can be included in the ultimate Capital Improvement Program.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the Administration is authorized to solicit bids for a

contractor to replace the existing roof on the Pamplin Administration Building.

IN RE: APPROVAL FOR HEAD START TO HOST THE MCV DENTAL MOBILE IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the Dinwiddie County Public Schools Head Start Program is authorized to host the MCV Dental Mobile in the parking lot of the Health Department on April 24, 1995.

IN RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

1. Mr. Burgess stated that in reference to the "Clerk of the Works", he needed to know what level of authority would be granted to the individual that was appointed Clerk of the Works. Also would the individual be a temporary employee or a contracted service? Mr. Burgess stated that based on the schedule from Ballou, Justice & Upton, a Clerk of the Works will not be needed until February of 1996 so these questions are not pressing but they do need to be decided on sooner or later.

Mr. Bracey stated that the Administration maybe should start looking for a Clerk so that once the time comes that their services are needed they will be ready.

After some discussion between the Board members, they decided that the individual should be on a contract basis and have full authority to make decisions on site.

2. The Assistant County Administrator, stated that the County now has gas cards which will be available in the next few days. She advised the Board that the County is getting the same price by using the gas cards at the Food Barn as they are by using the tanks at the bus garage.

IN RE: DESIGNATION OF FISCAL AGENT FOR VIRGINIA'S RETREAT

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

WHEREAS, various localities in the Virginia's Retreat Consortium have been handling billing for expenditures of the program; and

WHEREAS, this process has been cumbersome and difficult to coordinate; and

WHEREAS, Amelia County has agreed to serve as the fiscal agent for the group and asks that effective July 1, 1995, each County send their \$3,600 contribution to Amelia County to pay the bills out of a separate account established for the group; and

WHEREAS, Amelia County will provide the member jurisdictions with a regular budgetary accounting of the fund and the expenditures made from the separate account;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia that Amelia County be designated as Fiscal Agent for the Virginia's Retreat consortium; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that effective July 1, 1995, the budgetary amount of \$3,600 be forwarded to Amelia County as the County's contribution for Virginia's Retreat, contingent upon approval of the budget on May 3, 1995.

IN RE: BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mrs. Everett stated that she represented Mr. Haraway at the West End Baptist Church ground breaking ceremony on Sunday, April 16, 1995.

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They expect to begin construction in June of 1995 and it will probably take a year or so to complete.

Mrs. Everett also stated that a Federal Highway Administrator is coming on Friday, April 21, 1995 to visit various locations in the County.

Mr. Bracey stated that the Board voted to have their Department Head/Constitutional Officer Board meetings at 2:00 P.M. in the afternoon, once a month, to accommodate these individuals and they are still not attending the meetings. He suggested Department Heads/Constitutional Officers sending a letter or a representative to the Board if they are not able to attend the Board meeting.

IN RE: PREPARE RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR DON LONG

Mrs. Everett stated that Saturday, April 22, 1995 is Robert Boisseau Pamplin Day and it is also the dedication of the Pamplin Park Civil War Site. The County had a special picture prepared for Mr. Pamplin to be presented to him on that day and Don Long was the photographer who prepared it. Mr. Long spent probably \$300.00 worth of time and commitment to this project and when he was asked to present his bill he declined saying that it was a gift to the County. Mrs. Everett suggested that the Board adopt a resolution of appreciation for Don Long.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that a resolution of appreciation be prepared for Mr. Don Long for his donation of time and effort towards the picture prepared for Mr. Robert Boisseau Pamplin.

IN RE: RECREATION DIRECTOR - REPORT

Mr. Toni S. Rinaldi, appeared before the Board and apologized for being late. He stated that the field at Dinwiddie Elementary is almost finished. The concession stand is also almost finished at the Middle School ball field.

THE CHAIRMAN RECESSED THE MEETING AT 4:25 P.M. AND RECONVENED AT THE HOME PLACE RESTAURANT AT 5:00 P.M.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Mr. Moody, seconded by Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay, Mr. Haraway voting "aye", pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, Section 2.1-344(a) 1-Discussion of employment, salaries, disciplining of public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; Section 2.1-344(a) 5-Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry; Section 2.1-344(a) 7-Consultation with legal counsel; the Board moved into Executive Session at 5:00 P.M. At 6:30 P.M., the Board returned to the Pamplin Administration Building. A vote having been made and approved the meeting reconvened into Open Session at 7:25 P.M.

IN RE: CERTIFICATION

Upon motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay, Mr. Haraway voting "aye", the following 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 excepted from open 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: AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE PRICE FOR SCALES AND FORKLIFT AT LANDFILL

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the County Attorney is authorized to negotiate a price with the Trustee on the County's behalf with respect to the scales and forklift at the Dinwiddie County Landfill.

IN RE: ACCEPTANCE OF PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REQUEST TO STEP DOWN AS PLANNING DIRECTOR & ASSUME POSITION OF ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, accepts Mr. Wayne D. P. Knox's, Director of Planning, to step down from the position of Director of Planning and be reassigned to the position of Zoning Administrator.

IN RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the Administration is authorized to advertise for the position of Director of Planning & Community Development.

IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING - FY 95-96 PROPOSED COUNTY BUDGET AND SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET

Mr. Charles Burgess, County Administrator, gave an overview of the budget. He stated that the General Fund appropriation as proposed is \$14,044,297.00, which represents slightly less than a 2% increase over current year funding. General Property Tax Revenues show an increase of approximately 4.5%. The total increase in revenues from all sources is approximately 4.7%. Local government employees are scheduled to receive a 2% cost of living increase, and a 1% merit increase, effective July 1. Constitutional Officers and their employees are anticipated to get a 2.25% salary increase effective December 1. He stated that there are no new positions funded in the local government proposed budget. There is only one capital purchase item in the budget and that is a new fire truck for Old Hickory Volunteer Fire Department. This vehicle would be purchased with funds from the fund balance. He stated that it is a conservative budget by the nature of the Board of Supervisors commitment to Capital Improvement Programs, both on the local government as well as the school side. He pointed out how the expenditure side of the budget has risen less than a half of what the revenue side has risen.

He wanted everyone to understand what the commitments are of local government for Capital Projects. The Board of Supervisors has retained the services of Financial Advisors and has made a commitment as follows: To maintain a fund balance of approximately \$4,000,000.00 and to commit up to \$1,600,000.00 of their fund balance to an account which will generate interest revenue to be used for the debt service on the new courthouse structure. This commitments approximately \$5,600,000.00 of the fund balance. It is anticipated that the County can come close to that figure but also realize in previous years, most notably our current year, the County has used a considerable amount of monies, in our undesignated fund balance, to fund operational expenses. Since the County has obligated those funds, both for reserve purposes as well as future debt service purposes, the County has not had those funds available to them for

operational type expenses. He stated that in the early or middle fall, when the audit report is made available, should the County exceed the \$5,600,000.00 of fund reserve, the Board will reconsider the other capital items that have been eliminated on a priority basis. For an example, he stated that the Sheriff's Department had requested a computer to assist them in checking individuals criminal background, which costs about \$65,000.00. It was eliminated from the budget due to lack of funds, but that may be something that will be reconsidered when the audit report comes in. Or in other cases some programs may be reinstated that had to be eliminated.

The School Board then presented its proposed 95-96 budget.

Harold Walker, School Board Chairman, stated that the School Board unanimously endorsed their proposed budget to ensure growth and quality into the school system. The budget increased 5.6% over last year but contrary to some people's belief it is a conservative budget. He asked the Board to fairly consider their budget.

Carol Fisher, School Board Vice-Chairman, stated that their system has moved forward by remaining focused on their students. Their refusal to be distracted has given them much success. Despite the fact that these are lean times, members of the School Board and a substantial number of the parents, children and community members, want the Board to consider this budget. It will allow them to continue moving forward. She stated that the people of Dinwiddie want quality education. The members of the School Board believe that they have a leadership team in place, and with support can provide the very best.

Dr. Gaul, Superintendent of Schools, stated that he felt that they have made some progress in the last two years, including the Capital Improvements Program. The difference between this years budget and last years budget is about \$82,000.00. He stated that despite the pay raises that are in the budget, they are still far behind compared to other localities. In the budget there are some positions that are still in question. He stated that insurance may go up but he was not sure yet.

Mr. Haraway asked Dr. Gaul did they have a back up insurance company in case the rates did go up.

Dr. Gaul stated that they did not; if the rates went up the cost would fall back on the employee.

Mrs. Ralph stated that the tax rates had not changed and are proposed as follows:

Proposed for 1995

1. Real Estate - .74
2. Mobile Homes - .74
3. Mineral Lands -.74
4. Public Services - .74
5. Personal Property - 4.90
6. Personal Property on volunteer vehicles - .25
7. Machinery and tools - 3.30
8. Heavy construction machinery 3.30

She stated that discussion had been held concerning the tax rate on airplanes. They are now taxed at \$4.90 per 100. There would not have to be an ordinance change to have them as a separate classification; they already are. The Board can reduce the rate but not raise it and do so when the budget is adopted.

Mr. Haraway opened the public hearing and asked for those persons listed on the sign-up sheet to come forward when called, state their names and addresses clearly for the record.

1. Kenny Williams, Chief of Carson Volunteer Fire Department, stated that their department worked both for Dinwiddie and Prince George Counties. Thirty percent of their calls were in Dinwiddie County and they appreciate all the assistance that Dinwiddie gives them; in return they provide various types of equipment. They are requesting \$21,830.00 with a

minimum of \$12,000.00. The money would be used for a lighting tower, upgrading of the Self Contained Breathing Apparatuses, upgrading their communication system and other miscellaneous things.

2. Bob Mengel, Assistant Chief Dinwiddie Volunteer Fire Department, stated that they are requesting \$20,000.00 in this year's budget and he knows they will only probably get \$15,000.00. They will probably have to raise \$15,000.00 on their own just to meet their budget of \$35,000.00. They have been requesting a fire station for years because they need one very badly. They do not have room to meet with or train their volunteers or even work on equipment. He wanted the Board to consider combining the paid Rescue and Fire Department into one facility if they ever got a new station. He stated that in 1996 they will need a new tanker truck because it will be twenty years old. In 1997 they want to go into a heavy equipment truck and in 1998 they will need another pumper truck. Finally in 1999 they will need a new van to transport volunteers to and from fires because their van is getting old.

Mr. Haraway declared the public hearing closed at 8:15 P.M.

Mrs. Everett stated that she wished they had money for all the requests but they don't.

Mr. Haraway asked what the ADM payment was, currently.

Dr. Ray Watson, Finance Director for School Board, responded that it was \$2,900.00 per student.

Mr. Bracey asked if this budget had anything to do with the teachers getting pink slips, which are slips notifying teachers that they may not get their contract renewed for next year.

Dr. Gaul stated that no, this budget had nothing to do with the teachers getting pink slips; it was because enrollment is down.

Mr. Bracey would like Dr. Gaul to send letters to the teachers that were notified that their contract may not be renewed for next year letting them know that they are not obligated to Dinwiddie County so that they can start looking for another job.

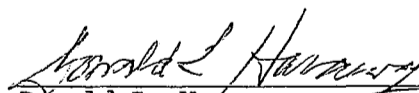
Mrs. Everett asked if the Success for all Program was being cut back.

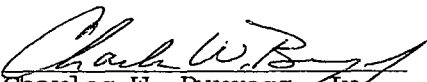
Dr. Gaul stated that the program is cut back somewhat because of budget shortfalls.

Mr. Haraway thanked everyone for being there and stated that the Board would vote on the budget at the next meeting which will be May 3, 1995 at 7:30 P.M.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. Bracey, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay, Mr. Haraway voting "aye", the meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.


Donald L. Haraway
Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: 
Charles W. Burgess, Jr.
County Administrator

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