

At the recess meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors held on Thursday, December 17, 2020, at 6:30 PM, in the Giles County Administration Office, 315 North Main Street, Pearisburg, the following were present unless noted absent:

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

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

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

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

***Mr. Baker motioned to approve the December 2, 2020, minutes as presented. Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **CARES ACT FUNDS UPDATE**

Mr. McKlarney provided information on the CARES Act funding and current spending. He indicated there would be approximately \$236,000 remaining after all items had been expended. Mr. McKlarney stated he thinks a deal is getting close to being completed for an extension on the funds but does not want to hold on to see if it will be completed. He advised he would provide a final summary once done and indicated there had been some really good applications from non-profits for various projects.

Mr. McKlarney announced the contract for the Business Resiliency project was signed the prior day. Mr. McCoy stated the Town of Pearisburg should move forward with a formal request for the book mobile concept, which will include a mobile classroom. Mr. McKlarney advised he will send out an email if received so members can review and provide input.

## NEW BUSINESS

### SCHOOL REQUEST

Mr. McKlarney related he had received a request from the schools for approximately \$40,000 for equipment and cleaning supplies to meet VHSL guidelines. He advised the sanitation supplies totaled around \$10,000 of the request. Members discussed options. Mr. McCoy advised the request does not fall into what needs to be done with the CARES Act funds, but he had no issue with the sanitation items. Members concurred.

### UTILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT

Mr. McKlarney reported the county had received a grant for utilities assistance, and surveys would be going out in the mail in the near future. He indicated residents behind on water and sewer due to COVID could submit an application for assistance.

### PROPOSED ENGINEERING CONTRACT EXTENSION

Mr. McKlarney presented a request to extend the engineering contract with Thompson and Litton. He related procurement process takes 30 to 45 days and up to 60 days to get under contract. Mr. McKlarney advised the contract has a clause to allow for an extension, and Thompson and Litton has served the county well for many years.

***Mr. Baker made a motion to approve the engineering contract extension with Thompson and Litton as presented. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

### PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

***Mr. Morris motioned to approve warrants in the amount of \$1,080,902.89. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

### SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATIONS

***Mr. Lawson made a motion to approve \$2,395,142 for the January 2021 School Board appropriations. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

### SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS

***Mr. Morris motioned to approve \$152,000 for the January 2021 Social Services. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

## APPOINTMENTS

***Mr. Morris motioned to reappoint Mr. Richard McCoy to the Community Policy and Management Team. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin and Mr. Morris; Abstaining: Mr. McCoy***

***Mr. Morris motioned to reappoint Mr. John Lovely as county representative and Mr. Robert Givens as county alternate to the New River Valley Airport Commission. Mr. Baker seconded the motion.***

***Discussion: Mr. Martin related he had someone who had expressed interest in the appointment.***

***The motion was approved 4-1 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Voting No: Mr. Martin***

***Mr. Baker motioned to reappoint Mr. Chris McKlarney as alternate to the New River Resource Authority. Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

## SUPPLEMENTS

***Mr. Baker made a motion to approve FY 2021 supplements in the amount of \$500,000 as presented. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

Mr. McCoy noted all the funds were CARES Act. A copy of the supplements is attached at the end of these minutes.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

***Mr. Morris motioned to go into executive session as permitted by Virginia Code 2.2-3711, A (1) Personnel, (7) Legal Counsel, and (30) Contracts. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 by rollcall vote as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

***Mr. Morris 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 5-0 by rollcall vote as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris***

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **SURPLUS EQUIPMENT**

Mr. McKlarney indicated he had received a request from an individual to purchase kitchen equipment from the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole at Castle Rock. He advised the county could not sell it but could put it out for bids if members so desired. Members discussed options and concurred to put the equipment up for bid.

### **FERC**

Mr. Chidester reported FERC had rescinded the stop work order from Big Stony to the county line. Mr. John Ross related any stream crossings must obtain a flood plain permit even if they bore under the stream bed. He provided further explanation on what is required.

### **OPIOID LITIGATION**

Mr. Chidester related he had been on a conference call regarding the opioid litigation and indicated it would be the end of 2022 before the county sees any funds from it. He advised they are making progress on getting more people to the table. Members discussed allowable uses for the funds.

### **ADJOURN**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2021, beginning at 3:00 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**

December 17, 2020

**BUDGET SUPPLEMENTS  
DECEMBER 17, 2020 BOARD MEETING  
CARES ACT SUPPLEMENTS**

<b>CODE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>OFF SETTING REVENUE</b>
100-43100-5601	\$50,000.00	YES - CARES ACT MONEY
100-43100-5602	\$266,292.67	YES - CARES ACT MONEY
100-43100-5603	\$168,055.53	YES - CARES ACT MONEY
	\$15,651.80	YES - CARES ACT MONEY

**TOTAL \$500,000.00**