

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 12, 2009**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Floyd County, Virginia, held on Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, thereof;

PRESENT: David W. Ingram, Chairman; Jerry W. Boothe, Vice Chairman; Virgel H. Allen, William R. Gardner, Jr., J. Fred Gerald, Board Members; Daniel J. Campbell, County Administrator; Kayla W. Cox, Accounts Payable Clerk.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with the reading of the handicapping statement.

The Opening Prayer was led by Supervisor Gerald.

Chairman Ingram led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Mary Turman, Treasurer, appeared before the Board. She presented the invested cash and cash in bank report as of May 12, 2009. She commented that letters had been sent out on delinquent personal property taxes for 2004-2008. Taxpayers will have until June 30 to pay before DMV stops will begin in July.

The remainder of the financial report had been provided in the Board's packs by Mrs. Morris – revenue/expenditure summary and balance sheet ending April 30, 2009.

The minutes of April 14, 2009 and April 16, 2009 were presented to the Board for review and approval.

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the minutes of April 14, 2009 and April 16, 2009 as presented.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

The monthly disbursements were presented to the Board for review and approval. A list of additional expenses was also presented for the Board's consideration. Questions and discussion followed.

On a motion of Supervisor Gardner, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the monthly disbursements, plus additions, as presented.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Agenda Item 8a – Subdivision plats as approved by Agent for April 2009. Mr. Campbell reported that six new lots were approved in April, both family and lot subdivisions. For 2009, 40 standard lots and 21 family lots have been approved. He also reported that work is underway on the Comprehensive Plan in cooperation with the New River Valley Planning District Commission and the local Planning Commission. A meeting will be planned with the Board in early summer for discussion.

Agenda Item 8b – Appointment to Building Code Board of Appeals – 4 year term. The Board requested that the matter be placed on the agenda for the June meeting.

Agenda Item 8c – Appointments (3) to Floyd – Floyd County Planning Commission, 4 year terms – Burks Fork, Little River and Locust Grove Districts. Mr. Campbell reported that letters of interest were received from the incumbents in the Burks Fork and Little River Districts.

On a motion of Supervisor Allen, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Mrs. Evelyn Janney to the Floyd – Floyd County Planning Commission, representing the Little River District, for a four year term.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

On a motion of Supervisor Gardner, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Ms. Connie Harman to the Floyd – Floyd County Planning Commission, representing the Burks Fork District, for a four year term.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Mr. Campbell presented a letter from Mr. Ernest Bryant stating that he did not wish to be reappointed to the Planning Commission but he would be willing to continue serving as Co-Agent for the Subdivision Ordinance until such time as Mrs. Martin returns to work.

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to appoint Mr. Ernest Bryant as Co-Subdivision Agent.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye

Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

At 9:00 a.m., the Chairman called for the Public Comment Period.

Mr. Tom Reed, Courthouse District – I’ve talked to you the last couple of months about my home being broken into and my vehicle being stolen, it is not being pursued. I’ve pursued the avenues to do the right paperwork to have this done, have even had Magistrates send it to court. It has all been shot down and won’t go to court. I feel I’m entitled to my day in court with these people to try to obtain my property back and bring these people to justice that stole the vehicle. I wish you’d put yourselves in my shoes and think about if you had a vehicle stolen and it had not been recovered in five years, and someone in the County was guilty of it, and no one would pursue it after that, something’s wrong.

Supervisor Gerald – have you been communicating with the Sheriff’s Department?

Mr. Reed – there is some bad feelings there because I feel like there is some wrongdoing there.

Supervisor Gerald – are you still talking to them?

Mr. Reed – no, the people who had vehicles stolen are still communicating with them and there has been no pursuit of them. This has been going on for a year and half. The people that stole the vehicle still live in the County, it is not like they are hard to find. Once you find someone with a stolen vehicle, you simply trace it back to prove ownership. It’s a simple process. My home was broken into and the perpetrators are known. I’m entitled to my day in court, why am I being denied? Something stinks here. I’ve had Magistrates tell me that there were criminal actions and I’m entitled to that day in court. But the Commonwealth’s Attorney will not allow it to go to court. Something is wrong. If they are denying having an investigation done, if they did nothing wrong, what would be the harm in having an investigation done?

Supervisor Gerald – have the State Police been involved?

Mr. Reed – I’ve tried to do that. The Sheriff’s Office has to allow that to happen. Trust me, I’ve done all the leg work to make things happen. That’s why I’m here. You all are the controlling factor with the elected officials in the County. You all are the ones that can make it happen. I have no doubt if I could give my testimony in court that we would have a conviction. I’m 45 years old, I’ve known most of you all of my life. I’m not here to cause trouble but things need to be set straight here. I want my day in court and the guilty ones need to pay the price. I was with my son that night; I have limited time with him. I called for help and no one responded. It was an hour before anyone responded. I had people running around on my property, my son cannot forget that day. There were witnesses there; my property was sitting on the porch. I went to jail for trying to protect my property. I called for help and no one responded, that is not right. I feel I have all the evidence to prove this in court. Thank you.

After no further comments from the audience, the Chairman declared the Public Comment Period closed.

Supervisor Boothe commented that the Attorney General's office will not do an investigation unless the Board asks for one, as he was told. It seems to me that if the Attorney General's office deems an investigation is necessary, they could do it without us. The initial call was a domestic dispute and the Sheriff's Office has certain things they have to do in those circumstances.

Mrs. Korene Thompson, Town Manager, next appeared before the Board. She reported:

- June 20, 2009 – Floyd Town Jubilee, 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. First of all, want to thank the Board for your \$500 donation toward the Jubilee. We want to introduce the park as the main municipal park. It has been graded and seeded. The Press will be there today to do an article on the progress. Bids have been received and a local contractor received that bid, and has completed the seeding work before the wonderful rains we have had. We will be showcasing the local artisans. As a tourist attraction, we hope this will greatly help our local economy. We have a good line-up of performers (provided list). Presently taking registration for vendors for the event. Our Co-Directors are Heather Krantz and Erica Johnson. It has been advertised in several magazines, web sites, and local papers. VDoT would not allow us to close Locust Street because of tractor trailer traffic. I will work with Mr. Campbell and the Solid Waste Department on providing green box facilities.
- Zoning regulations – Town Council did vote to approve the Land Development Regulations. This includes our sign regulations. Speaking of signs, I hope you've noticed the erection of the pedestrian sign in front of Blue Ridge Restaurant. We've received a lot of good comments. I've observed people slowing down and stopping for pedestrians, which has not happened before. It has been a good thing. We also gave one of the signs for in front of the Country Store for them to put up during Friday night events. I do plan to proceed with the Virginia Municipal League to obtain further matching grants. We did mount them on sheet metal instead of putting them in the pavement so they can be moved. If someone hits them, they are break-away signs.
- Crosswalks – we have the proposed crosswalk in front of Angels in the Attic. We have the cutbacks in funding from VDoT so Town Council has voted to fund pieces of the crosswalk project. If the Town will purchase the products, VDoT will do the installation. If we wait until after July 1, they probably will not be able to do the work.
- Loan Pool Funds status – Town currently has a \$5000 application under review with approval of another \$10,000 loan. The one component of the application is job initiation and we have that under review.
- Wall at Schoolhouse Fabrics – we are looking at Loan Pool monies to possibly fix that wall.
- Fair Housing Workshop – Ms. Morris and I attended this workshop, it was very informative and we learned a great deal.
- Town budget work session – we are in the process of developing our budget, our next meeting is May 21 at 6:30 p.m. We're proposing to go to public hearing in June.
- Partnership for Floyd – May 23, sponsoring a fundraiser with proceeds going to the Warren G. Lineberry Memorial Park. Advance tickets are \$10.

- Ongoing projects – in the land development regulations, the subdivision ordinance will be reviewed; work beginning on the Comprehensive Plan; Old Hensley – AEP and Citizens have both moved their lines and contractor will begin work soon; Pine Street – paving is scheduled for the turnaround at the end – trying to get this road into the Secondary System before the July 1 change date; we are reviewing all our ordinances for revisions; Boundary map was finalized last year and will be presented to the General Assembly for approval this year; Village Square (now called The Station) – working with CDBG on tenancy requirements.

Supervisor Gardner suggested that in review of the Subdivision Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan, it would be a good time to include the Town in the discussions.

Agenda Item 8d – Appointment to New River Community College Board of Directors, 4 year term, 1 appointment. Mr. Campbell reported that one letter of interest was received from the incumbent.

On a motion of Supervisor Gardner, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Dr. Linda Petrie to the New River Community College Board of Directors for a four year term.

- Supervisor Gardner – aye
- Supervisor Allen – aye
- Supervisor Gerald – aye
- Supervisor Boothe – aye
- Supervisor Ingram – aye

Agenda Item 8e – Appointment to Floyd County Social Services Board, 4 year term, Indian Valley District. There were no letters of interest received. Mrs. Cunningham is not eligible to be reappointed.

Mr. Carl Ayers, Social Services Director, next appeared before the Board. He reported:

- CSA – due to the Reduction in Aid to Localities action that you took last year, I’m down to where we don’t have enough money to pay bills. We need to figure out at this point, to direct me how you want me to handle the operation of that program. After we paid April bills, the local amount for April was \$20,897.18. I have a total of \$18,629.00 in the program right now. That does not include the Medicaid expenditures that are taken off at the State and then sent back to me. They have not done that for January, February or March. Those amounts vary anywhere from \$1500-3300. I can’t really give you a sense on that until the State sends it back. You can take an average of \$2500/month which will give you around \$10,000 in the program. I still have to pay May and June bills. I estimate \$40,000 to get through the end of the fiscal year, provided we don’t have any new cases, just based on what we have now. We knew this would eventually come back, it was just a matter of when. We’ve actually done very well this year. This is just the local match that I’m talking about, not State funds. We are well under budget for the year. We don’t have the local match because the Aid to Localities was taken entirely from the CSA funds. Even if we try to use next year’s money, we’re just

pushing it off. CSA allows you to pay the bills through the fiscal year, to be paid before September 1, if you have the money out of the last fiscal year to cover the bills.

Mr. Campbell also presented the letter from the State concerning FY10's Reduction in Aid to Localities. The reductions are basically the same as this fiscal year's. This year was a \$65,141 reduction. Mr. Ayers commented that the local share for CSA was around \$160,000 for the FY09 budget year, the \$65,141 came right off the top of the local share. Discussion followed on providing the needed funds on a monthly basis to have updated/exact figures. Consensus of the Board was to discuss the matter further later in the day and relay the decision to Mr. Ayers today.

Mr. Ayers, continuing with his report, indicated that the FMAP rate (new Federal Medicaid rate) increased by 6.2% effective October 1, 2008. With the stimulus funds, Medicaid expenditures will have to be reviewed and our 6.2% share will be coming back to the County. The State has not figured out yet how to make all this work so that's why we haven't gotten any reimbursements for several months.

Agenda Item 8f – Appointment to VASAP Advisory Board, 1 appointment, 1 year term, at large appointment. Mr. Campbell presented a letter of interest from the incumbent, Mr. Doug Thompson, to continue serving.

On a motion of Supervisor Gardner, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Mr. Doug Thompson to the VASAP Advisory Board for a one year term.

- Supervisor Gardner – aye
- Supervisor Allen – aye
- Supervisor Gerald – aye
- Supervisor Boothe – aye
- Supervisor Ingram – aye

Agenda Item 8g – Appointment to New River Community Action Local Board, 3 year term, 1 appointment, at-large appointment. Mr. Campbell presented a letter of interest from the incumbent, Ms. Susan Icove.

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Gardner, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Ms. Susan Icove to the New River Community Action Local Board for a three year term.

- Supervisor Gardner – aye
- Supervisor Allen – aye
- Supervisor Gerald – aye
- Supervisor Boothe – aye
- Supervisor Ingram – aye

Agenda Item 8h – Appointment to New River Community Action Executive Board, 2 year term, Board of Supervisors representative. A letter of interest from the incumbent, Mr. John McEnhill, was presented.

On a motion of Supervisor Allen, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Mr. John McEnhill to the New River Community Action Executive Board for a two year term.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Agenda Item 8i – Appointment to New River Valley Planning District Commission, 3 year term, 1 appointment, at large term.

On a motion of Supervisor Allen, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Mrs. Evelyn Janney to the New River Valley Planning District Commission for a three year term.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Mr. Campbell presented a letter from the New River Valley Community Services Board concerning the reappointment of Jerry Boothe.

On a motion of Supervisor Gardner, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and carried, it was resolved to reappoint Mr. Jerry Boothe to the New River Valley Community Services Board for a three year term.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – abstain
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Consensus of the Board was for staff to re-advertise the Indian Valley District position on the Floyd County Social Services Board. Also, consensus of the Board to interview the person who had expressed interest in the Locust Grove position on the Planning Commission, at the next meeting. Supervisor Ingram will discuss the position on the Building Code Board of Appeals with a person who may be willing to serve.

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to amend the agenda to include discussion of an appointment to the Virginia Sesquicentennial Committee of the Civil War Commission.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye

Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to appoint Mr. Lowell Boothe to the Virginia Sesquicentennial Committee of the Civil War Commission.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Ms. Harriett Hodges, representing the Rails Solutions group, had called to cancel their time slot on the agenda. Mr. Campbell presented a proposed resolution from the group in support of the program, for the Board's consideration.

On a motion of Supervisor Gardner, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and carried, it was resolved to adopt the resolution as presented, in support of the Rails Solutions program (Document File Number _____).

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – abstain
Supervisor Boothe – nay
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Agenda Item 8j – Discussion of County Carry-Over Policy. Mr. Campbell presented a copy of the current policy for the Board's review. He commented that there is sometimes a need in local government to carry over funds, such as grant funds, encumbered funds, or a purchase order that has been issued but products not received. Sometimes there may be a construction project in progress that is not completed by fiscal year end and the budgeted funds can be carried over to complete payment of the project. Discussion also followed on how actual audited numbers to be carried over could be tracked. Consensus of the Board was for staff to draft a revised policy for the Board's review at their next meeting.

Agenda Item 8k – Consideration of Commercial Paper payoff. Mr. Campbell reported that the current loan was scheduled to be re-paid by June 1, but the payoff date has been moved to June 20. An application was submitted in mid-April for the commercial paper program for the upcoming fiscal year. Approval has not been received to-date. The new payoff date will be very helpful in the cash flow situation. We will bring this bill back to you at the June regular meeting. The new commercial paper funds will be available in early July. This program has greatly assisted us in our cash flow situation while we work out solutions to balance revenue and expenditures.

Agenda Item 8l – New River Valley Development Corporation moral obligation request. Mr. Campbell reported that he received answers to the Board's questions on Friday and they were provided to the Board this morning. Thus far, Pulaski County has agreed to provide one-

half of the \$2.635 million; Town of Christiansburg has also agreed to provide \$350,000; Town of Pulaski also has agreed to pledge \$184,450; Radford is considering; Giles County and Blacksburg have declined; Montgomery County is not known, however, they are doubtful because of a recent bond obligation of around \$70 million for school construction. They are refinancing \$2.635 million. In order to do that, they have to have a moral obligation from the participating communities that helped set up the corporation. If they have problems, the local governments will support them. Performas, even when they do this, they are entirely dependent upon rents, that is a tough one to predict. Their target, on which they based the performas, is 70% occupancy. A lot of incubators have had trouble keeping their occupancy at the projected amount, not just this one. \$800,550 is left to be pledged after the above amounts. I have reviewed their articles of incorporation and bylaws and I saw no obligation on the County's part for any collateral or moral obligation. If we were to issue a moral obligation for a portion of the remaining amount, it would be under full disclosure requirements. It would have to be disclosed to our auditors, bondholders – both in the past and going forward, and would show as a contingent liability. When you do that, it could affect our capacity to borrow or the rate upon borrowing. No action was taken by the Board.

Mr. Kenny Bartlett, EMS Operations Manager, next appeared before the Board. He reported, for the month of April, 40 calls with 38 transports. The response unit handled 47 calls, for a total of 87 calls for the month. There were five calls to the nursing home, for a total of 46 calls year-to-date.

Mrs. Myra Grim, EMS Administrative Clerk, next appeared before the Board. She presented a new collection rate of 54%, up from 49%. She reported that deposits are up. She and Mr. Campbell will be meeting again with Diversified Ambulance Billing at the end of May to discuss problems with collections.

Mr. Ford Wirt, Emergency Services Coordinator, next appeared before the Board. He reported:

- There was a tornado in Indian Valley last week. Most of the damage was to trees with some structure damage.
- Regional Jail report – inmate population is increasing, averaging 38 daily now, up from 27. Renovation/construction is still on schedule, completion still set for early January. Still under budget by \$2 million.
- Have received information regarding the wireless grant for upgrade to dispatch maintenance, system called Rescue Star which I call the brain of the center. Grant was approved for \$150,000. The estimated cost of the update was \$300,000. We have asked permission to carry-over the grant so we can apply for funds next year to complete the project at no local cost.
- Radio system that we discussed some months back, on the Parkway, is complete and serving the area well. It is not a part of the simulcast system in the rest of the County but right now it is taking care of the need in that area.
- Well project is complete at the Indian Valley Fire Department, everything is in operation.
- Request – grant pending on upgrade of our consoles in the communication center. Bid documents are complete for advertisement. Would request that the Board approve

advertisement of this bid. The funds are available in the FY09 budget to pay for this project.

On a motion of Supervisor Gerald, seconded by Supervisor Gardner, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to authorize the County Administrator to advertise for bids for console upgrades in the communication center, 19 mobile radios for patrol cars and related equipment.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Mr. Wirt also commented that the regional jail per diems are close based on daily inmate population. We estimate that we will be short on our budget projection.

Dr. Terry Arbogast, School Superintendent, next appeared before the Board. He reported:

- Presented copy of School Board meeting highlights as of May 11, 2009. A supplemental appropriation request was approved by the Board. Additional Federal funds were received from the National School Lunch Program (\$55,000) and from Medicaid (\$49,000). These funds will be spent in the Instructional and School Food areas.

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$104,000.00 to the FY09 School Board budget; \$49,000 to the Instruction category and \$55,000 to the School Food category, and appropriate same.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

- School Board meeting for June changed to June 1 for the regular meeting and an adjourned meeting set for June 29 for year-end close-out.
- State SOL accreditation scores for writing – benchmark is 70%, scores average 89%. SOL testing is now being held at the High School and grades 3-7. Information received now shows positive for spring scores.
- Alternative School Programs Proposal – we are part of a lease of a building here in Town for long-term suspended students. This program has been put into place and is working well. We have another group of students who are just academically behind, maybe as much as two years, that need something else to help them to get to the point that they see that a standard diploma is a possibility for them, so they don't become a drop-out. There is another group in 8-9th grades which are also behind. So we actually have three groups of students that we are working to assist. We hope to use space on the high school campus for the younger children and use the Town site for the long-term suspension group and two or more years behind group. We promote graduation and standard

diploma, not the GED, because the GED is not governmentally recognized. If these programs don't work for the students, they will be directed toward the GED. This proposal outlines what we're trying to do.

- March 31 is the official cut-off date for ADM (Adjusted Daily Membership). This figure is what our State funding allocation is based on. Our March 31 number was 2050, budget was based on 2040. Budget last year was based on 2046.

Supervisor Allen questioned the \$10,000 investment made in the rent of the building near the water tank. How many students are participating in the program?

Dr. Arbogast – we began with one student participating, and now have four students. Even these students have to take the SOL tests to get a verified credit. If they are not finished their work when we finish the school year, we'll continue the work in the summer, so they can get the credits they need for their diploma. We've also placed a Group 2 student that was not long-term suspended, there also. The student was having difficulty being behind, we placed them there to get them back on track so they don't lose the whole year credits (4), and may only lose two credits. In order to get back into school, they must appear before the School Board to show they are interested in applying to come back to school. We're giving them an opportunity, but they must be serious about it. All have been thankful for the opportunity.

The Board recessed for lunch.

Agenda Item 8m – State Aid reductions for Floyd County. In further discussion of this issue, Mr. Campbell commented that Floyd County's decrease for FY10 is \$65,688. Last year, the Board pulled the entire amount from CSA funds instead of individual departments. The decision for the upcoming year has to be sent to the State by June 15. Mr. Campbell presented a spreadsheet indicating the departments and amount of cuts. There is also a decision to be made for this year's budget, the shortage in CSA funds from last year's reductions. The Board has a choice of taking the cuts as indicated by the spreadsheet by department; take the entire amount out of one department, such as CSA; or reimburse the State directly from General County funds.

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Gardner, it was resolved to take the FY10 State Reduction in Funds, in the amount of \$65,688, from the CSA budget.

Chairman Ingram did not accept the motion so further discussion could be accommodated.

Discussion followed on different options for the cuts for FY10 and how to handle the shortfall in CSA this fiscal year.

On a motion of Supervisor Gardner, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and carried, it was resolved to transfer \$21,000 from Contingency to the CSA budget in the FY09 budget, to make up the shortfall in the State Aid to Localities reductions.

Supervisor Gardner – aye

Supervisor Allen – aye

Supervisor Gerald – nay

Supervisor Boothe – nay
Supervisor Ingram – aye

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Gardner, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to authorize the County Administrator to submit required paperwork to the State for the State Aid to Localities reductions for Floyd County, as per the outline provided, reducing by department, for FY10.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Agenda Item 8n – County Building Janitorial Services. Mr. Campbell requested that he be authorized to bid out County buildings janitorial services. This service has not been bid out since 2000, and the cost has increased quite a bit, from \$1400 to \$3375 per month. This is in no way a reflection on the current service, but a way to save the County money by reducing the frequency of the service. There have been inquiries from other people/firms interested in providing the service. Discussion followed on obtaining proper references/background checks on potential contractors. Consensus of the Board was to send the current provider a letter explaining that this is strictly a financial matter, not a reflection on the current service.

On a motion of Supervisor Gardner, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to authorize the County Administrator to advertise for a cleaning service contract for County buildings.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

Agenda Item 8o – Volunteer request at Animal Shelter. Mr. Campbell reported that he had been contacted by a Humane Society officer as to whether the Board had discussed their request any further. He also reported that the switch in hours for the animal control officers began the last week in April. The routine is falling into place. The senior officer was trying to take some time off, so the schedule wasn't completely in place. Full schedule should be in place by the first week in June.

On a motion of Supervisor Allen, seconded by Supervisor Gerald, and carried, it was resolved to adopt the Agreement with the Floyd County Humane Society, to be effective June 1, 2009 (Document File Number _____).

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – nay
Supervisor Ingram – aye

On a motion of Supervisor Gerald, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn until 7:00 p.m. for the secondary roads public hearing.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – aye
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

At 7:00 p.m., the Chairman called for the Public Hearing on the Secondary Road Construction Plan and the FY10 budget.

The Chairman turned the meeting over to Mr. Bob Beasley, VDoT Residency Administrator, who read the call for the public hearing.

Mr. Johnny Hurst, VDoT Contract Administrator, outlined the funding for the upcoming year and the three projects funded in the 6-year plan.

Mr. Beasley called for comments from the audience. The following individuals spoke to the Board (full text on file in the County Administrator's Office).

Ms. Julia Light – Route 617 – appreciate work done on the road.
Mr. Kerry Whitlock – commented that he hated to see the VDoT staff go.

After no further public comments, Mr. Beasley declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:10 p.m.

Mr. Beasley commented that the plan and budget approvals need to be in by June 3rd to the State. These are not the final numbers, but the best estimate that we have at this point. Federal numbers have been the same all along, but we don't know final State figures.

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Gardner, and carried, it was resolved to approve the FY10 budget and 6-year secondary road plan as presented.

Supervisor Gardner – aye
Supervisor Allen – aye
Supervisor Gerald – nay
Supervisor Boothe – aye
Supervisor Ingram – aye

The Board next discussed individual district concerns with Mr. Beasley and Mr. Hurst.

Supervisor Boothe expressed appreciation for work on Route 810 and mowing County-wide.

Supervisor Allen – nothing to report today.

Supervisor Gerald – 1842 Macks Mountain Road – ditch is so clogged (Route 754) that it causes a garden to flood that is adjacent.

Supervisor Gerald – bank in front of Union Church (Route 754) is eroding so bad that it is causing the pavement to crack along the road.

Supervisor Gardner – nothing to report today.

Supervisor Ingram – mowing will be pretty slim this year?

Mr. Beasley – it appears that it will be. We don't have the plan defined as to what we will do. Everything is in draft form at this point. Mowing seems to be one item that will have lower levels of service. The level will depend on the volume of traffic on the road. The levels are from B to E. B being the most traveled roads, in excess of 10,000 vehicles, E with levels less than 50. But it has not been adopted yet, still being discussed.

Supervisor Boothe – are there any allowances for school bus routes or that type of thing?

Mr. Beasley – there is not. There is an allowance for intersections. As I understand it right now, intersections will be mowed back 100' in all directions to allow sight distance.

Supervisor Ingram – the secondary roads need the mowing worse than the primary roads, as far as a safety issue. The areas along the secondary roads in the summertime are more of a safety issue than the primary roads, in my opinion.

Mr. Beasley – my opinion is that we'll go through the summer and see how it goes to make changes in the plan.

Supervisor Allen questioned the Board's opinion on doing in-house billing for the ambulance service and the cost of \$10,000 for the in-house program.

Consensus of the Board was for Supervisor Allen to obtain further information and definite costs for the program/training and bring back to the Board for discussion.

Supervisor Boothe also requested that the item of only accepting what the insurance companies pay for ambulance services be added to June's agenda for discussion.

On a motion of Supervisor Gerald, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn.

Supervisor Gardner – aye

Supervisor Allen – aye

Supervisor Gerald – aye

Supervisor Boothe – aye

Supervisor Ingram - aye