

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 20TH DAY OF
MARCH, 1996, AT 2:00 P.M.

PRESENT: AUBREY S. CLAY, CHAIRMAN ELECTION DISTRICT #5
* HARRISON A. MOODY, VICE-CHAIR ELECTION DISTRICT #1
EDWARD A. BRACEY, JR. ELECTION DISTRICT #4
MICHAEL H. TICKLE ELECTION DISTRICT #2
LEENORA EVERETT ELECTION DISTRICT #3

DAN SIEGEL

COUNTY ATTORNEY

* ARRIVED AT 2:15 P.M.

IN RE: AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

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

Add, 14. Executive Session - d. Section 2.1-344(a) 3-Discussion or consideration of the condition, acquisition or use of real property for public purpose.

IN RE: MINUTES

Anne Scarborough, a County citizen, came before the Board and stated that she appeared at the March 6th Board Meeting under citizens comments to discuss an issue in reference to the Budget. She stated that when she saw the minutes from that meeting, her statements were so general that she felt that someone wouldn't even be able to understand the point that she was trying to make. She requested that all her comments be stricken from the minutes if they couldn't be more specific.

After a brief discussion between the Board members they requested that the minutes be changed to reflect Mrs. Scarborough's request.

Mr. Clay suggested that the minutes from the March 6, 1996 and March 12, 1996 Continuation Meetings be approved and they wait to approve the minutes from the March 6, 1996 Regular Meeting until they can be corrected.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the minutes for the March 6, 1996 Continuation Meeting and the March 12, 1996 Continuation Meeting are hereby approved in their entirety.

IN RE: CLAIMS

Upon motion of Mr. Tickle, seconded by Mr. Bracey, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Tickle, Mr. Moody, 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 #1000232-1000354 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$233,392.93; General Fund \$188,743.30, E911 Fund \$1,537.40, Self Insurance Fund \$18,475.59, CDEG Fund \$9,810.00 and County Construction \$14,826.64.

IN RE: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION -- REPORT

Mr. Harold Dyson, Ass't Resident Engineer, Virginia Department of Transportation, came before the Board and updated the Board on various sites being worked on in the County.

Mr. Tickle asked that Mr. Dyson inform the Resident Engineer that he would like the acceleration lane coming off of Interstate 85 looked into in front of Bullets Restaurant on Route 460 as far as extending it. He stated that the lane was too short and it was an accident waiting to happen.

Mr. Clay stated that Mr. Reekes had informed him that VDOT was going to completely redo Route 460 from Nottoway to Route 1.

Mr. Dyson stated that it would be about 75% of Route 460.

Mr. Clay stated that he felt that it did not need it. He stated that he felt that those funds could be used to pave some of the dirt roads in the County.

Mr. Dyson stated that the Project to redo Route 460 will now probably be put off for a couple of years because of the snow removal costs.

IN RE: COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE

Mrs. Deborah M. Marston, Commissioner of the Revenue, did not have anything to report but was present if the Board had any questions.

She stated that Christine Sorenson, Five Forks Commemorative Committee, had called her and they were working together to help Ms. Sorenson get everything in order for the upcoming Re-enactment.

Ms. Marston also stated that in looking through the minutes from the last Board meeting she wanted to clarify that her office did not **purchase** a Reader Printer; they are **leasing** a Reader Printer.

IN RE: TREASURER -- REPORT

Mr. William E. Jones, Treasurer, presented his report prior to the meeting for the month of February, 1996 because he was going to be out of town.

IN RE: COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY -- REPORT

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

IN RE: SHERIFF -- REPORT

Mr. Samuel H. Shands, Sheriff, was not present.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that \$1,000 be allotted from the uniforms and wearing apparel category of the Sheriff's Office budget for the Special Police to purchase uniforms.

Mr. Charles W. Burgess, County Administrator stated that Gary Baker with the Five Forks Re-enactment Group has requested two off duty officers for Saturday, March 30th, and two off duty officers for Sunday, March 31st, for traffic control and security. He stated that the Sheriff's Office will supply these officers at their overtime rate to be paid by Five Forks Re-enactment Group.

Mr. Bracey stated that he did not think that the County should enter into paying any bills for someone else's security unless it is for the County. He felt that the Re-enactment Group could pay the officers a check at the end of the day. He wanted to know why it had to come through the County's books.

Mrs. Ralph stated that it had to be done that way for insurance purposes.

Mr. Bracey stated that the Board was not responsible for private industry. He wanted to know why they were covering the officers on the

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County's insurance policy while they were working for someone else. He stated that he could not agree with that.

It was brought to the Board's attention that during the National Event at the Motorsports Park off duty officers were paid by the County and then reimbursed by the Motorsports Park.

Mr. Moody stated that he would like to make the motion to approve the request because they have done it before for other organizations with the condition that the county look into making a policy. Mrs. Everett seconded the motion. Mrs. Everett, Mr. Tickle, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay voting "aye", Mr. Bracey voting "NO".

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that two off duty Police Officers are authorized to work for the Five Forks Re-enactment Group at their overtime rate to be reimbursed by the Five Forks Commemorative Committee with the condition that the County look into making a policy.

IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR -- REPORT

Mr. Dwayne Abernathy, Building Inspector, presented his report for the month of February, 1996.

He also stated that the Five Forks Re-enactment Group was requesting a fire works permit and per the County Code the Board has to approve the request. Mr. Abernathy apologized for the delay in bringing it before the Board but stated that the Re-enactment Group just brought the request to his office the day before.

Mr. Bracey stated that these requests had to stop coming in so close to the time that they needed approval. He stated that there should be guidelines made and they should be kept.

After some discussion between the Board, they instructed Administration to look into setting some guidelines so when these requests come in, the Board will have ample time to do some investigating if they need to.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the fire works permit requested by the Five Forks Re-enactment Group be approved.

IN RE: ANIMAL WARDEN -- REPORT

Mr. Steve Beville, Animal Warden, presented his report for the month of February, 1996.

IN RE: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING -- REPORT

Mr. W.C. Scheid, Director of Planning, presented his report for the month of February, 1996.

Mr. Scheid introduced the new Senior Planner/Zoning Administrator, John Marchington Altman, Jr., "March".

He also stated that there will be a street vacation at the next Board Meeting, on a small section of road at the intersection of Patillo and Wheelers Pond Road. The property is owned by the Roger Shell, Jr., Estate.

Mr. Clay stated that he did not think that it was fair that the Shell family had to pay the \$100.00 to get the land back after they had given the land to the County.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the \$100.00 fee imposed by the Planning Department to advertise for the Street Vacation be waived.

Mr. Scheid also stated that the Planning Commission has had their final public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan and is ready to pass it on to the Board. He did say that he was now in the process of having some amendments done to it and he would get copies to the Board once they were done. He wanted to know how the Board wanted to approach reviewing it.

Mr. Tickle stated that he wanted to suggest a workshop between the Planning Commission and the Board so they could discuss the Comprehensive Plan.

Mrs. Everett stated that she would like to see a workshop take place also.

After some discussion between the Board they agreed to set a date for a workshop to discuss the Comprehensive Plan between the Board and the Planning Commission at the next meeting.

IN RE: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES -- REPORT

Mrs. Peggy McElveen, Director of Social Services, presented her report for the month of February, 1996.

IN RE: SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS -- REPORT

Mrs. Troilen Seward, Superintendent of Schools, presented her report for the month of February, 1996.

IN RE: RECREATION DIRECTOR -- REPORT

Mr. Anthony S. Rinaldi, Recreation Director, presented his report for the month of February, 1996.

Mr. Rinaldi presented three bids for a portable "Rain Train" to be used this summer when we do not get much rain. He stated that this would enable him to keep the fields watered so they will not dry out.

The bids were as follows:

Pioneer - Rain Train	\$1,095.00
1 100' Hose	440.00
TOTAL BID	\$1,535.00
Summit - Rain Train (T200) (Includes Hose)	\$1,693.00
Summit - Rain Train (M2-400) (Includes Hose)	\$1,923.00
Water Reel - Rain Train B100	\$1,870.00
Rain Train B110	\$1,940.00

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the bid from Pioneer to purchase a Rain Train for the Recreation Department in the amount of \$1,535.00 be accepted.

IN RE: DIRECTOR OF WASTE MANAGEMENT -- REPORT

Mr. Dennis E. King, Director of Waste Management, presented his report for the month of March, 1996.

IN RE: DEPUTY EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR -- REPORT

Mrs. Dawn Titmus, Deputy Emergency Services Coordinator, presented her report for the month of February, 1996.

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IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY -- REPORT

Mr. Daniel Siegel, County Attorney, came before the Board and stated that he has prepared an amendment to the County ordinance to allow Administration to handle an application for a solid waste permit.

IN RE: CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR -- REPORT

Mr. Donald Faison, Construction Inspector, presented his report for the month of February, 1996.

IN RE: A-95-7 -- JR. FIREFIGHTER -- PUBLIC HEARING

This being the time and place as advertised in the Progress Index on March 6, 1996 and March 13, 1996, for the Board of Supervisors to conduct a public hearing for the purpose of adopting amendments to the Dinwiddie County Code concerning Junior Firefighter Programs.

Mr. Charles W. Burgess, County Administrator, stated that the amendments would allow Junior Firefighters to enter an approved training facility structure which contains burning materials while under the supervision of a fire training officer. It would also allow them to respond to mutual aid calls.

Mr. Tickle stated that he had reservations about the Junior Firefighters going out of their jurisdiction.

Mr. Burgess, stated that it did not matter if the Junior Firefighters were in their own jurisdiction or someone else's they were to be under the supervision of the officer in charge. They are under the same regulations as if they were in their own jurisdiction.

This being a public hearing the Chairman opened the floor for public comment: No one signed up to speak.

Mrs. Ralph, Ass't County Administrator, stated that she received a phone call prior to the meeting from Charles Rideout who was unable to attend the meeting but asked the Board for their support.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the Code of the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia is amended and reordained as follows:

Section 10-5. Volunteer junior firefighter programs.

(a) The volunteer fire companies of Dinwiddie County are authorized to establish a junior firefighter program for minor persons 16 or 17 years of age who are residents of Dinwiddie County in accordance with this ordinance and all other applicable law.

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(b) Prior to participating in the junior firefighter program, any such minor person shall have filed with the County Administrator's Office, the Public Safety Officer, and the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Dinwiddie County, a notarized consent statement signed by all parents and/or legal guardians of that minor person stating that the minor person has permission to participate in Dinwiddie County Fire Company activities. The consent statement shall be in a form acceptable to the County Administrator and shall state that the parents and guardians signing the form recognize that the junior firefighter program may involve risks to the personal safety of participating minor persons.

(c) No junior firefighter program shall be established or conducted unless the volunteer fire company or governing body of Dinwiddie County has purchased and maintains insurance which provides coverage for injuries to or the death of any such minor in the performance of activities in the junior firefighter program in accordance with State law.

(d) Minors qualified to participate in the junior firefighter program may engage in fire training activities under the direct supervision of a State Certified Fire Instructor I or above. Such training shall be conducted in strict accordance with guidelines established by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs. Junior firefighters may enter an approved training facility structure which contains burning materials while under the supervision of a fire training officer.

(e) Minors qualified to participate in the junior firefighter program may engage in activities at a fire scene as follows:

- (1) They shall only participate in firefighting support functions at the fire scene.
- (2) They shall not enter the fire area.
- (3) They shall not enter a burning structure, enter a structure that contains burning materials, or enter an area that contains harmful products of combustion.
- (4) They shall not participate in fighting wildland fires.
- (5) They shall not respond to an incident involving actual or suspected hazardous materials or chemicals.
- (6) They may respond to mutual aid calls outside the jurisdictional boundaries of Dinwiddie County.
- (7) They shall not drive any piece of fire or rescue apparatus.

(f) If any such minor is a student, he or she must maintain passing grades in all subjects as a condition of participation in the junior firefighter program.

This ordinance shall be effective immediately.

Mr. Tickle stated that he would like a report back from the Fire Departments in about a year to see how it is working out.

IN RE: REQUEST FROM DINWIDDIE VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD -- EMERGENCY GENERATOR

Mr. Lamonte Fields, President of Dinwiddie Ambulance and Rescue Squad, came before the Board and stated that their emergency generator needed to be replaced at a total cost of \$17,236.50. He stated that DVRS has not requested any additional funds from the county since 1992. DVRS is requesting that the County pay 80% of the total cost of the generator and they pay 20%.

He stated that the present generator has been in place since the squad has been in existence for 25 years. At this time the generator does not function and is not worth the cost of the repair. He stated that DVRS has one of only two existing generators within Dinwiddie County. The other belongs to Dinwiddie County Sheriff's Department.

Mr. Clay stated that he was not in favor of it at this time but did say that the Board would take it into consideration at another time.

Mr. Bracey suggested that he ask the United Way or other agencies for some financial help.

Mrs. Everett stated that she would like to review the request at a later time.

IN RE: CRATER DISABILITY SERVICES BOARD -- APPOINTMENT

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that Christina Winfield be appointed to the Crater Disability Services Board to fill the unexpired term of Donna Saunders for a term ending January 31, 1997.

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IN RE: POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT -- SENIOR PLANNER/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that John Marchington Altman, Jr. be appointed to the position of Senior Planner/Zoning Administrator, effective March 15, 1996, at the salary level of Grade 10, Step D1, \$25,545.00.

IN RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

1. Charles W. Burgess, Jr., County Administrator, stated that the Department of Transportation will be having their Preallocation Hearing on Tuesday, April 9, 1996 and he asked them to be thinking about any issues the Board would like to convey to them in reference to updating the Six-Year Improvement Program.

2. Mr. Burgess stated that he received a memorandum from the Fort Pickett Local Reuse Authority Secretary seeking two nominees from the various participating localities that may be considered for its Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) selection panel.

Mr. Moody stated that he had two people in his district that would be interested.

3. Mr. Burgess stated that it was coming of time for our Business Appreciation Dinner and he requested some input from the Board in reference to a time frame.

Mr. Burgess stated that he would come back with some dates at the next Board Meeting.

4. Mr. Burgess stated that he received a request from Central Virginia Health Planning Agency, a private, non-profit corporation governed by regional representatives of health care consumers and providers. The Agency is involved in a number of functions including planning for medical services and facilities, collecting and disseminating health care data and information, as well as providing health education and information. They are requesting funding from Dinwiddie County in the amount of \$1,768.00.

After some discussion between the Board they agreed that they were not going to fund any new Agencies this Budget year. The Board suggested that they may want to try again next year.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Mr. Moody, seconded by Mr. Tickle, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Tickle, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay 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) 3-Discussion or consideration of the condition, acquisition or use of real property for public purpose; Section 2.1-344(a) 5-Discussion concerning a prospective business; Section 2.1-344(a) 7-Consultation with legal counsel; following a ten minute recess the Board moved into Executive Session at 3:55 P.M. A vote having been made and approved the meeting reconvened into Open Session at 5:03 P.M.

IN RE: CERTIFICATION

Upon motion Mrs. Everett, seconded by Mr. Tickle, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Tickle, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay 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 exempted 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: SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT -- ACCEPTANCE OF VEHICLES

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that titles for two vehicles, by which the identification numbers will be provided by the Sheriff's Department, are accepted and will be insured by the County.

IN RE: LANDFILL -- BACKHOE OPERATOR -- AUTHORIZATION TO FILL POSITION

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the Director of Sanitation is authorized to take the necessary action to fill the part-time position of Backhoe Operator at the Landfill.

THE BOARD RECESSED TO THE HOMEPLACE RESTAURANT, DINWIDDIE COUNTY, VIRGINIA AT 5:06 P.M.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Mr. Tickle, seconded by Mr. Clay, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Tickle, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay 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) 3-Discussion or consideration of the condition, acquisition or use of real property for public purpose; Section 2.1-344(a) 5-Discussion concerning a prospective business; Section 2.1-344(a) 7-Consultation with legal counsel; the Board moved into Executive Session at 5:15 P.M. A vote having been made and approved the meeting reconvened into Open Session at 6:45 P.M. THE BOARD RETURNED TO THE PAMPLIN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY AUTHORIZED TO RETAIN COUNSEL

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the County Attorney is authorized to take the necessary action for employing counsel relating to an insurance coverage claim against the Division of Risk Management.

IN RE: CERTIFICATION

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

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IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING -- FY 96/97 PROPOSED COUNTY BUDGET AND SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET AND 1996 TAX RATES

This being the time and place as advertised in the Dinwiddie Monitor on March 13, 1996 for the Board of Supervisors to conduct a public hearing to on the FY 96/97 proposed County budget and School budget and 1996 tax rates.

Mr. Charles W. Burgess, County Administrator, gave the following overview of the budget:

FISCAL YEAR 1996-97 BUDGET OVERVIEW

Some of the highlights of the proposed budget are as follows:

- no increase in any local tax.
- a reduction in the Machinery and Tools Tax was recommended by staff. The Board of Supervisors has not reached a decision on this issue as of this Public Hearing. The proposed reduction is from the current rate of \$3.30 per \$100 to \$2.50 per \$100. The anticipated lost revenue by lowering the rate is \$60,000.
- the General Fund Revenues have increased by 6.9% (\$948,851).
- the General Fund Expenditures have increased by 3.9% (\$543,112).
- employees working for Constitutional Officers will receive a 4.35% salary increase effective December 1st.
- local government employees will receive a 2% cost of living increase effective July 1st plus be eligible for a 2% merit increase on their employment anniversary date.
- the local government funds for the Public Schools are proposed to increase by 5.65% (\$341,182).
- the local government funds for Social Services are proposed to increase by 5.65% (\$18,399).
- the County's payment to the Appomattox Regional Library System is funded at 100% of the requested amount (\$142,403).
- the increase in funding for other regional agencies is "capped" at 4%.
- funding for one new deputy position in the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office is provided. However, the actual advertisement/hire date has not yet been determined by the Board of Supervisors.
- the following positions were requested but not funded:

Commissioner of the Revenue	4 additional positions
Sheriff	1 new Deputy
- the following new vehicles are recommended for funding:

Sheriff	7 new cars (10 requested)
Animal Warden	1 new truck (2 requested)
- the County's contribution to each of the Volunteer Fire Departments

increased by \$2000 (Carson Volunteer Fire Department receives an additional \$1000).

- a new fire truck is not included in this budget.
- the Board of Supervisors is supporting a grant application for a new first responder vehicle for Dinwiddie Volunteer Fire Company. The County's anticipated share in the cost of the vehicle is \$15,000.
- the Board of Supervisors is supporting a grant application for a new transport unit for the Dinwiddie Ambulance and Rescue Squad. The County's anticipated share in the cost of vehicle is \$33,500.
- funding is provided for the purchase of self contained breathing apparatus systems for the volunteer fire companies. This is a phased program whereby the exiting equipment will be replaced over the next few years.
- an additional \$30,000 has been added to the line for the general repairs and maintenance of existing County Buildings (funding of this line is currently \$30,000).

Mrs. Wendy Weber Ralph, stated the following as amendments to the proposed budget:

- state employees to receive a 4.35% increase in December.
- in Debt Service there will be additional Underwriting Fees for each of the County's Bond Issues at \$2,000 each for a total of \$8,000.
- Paid EMS there will be an additional \$4,800 for Rent.
- The Board agreed to match two State Grants - Van - DVFD \$15,000
Ambulance - DVRS \$33,500

Since this is also a public hearing on the 1996 tax rates, Mrs. Ralph also read the following tax rates proposed for 1996:

Real Estate	.74
Mobile Homes	.74
Mineral Lands	.74
Public Services	.74
Personal Property	4.90
Personal Property - Volunteer Vehicles	.25
Machinery & Tools	3.30
Heavy Construction Machinery	3.30
Airplanes	.30

Mr. Bracey questioned why the Machinery and Tools Tax was being reduced.

This being a public hearing, the Chairman opened the floor for public comment:

1. Marshall Smith, President John Tyler Community College, came before the Board and expressed his appreciation for their support. He also wanted to Thank the Board for their reappointment of John Roy Hodges to the John Tyler Board of Directors.

2. JoAnne M. Ortiz, Carson Road, Dinwiddie, VA. She came before the Board and and thanked them for fully funding the FY 96/97 Library Budget.

3. Anne Scarborough, Boynton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA. She requested that the Machinery & Tools Tax not be reduced. If they wanted to reduce a tax she asked them to think about reducing the \$4.90 per 100 Personal Property Tax. She stated that she had several questions but she would make an appointment with the County Administrator and see if he could answer them. She questioned why in the County Attorney's budget there was a line item for Dues & Subscriptions in the amount of \$350.00. She wanted to know what the dues were for and what were the subscriptions to. She stated that she was sad that the Board took the Code Enforcer out

of the budget and she was also sad that they reduced the First Responder Budget.

4. Charles Lewis and Robert Mengel, Dinwiddie Volunteer Fire Department. They stated that they were disappointed that the Fire Truck was not included in this years budget. There truck is currently 20 years old and they are in desperate need of one. It was in the budget and it got left out and they stated that they would like to work something out with the Board.

5. Robert Mengel, Dinwiddie Volunteer Rescue Squad. He asked the Board for the \$3,000 that is in the budget for the Chief's Association to be turned over to the Chief's for them to handle. He stated that when the County had a Public Safety Officer he would handle it but since the County does not have a Public Safety Officer anymore he wants to handle it for the Chief's Association.

6. Wallace Rowland, Butterwood Road, Dinwiddie. He complained about the tax rates. He also stated that he was having to pay taxes on some property that the State has the right of way on.

7. Charles Lundie, Carson Volunteer Fire Department. He asked that there department get the same increase this budget year as all the other fire departments.

8. Gloria G. Harvell, Fox Branch Road, Carson, VA. She thanked the Board for their support with the Library.

9. Deborah M. Marston, Commissioner of the Revenue, came before the Board and stated that she thought when the Board passed lowering the Airplane Tax last year they stated that they would look into it after a year and see if by lowering it, it generated other revenues.

10. Dwayne Snead, McKenney Volunteer Fire Department. He stated that he was upset about the money that the Board took out of their First Responder Budget. He also stated that they were also supposed to be getting a new fire truck this year, so he thought, but they couldn't even get one if they wanted to because their station is so small one wouldn't fit.

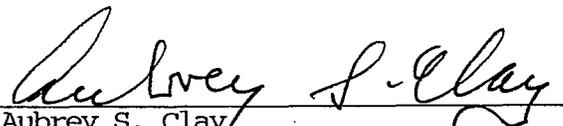
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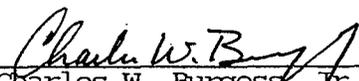
Mr. Bracey stated that he does not see the necessity in lowering the Machinery & Tools Tax rate. He thought that they could look into lowering the Personal Property Tax rate.

Mrs. Everett stated that she was impressed by the comments by Mr. Dwayne Snead. She would like to do something about the First Responder Funds that were taken out of their budget and look into these other requests further. She agrees with Mr. Bracey in reference to the Machinery & Tools Tax. She feels that the Airplane Tax does need to be looked into and that the \$3,000 does need to be turned over to the Chief's Association.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. Bracey, seconded by Mr. Moody, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Bracey, Mr. Tickle, Mr. Moody, Mr. Clay voting "aye", the meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.


Aubrey S. Clay
Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: 
Charles W. Burgess, Jr.
County Administrator

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