

At a work session meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors on Thursday, April 17, 2014, at 4:00 PM in the Giles County Administration Building, 315 North Main Street, Pearisburg, the following were present:

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

Mr. Dunn called the meeting to order.

### **BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Mr. McKlarney presented updated preliminary budget numbers for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 showing a deficit. Members discussed various line items in an attempt to reduce budget numbers. He reported that the state had not passed a budget to date. There was some discussion regarding the possible effects of the reassessment as well as the possibility of an increase in taxes for the upcoming year. Members also discussed amount of cell phones and how to reduce the cost.

***Mr. Dunn moved to approve the transfer of funds from public safety to supplement payment of air cards for the Sheriff's Office as needed. Second by Mr. McCoy. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

Members discussed the need to incorporate the costs for capital improvements into the budget as well.

### **CAPTIAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Mr. Kevin Belcher presented information to members for a capital improvement plan. He related that Thompson and Litton had evaluated the current infrastructure, the long- and short-term maintenance needs of the infrastructure, and anticipated future projects. Members discussed possibilities of an extension of the water system in Eggleston and an expansion of the Wellness Center. Members also discussed options for a better return on investment at Castle Rock.

In addition, members talked about possible future projects such as resubmission of a TEA21 application for Newport, sewer for Newport and Maybrook, and consolidation of water services. Members discussed the possibility of consolidation of fire and EMS services for the county due to dwindling interest in certification for rescue and firefighting as well as limited

funding. Mr. McKlarney related that a meeting would take place on May 1, 2014, with emergency services.

Mr. Dunn requested \$9,000 to purchase brick for the weight room at Narrows High School. He advised that the outside of the new building needs to be brick in order to match the exterior of the school building.

***Mr. Dunn moved to allow the transfer \$9,000.00 to the school system in order to purchase brick for the weight room at Narrows High School. Second by Mr. McCoy. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

Mr. McKlarney reported that the National Day of Prayer would be on May 1, 2014, on the courthouse lawn with a session at noon and a session at 5:00pm.

Mr. Dunn called a recess stating the meeting would reconvene at 6:30 PM in the General District Courtroom, 120 North Main Street, Pearisburg.

## **RECESS MEETING**

At the recess meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors on Thursday, April 17, 2014, at 6:30 PM in the Giles County General District Courtroom, 120 North Main Street, Pearisburg, the following were present:

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

## **CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION**

Mr. Dunn reconvened the meeting and called it to order. Mr. McKlarney had the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Dunn announced that citizens may sign up with the secretary to speak during the public comment or public hearing sections of the meeting.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

***Mr. Baker moved to approve the minutes of April 2, 2014. Second by Mr. McCoy. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

### **STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ACT**

Mr. McKlarney related that a letter had been received from DEQ regarding an amendment made to the Stormwater Management Act. With the change, the act requires that only localities that operate a regulated Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) adopt a Virginia Stormwater Management Program. The act allows for other localities to opt-in to the program if desired by the locality.

***Mr. Baker moved to not opt in to the Virginia Stormwater Management Program. Second by Mr. McCoy. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

### **DAY REPORT PROGRAM – Marilyn Butler**

Mr. Steve Taylor introduced Ms. Marilyn Butler, who is a participant in the Day Report Program. Ms. Butler presented her success story to members in regards to the program. Ms. Butler started the program in June 2013 and completed in December 2013. She is maintaining a full-time job and continues to participate in the Day Report classes. Ms. Butler spoke about addiction along with its effects on others in the life of an addict. She related that she would most likely be dead without the help of the Day Report Program. Members thanked her for speaking stating it took a lot of courage to make the presentation. Mr. McKlarney thanked Mr. Taylor for the work he is doing for the program.

### **RED SUN FARMS GRADING PROJECT AGREEMENT**

Mr. McKlarney presented information on Red Sun Farms, which is a company building a plant in the Virginia's First Commerce Park. The plant is expected to open in by the end of the summer and is expected to employ 150 workers. Virginia's First requested an agreement with all participating jurisdictions whereby each will agree to repay a portion of bonds issued to the company for grading work done on the property. The portion for Giles County would be \$19,997. No new expense or new share will be required if the new tax revenue offsets the estimated annual debt service for the project. Mr. McKlarney recommended approval of the agreement.

***Mr. McCoy moved to approve the Red Sun Farms Grading Project Agreement as presented. Second by Mr. Baker. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

### **SOCIAL SERVICES ADC/CSA SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING REQUEST**

Mr. McKlarney related that requests had been received from Social Services for additional funding for the Aid to Dependent Children Foster Care Program as well as for children and youth at risk under the Comprehensive Services Act. These funds would be used to help serve the foster care program, which has 44 children at present.

***Mr. McCoy moved to approve supplemental funding in budget supplement in the amount of \$59,000 for the ADC-Foster Care Program and supplemental funding in the amount of \$121,477 for the CSA. Second by Mr. Baker. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

#### **CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS**

Commonwealth's Attorney, Bobby Lilly thanked the Board for its support of the Day Report Program. Mr. McKlarney related that the program is working toward being able to have participants work and part of the money earned go toward their fines and the other part to help them get on their feet. Mr. Lilly stated that there are three different categories to the financial obligations incurred including, restitution, fines and court costs. The fines under state code go back to the Commonwealth and into the Literary Fund. He also stated that it would be a benefit to the community if the participants can work or do community service. Mr. Lilly related that with all restitution payments now going through the clerk's office, with the exception of DSS restitution, probation and parole officers will be better able to track payments and bring offenders back in that are not paying. This payment procedure also allows the clerk to ensure that restitution gets paid first. Mr. McKlarney thanked Mr. Lilly and Mr. Fraley. He related they have been a pleasure to work with in all programs.

#### **SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATION**

***Mr. Baker moved to appropriate funds in the amount of \$2,114,156 for the school board for May, 2014. Second by Mr. McCoy. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

#### **SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATION**

***Mr. Baker moved to appropriate funds in the amount of \$150,000 for Social Services and \$72,339 for CSA for May, 2014. Second by Mr. McCoy. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

#### **PAYMENT OF WARRANTS**

***Mr. McCoy moved to appropriate funds in the amount of \$642,634.21 for payment of warrants as presented. Second by Mr. Baker. Approved unanimously (4-0). Voting YES: Mr. Dunn, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker.***

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Mr. Howard Nippert** – Mr. Nippert asked where background information could be found for upcoming Board meetings. He stated it would be helpful to be able to look into items prior to the scheduled meeting days. Mr. Dunn responded that he could pick up a packet at the County Administration Office, and Mr. McKlarney suggested it could be emailed as well if requested. Mr. Nippert also asked if there was a way for someone moving into the county to find out about different about fees they will be expected to pay such as for trash pickup with the PSA. He stated that he has a friend that had been in the county for many years and received a letter notifying him that he would be back billed for this service. Mr. McKlarney

responded that the Treasurer's Office collects the fee, and the county is working to get a better system of billing. Mr. McKlarney related that each landlord is responsible for notifying the PSA of any changes in renters for their properties, but that does not always happen. He also related that the Treasurer's Office sends out a newsletter with each billing. Mr. McKlarney stated the information is also on the county website, but there are not a lot of points of interaction. He did not see a simple way to rectify the problem.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **Giles County Zoning Ordinance, Section 701.03-1: Modifications to Height Restrictions**

Mr. Dunn opened the public hearing. Mr. Ross presented information regarding the proposed amendment to the ordinance. The proposed amendment would add language to allow this section to be used to modify height restrictions for telecommunication antennas when being located on existing structures. This would encourage colocation but would still need to be approved through a special exception. Mr. Dunn asked if there were any comments or questions. Hearing none, Mr. Dunn closed the public hearing and sent the proposed amendment back to the Planning Commission for a recommendation.

### **Giles County Zoning Ordinance, Section 701.03-2: Modifications to Height Restrictions**

Mr. Dunn opened the public hearing. Mr. Ross presented information regarding the proposed amendment to the ordinance. The proposed amendment would add a subsection (g) *The necessity of additional height*; to the evaluation criteria when considering approval of a special exception under this section. This would encourage colocation but would still need to be approved through a special exception. Mr. Dunn asked if there were any comments or questions. Hearing none, Mr. Dunn closed the public hearing and sent the proposed amendment back to the Planning Commission for a recommendation.

### **Giles County Subdivision Ordinance, Section 3-22.1: Street Designs and Standards**

Mr. Dunn opened the public hearing. Mr. Ross presented information regarding the proposed amendment to the subdivision ordinance. The proposed amendment would modify the ordinance to read, *"For the purposes of this section, public access shall be deemed to exist when a lot abuts (as described in Section 3-16) on an existing street maintained by either the County of Giles or the Virginia Department of Transportation. Such street must be contained within a dedicated right of way which is a minimum of forty (40) feet in width. In the event that the existing street is located within a prescriptive easement or a right of way which is less than forty (40) feet in width, the Developer is required to dedicate such right of way for street purposes, including any additional width required to provide for a forty (40) foot right of way."* Mr. Dunn asked if there were any comments or questions. Hearing none, Mr. Dunn closed the public hearing and sent the proposed amendment back to the Planning Commission for a recommendation.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. McKlarney related that the intergovernmental meeting would be hosted by the PSA at the Giles County Administration Building on April 28, 2014, beginning at 6:00 PM.

No further business was introduced. Mr. Dunn adjourned the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 7, 2014, at 3:00 PM in the General District Courtroom, 120 North Main Street, Pearisburg, Virginia.

APPROVED:

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Vice Chair

ATTEST:

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Clerk