

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

May 17, 2016

The regular meeting of the Campbell County Board of Supervisors was held on the 17th day of May 2016 in the Board of Supervisors meeting room of the Walter J. Haberer Building, Rustburg, Virginia. The members present were:

Eric R. Zehr, Chairman, Presiding	Rustburg Election District
James A. Borland	Spring Hill Election District
Stanley I. Goldsmith	Altavista Election District
Bob Good	Sunburst Election District
Eddie Gunter, Jr.	Concord Election District
J. D. Puckett	Brookneal Election District
Mike P. Rousseau	Timberlake Election District

Also present were:

Frank J. Rogers, County Administrator
Clifton M. Tweedy, Deputy County Administrator
David W. Shreve, County Attorney
Kristin B. Wright, Staff Attorney

Chairman Zehr called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Supervisor Gunter led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

// APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Borland noted several corrections to the April 12, 2016 and April 14, 2016 work session minutes.

On motion of Supervisor Borland, it was resolved the Board of Supervisors dispenses with the reading and approves the minutes of the April 12, 2016 budget work session and the April 14, 2016 budget work session as corrected.

The vote was: Aye: Borland, Goldsmith, Good, Gunter, Puckett, Rousseau, Zehr
Nay: None
Absent: None

// FY 2017 BUDGET ADOPTION

The proposed FY 2017 budget was properly advertised and a public hearing was conducted on May 3, 2016. A number of documents were presented for the Board's consideration and adoption to finalize the budget for the twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017. The Tax Resolution indicated all tax rates would remain the same as last year. Staff had incorporated changes to the School Division budget as necessitated

by the County's transfer to the Schools. There had been no other substantive changes to the budget since the May 3rd public hearing. The proposed budget included a 2% salary increase effective December 1, 2016 for eligible full time and part-time employees of the five Constitutional Offices and the Social Services Department, and approved the hiring of six additional EMS Technicians to be located in the Brookville-Timberlake area.

In answer to questions from the Board, the County share of the 2% salary increase to all employees in the five Constitutional Offices was \$35,000, and the State funding for the increases was \$68,000.

Supervisor Goldsmith requested clarification on the discussion of hard billing for EMS Services and any action taken. Administrator Rogers indicated the County had already adopted the practice of hard billing, but did not collect those fees as aggressively as it could. Staff would be bringing back to the Board an agenda item to review the fees charged for EMS Services with the expectation to utilize the increased revenues to offset the costs of the new career crew. In addition, the Board would be considering changes to the fee schedule in the County Code to generate additional revenue to replace some of the reduction proposed for the Town of Brookneal. Supervisor Goldsmith indicated he would like to be involved in the discussions on hard billing practices.

Supervisor Puckett asked if there were any funds in the budget for the renovations of the four high schools. Administrator Rogers indicated there was not, but there had been some discussion of earmarking carry-over funds at the end of the fiscal year for future School capital projects. Staff would bring back to the Board the carry-over request at the end of the fiscal year.

Supervisor Gunter requested the items be considered separately as he did not approve of the tax rate advertised. He added that he did not feel the budget was adequate to fund County services, particularly Schools and Public Safety. Supervisor Goldsmith agreed adding the Board should have increased the tax rate by three (3) cents.

Supervisor Borland offered a motion to adopt the Tax Resolution.

Tax Resolution

On motion of Supervisor Borland, it was resolved the Board of Supervisors adopts the following resolution:

TAX RESOLUTION

It is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that there shall be levied for the tax year 2016, a tax of \$0.52 per \$100 of assessed valuation on all taxable real estate, a tax of \$4.45 (nominal) per \$100 of assessed valuation on all personal property segregable for local taxation by Virginia law with the exception of a tax of \$3.85 (nominal) per \$100 of assessed valuation for motor homes and all non-motorized pull behind recreational trailers and a levy of \$3.25 (nominal) per \$100 of assessed value on vehicles that are for hire and receive an apportioned tax; and a tax of \$3.25 (nominal) per \$100 of assessed valuation on machinery and tools. Taxation of

real estate and personal property of public service corporations shall be based on the assessment thereof fixed by the State Corporation Commission, located in this County on January 1, 2016 at the tax rates stated herein; and

It is further RESOLVED that there shall be levied for the tax year 2017, BPOL tax rates of \$0.16 per \$100 of gross receipts for contractors, \$0.20 per \$100 of gross receipts for retail sales, \$0.35 per \$100 of gross receipts for personal service & repair, \$0.50 per \$100 of gross receipts for professional service, and \$0.05 per \$100 of gross purchases for wholesalers, in accordance with the provisions of the Campbell County Code of 1988, Chapter 14, *Licenses and Permits*.

It is further RESOLVED that there shall be levied for the tax year 2016, Transient Occupancy Tax of 2% of charges for occupancy.

The vote was: Aye: Borland, Good, Rousseau, Zehr
Nay: Goldsmith, Gunter, Puckett
Absent: None

A second motion was made by Supervisor Borland to adopt the remaining items.

On motion of Supervisor Borland, it was resolved the Board of Supervisors adopts the FY 2017 budget as presented at the May 3, 2016 public hearing with a real estate tax rate of 52 cents per \$100 of assessed value and a personal property tax rate of \$4.45 per \$100 of assessed value with the exception of a reduction of \$362,359 for state-funded school employee salary increases that would not be implemented; and

**PPTRA RESOLUTION FOR INCLUSION WITH ANNUAL BUDGET
RESOLUTION FOR 2016
Campbell County, Virginia**

In accordance with the requirements set forth in VA. CODE ANN. §58.1-3524 C.2. and §58.1-3912 E., as amended by Chapter 1 of the Acts of Assembly (2004 Special Session I), Chapter 879 of the Acts of Assembly (2008) and as set forth in Item 503.E. (Personal Property Tax Relief Program) of Chapter 951 of the 2005 Acts of Assembly, any qualifying vehicle situated within Campbell County commencing January 1, 2016, shall receive personal property tax relief in the following manner:

- Personal use vehicles with assessed value of \$500 or less will be eligible for 100% tax relief;
- Personal use vehicles with assessed value of \$501 to \$10,000 will be eligible for 38.5% tax relief;
- Personal use vehicles with assessed value of \$10,001 or more shall receive only 38.5% tax relief on the first \$10,000 in assessed value;
- All other vehicles which do not meet the definition of “qualifying” (such as business use vehicles, farm use vehicles, motor homes, etc.) will not be eligible for any form of tax relief under this program;

- In accordance with Item 503.D.1. of Chapter 951 of the 2005 Acts of Assembly, the entitlement to personal property tax relief for qualifying vehicles for tax year 2005 and all prior tax years shall expire on September 1, 2006. Supplemental assessments for tax years 2005 and prior years that are made on or after September 1, 2006 shall be deemed “non-qualifying” for purposes of state tax relief and the local share due from the taxpayer shall represent 100% of the tax assessable; and

Adopts the Fiscal Year 2017 Appropriations Resolution; and

Approves a two (2%) percent cost of living salary increase effective December 1, 2016 for eligible full time and part time employees in the five Constitutional Offices and the Social Services Department; and

Approves the hiring of six additional EMS Technicians to be located in the Brookville-Timberlake area.

The vote was: Aye: Borland, Good, Rousseau, Zehr
Nay: Goldsmith, Gunter, Puckett
Absent: None

// REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO NOISE ORDINANCE – WENDI RICE

Wendi Rice, 662 Lynch Road, Altavista submitted a request for an exception from the Noise Ordinance for her son’s 16th birthday party to be held at her home on May 21st (rain date – May 28, 2016). The event would begin at 6:00 p.m. and a time extension was being requested from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. There would be a DJ with an anticipated attendance of 55. Mrs. Rice spoke with the Sheriff’s Department about a noise ordinance permit and was advised the permits were now approved by the Board of Supervisors. She had already spoken with her neighbors, and no one had expressed concern about the party.

On motion of Supervisor Goldsmith, it was resolved the Board of Supervisors approves an Exception to the Noise Ordinance for a birthday party at the home of Wendi Rice, 662 Lynch Road, Altavista, Virginia on May 21, 2016 (or rain date May 28, 2016) from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

The vote was: Aye: Borland, Goldsmith, Good, Gunter, Puckett, Rousseau, Zehr
Nay: None
Absent: None

// MATTERS FROM THE BOARD

- Chairman Zehr presented a proposed resolution pertaining to a national discussion of a reasonable expectation of privacy when one goes into a public facility such as restrooms, dressing rooms, etc. that were designated for use by a specific gender. Consideration of the resolution would be placed on the June 7th agenda to allow the Board members to review the resolution.

- At the request of Chairman Zehr, Administrator Rogers updated the Board on the landfill odors. There had been several complaints recently due to the large amounts of rain received. Additional covers were being used at the landfill to keep the moisture out. The bid for the gas extraction system had been awarded and should be in place by the end of the year. Until the gas extraction system was operational, the odors may be worse before they were better. Steps were being taken to add a citizen liaison to the Services Authority. This would be a non-voting member, but would be a good representative of citizen concerns.
- The Board congratulated Mike Davidson, Director of Economic Development, on organizing the Business Appreciation Luncheon held earlier that day. It was the 13th year and they were getting better each year. Everyone enjoyed the guest speaker.
- The Board extended its appreciation to the Department of Public Safety in honor of EMS Appreciation Week.

// ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Supervisor Puckett, the meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

The vote was: Aye: Borland, Goldsmith, Gunter, Puckett, Rousseau, Shockley, Zehr
 Nay: None
 Absent: None

 ERIC R. ZEHR, CHAIRMAN

Approved: _____