

At the regular meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, February 3, 2021, at 3:00 PM in the Giles County Administration Building located at 315 N. Main Street, Pearisburg, the following members were present unless noted absent.

Richard McCoy	Chair (At-Large Supervisor)
Paul "Chappy" Baker	Vice-Chair (At-Large Supervisor)
Jeff Morris	Central District
Perry Martin	Eastern District
John C. Lawson, Jr.	Western District
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 January 21, 2021, 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***

### **SCHOOL BOARD REPORT**

Dr. Arbogast updated the board on current enrollments. He stated there are currently 2,239 students, which is a decrease of 2 from the end of last month and a decrease of 26 from the ADM number that was used for the school year, which was 2,265. He advised school for kindergarten through third grades had started back four days per week beginning on January 19<sup>th</sup>, and eighth through twelfth grades started attending four day in person last week. Dr. Arbogast related students are required to follow social distancing and mask mandates, and the transition has gone well so far. He reported the spelling bee would be held at the school board office on February 24<sup>th</sup>, and expressed thanks to Ms. Kristie Williams and Carilion for providing COVID vaccines for school staff. Dr. Arbogast provided information on 19 Giles High School band students who auditioned for the all state band.

### **VDOT REPORT**

Mr. McKlarney advised Mr. David Clarke would not be attending the meeting, but related VDOT would be working on the potholes on Route 460 the following day. He indicated members could pass any issues along to him, and he would get them to Mr. Clarke.

Mr. Lawson inquired if there had been an update on Skyview Lane. Mr. McKlarney indicated he had heard nothing additional on the project but would check on the status.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **MODIFICATION TO CONDITIONAL USE – RIVERVIEW CAMPGROUND**

Mr. John Ross presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve a request for the modification of an existing Conditional Use Permit pursuant to Sections 802.04 and 603.03-3 (Recreational Development) of the Giles County Zoning Ordinance to allow for the addition of a bathhouse and 10 additional campsites to an existing campground (Riverview Campground). The parcel of land associated with this request is owned by Glenn Harman and John or Cathy Farley, is identified specifically as tax parcels 38A-6-G-L3 and 38A-6-G-L4, and is located at 2779 Virginia Avenue, Narrows, Virginia. The property is in the RRA-1 (Rural Residential and Agriculture) Zoning District. Mr. Ross related the conditions placed upon the recommendation are as follows:

- 1) All other regulations to be met, to include VA Health Department, Giles County Floodplain Ordinance, Uniform Statewide Building Code, etc.
- 2) All setbacks to be met to also include 20' maintenance easement on "berm" on adjacent property.

Mr. Ross advised there is a maintenance easement in place on the berm and the request is in compliance on the setbacks.

***Mr. Baker made a motion to approve the modification of the existing conditional use permit as recommended by the Planning Commission. 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***

#### **AMENDMENT TO FUTURE LAND USE MAP**

Mr. John Ross presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve a proposed amendment to the Giles County Comprehensive Plan to change the Future Land Use Map designation of a portion of tax parcel 45-87B, approximately .6 acres, from the residential designation to the commercial designation. This portion of property is located adjacent to 7887 Virginia Avenue, Newport, Virginia, near Hilltop Grocery and has frontage on Link Circle and Virginia Avenue. The property is owned by George W. Link. Mr. Ross related the conditions placed upon this recommendation are as follows:

- 1) Two parking spaces are reserved for eastern most mobile home adjacent to Route 460. Area of proposed action to be adjusted to accommodate this requirement.
- 2) Existing driveway that leads to trailer park and bisects area must remain open for access to trailer park.
- 3) Rezoning/Future Land Use Map amendment conditional upon subdivision plat approval and septic approval or variance to septic requirement, must be

completed within six months. Zoning/Future Land Use Map amendment is not final until this is completed.

Mr. Ross outlined the variances on septic.

***Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the amendment to the Giles County Future Land Use Map as recommended by the Planning Commission. 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***

#### **REZONING PORTION OF TAX PARCEL 45-87B**

Mr. John Ross presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve the rezoning of a portion of tax parcel 45-87B, approximately .6 acres, from the MH-1 (Mobile Home) zoning district to the B-2 (General Business) zoning district. This portion of property is located adjacent to 7887 Virginia Avenue, Newport, Virginia near Hilltop Grocery and has frontage on Link Circle and Virginia Avenue. The property is owned by George W. Link. Mr. Ross related the conditions placed upon this recommendation are as follows:

- 1) Two parking spaces are reserved for eastern most mobile home adjacent to Route 460. Area of proposed action to be adjusted to accommodate this requirement.
- 2) Existing driveway that leads to trailer park and bisects area must remain open for access to trailer park.
- 3) Rezoning/Future Land Use Map amendment conditional upon subdivision plat approval and septic approval, or variance to septic requirement, must be completed within six months. Zoning/Future Land Use Map amendment is not final until this is completed.

***Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the partial rezoning of Tax Parcel 45-87B as recommended by the Planning Commission. 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***

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **RESOLUTION CERTIFYING TAX PARCELS FOR ABATEMENT**

Mr. McKlarney presented a proposed resolution for the abatement of tax parcel 25-17, which no longer exists as researched and verified by Mr. Richard Chidester, the County Attorney. A copy of the resolution is attached at the end of these minutes.

***Mr. Baker made a motion to adopt the resolution certifying the tax parcel abatement 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***

## **SURPLUS OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT**

Mr. McKlarney presented a potential list of vehicles and equipment for surplus. This list included the following items: 1990 Chevrolet Van, 2000 Ford Crown Victoria, Ford 5000 Tractor, John Deere Gator, and three generators. Mr. Martin inquired about the status of the Gator. Mr. McKlarney indicated it was in poor shape as it had been used at Castle Rock for a number of years. Mr. Lawson inquired about the van being sent to the schools. Mr. McKlarney advised it would need to be in surplus before that could happen. Mr. McCoy related the Extension Office had expressed an interest in a smaller vehicle, and Mr. McKlarney stated he would keep an eye out for one.

***Mr. Baker made a motion to approve the surplus of the vehicles and equipment 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***

## **PAYMENT OF WARRANTS**

***Mr. Baker motioned to approve warrants in the amount of \$878,156.20, and 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***

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

***Mr. Morris motioned to go into executive session as permitted by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 A (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***

## **RIVER ACCESS FEES**

Members discussed a resolution in opposition of the boat landing access fees implemented by the state. Mr. McCoy indicated there could be a regional effort in opposition to the fees as well.

***Mr. Baker made a motion to draft a resolution and letter in opposition to the boat landing fees. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Morris***

**ADJOURN**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Thursday, February 18, 2021, 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**

RESOLUTION OF THE GILES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
CERTIFYING TAX PARCELS FOR ABATEMENT

Be it resolved that the Giles County Board of Supervisors, meeting on February 3, 2021, with a quorum present, hereby adopts the report of the County Attorney regarding the tax parcel below that should be removed from the tax records of Giles County, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 58.1-3971.

Tax Map 25-17 G. L. Hash 1/2 acre

Be it further resolves that the Board of Supervisors certifies to the Treasurer and Commissioner of Revenue of Giles County that the taxes on said parcels should be abated and the parcels removed from the tax rolls.

Adopted at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Giles County, Virginia, held on February 3, 2021.

	voting for	voting against	abstain	absent
McCoy	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Morris	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Baker	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Martin	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Lawson	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>

Attest:   
Christopher P. McKlarney, Clerk

Approved as to form:   
County Attorney