At the recess meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors held on Thursday, August 18, 2022, at 6:30 PM in the Giles County Administration Building located at 315 N. Main Street, Pearisburg, the following members were present unless noted absent.

Jeff Morris  
Richard McCoy  
Perry Martin  
John C. Lawson, Jr.  
Paul “Chappy” Baker  
Chris McKlarney  
John Ross  
Catherine Ballard  
Richard Chidester  
Missy Bray  

Chair (Central District)  
Vice-Chair (At-Large Supervisor)  
Eastern District  
Western District  
At-Large Supervisor – Absent  
County Administrator  
Building Official  
Finance Director  
County Attorney  
Board Secretary – Absent

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. McCoy motioned to approve the minutes of August 3, 2022 and August 11, 2022 as presented. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

OLD BUSINESS

RIVER CLEAN UP

Mr. McKlarney announced the annual river clean up will be held on August 27th from Pembroke to Narrows and invited members to attend.

COUNTY FINANCIALS

Mr. McKlarney advised a copy of year end financials had been received, noting that everything there were no issues.

VATI GRANT DOCUMENTS

Mr. McKlarney related application documents and estimates had been received from Pemtel, but he is still waiting on information from Gigabeam. He noted the application is due on August 25th, and several letters of support had been received with several more to come in.
NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF SUSAN KIDD

Mr. McClarney presented a proposed resolution in recognition of more than 20 years of service in the community for Ms. Susan Kidd. A copy of the resolution is attached at the end of these minutes.

Mr. Lawson made a motion to approve the resolution in recognition of Ms. Susan Kidd as presented. Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF LARRY LAFON

Mr. McClarney presented a proposed resolution in recognition of 50 years of service in the EMS field for Mr. Larry Lafon. He noted Mr. Lafon continues to serve in the EMS field. A copy of the resolution is attached at the end of these minutes.

Mr. McCoy made a motion to approve the resolution in recognition of Mr. Larry Lafon as presented. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

Mr. McCoy motioned to approve warrants in the amount of $932,947.84 and Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Lawson motioned to approve $2,585,000 for the September 2022 School Board appropriations and ESSR II Funds in the amounts of $268,959.25, $582,000.00, and $265,563.00. Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

Mr. Lawson made a motion to approve school carryover funding for FY 2020 ($743,785.78), FY 2021 ($2,211,963.94) and FY 2022 ($1,452,669.54) as requested under the same guidelines and conditions as set forth the previous years. Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker
SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. McCoy motioned to approve $171,000 for the September 2022 Social Services appropriations. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

NEW BUSINESS

APPALACHIAN POWER GRANT APPLICATION LETTER OF SUPPORT

Mr. McKlarney presented a proposed letter of support for Appalachian Power for grant funding to run middle mile fiber in the county.

Mr. Lawson made a motion to approve the letter as presented. Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. McCoy motioned to go into executive session as permitted by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 A (30) Contracts. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 by rollcall vote as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

Mr. McCoy 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. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 by rollcall vote as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED CHANGE OF NARROWS VOTING PRECINCT POLLING LOCATION

Mr. Morris opened the public hearing. Mr. Chidester provided background for the reasoning behind the polling place change from the VFW to Narrows High School. He outlined the procedure to be followed with the Attorney General's Office. Mr. Morris asked for any questions or comments. Hearing none, he closed the public hearing. A copy of the ordinance is attached at the end of these minutes.

McCoy made a motion to approve the ordinance to change the Narrows polling place location to Narrows High School and submit the request to the Attorney General. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as
follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Baker

ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, 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
County of Giles

Board of Supervisors
315 North Main Street
Pearsburg, Virginia 24134

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF SUSAN KIDD
FOR SERVICE TO GILES COUNTY

Whereas, on March 29, 2000, Susan Kidd was hired as an Executive Secretary to the County Administrator, and

Whereas, throughout her career she has shown dedication and leadership to the County of Giles and the Town of Narrows through her extensive work with tourism and economic development; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper to recognize the outstanding dedication she has shown to Giles County and the Town of Narrows;

Now therefore be it resolved by the Giles County Board of Supervisors that Susan Kidd be duly recognized for the outstanding dedication to the growth of economic development and tourism shown to the County and to the Town of Narrows for over 22 years;

Approved by the Giles County Board of Supervisors this 18th day of August, 2022.

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Attest: Chris McKinney, Clerk

Telephone: (540) 921-2525 Fax: (540) 921-1329

August 18, 2022
WHEREAS, Larry Lafon has served the citizens of Giles County, Virginia as a member of Giles County Ambulance Service, Carilion Patient Transport Services-Giles Division, Newport Rescue Squad, and Giles Lifesaving and Rescue Squad, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize the outstanding, selfless service Mr. Lafon has provided to the citizens of Giles County, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lafon has achieved the status of Life Member in both Newport Rescue Squad and Giles Lifesaving and Rescue Squad, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lafon has provided this service to the county and the public as a member of the above listed organizations for 50 years.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GILES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, that Mr. Larry Lafon is duly recognized for the outstanding, dedicated, and selfless service that he has provided to the citizens of our County, and;

FURTHERMORE, The Board of Supervisors recognizes the contribution of his achievements in bringing a better quality of life to the citizens of Giles County.

Approved by the Giles County Board of Supervisors this 18th day of August, 2022.

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Attest: Chris McKearney, Clerk
Telephone: (540) 921-2525  Fax: (540) 921-1329
AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE LOCATION OF THE
NARROWS VOTING PRECINCT POLLING PLACE
PURSUANT TO VA CODE §24.2-306

After public hearing on August 18, 2022, pursuant to notice published in the
Virginian Leader on August 10, 2022 and August 17, 2022 and published on the Giles
County website (www.virginiasminplayground.com),

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Giles County, Virginia,
pursuant to §24.2-306 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended that the location of the
Narrows Voting Precinct Polling Place is hereby changed from the Narrows VFW
Command Post 6000 at 206 Hare St., Narrows Virginia to Narrows High School, at 1
Greenwave Ltn., Narrows, Virginia.

This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption, subject to a certification of
no objection by the Attorney General of Virginia pursuant to the Virginia Voting Rights
Act. (Virginia Code Section 24.2-125, et seq).

Adopted at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Giles County, Virginia, held
on August 18, 2022.

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Attest: ____________________________

Christopher P. McKarney, Clerk

Approved as to form: ____________________________

Richard L. Chidester, County Attorney