

At the recess meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors held on Thursday, June 15, 2023, 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	Chair (Central District)
Richard McCoy	Vice-Chair (At-Large Supervisor)
Perry Martin	Eastern District
John C. Lawson, Jr.	Western District
Paul "Chappy" Baker	At-Large Supervisor
Chris McKlarney	County Administrator
John Ross	Building Official - Absent
Catherine Ballard	Finance Director
Richard Chidester	County Attorney - Absent
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. McCoy motioned to approve the June 1, 2023 and June 7, 2023, minutes as presented. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Martin

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Donald Woodyard – Mr. Woodyard requested a speed limit sign on Bane Road as well as a replacement street sign on the southern end, which is missing. He related people a speeding a lot through the area, and he is concerned with the possibility of someone getting hit. He indicated he would like to see 35 miles per hour with the park there.

Mr. McCoy made a motion to request a speed study on Route 811, Bane Road. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Martin

Mr. McKlarney related he had sent members an email regarding speed issues on Spruce Run Road from Mr. Shannon Hammonds.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. McCoy motioned to go into executive session as permitted by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 A (1) Personnel. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 by rollcall vote as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Martin

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. Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 by rollcall vote as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Martin

PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

Mr. Baker motioned to approve warrants in the amount of \$865,288.41, and Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris; Absent: Mr. Martin

SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Lawson made a motion to allocate \$6,139,437.60 for the revised June 2023 school board appropriations and \$8,527,588.00 for revised Stride for a total of \$14,667,025.60. Mr. McCoy 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. Lawson made a motion to allocate \$1,400,000.00 for the July 2023 school board appropriations. Mr. McCoy 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. Martin motioned to approve \$350,000 for the July 2023 Social Services appropriations. 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

COUNTY ATTORNEY CONTRACT

Mr. McCoy made a motion to approve a three-year contract with the county attorney. 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

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Baker made a motion to appoint Mr. C.B. Andrews to the Industrial Development Authority. 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

Mr. Baker made a motion to reappoint Mr. Richard Chidester as representative and Mr. Todd Martin as alternate to the New River Valley Regional Jail Authority. Mr. McCoy 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 made a motion to reappoint Ms. Kelly Patton to the New River Community Action Board. 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

Mr. McCoy made a motion to reappoint Ms. Susan Kidd, Ms. Nancy Rader and Ms. Jill Williams to the local New River Community Action Board. 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

Mr. McCoy made a motion to reappoint Mr. Jason Buckland to the New River Valley Community Services Board. 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

Mr. Lawson made a motion to reappoint Mr. Richard McCoy to the New River Valley Criminal Justice Training Academy. 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. McCoy made a motion to reappoint Ms. Cora Gnegy and Dr. Lee Wheeler to the Onward NRV Board. 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

Mr. McCoy made a motion to reappoint Mr. John Mills to the Total Action for Progress IPR Board. 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

CSA UPDATE

Mr. McKlarney presented a report on Community Service Act (CSA) performance. He related the report compared Giles to other jurisdictions with similar populations over several years, and noted the cost per child in Giles is comparatively low and competitive to other localities. Mr. McKlarney indicted Ms. Caryl Allen has done a fantastic job with the program.

PUBLIC HEARING

FY 2024 TAX RATES AND BUDGET

Mr. Morris opened the public hearing. Mr. McKlarney outlined the proposed Fiscal Year 2024 budget and tax rates for each category. He provided information on revenues and expenditures, noting 65.8 percent of the county budget is from state funding. Mr. McKlarney hopes to receive a state budget after the primaries later in the month. He related the proposed budget is a balanced budget at \$77,690,360 and noted the budget includes a five percent pay increase for employees. Mr. McKlarney provided information on revenue functions, tax rate comparisons and county to county comparisons and related total revenues have increased by 1.7 to 1.8 percent over the past 10 years. He also provided a ten year look back on relative numbers and thanked Ms. Ballard for her efforts and work on getting the budget together. He advised the budget cannot be adopted for seven days, which will be done at the closeout meeting for the fiscal year.

Mr. Baker inquired about the drop in student numbers. Mr. McKlarney explained the number was over the last ten years. Mr. Bernie Cosell inquired if that drop coincides with the county population. Mr. McKlarney related some of the drop in student numbers is due to a number of parents home schooling their children as well as due to the aging population of the county. Mr. Lawson stated all tax rates for 2023 have remained the same. Mr. McKlarney concurred with that statement. Mr. Cosell inquired if there was a way to measure the schools to see how well they are doing. Mr. McKlarney advised that is usually done through SOLs and will ask Dr. Terry Arbogast to provide that information the next time he is in attendance at a meeting. Mr. Morris asked for any additional questions or comments. Hearing none, he closed the public hearing.

FY 2023 BUDGET SUPPLEMENTS

Mr. McCoy made a motion to approve FY 2023 budget supplements in the amount of \$350,231.79. 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

ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 3:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Giles County Administration Office located at 315 North Main Street, Pearisburg.

APPROVED:

Chair**ATTEST:**

Clerk

**BUDGET SUPPLEMENTS
JUNE 15, 2023 BOARD MEETING**

SUPPLEMENTS	CODE	AMOUNT	OFF-SETTING REVENUE
100-33202-8920		53,060.36	YES - Opioid Settlement
100-12410-3161		10,350.54	Yes, DMV Stop Revenue
100-12410-3162		4,810.23	Yes, Judicial Sales Revenue
100-12412-3163		14,741.94	Yes, PSA Admin Fee Revenue
100-91200-5650		25,714.00	Yes, Narrows Fuel Reimbursement
100-91200-5914		18,030.29	Yes, Pearisburg Fuel Reimb
100-91200-5917		9,521.57	Yes, Fire Dept Fuel Reimbs
501-41500-3193		31,827.09	Yes, Interest Revenue collected by Treasurer for PSA
100-35100-3111		8,691.39	No-Vet services
100-33200-8101		21,918.00	No, Mowers
100-21200-8301		4,436.60	No, Replacement Furniture
100-43100-8201		38,700.00	No, Admin Vehicle
100-43100-8501		38,992.63	No, Courthouse HVAC reno
100-81700-6000		5,682.15	No, T&O Address Monitoring software
100-91200-1100		13,755.00	No, New Wellness Program awards
100-43100-3320		50,000.00	No, Building repairs/ Service Contract Increases
		350,231.79	TOTAL