

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 17, 2016**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Floyd County, Virginia, held on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the County Administrative Building thereof;

PRESENT: Case C. Clinger, Chairman; Joe D. Turman, Vice Chairman; J. Fred Gerald, Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch, Lauren D. Yoder, Board Members; Terri W. Morris, County Administrator; Cynthia Ryan, Assistant County Administrator.

Chairman Case Clinger 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.

Supervisor Yoder led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item 4.

On a motion of Supervisor Yoder, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the minutes of October 11, 2016 and October 25, 2016 as presented.

Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 5.

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Gerald, and carried, it was resolved to approve the monthly disbursements and additional bills as presented.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Turman – abstain  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 7.b. – Building Permit Report for October 2016.

Ms. Morris reported that residential permits for the month are double what they were last year at this time, but permits issued year-to-date are about the same for the two years. October 2016 was a busy month.

Agenda Item 7.c. – Reappointment of the Board of Supervisors Representative to the Floyd County Social Services Board, term expiration date June 30, 2020.

On a motion of Supervisor Turman, seconded by Supervisor Yoder, and carried, it was resolved to reappoint effective July 1, 2016, Mr. Case Clinger to the Floyd County Social Services Board for the Courthouse District for a four year term ending June 30, 2020.

Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – abstain

Agenda Item 7.d. – FY17 Local Government Agreement between the Virginia Department of Health and Floyd County.

Ms. Morris explained that this is an agreement that we do annually. It outlines the County's and the State's shares to support the cooperative budget. The FY17 agreement with the health department is the same agreement as last year.

On a motion of Supervisor Yoder, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the FY 2017 Local Government Agreement between the Virginia Department of Health and Floyd County and to authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement (Document File Number 888).

Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 7.e. – Memorandum of Understanding for Septage Service Outside of Service Area for Calendar Year 2017.

Ms. Morris explained that this is our annual update with Pepper's Ferry Regional Wastewater Treatment Authority for the treatment and disposal of our leachate from the landfill. There are no changes in it from the previous year. The Floyd-Floyd County Public Service Authority is also covered under this for the little bit of sludge they have.

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Yoder, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Pepper's Ferry Regional Wastewater Treatment Authority for Septage Service Outside of Service Area for Calendar Year 2017 and to authorize the County Administrator to execute the Memorandum (Document File Number 889).

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 7.f. – Draft Legislative Recommendations.

Ms. Morris presented a draft for the Supervisors to edit. Ms. Morris reminded the Board they received a letter request back in August from Wise County. They wanted all counties to request that 5% of the lottery proceeds be given to the counties. I did not include that on this list. I thought I would leave that for your discussion. You also had a request from York County on meals tax. I did leave that because we already had that on our list.

The only new item is item x – Aging/Long Term Care. Different agencies we deal with are really having problems with that. Ms. Ryan participated in a webinar put on by VACO Finance Committee. They were recommending Counties only have 1 or 2 items on their list. I will leave that for your discretion.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch asked what their thought process was on that recommendation?

Ms. Ryan answered their thought was that in previous years VACO had so many items on their agenda, it became easy for nothing to get passed. The finance committee was talking primarily about taxing authority for counties. VACO's approach has been broad based and the request was uniformity in taxing authority with other entities for many different things. They suggested if everybody got on board and all Counties targeted a meals tax only, there is a good chance county authority to levy a meals tax without referendum could get passed.

At first they were just talking about tax on meals versus other kinds of tax, but further in the conversation they said it would be good if counties did not come in with a punch list of 20 items for VACO. If counties each had a list of two or three items and meals tax was on the top of everyone's list, it would allow VACO to concentrate on meals tax and have efforts directed toward that priority this year.

Ms. Morris added that VACO's legislative program is 17 pages. She asked if VACO's legislative program was adopted at the annual meeting?

Supervisor Yoder replied that he believed it was.

Chairman Clinger said when we give them so many they can always find 1 or 2 off the list and say we did something. I would rather just give them a smaller list and let them focus on it.

Supervisor Yoder said in the past we have given them this list and for the 1 or 2 things we really want them to focus on we pass a resolution. If I were in Richmond, I would want to know what my counties thought on a lot of issues.

Ms. Morris said we can always invite our legislators here to a Board meeting to talk to you as we have done in the past.

Supervisor Yoder said over the weekend I went to several meetings about stormwater. For item h – Stormwater regulations, the last sentence should read, "Counties and Communities outside of the Chesapeake watershed should also be granted the ability to opt out of the entire

program.” I don’t think there is any chance whatsoever that everyone will be able to. I think from attending those meetings some of the counties are not wanting to allow that to happen because they want everyone to feel the pain. I heard that more than anything from Central Virginia and the Tidewater. While we know your area is not impacted, you have to feel the pain of these regulations. One of them actually got up and said, you get tobacco money and the coalfields get money, and we don’t get anything so you are going through this with us. We are not letting you go.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch said she likes the Legislative Recommendations and we could attach resolutions with it for those items we want to give greater weight.

Ms. Morris said she could include a letter that states the higher priority items with the Legislative Recommendations. Ms. Morris asked which items would the Board like to emphasize?

Consensus was to draft a resolution regarding meals tax.

Supervisor Yoder said stormwater will continue to be a problem for us. Regulations are going to get more and more strict. Right now DEQ is running some of the programs and they are over budget by \$2-\$3 million right now this year. The amount they are collecting is not enough to cover costs. My fear is they are going to raise the costs substantially or turn the programs over to the counties. Either way it will be a bad deal in trying to develop anything. It will even substantially raise the cost of building a school.

Consensus was to draft a resolution regarding stormwater regulations.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch said item b – Natural Gas Pipelines is important too in providing property rights for citizens. But now we are getting into the same thing of putting two, three, four resolutions.

Chairman Clinger pointed out that Natural Gas Pipelines are handled by Federal Energy Regulations. Our State legislators probably feel the same way we do.

Vice Chairman Turman said that item n – Election Costs are important too. It seems every election we get slammed. If they require us to do something then they should pay for it.

On a motion of Supervisor Yoder, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the Legislative Recommendations with the changes requested (Document File Number 890).

Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 7.h. – Appointment to the Floyd-Floyd County Recreational Authority, Burks Fork District.

Ms. Morris reminded the Board that they appointed Mr. Richie Leonard to fill an unexpired term. He is willing to continue in the appointment for the four year term.

On a motion of Supervisor Turman, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Mr. Richie Leonard as a member of the Floyd-Floyd County Recreational Authority representing the Burk's Fork District for a four year term expiring December 16, 2020.

Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 7.i. – Appointments to the Economic Development Authority of Floyd County, two positions, four year terms.

Ms. Morris reported that two letters of interest were received for the two open positions on the Economic Development Authority with one being from an incumbent who reapplied. We do have another letter from Mr. Steven Kaylor that was received past the deadline. Mr. Eddie Worth's and Mr. David Ingram's letters were received by the deadline. The positions coming open are Mr. Ingram's and Mr. Kerry Underwood's.

On a motion of Supervisor Yoder, seconded by Supervisor Gerald, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to reappoint Mr. David Ingram as a member of the Economic Development Authority for a four-year term beginning December 11, 2016.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Gerald, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to appoint Mr. Eddie Worth as a member of the Economic Development Authority for a four-year term beginning December 11, 2016.

Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 6.b. – Public Comment Period.

Chairman Clinger called for the Public Comment Period. After no comments from the audience, the Chairman declared the Public Comment Period closed.

Agenda Item 7.j. – December regular meetings schedule.

Ms. Morris asked if the Board wanted to have a second meeting in December?

Board members compared calendars and discussed meeting dates.

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch and seconded by Supervisor Yoder, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to authorize the County Administrator to advertise a resolution to change the meeting date in December to the third Thursday of the month, which will be December 15, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. The 2<sup>nd</sup> regular December meeting will be cancelled (Document File Number 891).

Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 7.g. – State budget cuts.

Ms. Morris reminded the Board members that they had agreed to provide 2% raises effective December 1 for School Board, Department of Social Services (DSS), and Constitutional Officer Staffs. You asked us to give you the amounts it would cost to provide those raises out of local funding. Ms. Ryan has worked on that information.

Ms. Ryan reported that the most it would cost to provide the 2% raise for DSS and Constitutional Officer employees out of local funds instead of State funds would be \$18,000.00. The reason it is so low is because of positions remaining vacant for a period of time and lower paid employees being hired to fill positions previously held by higher paid employees. It would be about \$2,000.00-\$3,000.00 each for four of the Constitutional Officer departments. The Sheriff's Office has held a position vacant while an employee has been deployed with the military. Costs for DSS is almost breakeven because of vacancies and lower paid staff being hired.

On a motion of Supervisor Gerald, seconded by Supervisor Turman, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve \$91,990.00 from the FY16 Floyd County School Board budget be carried over to the Other Funds Category of the FY17 Floyd County School Board budget as presented.

Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Ms. Morris reported that she learned some additional information pertaining to the FY18 budget at VACO sessions she attended. From all of their predictions FY18 will be much worse than FY17. There is a \$1.8 billion shortfall. Most of that is in Medicaid, CSA, and mental health. I was surprised to learn that income tax revenue is almost 2/3 of the budget. It really

scared me to learn that the Literary Fund is being used to offset the teacher VRS. Another thing that scared me is they are talking about putting CSA completely back on localities. We might want to have that in our Legislative Recommendations too. We have about \$700,000.00 in our budget for CSA this year.

Chairman Clinger clarified that \$700,000 is just our local match. While the local match is different on each service, the average of all services is about 32% local match.

Supervisor Yoder said if they kick this back on us it could be well over \$1 million.

Chairman Clinger said it can happen if you get 1 or 2 things that fall through Medicaid or Title IV and you are talking \$15,000.00-\$20,000.00 each month for 1 case.

Ms. Morris said we have \$700,000.00 on the expense side budgeted and we get about \$500,000.00 back in revenue. Another interesting statistic is in FY09 the State Aid to Localities was reimbursed at 52%. For FY17 State Aid to Localities is down to 44%. There is a continual shift to localities.

Chairman Clinger said that is the same thing with DEQ and everything else. The State puts a mandate in and they try to run the program. When they find out they can't handle the costs to run the program, they push it on localities.

Ms. Morris said another session I went to discussed Jail issues. Another staggering figure is that \$93 billion is spent annually on criminal justice out of the State budget. Our FY18 budget cycle will be starting soon. We will be sending out budget requests in late December. We have the regional budget meeting on February 6.

#### Agenda Item 9. – Old/New Business.

Mr. Kevin Sowers stated that he gave the Board members a letter that explains the FEMA grant for which the fire department applied. When we first applied for this grant it was for \$580,000.00 to replace the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and the Cascade systems that fill them. FEMA pushed back and was only willing to fund the SCBAs. FEMA awarded \$402,000.00. We followed proper procedures to seek bids and the quote we received is \$401,357.80. The previous airpacks were purchased with federal funding so it is not the fire department's property. It is federal property. The old ones have to be disposed of in a manner that is acceptable to the federal funding source. Trading in the old ones for the new equipment is acceptable for the federal funding source. We can apply the trade-in credit to the purchase. In my letter I show \$6,000.00 trade-in but with 58 SCBAs and facepieces it only turns out to be a \$4,350.00 trade in.

I am asking that trade in allowance go toward their Cascade purchase. In my letter I was asking for \$44,858.00 go toward the Cascade System. That figure would be \$43,200.00 now. The fire department would have to pick up the difference in costs.

On a motion of Supervisor Yoder and seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to agree to use \$43,200.00 for Cascade Systems.

Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Agenda Item 6.c. – Mr. David Clarke, Virginia Department of Transportation.

Mr. David Clarke said he just talked to Mr. Darrell Sowers and we should be getting some asphalt and hot patching done today and tomorrow while it is warm. We are going to do Stonewall Road for sure, probably some on Rt. 221 and Laurel Branch Road. We will be keeping an eye on Saturday night and Sunday. Other than that we are doing the regular things. We've even had to do dust control this late in the year. We received a note of appreciation from the people who live on Sunny Ridge Road. We are finishing up our mowing.

We are doing major work on Laurel Branch Road in a curve by Reedsville Road. We are trying to get some sight distance on that. We had to get an easement to get off the right of way. We are also doing some mowing on that road.

We fixed the pipes where the joint had fallen off that Mr. Turman mentioned. I have some updates on timeframes for two of our construction projects. Vaughns Mill Road will be next spring and summer. They will be advertising the section of Alum Ridge Road by the bridge. I will have a better update once we know when the advertisement date will be. We did cut some of the brush here in town near Food Lion at the request of the Town. The garbage trucks were having a hard time getting through there.

Supervisor Gerald said he had a request from Mr. Gene Bishop on Indian Creek Road. He wrote a note that explains everything. Supervisor Gerald provided the note to Mr. Clarke.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch said the people who live on Sunny Ridge Road are extremely happy with the work done including dust control and ditching. There is a hillside right past Laurel Ridge Mill Road and it is hard to see around. It is just overgrown. Traditionally there are accidents there in the winter.

Mr. Clarke replied there is a districtwide crew out of Salem who has been working their way south on Rt. 8 doing a lot of tree trimming. I don't know if they will get that far, but it might be a good one to add to their list.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch requested that it be added to the list because it can be harrowing turning onto Laurel Ridge Mill Road at that intersection and the bank as you go further toward south.

Mr. Clarke said we are already working on some of the other projects on the 6-year plan. There will probably be too many to do so I think either New Haven Road or Diamond Knob Road will be done next, at least the preliminary engineering part of it. We are going to work on both of those and not wait until Vaughns Mill Road is done.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch also mentioned that Merifield Road has some large potholes.

Vice Chairman Turman said on Vaughns Mill Road there needs to be dust control because of health problems of a resident on that road. I appreciate the work done on Reece Road. It has made a big difference. Ricky Nichols, David, and I went out and looked at McAlexander Road. The homeowners appreciated us showing up. It was a good field trip. I appreciate everything you all do.

Supervisor Yoder said there is a pothole right on the shoulder on Rt. 8 as you enter the Recreational Park. It is right past Parkview Lane.

Chairman Clinger asked if there were any updates on the sidewalks to the high school?

Mr. Clarke responded some of our people are working on getting an estimate.

Chairman Clinger said we thought it might be done before the end of this year.

Mr. Clarke replied I'm still hoping for that. Concrete work can be done at different times. We are going to get the sections right there at the school. Art students painted murals on the snowplows and we are going to try to get that in the Christmas parade.

Chairman Clinger said a couple of residents on Sams Road said thanks for the grading, but now want some gravel back after the grading.

Ms. Morris said the property owner on Graham Road takes care of the road a lot of times, but they need ditching and grading.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch asked what they were expecting in the way of winter weather?

Mr. Clarke said we use the National Weather Service and other services and there are different thoughts. I'm not sure. I just try to check for 3-4 days ahead.

Vice Chairman Turman said between Hillsville and Galax where they are repaving the four-lane, they put down a layer of asphalt, ground it up, and a couple of days later they put down more asphalt. I've never seen them do it like that before.

Mr. Clarke replied I'm not sure about that project in particular, but they must have determined that they had to mill more than they typically do, more than just the surface. You can only put it down so much or you can't get the compaction. So if they had to mill down very deep, like a foot or so or even 8", you can't put that whole 8" back right away. You have to bring it up, compact it, and do it again.

Vice Chairman Turman said they are putting lines down as they go. It seems like the lines are more reflective than what is on regular roads.

Mr. Clarke suggested that may just be because it is new and they are using a thermoplastic. Those tend to look good because they have glass beads in them. Until they get scraped off by a snowplow, they do look really good.

Agenda Item 7.a. – Subdivision plats as approved by Agent for October 2016.

Ms. Lydeana Martin explained that we had an increase in the number of parcels. I don't know why that is. Maybe it's because we had a warm October and people are trying to get stuff done.

Ms. Martin apologized for being late to this meeting but explained she had been in a phone meeting with Mr. Mark Cline of Anderson & Associates and Mr. Jon Beegle. Ms. Martin displayed the preliminary engineering report on the 51 acres in the Commerce Park. Initially Anderson & Associates had drawn the cul-de-sac being deeper. The way it is shown now you have skinny access getting in there. The reason for that is because Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) had concerns about the sight distance with the way the cul-de-sac was originally drawn. The road had a couple of turns in it to keep the gradient from being too steep coming in. We initially had this area as two separate lots, but that would have left a 25' path going in. During the phone call this morning we talked about combining these lots. The awkward thing is there is a water line coming in, which needs to be in that spot. If we get this money we are pursuing, it is only to do the road and utilities. It is not money to do all the grading for the site. That spot is the one place where the water line can go so it won't end up being deeply covered when that lot work is done.

I think based on the conversation this morning we are going to move a lot line so this becomes a deeper lot and doesn't split the whole thing in half. That would leave a 2 ½ acre lot up there. The other lot would be stretched out to 3 acres or so.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch asked what is the width of the road coming in?

Ms. Martin replied we have to keep the width of the right of way in at 75' to meet ordinance. You can waive that for industrial property. But my thought is if we have someone come along and need that we can cross that bridge when we get there. In general this will roughly be one grade. If someone came along and wanted it for a larger site, it would be workable. That is what we are going for. If we get the funding to do the road, it would create one 2 acre parcel. Another lot would be roughly 8 acres close to one grade. Another lot is between 16-17 acres of usable lot size. Out of the 51 acres we are ending up with about 29 useable acres. This is because of how steep the land is on the back side.

Ms. Martin explained that if we make this change in the cul-de-sac location, VDOT expects to grant us the waiver that would be necessary. If you build a new road now it is supposed to go all the way to a property line. But because this falls off so steeply and VDOT wouldn't approve it looping to Christiansburg Pike, Mr. Paul Brown said he favors granting the exception with this change.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch questioned whether thought had been given to looping it back?

Ms. Martin replied the initial thought was to come from the cul-de-sac at Dreaming Creek around to Christiansburg Pike, where it is at grade. But there is a small curve there so VDOT said no.

Chairman Clinger said it would be nice if VDOT got rid of that curve. Residents along there would love to get rid of that curve.

Ms. Martin said Anderson & Associates is doing the upgrade to the preliminary engineering report. They plan to have the cost estimates by Monday. We have to have the application in before the end of the month.

Chairman Clinger asked if we would be able to better develop the land if it did loop around rather than leaving that one contiguous lot? The biggest thing about road work is getting the right of way secured. Since it is our property we could give the right of way in order to get the curve taken out and bring it into our property. We could take out one of the two curves and there would be one sweeping curve coming into town.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch pointed out that Blue Mountain School owns the property right in the curve. She knows they would love to have that curve taken care of.

Ms. Martin replied I think we need 400' of sight distance from both directions.

Supervisor Yoder asked if part of the problem was the other entrances along the road there?

Ms. Martin agreed. It is a good question.

Chairman Clinger said if you pushed it back, take the curve out, and lower the hill; it would give you the sight distance from both directions.

Supervisor Yoder said I think the distance has to be from Needmore Lane. It depends on how much money they are willing to put in to fix the curve.

Ms. Martin replied they might fund that as revenue sharing.

Ms. Martin continued I guess at this moment we are trying to get a cost estimate on the current project. That is what I need to be able to submit an application for the grant, an engineering report and a cost estimate. I'm hoping this will come in at \$1 million or less.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch asked about the blue area on the sketch.

Ms. Martin explained that it is for storm water management. The engineers think one side will be able to drain to existing storm water ponds. The back side will need some drainage. They think we will be able to use some of the buffer areas as a natural storm water area.

Chairman Clinger said I know we have talked about getting Needmore Lane moved down so it is perpendicular to the Commerce Park entrance. If they did that there would be more than enough sight distance.

Ms. Martin said if we get the money and go to the final design on the current project, we might be able to go back and revisit that in the future.

Supervisor Yoder asked what would stop us from not developing the front parcel if we decided we wanted to split that up?

Supervisor Kuchenbuch said we could get another grant.

Ms. Martin said you might be able to get another grant, but what is allowing us to pursue this is the fact that we are able to say that some of this does not have frontage on a state road.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch asked what will be done with the 16 acres? We could divide it into 2 parcels.

Ms. Martin agreed that could be done. We are trying to develop one large site to have in our inventory and also some smaller lots that could be combined. We are trying to keep as much flexibility as we can. By the time you added in the buffer area, you could really promote it as a 20-25 acre site, with 17 acres of usable area. I wanted to update you on this, particularly with the water lines that create an awkward configuration.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch asked if the land can be walked or is it too overgrown?

Ms. Martin said it is walkable.

Chairman Clinger explained that the curve before the brick house used to have a roadway that went to a sawmill. You can walk in that way.

Supervisor Yoder said at the VACO conference there was discussion about how funding for VDOT will be changing. With driverless cars and other things on the horizon, the VDOT infrastructure will change in the foreseeable future.

Ms. Martin said VDOT has their own economic development access program, but they were not willing to even talk about funding this project from that because they look at it as already having road access. The Appalachian Regional Commission is where we are trying to go with this. Originally I was told it might be funded with VDOT Industrial Access to "t" this up at Needmore Lane and Christiansburg Pike, but they have backed off of that now. I was told it would have to be either revenue sharing or secondary road funds.

Supervisor Yoder said maybe we should look at putting this on the 6-year plan or revenue sharing.

Ms. Martin answered that would be good. While it doesn't solve all the issues coming in from Rt. 8, it would help box trucks and cars coming in. Thank you for funding the preliminary engineering report.

Ms. Martin said as you know we held the Floyd C4. We surveyed all the participants and they said it was extremely helpful. I feel encouraged by that and hopefully it will become an annual event.

Ms. Martin reminded the Board about the Agriculture Food and Forestry grants that included local matching funds. This morning we learned that we will receive \$40,000.00 for the Building Entrepreneurial Economies (BEE) grant. We are still waiting to hear from the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services about the \$20,000.00 request we have in to them.

Agenda Item 9. – Old/New Business continued.

Ms. Morris reported that Mr. Kevin Sowers, Emergency Management Coordinator, put a burn ban in effect for Floyd County on Tuesday. That is under his purview. No action is needed by the Board.

Ms. Morris stated we received the Abstract of Votes as certified by the Electoral Board. The minutes need to reflect that you have seen and accepted them.

On a motion of Supervisor Turman, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to accept the Abstract of Votes for the November 8, 2016 election as certified by the Electoral Board.

Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

Supervisor Yoder said he attended a session at VACO where Senator Stanley from Franklin County said he plans to introduce a bill that focuses on control of Airbnb and Uber, new unique ways of doing business, that aren't collecting county transient taxes. If passed it would give the county more authority to track and force these businesses to report what they are doing when they rent out homes.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch said the Town of Blacksburg enacted something recently to require these businesses to register. Ms. Pat Sharkey and I attended the VA-1 Tourism Summit in Roanoke. It was good to be Floyd County. Everybody is looking to us. Mr. John Carlin of WSLs stood on the stage and called us the "Nation of Floyd." We had a wonderful display. Our local businesses provided us with a wonderful package. A Virginia Tech student won the package. We were able to interact with many attendees that we wouldn't ordinarily interact with. We took shifts and stayed at the table as we were in and out of our breakout sessions. A lot of people talked about Floyd and they were very impressed that a government official was there in support of their Tourism Director. Floyd continues to shine with our peers in the State of Virginia. The Southwest Virginia brand man was the moderator at a session. I handed him my card and thanked him for all the work he had done to pull that all together. He said, "Oh, from Floyd." I replied, "Floyd is Floyd." And he said, "Well, there's your tagline." I answered,

“We just have to be careful that we keep Floyd as Floyd.” We are looked very highly upon throughout the whole State. It was very gratifying.

Agenda Item 7. – Closed Session – Personnel §2.2-3711 A. 1 and Acquisition of Real Property §2.2-3711 A. 3

On a motion of Supervisor Turman and seconded by Supervisor Yoder, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to go into closed session under Section 2.2-3711, Paragraph A.1, Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and Section 2.2-3711, Paragraph A.3, Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

On a motion of Supervisor Gerald, seconded by Supervisor Turman, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to come out of closed session.

Supervisor Gerald – aye  
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye  
Supervisor Yoder – aye  
Supervisor Turman – aye  
Supervisor Clinger – aye

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Gerald, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adopt the following certification resolution:

#### **CERTIFICATION RESOLUTION CLOSED MEETING**

WHEREAS, this Board convened in a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote on the motion to close the meeting to discuss Personnel in accordance with Section 2.2-3711 Paragraph A. 1 and Acquisition of Real Property in accordance with Section 2.2-3711 Paragraph A. 3. of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act;

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member’s knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting to which this certification applies; and (2) only such public

business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting to which this certification applies.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – aye

Supervisor Gerald – aye

Supervisor Yoder – aye

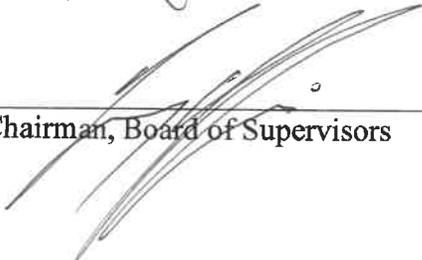
Supervisor Turman – aye

Supervisor Clinger – aye

On a motion of Supervisor Turman, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and carried, it was resolved to adjourn to Thursday, December 15, 2016 for a regular meeting at 9:30 a.m.



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Terri W. Morris, County Administrator

  
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Case C. Clinger, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

