

At the regular meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors on Wednesday, December 4, 2013, at 3:00 PM in the Giles County General District Courtroom, 120 North Main Street, Pearisburg, the following were present:

Barbara Hobbs	Chair (Central District)
Scott Dunn	Vice Chair (Western District)
Richard McCoy	At-Large Supervisor - Absent
Larry Jay Williams	Eastern District
Paul "Chappy" Baker	At-Large Supervisor
Chris McKlarney	County Administrator
Richard Chidester	County Attorney
Missy Bray	Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION

Ms. Hobbs called the meeting to order. Mr. McKlarney offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Hobbs invited anyone interested in speaking to the board during the public comments to sign up and give the form to the secretary.

WELLNESS CENTER

Mr. Adam Harman updated members on the progress of the Giles County Wellness Center. Mr. Harman related he had gotten quotes for a replacement elliptical machine and dumbbells. He related that the pricing was as follows for the dumbbells:

- Virginia Commercial Fitness – \$5,419
- Elite FTS - \$8,357
- Gym Source - \$6,393

Mr. Harman had only received one quote for the elliptical machine, an Octane 3700, at a cost of \$3,349, which was the only distributor he deals with that carries the machine. Mr. Harman stated the machine was a favorite of the patrons of the center. Ms. Hobbs felt it would be best to come back with some comparable pricing for the same type of elliptical machine even if it was made by a different company. Mr. Harman related that Gym Source, which gave the quote for the elliptical, has a state contract with JMU. All localities are allowed this state contract pricing as well. Mr. Dunn reflected that the company had reduced the price of the elliptical by \$1,650. Ms. Hobbs asked if the center was at the point of purchasing new equipment. Mr. Harman related that there should be approximately \$14,000 available to start upgrading equipment if the rates increase.

Mr. Baker moved to move forward with purchasing the replacement equipment with the purchase going to the business with the lowest quote. Second by Mr. Dunn. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

VDOT REPORT – DAVID CLARKE

Mr. Clarke reported there had been some patching work completed on Route 460 and some gravel roads worked on, such as Route 622 and River Road. There had been a pipe

replacement on McKenzie Avenue in Rich Creek. Mr. Clarke related that the work with the brush cutting crew continues to go well. He reported that the request to work on the shoulders on Route 219 would be done soon, and he has asked for traffic engineering to take a look at the intersection of Route 100 and Wilburn Valley Road. Mr. Clarke reported that the 219 Bridge project is moving along with bids going out in the next couple of months. There is the possibility the project could be awarded by March. Mr. Clarke also indicated the Hilltop project was scheduled to be advertised this month. Ms. Hobbs asked if he had asked the safety crew to take another look at reducing the speed limit on the two-lane section of Route 100. Mr. Clarke stated the crew had not gotten to it yet but would be taking another look at it. Mr. Clarke also stated that some speed limit changes were being done on Route 460 particularly in the Glen Lyn area. Mr. McKlarney related that the elevation is terrible on the curve before the bridge at Glen Lyn. Mr. Clark stated they would take that into consideration.

Mr. Dunn reported there was some crumbling shoulders on Route 61 about a half mile above the Number 2 Bridge and asphalt breaking up about a quarter of a mile above Penvir Road. Mr. Dunn also asked about the status of the paving on Route 61 from the traffic light through to the town limits at the Narrows Park. Mr. Clarke stated that paving requests are turned in and prioritized on a district-wide basis. Mr. Dunn indicated that Route 61 has not been paved in a very long time. Mr. Dunn inquired about the status of the Ripplemead Bridge. Mr. Clarke stated the work is very close to being completed. Mr. Baker reported that the ramp is rough on Route 460 East at Ripplemead.

Ms. Hobbs asked Mr. Bryan Reed if a subdivision was up for approval with an entrance on Mill Dam Road. Mr. Reed confirmed the subdivision request. Ms. Hobbs stated there are places on Mill Dam Road where two vehicles could not pass each other.

Mr. Williams asked for balances for funding left for the county. Mr. Clarke stated he would get the numbers and report back on them. He also stated that there was approximately \$13 million total to be distributed among four counties. Mr. Williams inquired about the status of the deceleration lane for Route 635. Mr. Clarke related he is attempting to get the project accelerated and is also trying to find a way to not use secondary funding to pay for it.

Mr. McKlarney asked for a bid date for the Route 219 Bridge. Mr. Clarke reported that bids would go out in January, and construction is expected to begin in the spring. Mr. McKlarney reported that right of way acquisition had begun for Sky View Lane and a plat was being drawn up for a 50 foot right of way. Mr. Clarke related that additional easements could be made at a later date if needed for drainage or other issues that might arise. He stated that VDOT staff could come take a look at it prior to documents being signed to make sure ample easements were obtained.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT – SCOTT MEADE

Mr. Meade reported that attendance is currently at a decrease of one from October and a decrease of five from the same time last year. Mr. Meade provided members with a listing of activities planned for December. Mr. Meade reported that in November Giles County Schools had 25 students try out for district choir. Of those, 15 were chosen for Junior High Choir and 9 made Senior High Choir. He also reported that the Giles County Adult Youth Partnership

held an art contest with first, second and third place winners named at each high school. Mr. Meade reminded members of the Giles High School Spartans' football game on Saturday at 2:00PM. It is a state playoff game. Ms. Hobbs extended the Board's congratulations and best wishes to the team.

UPCOMING LEGISLATION

Ms. Hobbs asked for any items that need to be brought to the attention of the state representatives for the upcoming legislative session. Mr. Baker stated that Route 100 should be listed. Mr. Williams suggested listing drug testing for DSS clients. Mr. Williams also wished to add state funding assistance for indigent burials.

SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL

Ms. Hobbs called for a representative from the Southwest Virginia Building and Construction Trades Council. Hearing no response, Ms. Hobbs expressed displeasure that the group has requested to be placed on the agenda on numerous occasions and has not shown up to speak. She instructed that the group be told they can speak during the public comment period if any further requests for inclusion in the agenda are made. Members were in agreement to have no comment for the requested resolution.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Bryan Reed presented information to members regarding recommendations from the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the Daniel J. and Susanna Miller plat for a 48.215 acre lot off of Old Church Road and Pear Tree Lane. Mr. Reed reported that the subdivision meets the ordinance and was unanimously approved for recommendation by the Planning Commission. Ms. Hobbs asked if this was the first time the land had been divided. Mr. Reed reported that the entire 48 acre lot was part of a large-lot subdivision that was approved around 2006. Ms. Hobbs asked if the parcel was divided again in the future to look at the road to make sure it will be able to handle the additional traffic and upgraded as necessary.

Mr. Baker made a motion to approve the subdivision recommendation of the Daniel J. and Susanna Miller plat for a 48.215 acre lot. Second by Mr. Williams. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

The second subdivision plat presented was for Mr. Creed B. Taylor, VI for a 38.284 acre lot off of Old Mill Dam Road. Mr. Reed reported that the subdivision meets the ordinance and was approved for recommendation by the Planning Commission. There was some discussion as to the requirements for easements on state maintained roads. Mr. Chidester clarified that the required easement for state maintained roads for rural subdivisions is 30 feet and 50 feet for urban subdivisions according to VDOT policy. Mr. Williams stated he felt the ordinance should be changed to 40 feet, since the county ultimately ends up with road maintenance problems with a 30-foot right of way. Mr. Dunn also felt it was a situation that needs to be looked at. Ms. Hobbs was concerned that there would be more traffic on the road and no room for cars to pass with the current road conditions.

Mr. Baker made a motion to approve the subdivision recommendation of the Creed B. Taylor, VI plat for a 38.284 acre lot with the condition that an unobstructed right of way

of 30 feet on Mill Dam Road be dedicated to VDOT. Second by Mr. Dunn. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATION

Mr. Baker moved to appropriate \$2,114,156 for the school board for January, 2014. Second by Mr. Dunn Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATION

Mr. Baker moved to appropriate \$190,000 for Social Services and \$150,000 for CSA for the month of January, 2014. Second by Mr. Williams. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

Mr. Williams moved to appropriate funds in the amount of \$759,928.52 for payment of warrants as presented. Second by Mr. Baker. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

LONG-TERM/SHORT-TERM DISABILITY COVERAGE

Ms. Rhonda Tickle reported that, after researching the different options, she felt the best route would be to purchase long and short-term disability coverage from VACo. She related that VACo had matched the lowered VRS rate with the difference being there is no waiting period with the VACo coverage. This would be a better option for new employees. Ms. Tickle felt that the county would have more leverage with VACo, and the rates would be guaranteed for three years.

Mr. Dunn moved to purchase long-term and short-term disability coverage for new employees as required by Virginia legislation. Second by Mr. Williams. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Baker moved to reappoint Mr. Larry Jay Williams to the New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Consortium Board. Second by Mr. Dunn. Approved (3-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker. Abstaining: Mr. Williams.

BUCKLAND RECOGNITION

Mr. McKlarney related that J.B. Buckland would be attending his last school board meeting in December after 33 years of service.

Mr. Baker moved to adopt a resolution in recognition of service for J.B. Buckland. Second by Mr. Dunn. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

Larry "Jay" Williams
Eastern District Supervisor

Barbara Hobbs
Central District Supervisor

Scott Dunn
Western District Supervisor

County of Giles



Board of Supervisors

315 North Main Street
Pearisburg, Virginia 24134

Paul "Chappy" Baker
At-Large Supervisor

Richard McCoy
At-Large Supervisor

At a regular meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors held on the 4th day of December, 2013, in the General District Courtroom at 120 North Main Street, Pearisburg, Virginia, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

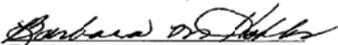
Whereas, J.B. Buckland has served on the Giles County School Board for 33 years, and

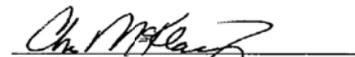
Whereas, throughout his career he has shown dedication and leadership to the Giles County Public Schools and to the improvement of the school system, and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper to recognize the outstanding dedication he has shown to Giles County;

Now therefore be it resolved by the Giles County Board of Supervisors that J.B. Buckland be duly recognized for 33 years of outstanding dedication and leadership shown to Giles County Public Schools;

Approved by the Giles County Board of Supervisors this 4th Day of December, 2013.


Barbara Hobbs
Chair


Chris McKlarney
County Administrator

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BOAT RAMP

Mr. Baker related that he had received a call from a citizen stating that the proposed boat ramp at Bluff City should be moved 20 to 40 feet farther down the river from where it was marked off. Mr. McKlarney stated that the rail road has the right of way there and will not provide any to the county; therefore, the ramp has to be constructed on the downstream side. He also reported that the parking area would not be where the ramp will be located, which will help with the situation. Mr. McKlarney stated he would be glad to meet the individual and explain it further if needed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Baker moved to go into Executive Session as permitted by Virginia Code 2.2-3711A(30)Contracts. Second by Mr. Dunn. Approved unanimously (4-0 by roll call vote). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

Mr. Baker moved to certify that in the closed session just concluded, the Board discussed nothing except the matters specifically identified in the motion to convene and lawfully permitted to be discussed under the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act cited in that motion. Second by Mr. Dunn. Approved unanimously by roll call vote – Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

Ms. Hobbs adjourned the meeting, and opened the work session portion of the meeting.

WORK SESSION

Mr. McKlarney related that the last work session had been held in June and provided a presentation of projects set forth in that meeting as well as proposed future projects. A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes.

Discussion ensued regarding the regional jail billings and the concerns that they are not calculated correctly. Members felt it would be necessary to draft a letter to the superintendent to express the concerns and give details of the billings in question as well as contact other member jurisdictions to make them aware of the concerns.

Mr. Williams moved to mail a letter with detailed billing questions to Superintendent McPeak at the NRV Regional Jail and to member jurisdictions. Second by Mr. Baker. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

Members agreed to keep the December recess meeting on schedule for now but will cancel if it is determined no imperative business needs to be discussed. Members also agreed that the January meetings should be shifted to the second Wednesday and fourth Thursday, since the first Wednesday will fall on January first.

Mr. Baker moved to schedule the January meetings for January 8, 2014, and January 23, 2014. Second by Mr. Dunn. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Baker.

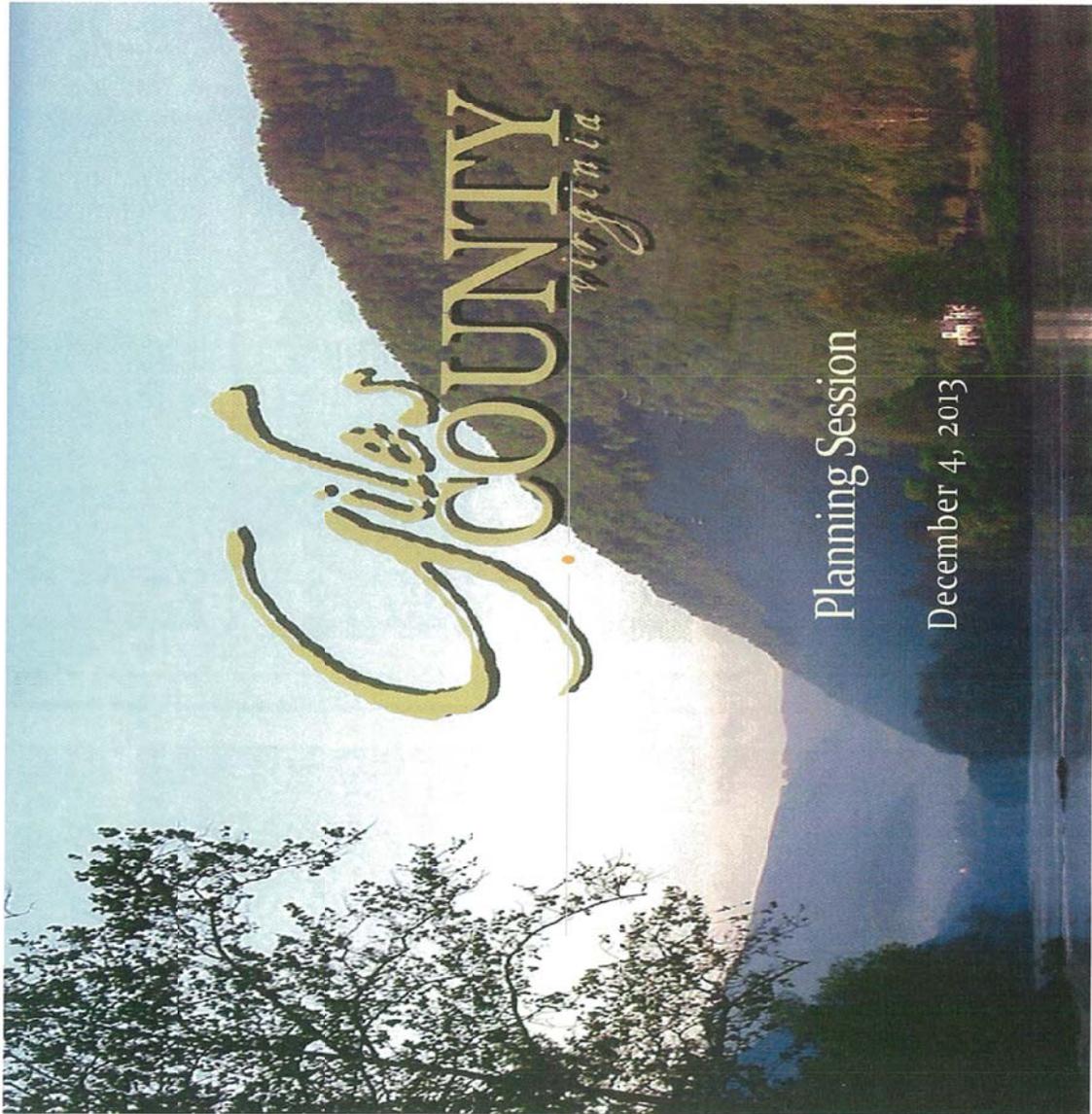
No other items were discussed at this portion of the meeting. No further business was introduced. Ms. Hobbs adjourned the work session meeting until the recess meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 19, 2013, at 6:30 PM in the General District Courtroom.

APPROVED:

Chairperson

ATTEST:

Clerk



Purpose Of The Meeting

- Coordinate staff efforts with the Board of Supervisors' Visions
- To review current and discuss future programming
- To set priorities and deadlines

Review of Projects from June meeting

- Route 460 Water Project-Construction started with completion in approximately 1.5 years.
- Walnut Road Water Project - Completed
- Celanese Entrance-Underway with completion in spring of 2014
- Two Boat Landings-Design underway with completion in spring of 2014
- ARC Sign Project - Signs procured with completion in Spring of 2014
- Radio System Upgrades - completed
- Vendor Stability-
- 673 Bridge-No meaningful progress with funding shortfall of approximately \$400k. Request to State and Feds for funding allocation
- Forest Service Road Maintenance- Bailey's Gap completed

Review of Proposed Projects and Programs From June Meeting

- Reassessment – Sales Study to begin in spring of 2014
- Sheriff's Department and Dispatch Relocation- Sheriff agreed to construction of E-911 Dispatch Center. Next step is for design approval.
- Eggleston Water Project- Funded with completion in next year.
- VDOT Construction Project Administration Sky View- Board has agreed to move forward with rural addition, VDOT will handle construction. ROW survey completed with docs to sign in December.
- VDOT Secondary Maintenance Administration- Board opted to not pursue this.
- Day Report Program- Largest number of participants since inception with more than 50 graduates this year
- Inmate Work Program- Second crew is on with brush cutting on VDOT secondary roads.
- TANIF Work Program- Established with 12-15 going through the program this year.
- Youth Work Program- Completed with report filed.

Review of Proposed Projects

- Regional Jail Cost Control Measures-
- PSA Alternate Supply-
- County/Town Water Systems Consolidation-
- Social Services Demolition- Approved by IDA and BOS awaiting asbestos removal
- Eggleston School Demolition-
- VDOT revenue sharing program
- Garage Consolidation-
- Mowing Consolidation-
- Janitorial Services Consolidation-
- Inmate labor force-
- Grant Writing-