

VIRGINIA: County of Lee, to-wit:

At the Recessed Meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors in the Conference Room of the Lee County Courthouse on April 24, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. thereof.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jason Crabtree, Chairman
Carl Bailey
Larry Mosley
Tina Rowe
Charles Slemph, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: C. M. Callahan, Jr., County Attorney
Dane Poe, County Administrator
Jeny Hughes, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS ABSENT: None

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Mr. Poe provided an update of the proposed Fiscal Year 2013-2014 budget with his recommendations for funding of each department. He advised that the original numbers showed a projected deficit of approximately \$2,900,000. Mr. Poe stated that he had reviewed both the revenue and expenditure sides of the budget. He stated that he felt comfortable with increasing certain revenue line items which resulted in \$106,000 in additional projected revenue. After all revenue and expenditure adjustments, the proposed budget now shows a deficit of \$2,535,196. Mr. Poe added that this amount includes the School Board's request for \$2,200,647 above the required local effort as determined by the State. Salaries for Constitutional Officers and employees are stated at the amount approved by the State Compensation Board. County employee salaries are stated at the amount requested by the individual departments. Work on a new classification and salary scale is continuing and adoption of a new scale could require one-time adjustments for most positions. Mr. Poe then highlighted many of the changes he had incorporated into his recommendations.

The Board proceeded to review the budget proposal by department and line item as Mr. Poe presented his report. There was discussion by the Board on several of the items and questions regarding the changes and other items in the proposed budget.

The Board discussed options for installing water and restroom facilities at the Robbins Chapel Polling House. There was no general consensus for a course of action.

Mr. Poe advised that the Domestic Violence department is grant funded and creates budgeting problems each year since the grant is on a calendar year basis. If the grant declines, the officer's salary must be reduced unless the County supplements the position. Also, turnover in the position creates salary issues since health insurance

premiums are paid from the grant funds. If a new employee requires additional coverage or if premiums increase, the salary must be adjusted down by any increase in premium.

Mr. Poe presented information on the availability of small pickup trucks for Animal Control and carrier options. Both Ford and Chevrolet have discontinued their small pickup models with plans to reintroduce new models in 2014 or 2015. The Board instructed him to have a dealer run a search for new or late model used units that may be available.

The Board discussed funding for illegal dump cleanups, improvements at Thomas Walker Pool, a possible increase in funding to the Soil and Water Conservation District for assuming responsibility for the Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Management Plan programs, potential courthouse renovations and funding for additional dispatchers.

Discussion of the Transfer Station included a proposal to purchase a new boom truck and a crew cab pickup. The crew cab would allow several workers or trustees to be transported to a site for mowing during summer months. There was also discussion about the need for a new transfer station due to issues with the asphalt and foundation of the existing facility and the lack of cover for protection from wind and other elements.

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Ms. Rowe, to take a ten minute recess. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemph

The Chairman called the meeting back to order.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES HEAT PUMP

Mr. Poe reported that there has been damage to one of the heat pumps at Social Services. The cost to repair the unit would be \$3,900, and to replace the unit would be \$5,000. Mr. Poe added that he would like to get an estimate on installing a fence with a gate to help protect the units.

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Ms. Rowe, to replace the heat pump at Social Services for \$5,000 and obtain bids for a fence to go around the units. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemph

SCHOOL BOARD SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Mr. Poe stated that he has some additional information on the carry over funds for the School Board's request including a revenue and expenditure report for July 2012, a copy of the Superintendent's memo showing the ability to carry those funds over, and a

list of capital improvement projects. The School Board does feel like they could get the list of improvements done by June 30, 2013.

Ms. Rowe asked how the money could be used for capital projects if it is coming out of the textbook funds.

Mr. Poe stated that the monies are being tracked differently by each agency. A portion of the local money is being spent throughout the year. Unless there is a comprehensive review of all the records, there is no way of knowing if money came in after the end of the fiscal year that was for the prior year.

The Board discussed various aspects of the proposed school budget for 2013-2014.

Mr. Bailey stated that there is a list of ADA items that have to be completed by 2015 because it is out of compliance.

Mr. Callahan stated that those items could be completed out of the Capital Expense or Repair line items.

Ms. Rowe stated that the Board needs actual expenditures to date for the current fiscal year.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Crabtree, seconded by Mr. Slemp, to enter Closed Session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 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. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

Mr. Crabtree left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to come out of Closed Session. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED SESSION

It was unanimously agreed as follows.

WHEREAS, the Lee County Board of Supervisors has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a Certification by this Lee County Board of Supervisors that such Closed Meeting was conducted within Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lee County Board of Supervisors hereby certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from Closed Meeting in which this Certification Resolution applies and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion convening the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Lee County Board of Supervisors.

BUDGET ISSUES

Mr. Poe stated that he is leaning more toward a salary range instead of a scale, adding that it gives more flexibility depending on qualifications.

Mr. Crabtree returned to the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

Ms. Rowe asked what the current surplus is right now.

Mr. Poe stated that at the last audit it was about \$7,800,000.

Ms. Rowe asked what the required local effort is for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

Mr. Poe stated the required local effort for 2013-2014 is \$4,459,116. The required local effort for the current year was \$4,663,000 but the County provided \$4,963,000.

SCHOOL BOARD SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to approve the Supplemental Appropriation for the School Board in the amount of \$426,903.00. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp
VOTING NO: Mr. Crabtree

**RESOLUTION
13-009**

**LEE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

WHEREAS, the Lee County School Board had a balance of \$429,923.00 remaining in Supplemental Support for School Operating Costs funds at June 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, in order to legally spend these funds in the current year they must be re-appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the Lee County School Board has requested a supplemental appropriation of these funds in the amount of \$429,923.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lee County Board of Supervisors grants a supplemental appropriation to the Operation and Maintenance category of the 2012-13 School Budget in the amount of \$429,923.00;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the revised total Lee County School Board appropriation for the 2012-13 fiscal year be increased from Thirty Nine Million, Three Hundred Twenty Two Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy Two Dollars (\$ 39,322,272.00) to Thirty Nine Million, Seven Hundred Fifty Two Thousand, One Hundred Ninety Five Dollars (\$39,752,195.00).

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to recess to May 8, 2013 at 10:00 am in the Courthouse Conference Room. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemph