

August 06, 2018

A regular monthly meeting of the Russell County Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, August 06, 2018 beginning at 2:00 pm for Executive (Closed) session at Pat's Country Diner 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  
Carl Rhea  
David Eaton  
Steve Breeding  
Rebecca Dye  
Lou Wallace (joined the regular meeting beginning at 6:00 pm)

**Absent:**

Mark Mitchell

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion made by David Eaton, second Tim Lovelace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to enter into Executive (closed) Session to discuss a litigation matter pursuant to Section 2.2-3712(7).

The vote was:

Aye: Steve Breeding, David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

The Chair called a recess at 4:18 pm.

The Chair called the meeting back to order.

**Lou Wallace was present for the regular meeting beginning at 6:00 pm.**

**CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE (CLOSED SESSION)**

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

The vote was:

Aye: Steve Breeding, David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Rebecca Dye and Carl Rhea

Nay: None  
Absent: Mark Mitchell  
Abstain: Lou Wallace

Invocation by Kyle Kitchens, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion made by David Eaton, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the agenda as amended.

The vote was:

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

### **Presentations**

**Joseph Puckett**, Sunset Digital Communications addressed the Board about the recent acquisition of BVU by Sunset and explained expansion plans.

**Kitty Barker**, Director of the Heart of Appalachia Tourism Authority spoke about Virginia Tourism Legislation and new updates that were recently passed by the general assembly. She stated that the HOA would need to have (2) two members appointed to the HOA from the tourism industry.

**Reggie Childers**, Lebanon discussed the Smashing Stereotypes about Southwest Virginia that appeared in the Richmond Times Dispatch.

**Dustin Keith**, Russell County Health Coalition invited everyone to the Farm to Table Dinner that will be held in Lebanon on Saturday, September 15, 2018. This event is a fundraiser for the health coalition.

**Nathan Shockley**, Clinch Youth Football made a presentation about his organization. He asked that the Board consider to include them as a line item in future budgets.

**Mike Looney**, Honaker explained that he would like the Board to consider renaming Ball Hollow Road in honor of his son Brandon, who was killed last summer in a tragic accident. He was a student at Honaker High School, it was estimated that over 1000 people attended his funeral.

### **BALL HOLLOW ROAD RENAMED BRANDON LOONEY MEMORIAL DRIVE**

Motion made by David Eaton, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to change the name of Ball Hollow Road in Honaker, Virginia to Brandon Looney Memorial Drive upon VDOT acceptance.

The vote was:

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

**The Chairperson tabled the committee/board appointments scheduled for this month.**

#### **APPROVAL OF THE JULY 09, 2018 MINUTES**

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the July 09, 2018 minutes and dispense with the reading thereof.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

#### **APPROVAL OF GENERAL COUNTY INVOICES**

Motion made by David Eaton, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve general county invoices in the amount of \$736,292.19 including withholdings and reoccurring.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

#### **Citizens Comment**

The Chairperson opened the floor to citizen comments.

**Harvey Hess**, Honaker asked if the Board had made any decision about his request to have his bridge repaired.

**Janice Skeens**, Cleveland would like to open a soup kitchen (1) one day a week at the Cleveland Community Center.

**Ken Osborne**, Lebanon stated that he supports the Health and Fitness Center and thanked BOS members for supporting it.

**Carla Glass**, Castlewood gave an update on the Dante Community Association and thanked the Board for their continued support.

The Chairperson closed citizen comment period.

#### **County Attorney Reports and Requests**

Matt Crum gave updates on the Writ of Election, the Horse Ring Agreement and the Cumberland Plateau Waste Management Authority user agreement.

#### **County Administrator Reports and Requests**

**PRE-APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2018 EXPENDITURES**

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second Tim Lovelace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to pre-approve the expenditures for September 2018.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

**HARRY FERGUSON APPOINTED TO AUDIT CONTRACT COMMITTEE**

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to appoint Harry Ferguson to the audit contract committee.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

**AUTHORIZATION OF A VDOT (MOU) FOR THE COUNTY AND TOWN OF LEBANON – TOWN ENTRANCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second Tim Lovelace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to authorize a VDOT (MOU) for the County and the Town of Lebanon – Town Entrance Development Project.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

**APPROVAL OF A VICTIM WITNESS GRANT FROM DCJS**

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to accept and appropriate a Victim Witness Grant in the amount of \$70,000 from the Department of Juvenile Justice Services.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

**APPROVAL OF A TRAVEL REQUEST FOR THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a travel request from the Building Official Department.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

**APPROVAL OF A TRAVEL REQUEST FOR THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT**

Motion made by David Eaton, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a travel request for the Solid Waste Department.

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

**APPROVAL TO ADJOURN**

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

The vote was:

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

Nay: None

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Clerk of the Board

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Chairperson