

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
ADJOURNED MEETING  
FEBRUARY 23, 2011**

At an adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Floyd County, Virginia, held on Wednesday, February 23, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, thereof;

PRESENT: David W. Ingram, Chairman; J. Fred Gerald, Vice Chairman; Virgel H. Allen, Case C. Clinger, William R. Gardner, Jr., Board Members; Daniel J. Campbell, County Administrator; Terri W. Morris, Assistant County Administrator.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the reading of the handicapping statement.

The Chairman called for the Public Comment Period.

Mr. Robert Smith, Indian Valley District – I'm glad that you are having some meetings at night so more people can attend rather than having to take off work.

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

Agenda Item 3 – Departmental requests concerning proposed FY12 budget.

Ms. Tammy Belinsky, Chairman of the Floyd County Electoral Board and Ms. Amy Ingram, Registrar, appeared before the Board.

Ms. Belinsky reported that she had resigned from the Electoral Board due to work demands and Mr. Nolen Goad would be finishing out her term. The terms have changed because of the gubernatorial party change. Mr. Robert Smith is the new board member beginning March 1.

Budget – our proposed figures represent the fact that we will have three primaries and one election in the upcoming year. She presented a carry-over request in the amount of \$6515 for a primary that was scheduled for June 14, 2011 but has been delayed until August 23, 2011. She also presented a request for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$4360 in the current year's budget for additional part-time help. This additional funding would provide 32 hours of part-time staff per week through the end of June 2011. In review of the proposed FY12 budget, she highlighted the additional requests: \$240 increase for Election Officers/Clerks for the additional primary and for payment of an alternate poll worker at each site; Election Custodians for extra primary; \$100 increase for ballot programming/printing for paper poll book backup; \$100 additional for education and training; \$300 increase for travel/mileage for new board member to attend training; \$300 increase for travel/meals/lodging for new board member training.

Ms. Ingram – in the Registrar’s budget, requesting increases: Part-time assistants, increase to \$21,840 to allow hours to increase from 32 to 40/week due to workload from redistricting and four elections set for the budget year, and also to allow for 3% increase in hourly rate; Postage – increase of \$1304 for increased mailing for redistricting notices and new voter cards without social security numbers; Travel - \$ 2000 increase to attend four national certification courses, will personally pay for mileage and \$150 yearly dues; Office supplies - \$300 increase for extra envelopes for redistricting notices and copier rental.

Sheriff Shannon Zeman next appeared before the Board. He commented that eleven areas of the proposed FY12 budget request are only around a \$5000 increase. They are: Telephone, \$1000 increase, for additional lines in the communication center for emergency power outages, additional cell phones, have eliminated the use of pagers; Travel, \$500 increase, Academy does provide basic instruction but we’re responsible for other schools; Dues, \$150 increase based on actual costs; Office supplies, both in Law Enforcement and Corrections – increase due to printing of photographs that have to be submitted with each report; Ammunition, costs have gone up significantly, DCJS requires certification each year for all 17 sworn officers, our last order was \$4500 for enough ammo for certification; Crime library, Code book for each officer, based on current actual costs; Repair/Maintenance, repairs done at Courthouse by trustee, hope to get some painting done this year; Maintenance contracts, \$250 increase, maintenance on all computers and office equipment; Inmate food, we are responsible for dinner each day for trustee working here, average \$25/week, asking for increase of \$1150; Janitorial supplies, used by trustee to clean offices at Courthouse, asking for \$200 increase. As far as gasoline costs, he commented that they are doing well this year because of officers riding together on night shift. We were up to 34,000 miles/month at one point but have reduced that down to 23,000 miles/month. We did receive a Toyota Corolla from the Drug Task Force that we’ll use for transport to schools/meetings so the patrol cars can stay here to keep the mileage down. He also reported on the recent deer accident that totaled one of the older vehicles, only receiving \$5075 for replacement value, working out options to replace that vehicle.

In new requests for the proposed budget, Sheriff Zeman outlined the following: Surety bond – Compensation Board currently pays 50% of the cost, there is a proposal in the General Assembly to shift that entire cost to the County, I do not know the amount; Four additional personnel – public is demanding more services and quicker response times. Additional personnel would also assist in scheduling, having three officers per shift instead of two; transports, safety, etc. Do have limited Drug Asset funds that I could shift to these positions for this year; For current employees – have not had a raise in four years, \$500 supplement was lost, lost pay for the State furlough day but did not receive the State 3% bonus, threat of VRS increase – all these things lead to low morale and officers leaving. There are ten Town of Christiansburg officers who live in Floyd County and I have two others trying to get jobs there. We are asking for additional funds to retain our officers and to do our job in a professional way.

Mr. Campbell outlined some of the highlights of the proposed FY12 budget: Schools – they should have additional information after Saturday’s adjournment of the General Assembly but they are facing loss of stimulus funds, continuing decrease in State funds, preliminary request for increase in local funds of \$750,000 - \$1,200,000; would request a 3% pay increase or one

year bonus for County employees, since all staff have not had a raise in three years; Floyd County Lodging Association has requested information on how the Transient Occupancy Tax will be used – 3% is required to be used for direct tourism efforts; Several new requests from various agencies including New River Competitiveness Center, Fairview Home, Crooked Road-Heartwood, SE Rural Community Assistance Project, Goodwill Industries, Virginia Economic Bridge, Western Virginia Land Trust, Mental Health Association; small increase requests from various departments. On the revenue side, as of 2/4/11 we are \$166,913 behind in our targeted collections for the current year; have received an appeal in the amount of \$59,967 from one industry for their machinery/tools tax for a three year period – auditor information is being reviewed; M/T collections will show a \$20,000 decrease because of the above appeal; consideration for the \$150,000 grant that is pending from the Wireless Fund to replace the Rescue Star equipment at the communication center – these funds have to be used by the end of June. We as staff are requesting that the Board consider these items and point us in the direction that you want to go, whether you want to continue to cut/eliminate services or consider revenue enhancement.

Considerable discussion followed on the different requests and options for revenue enhancement.

Mr. Campbell reported that the Anthem renewal for employees was received today with no increase in costs. Consensus of the Board was to stay with the current plans/contributions.

On a motion of Supervisor Clinger, seconded by Supervisor Allen, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn to Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.

Supervisor Clinger – aye  
Supervisor Gardner – aye  
Supervisor Allen – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Ingram – aye

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Daniel J. Campbell, County Administrator

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David W. Ingram, Chairman, Board of Supervisors