

VIRGINIA: County of Lee, to-wit:

At the Recessed Meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors in Conference Room of the Lee County Courthouse on June 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. thereof.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Smith, Chairman
Nathan Cope
D. D. Leonard
Larry Mosley

MEMBERS ABSENT: Charles Slemp, Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dane Poe, County Administrator
Jeny Hughes, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS ABSENT: Stacy Estep Munsey, County Attorney

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:07p.m.

GROUNDWATER MONITORING AND GAS MONITORING REPORTS

Mr. Poe reported that the Department of Environmental Quality made changes to the groundwater monitoring process and sample reports must now be submitted after each sampling cycle instead of once a year. This has resulted in an increase in the cost of the monitoring. Mr. Poe presented the Board with Task Order 18-01 for the Gas Monitoring at a cost of \$5,700 and Task Order 18-02 for the Groundwater Monitoring at a cost of \$14,000 from Lane Engineering.

Mr. Cope asked if this change would make the monitoring continual.

Mr. Poe stated that testing has been done for over 20 years and that the gas monitoring should be in its last year. The groundwater monitoring would have been doing good, but there was the issue with one of the offsite wells and a new one had to be drilled.

It was moved by Mr. Cope seconded by Mr. Leonard, to approve Lane Engineering's Task Order 18-01 for Gas Monitoring in the amount of \$5,700 and Task Order 18-02 for Groundwater Monitoring in the amount of \$14,000. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Cope, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

NEW REGISTRAR'S OFFICE UPGRADES

Mr. Poe reported that he and Gary Collingsworth looked at the building that the Registrar will be moving into, and Mr. Poe sketched a rough floor plan for the upgrades. There will need to be a few walls put up to create offices and storage areas. Because of the way the air ducts and lighting are installed there will be areas where those will need to be moved to another location, and depending on how the air ducts run, there may be a need to hire a HVAC contractor to move them. The estimated cost for the project would be \$10,000 or less. Mr. Poe is asking for approval to move ahead with the project.

It was moved by Mr. Cope seconded by Mr. Leonard, to approve the upgrades for the new Registrar's Office. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Cope, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Mr. Poe stated that the state budget has not yet been fully adopted. The salary increases that were being proposed does not take effect until July 1, 2019, the only exception to that is for entry level Sheriff's deputies and that increase will go into effect February 1, 2019. Requested salaries for all departments have been taken to their current rate, which leaves the budget presented tonight with a deficit of \$1,746,810. After reviewing the current revenues, a few of those line items will be able to be increased by about \$149,400, which would make the deficit \$1,597,410. He went over some of the factors that contribute to the deficit with the increase in the Regional Jail expenses being one of the highest increases and a decrease in local tax revenues.

Mr. Cope asked if Mr. Poe was able to get any information on who is responsible at the regional level on making sure inmates are transferred to state facilities when the inmate becomes state eligible.

Mr. Poe stated that he has not been able to get that information, but will continue to work on it.

Mr. Cope stated that the Regional Jail is the majority of the budget shortfall, so someone needs to be making sure that the inmates are moved.

Mr. Poe reviewed some of the items that are currently in capital outlay line items, and stated that eventually there is going to have to be exterior work done on the building and some upgrades made in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office. He reminded the Board that the School Board is also asking for an additional \$1,000,000 for roof repairs.

Mr. Cope asked how much of the \$780,000 deficit for the current year was spent.

Mr. Poe stated that would not be known until the end of the year.

Mr. Smith asked how much is in the reserve.

Mr. Poe stated that as of the beginning of the current year there was roughly \$7,000,000.

Mr. Cope asked for the amount interest being paid on all installment payments.

Mr. Poe stated he would get that information together and informed the Board that for every penny of real estate tax there is \$84,000 in revenue and for every penny in personal property tax, there is \$8,300 in revenue.

It was the consensus of the Board to advertise for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget for the June 19, 2018 Regular Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Cope, seconded by Mr. Leonard, to adjourn. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Cope, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

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