

## MEMORANDUM

To: R. David Laurell, County Administrator *R. David Laurell* 1/7 BOS

From: Kristin B. Wright, Staff Attorney

Subj. PUBLIC HEARING – CCUSA Easement Request

Date: December 12, 2007

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### BACKGROUND:

As the Board is well aware, Campbell County Utilities and Service Authority (CCUSA) has advertised for bids for the construction of a water line intended to run along Route 24. CCUSA is hoping to execute contract documents and begin construction of the water line by early February 2008. Part of the necessary preparations includes obtaining water line easements from a few property owners, of whom Campbell County is one.

### DISCUSSION:

CCUSA has requested two easements across two county-owned parcels of land near their frontage with Village Highway/Route 24 for purposes of constructing a water line. The first easement would be approximately 654 square feet along the frontage of a parcel immediately adjacent to Rustburg High School with a tax map ID number of 35-A-6. The second easement would be approximately 2,128 square feet at the northeast corner of the intersection of Village Highway/Route 24 and Bear Creek Road within a parcel with a tax map number of 25-A-21B. Both proposed easements are shown on the plats prepared by Draper Aden and attached hereto.

Virginia Code 15.2-1800 requires a public hearing whenever the County grants a utility easement. Attached is the public notice advertising the hearing that appeared in the Lynchburg News & Advance on December 22, 2007.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board hold a public hearing on this matter and if satisfied, authorize the County Administrator to execute documents granting CCUSA the easements.