

At the regular meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, March 6, 2019, at 3:00 PM in the Giles County Administration Office, located at 315 North Main Street, Pearisburg, the following were present unless noted absent.

Jeff Morris	Chair (Central District)
Larry Jay Williams	Vice-Chair (Eastern District)
John C. Lawson, Jr.	Western District
Paul "Chappy" Baker	At-Large Supervisor
Richard McCoy	At-Large Supervisor - Absent
Chris McKlarney	County Administrator
Catherine Ballard	Finance Director
Richard Chidester	County Attorney
Missy Bray	Board Secretary

### **CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION**

Mr. Morris, called the meeting to order and Mr. McKlarney offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

***Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2019, as presented. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Williams; Absent: Mr. McCoy***

### **CONSTITUTIONAL OFFIERS**

Sheriff Morgan Millirons reported 64 traffic summons, 476 civil papers, 48 warrants, and 21 criminal arrests for the month of February. He related RAD classes are continuing and are taught in the school systems, with Giles High School finishing up classes in a couple of weeks. Mr. Millirons indicated the TDOs and transports continue to be an issue with 11 transports in the past 2 weeks and indicated the drug dogs scheduled to be at the schools had been postponed due to inclement weather. He reported he was down one dispatcher and would be down two more in the near future but hopes the position will be filled quickly. Sheriff Millirons requested the officer room at General District Court be painted and suggested using the inmate workforce for the project. He indicated the inmate workforce was being utilized for trash pickup along the roads after the crew was done with all the other work scheduled.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Mr. Bill Hogg** – Mr. Hogg expressed concern about the numerous potholes in the roads in the county, citing a request made by Mr. Baker in the January minutes for potholes to be repaired on Route 100. He related he had to purchase two tires and rims from recently hitting potholes and shared an article from a West Virginia newspaper about turning potholes into fishing holes. Mr. Hogg indicated the potholes on Eggleston Road

had been repaired but the plow trucks had peeled them off during snow removal. He requested the speed limit be lowered to 35 miles per hour on Eggleston Road and shared how he had almost been hit turning into his driveway on numerous occasions.

## **VDOT REPORT**

Mr. David Clarke updated members on VDOT maintenance efforts. He reported potholes patched on Spruce Run Road, Big Stony Creek Road, and Clendennin Road adding they will continue to work on the others. Mr. Clarke stated work had been done on multiple slides in the county recently with most of them being in the Western District. He indicated water diversion had been done to help alleviate the issues. Mr. Clarke reported temporary patching and pipe work done on Church Street and temporary work done on Rye Hollow with more drainage needed. He noted he had been working with AEP on the lights at the park and ride and it needed review to make sure the lights will not interfere with traffic on Route 460. Mr. Clarke reported guardrail being replaced in the county and indicated there was some work to be done on the guardrail near Giles High School noting an issue with the flashing school sign. He related wrong way drivers on Route 460 are being looked at to see if more signage would help. Mr. Clarke indicated a public hearing was needed on the VDOT Six Year Plan and requested it be held at the April recess meeting. Members were in agreement.

Mr. Baker reported lines need to be painted on Church Hill and Commissary Hill noting the fog makes it difficult for drivers to see, and requested pot holes be fixed on Big Stony Creek Road in the White Rocks area. Mr. Williams inquired if final financials are in for the Penvir Bridge project. Mr. Bryan Reed related there were more invoices to come in. He stated all the federal funds come through the Salem VDOT office and all the funds had been received in July and August. Mr. Reed reported public works had been out to look at the water line on Skyview Lane. He indicated the service in the line would be discontinued and capped off with the hydrant to be moved and reconnected. Mr. Williams stated it seems the project is at a good spot to officially ask VDOT for rural funds for the project. Mr. Reed advised VDOT requires a unencumbered right of way, and he did not know if that can be guaranteed at this point.

***Mr. Williams made a motion to request VDOT Rural Addition funds for Skyview Lane. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Williams; Absent: Mr. McCoy***

Mr. Williams reported the laundry mat in Pembroke had been bought by a new owner who would like to pave his parking lot. He indicated the lot has drainage problems and asked if Mr. Clarke could assist by meeting with the town.

Mr. Morris inquired about the low water bridge, and Mr. Clarke indicated something temporary might need to be looked at until the permanent structure could be put in place. Mr. Morris requested information on the drainage issue on Eatons Chapel. Mr. Clarke advised he would look into what had been done to correct it. Mr. Williams reported a North Carolina vehicle had been seen with VDOT signs in the trunk.

Mr. McKlarney requested Mr. Clarke check on the water diversion structure that was to be put in place to keep water out of The Barn restaurant in Rich Creek. Sheriff Millirons inquired about the process to change the speed limit on Spruce Run Road. Mr. Clarke stated the Board would need to request a speed study.

***Mr. Williams made a motion to request a speed study on Route 605, Spruce Run Road, and Route 730, Eggleston Road. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Williams; Absent: Mr. McCoy***

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **COMPENSATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. McKlarney reported the next compensation committee meeting would be held at the school board office on March 8, 2019 at 1:00 PM and invited members to attend.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **COST ALLOCATION**

Mr. McKlarney reported a potential contract for preparing the county's cost allocation plan had been received from Robinson, Farmer, and Cox. He related the plan is used to recover cost on social services and CSA expenditures, and advised the cost would be \$4,500 for one year or members could opt for three years at \$4,000 per year.

***Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the cost allocation plan contract with Robinson, Farmer and Cox for three years. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Williams; Absent: Mr. McCoy***

### **PAYMENT OF WARRANTS**

***Mr. Baker motioned to approve warrants in the amount of \$953,711.31, and Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Williams; Absent: Mr. McCoy***

Mr. Williams inquired about a charge for cartridges from the sheriff's office noting there had been a similar charge on the previous bills. Mr. McKlarney indicated he thought the charges are for taser cartridge replacements, which are quite costly.

## **CSA UPDATE**

Mr. Williams reported Ms. Caryl Allen had been doing a good job with the CSA program, noting a cost savings for the past three months. He related there are currently 11 foster

families in Montgomery County that Giles will be able to utilize and 8 Giles County foster families are in the process of being trained.

## **CAREERWORKS**

Mr. Williams reported the Giles Careerworks office had been doing a good job and advised Mr. Andrews, the business representative for the county, might need to be replaced since his retirement.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

***Mr. Lawson motioned to go into executive session as permitted by Virginia Code 2.2-3711, A (1) Personnel, (7) Legal Counsel, and A (30) Contracts. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows by roll call vote: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Williams; Absent: Mr. McCoy***

***Mr. Lawson motioned 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 by roll call vote: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Williams; Absent: Mr. McCoy***

## **ADJOURN**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2019, at 6:30 PM. The meeting will be held at the Giles County Administration Office located at 315 North Main Street, Pearisburg.

**APPROVED:**

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**Chair**

**ATTEST:**

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**Clerk**

March 6, 2019