

March 02, 2020

A regular monthly meeting of the Russell County Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, March 02, 2020 beginning at 5:00 pm with Executive (closed) Session followed by the regular meeting at 6:00 pm at the Russell County Government Center in Lebanon, Virginia.

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
Oris Christian

Lonzo Lester, Clerk
Vicki Porter, Deputy Clerk
Katie Patton, County Attorney

Absent:

None

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to enter into Executive (closed) Session pursuant to Section 2.2-3712(5) of the Code of Virginia to discuss legal matters pursuant to 2.2-3712(A), (3), (5), (7) and (8).

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

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

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE (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
Oris Christian – AYE

Invocation by Rick Gibson, Copper Ridge Baptist Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Oris Christian, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the agenda as amended.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

Presentations

Steve Clear, Southwest Virginia Regional Jail Authority asked that the Board approve a new service agreement for the Southwest Virginia Regional Jail Authority.

APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION FROM THE SWVRJA TO ENTER INTO A NEW SERVICE AGREEMENT

Motion made by Tim Lovelace, second Oris Christian and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a Resolution from the Southwest Virginia Regional Jail Authority to enter into a new service agreement.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

Acknowledgement

The Board of Supervisors recognized former Supervisor at Large Harry Ferguson for his service.

Presentations, continued:

Jess Powers, Emergency Management Coordinator presented a power point explaining a local emergency declaration in the County.

APPROVAL OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION DUE TO FLOODING

Supervisor Carl Rhea read the Local Emergency Declaration resolution.

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a Local Emergency Declaration in Russell County due to the flooding that during February 06-24, 2020.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

New Business

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 03, 2020 MINUTES

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the February 03, 2020 minutes and dispense with the reading thereof.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 19, 2020 MINUTES

Motion made by David Eaton, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors the February 19, 2020 and dispense with the reading thereof.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF GENERAL COUNTY INVOICES

Motion made by Oris Christian, second Tim Lovelace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve general county invoices in the amount of \$771,531.81 including reoccurring and payroll withholdings.

The vote was;

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

Nay: None

TIM LOVELACE APPOINTED TO THE CPRWMA

Carl Rhea nominated David Eaton

Lou Wallace nominated Tim Lovelace

Tim Lovelace – (4) four votes: Lou Wallace, Tim Lovelace, Rebecca Dye and Oris Christian

Carl Rhea – (3) three votes: Carl Rhea, Steve Breeding and David Eaton

Tim Lovelace was appointed to the Cumberland Plateau Regional Waste Management Authority to run concurrent with his term on the Board of Supervisors.

DAVID EATON APPOINTED TO THE CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Lou Wallace nominated David Eaton

David Eaton was appointed to the Cumberland Mountain Community Services Board by acclamation to fill **the unexpired term of Steve Givens, said term ending**

APPROVAL OF TABLE THE RC TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to table the Russell County Tourism Advisory Committee appointment until the April 06, 2020 meeting.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

Citizens Comment

The Chair opened citizens comment period.

Kelly McBride Delph, RCPL invited the Board to attend the water monitoring training on Thursday March 12, 2020 at the library.

Randy and Wanda Burke, Lebanon commented that they do a local drug and alcohol prevention ministry (DASH). They will be hosting events in several schools and a community event on April 16, 2020. Mark Marrow will be the speaker. They asked that the Board consider a donation.

APPROVAL TO DONATE \$500.00 FOR THE MARK MARROW EVENT IN APRIL

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to make a donation of \$500.00 to help with the Mark Marrow event in April.

The vote was:

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

Jim Lyttle, Castlewood commented that Jess Powers, Oris Christian and Carl Rhea did a fantastic job managing all the flooding issues. He stated that agricultural losses were not mentioned and found this very unfortunate.

The Chair closed citizens comment period.

County Attorney Reports and Requests

APPROVAL OF THE CPRWMA MANPOWER AGREEMENT

Motion made by Lou Wallace, second Oris Christian and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to table the Cumberland Plateau Regional Waste Management Manpower Agreement.

The vote was:

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

APPROVAL OF "PROJECT GLOW" PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the "Project Glow" Participation Agreement.

The vote was:

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

The County Attorney advised that the Personnel Policy be approved at the April Board meeting.

APPROVAL OF ALLOW THE SCHOOL BOARD TO ACCEPT BIDS ON THE REMOVAL OF A STRUCTURE ON RUSSELL COUNTY PROPERTY IN HONAKER

Motion made by David Eaton, second Tim Lovelace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to allow the Russell County School Board to accept bids on property in Honaker to remove a structure before the property is transferred to them.

The vote was:

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

County Administrator Reports and Requests

APPROVAL OF AN AMERICAN RED CROSS PROCLAMATION FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2020

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve an American Red Cross Proclamation Resolution for the month of March 2020.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF A CPPD HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE

Motion made by David Eaton, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a Cumberland Plateau Planning District Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF A DHCD BELFAST WATER PROJECT ADMINISTRATIVE AGREEMENT (PHASE 2)

Motion made by Oris Christian, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a Department of Housing and Community Development Belfast Water Project Administrative Agreement (Phase 2) and give the Chair authorization to execute the documents.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN RUSSELL COUNTY AND THE RUSSELL COUNTY PSA

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second Oris Christian and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a service agreement between the Russell County Board of Supervisors and The Russell County Public Service Authority.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF A DHCD BLOCK GRANT RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$630,000

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a Department of Housing and Community Development Block Grant resolution in the amount of \$630,000 for the Belfast Water Project Phase II and authorize the Chair to execute the documents.

The vote was:

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

APPROVAL OF TO APPROPRIATE \$500 TO THE HONAKER REDBUD FESTIVAL

Motion made by David Eaton, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to appropriate \$500 to the Honaker Redbud Festival.

The vote was:

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

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUESTS FROM THE SOLID WASTE DEPT. AND GENERAL DISTRICT COURT

Motion made by David Eaton, second Tim Lovelace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve travel requests from the Solid Waste Department and General District Court.

The vote was:

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

APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE THE HONAKER PROPERTY TRANSFER FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Motion made by David Eaton, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the advertisement of a public hearing on the Honaker Property Transfer to the Russell County School Board.

The vote was:

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

APPROVAL TO ADJOURN

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

The vote was:

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

Clerk of the Board

Chairperson