

February 06, 2017

A regular monthly meeting of the Russell County Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, February 06, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Russell County Government Center in Lebanon, Virginia. A closed session was held prior to the meeting beginning at 5:00 pm.

The Clerk called the meeting to order.

Roll Call by the Clerk:

Present:

Tim Lovelace
Lou Wallace
Carl Rhea
David Eaton
Steve Breeding
Rebecca Dye
Mark Mitchell

Lonzo Lester, Clerk

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Tim Lovelace, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of closed session.

The vote was:

Aye: Tim Lovelace, David Eaton, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Mark Mitchell
Nay: None

CLOSED SESSION

Motion made by Mark Mitchell, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors enter into closed session pursuant to Virginia code 2.2-3711 for discussion concerning a prospective business or industry, land acquisition, actual or probable litigation and personnel matters.

The vote was:

Aye: Mark Mitchell, David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Steve Breeding and Rebecca Dye
Nay: None

APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Motion made by Mark Mitchell, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to return to regular session.

The vote was:

Aye: Mark Mitchell, David Eaton, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Steve Breeding, Tim Lovelace and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to § 2.2-3712(D) of the Code of Virginia 1950, as amended each member of the Board of Supervisors upon the Roll Call certifies that to the best of their knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and (ii) only such public business matters that were identified in the motion(s) by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board of Supervisors.

Any member of the Board of Supervisors who believes that there was a departure from the requirements of clauses (i) and (ii) above shall so state prior to the vote, indicating the substance of the departure that, in his or her judgment, has taken place.

Are there any who believe a departure has taken place? Seeing none, if you agree that the matters heard, discussed or considered during the closed meeting were pursuant only to the motion(s) by which the closed meeting was convened, please signify by saying aye or yes.

Tim Lovelace – AYE
Lou Wallace – AYE
Carl Rhea – AYE
David Eaton – AYE
Rebecca Dye - AYE
Steve Breeding – AYE
Mark Mitchell – AYE

Invocation by Rick Thompson, Treasurer of Russell County followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENTATIONS

Brian Ferguson, Russell County Waste Management Department gave the Board a brief presentation on the current waste management operations with a power point presentation.

Kim Short, Russell County Health and Fitness gave an update on the recent happenings of the fitness center including the addition of the 24 hours access and employee discount. She stated that at present they have 150 members. Mrs. Short also gave a brief tourism update.

Briana Apgar, Community Assessment Planner for the Virginia Department of Health explained that the CHA is a community driven evaluation to better understand life and health for residents in your community. She invited everyone to attend the first assessment team meeting on February 14.

The Board recognized the **Boy Scouts** in the audience and thanked them for attending.

Kelly Hill, Blood Assurance Business District Manager shared some information about the benefits of donating blood.

New Business

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 03, 2017 MINUTES

Motion made by Mark Mitchell, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the January 03, 2017 minutes and dispense with the reading thereof.

The vote was:

Aye: Mark Mitchell, Lou Wallace, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea, Steve Breeding, David Eaton and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 20, 2017 MINUTES

Motion made by David Eaton, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the January 20, 2017 minutes and dispense with the reading thereof.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Mark Mitchell

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 25, 2017 MINUTES

Motion made by David Eaton, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the January 25, 2017 minutes and dispense with the reading thereof.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Lou Wallace, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea and Mark Mitchell

Nay: None

Abstain: Rebecca Dye and Steve Breeding

APPROVAL OF GENERAL COUNTY INVOICES

Motion made by Tim Lovelace, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve general county invoices in the amount of \$ 1,145,875.88 including reoccurring and withholdings.

The vote was:

Aye: Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Mark Mitchell

Nay: None

Citizens Comment

Reggie Childers, Lebanon commented that St.Paul, Cleveland, Honaker and Lebanon have all have accepted the need for tourism. He stated that on June 13, 2017 at 7:00 pm the Lebanon Lions Club will sponsor a meeting with the new president of Appalachian Power. He asked that the Town Council and the Board members attend. He also suggested decoration with Christmas trees in the front foyer of the government center.

The Chairman closed Citizens Comment.

Constitutional Officer Reports and Requests

Rick Thompson, Treasurer gave an update on the progress of tax collection through the end of January.

County Attorney Reports and Requests

Matthew Crum, County Attorney addressed the Board concerning the Russell County School Board Energy Performance Financing Contract. He explained that we had received two bids, Bank of America and First Bank and Trust Company.

APPROVAL TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FIRST BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

Motion made by Mark Mitchell, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to authorize negotiation's and enter into a financing agreement with First Bank and Trust Company for the Russell County School Board Energy Performance Financing Contract.

The vote was:

Aye: Mark Mitchell, David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea, Lou Wallace, Steve Breeding and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

County Administrator Reports and Requests

APPROVAL TO TRANSFER ELK GARDEN AND CLEVELAND SCHOOLS TO THE COUNTY

Motion made by Mark Mitchell, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to authorize the transfer ownership of the Elk Garden and Cleveland Schools from the Russell County School Board to the County.

The vote was:

Aye: Mark Mitchell, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, David Eaton, Steve Breeding and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,905

Motion made by Mark Mitchell, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve and appropriate the Violence Against Women Grant from the Department of Juvenile Justice Services in the amount of \$46,905.00.

The vote was:

Aye: Mark Mitchell, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, David Eaton, Steve Breeding and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE JUNKYARD ORDINANCE

Motion made by David Eaton, second Mark Mitchell and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to authorize a public hearing on the Russell County Junkyard Ordinance for the March 2017 Board meeting.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Mark Mitchell, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea, Steve Breeding, Lou Wallace and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF A TRAVEL REQUEST FROM THE GENERAL REGISTRAR

Motion made by Mark Mitchell, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a travel request from the General Registrar to travel to Hot Springs Va.

The vote was:

Aye: Mark Mitchell, Carl Rhea, David Eaton, Lou Wallace, Tim Lovelace, Steve Breeding and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

APPROVAL FOR THE ASSESSOR ENS TRAINING

Motion made by Lou Wallace, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a travel request for ENS Training for the Assessor's Office.

The vote was:

Aye: Lou Wallace, David Eaton, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Mark Mitchell

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO APPROPRIATE \$500.00 TO THE HONAKER HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC TEAM

Motion made by Rebecca Dye, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to appropriate \$500.00 for the Honaker High School Academic Team to assist with the expenses of traveling to the state tournament.

The vote was:

Aye: Rebecca Dye, David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea, Lou Wallace, Steve Breeding and Mark Mitchell

Nay: None

The Chairman recognized **Becki Joyce, IDA Chairperson**. Ms. Joyce gave an update on some potential prospects and thanked the Board for their attendance and participation in the Legislative Reception in Richmond, Virginia.

APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE MARCH BOARD MEETING TO MARCH 13, 2017

Motion made by David Eaton, second Tim Lovelace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to change the Board of Supervisors meeting date from Monday, March 06, 2017 to Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea, Lou Wallace, Steve Breeding, Mark Mitchell and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO ADJOURN

Motion made by Mark Mitchell, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to adjourn.

The vote was:

Aye: Mark Mitchell, David Eaton, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Rebecca Dye and Steve Breeding

Nay: None

Clerk of the Board

Chairman