

At the recess meeting of the Giles County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, 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)
Paul "Chappy" Baker	Vice-Chair (At-Large Supervisor)
John C. Lawson, Jr.	Western District
Perry Martin	Eastern District
Richard McCoy	At-Large Supervisor
Chris McKlarney	County Administrator
Catherine Ballard	Finance Director
John Ross	Building Official
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. McCoy motioned to approve the June 4, 2025, minutes. 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

NEW BUSINESS

FISCAL YEAR 2025 CLOSE OUT MEETING

Mr. McKlarney inquired about a date and time for the Fiscal Year 2025 close out meeting. He suggested holding the meeting on Monday, June 30th. Members discussed options.

Mr. McCoy made a motion to call the FY2025 close out meeting for June 30, 2025 beginning at 3:00 PM. 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

NEWPORT REQUEST JULY 4TH PARADE

Mr. McKlarney indicated he received a request from Newport for approval of the land use permit application for its annual 4th of July parade and recommended approval.

Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the 4th of July parade at Newport. 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. Baker motioned to approve warrants in the amount of \$2,169,535.18, and 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

SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Morris noted no appropriation request was received from the schools.

SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Martin motioned to approve \$455,000.00 for the July 2025 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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. McCoy motioned to go into executive session as permitted by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 A (1) Personnel and (29) 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. 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 5-0 by rollcall vote as follows: Voting Yes: Mr. Baker, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCoy and Mr. Morris

PUBLIC HEARING

FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET ORDINANCE

Mr. Morris opened the public hearing. Mr. McKlarney presented the proposed FY 2026 budget pursuant to Section 15.2-1427 of the Code of Virginia. He noted there were no proposed changes to the tax rates, and the public hearing was being held in order to give the public an opportunity for comments and questions. Mr. McKlarney stated it seems the budget has had an enormous increase this year, and noted the increases were due to anticipated capital improvements, school renovations and grants. He indicated the overall budget did not change much and related the revenues generated from one cent of tax for real estate, machinery and tools, and personal property. He also provided a tax rate comparison with surrounding jurisdictions. Mr. Morris asked for any questions or comments. Hearing none, he closed the public hearing.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Baker made a motion to reappoint Mr. Jon Butler to the New River Criminal Justice Training Academy. 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 appoint Mr. John Hale to the New River Community College 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

NEW BUSINESS

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING BUILDING OFFICIAL

Mr. Baker made a motion to appoint Mr. John Mills as the Acting Building Official of Giles County. 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

ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Monday, June 30, 2025, 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