

At the recess meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors held on Thursday, August 20, 2015, 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)
Larry Jay Williams	Vice-Chair (Eastern District)
Scott Dunn	Western District
Richard McCoy	At-Large Supervisor
Paul "Chappy" Baker	At-Large Supervisor
Chris McKlarney	County Administrator
Richard Chidester	County Attorney
Anna Welch	Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

***Mr. McCoy motioned to approve the July 16, 2015 minutes and Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows:
Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Baker, Mr. Dunn***

***Mr. McCoy motioned to approve the August 5, 2015 minutes and Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows:
Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Baker, Mr. Dunn***

OLD BUSINESS

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

Mr. McKlarney asked the Board to review two resolutions and explained no action was required at this meeting. One resolution opposes alternative Route 200 of the Mountain Valley Pipeline. The resolution notes how the proposed route passes within 300 feet of the Link Covered Bridge in Newport as well as the center of Historic Newport. It also notes its proximity to houses, the Newport Rescue Squad, and the Newport Recreation Center where a preschool will be located.

The second resolution requests the General Assembly to amend Virginia Code Section 63.1-44.15:15 to require project and site specific plans. It also requests specifications be filed with the Department of Environmental Quality and further require periodic and regular inspections by DEQ as reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with such plans.

After discussion, the Board feels both resolutions are well written and necessary. Mr. Williams stated he has no problems approving both resolutions now. The Board would like to meet with Delegate Yost before signing the resolution to the General Assembly.

Mr. McCoy motioned to adopt the resolution opposing the Alternative Route 200 as outlined and Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows:

Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Baker, Mr. Dunn

The Board discussed several issues which they would like to discuss with Delegate Yost. Mr. McKlarney will contact his office to see when he may be available to meet with them.

SURROUNDING LOCALITY CAT PROCEDURES

During the last meeting, the Board requested Mr. McKlarney gather information from surrounding counties regarding their cat procedures. Mr. McKlarney reported from eighty (8) localities: Bland, Craig, Floyd, Montgomery, Pulaski, Radford City, Tazewell, and Wythe. He explained that cats from all eight localities are not picked up by animal control.

Mr. Williams asked Mr. McKlarney if he would gather and report information from Franklin County before the Board made any decisions. Ms. Hobbs feels the citizens of Giles County are paying the price for irresponsible people. She feels when a large number of cats are surrendered from homes, the owners should have to pay. Mr. Dunn stated this is a people problem we are facing and not a cat problem. Ms. Hobbs explained the county does not have a facility large enough to hold them all. Mr. Dunn stated that we went from 600 cats last year to 123 this year and he feels the people who are being responsible will be punished when they surrender a cat and attempt to do the right thing. Mr. McCoy feels we could develop a better program to aid citizens in having their cats spade and neutered. Mr. McKlarney stated he will do more research and report the information to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. McKlarney invited the Board to the re-dedication of the Narrows Football Field to be held on Friday, August 21, 2015, at 6:00 PM. Mr. McKlarney also informed the Board of ChildFest to be held on September 4, 2015, from 5:30-7:00 PM at the Pearisburg Town Park.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Marilyn Hollie – Ms. Hollie spoke regarding cats. She feels there will be 5,000 cats roaming Giles County if we no longer pick them up. Ms. Hollie gave the Board a document on how cats breed. Ms. Hollie explained other surrounding counties have a

Humane Society. There was a discussion with the Board on how much it costs to spay and neuter the cats. Ms. Hollie urged the Board not to stop picking the cats up.

PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

Mr. McCoy motioned to approve \$743,108.35 for County Appropriations and Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows:

Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Baker, Mr. Dunn

SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATION

Mr. Baker motioned to approve School Board Appropriations in the amount of \$2,180,649 and Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows:

Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Baker, Mr. Dunn

SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATION

Mr. Baker motioned to approve the September 2015 Social Services Appropriation in the amount of \$355,000.00 which includes \$225,000.00 Social Services and \$130,000.00 CSA. Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows:

Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Baker, Mr. Dunn

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Baker motioned to appoint Tom Miller to IDA and Mr. Dunn seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows:

Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Baker, Mr. Dunn

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. McCoy moved to go into executive session as permitted by Virginia Code 2.2-3711, A (1) Personnel and Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows:

Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Baker, Mr. Dunn

Mr. McCoy moved to return to open session and he certified that in the closed session just concluded, nothing was discussed except the matter or matters (1) specifically identified in the motion to convene in closed session and (2) lawfully permitted to be discussed under the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information act cited in that motion. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows:

Voting Yes: Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Williams, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Baker, and Mr. Dunn

ADJOURN

Ms. Hobbs stated there was no further business and adjourned the meeting. The Board will hold their regular meeting on September 2, 2015 at 3:00 PM at the Giles County Administration Office located on 315 North Main Street Pearisburg, VA.

APPROVED:

Chair**ATTEST:**

Clerk