

**LUNENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
GENERAL DISTRICT COURTROOM
LUNENBURG COURTS BUILDING
LUNENBURG, VIRGINIA**

Minutes of February 13, 2020 Meeting

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Lunenburg County Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the General District Courtroom, Lunenburg Courts Building, Lunenburg, Virginia. The following members were present: Supervisors Edward Pennington, Frank Bacon, T. Wayne Hoover, Alvester Edmonds, Mike Hankins, Robert Zava, County Administrator Tracy M. Gee, Deputy Administrator Nicole A. Clark, and County Attorney Frank Rennie. Supervisor Charles R. Slayton was absent.

Vice-Chairman Bacon called the meeting to order. Chairman Slayton did not attend due to having influenza.

Supervisor Pennington provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice-Chairman Bacon requested additions to the agenda from the Board and the public. Mr. Mike Champion was added as 7C regarding Piedmont Senior Resources. Mr. Joe Paschal was added as 7D regarding a resolution to convene a Virginia Constitutional Convention. Mr. Jacob Boatwright was added as 7E regarding the rallying of a local militia. Ms. Emma Webb was added as 8A regarding the Southside Center for Violence Prevention also known as Madeline's House. Administrator Gee read aloud the public speaking ordinance.

Supervisor Hoover made motion, seconded by Supervisor Pennington and unanimously approved, to accept the Consent Agenda to include the Minutes of the January 9, 2020 meetings, the Treasurer's December 2020 reports and the following Warrants for Approval:

January 2020:


Payroll Direct Deposit:	\$ 137,812.78
Payroll Taxes Federal:	\$ 43,107.93
Payroll Taxes State:	\$ 7,817.36
Payroll VRS payment:	\$ 27,722.80
Payroll ICMA-RC payment:	\$ 477.16
Payroll Health Savings Deposits:	\$ 5,711.91
<i>Debt Service wire payments:</i>	\$ 216,470.00
Accounts Payable: #58656-58786	<u>\$ 883,759.65</u>
 Total:	 \$ 1,322,879.59

Supervisor Hoover made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Pennington and unanimously approved, to enter public hearing regarding the partial road abandonment (0.1 miles) of Route 745, Zach Road and (0.6 miles) of Route 732, Bailey Road.

Mr. Kevin Smith of VDOT advised that Mr. Malcolm L. Bailey had requested partial abandonment of Route 745 (Zach Road) with the section of road to abandon being approximately 0.1 miles in length and Route 732 (Bailey Road) with the section of road to abandon being approximately 0.6 miles in length. Mr. Malcolm L. Bailey is the sole landowner of the portions of the roads to be abandoned. Mr. Smith noted that both roads are located in the Rehoboth District #4, Chairman Slayton's district. There was no public comment.

Supervisor Hoover made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Edmonds and unanimously approved, to exit public hearing regarding the partial road abandonment (0.1 miles) of Route 745, Zach Road and (0.6 miles) of Route 732, Bailey Road.

Supervisor Hoover made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Hankins and unanimously approved, to approve the partial abandonment of Route 745 (Zach Road) with the section of road to abandon being approximately 0.1 miles in length and Route 732 (Bailey Road) with the section of road to abandon being approximately 0.6 miles in length and approve the below resolution with signature of Administrator Gee.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Charles R. Slayton, CHAIRMAN Election District 4 Frank W. Bacon, VICE-CHAIRMAN Election District 3 T. Wayne Hoover Election District 1 Mike Hankins Election District 2 Edward Pennington Election District 5 Alvester L. Edmonds Election District 6 Robert G. Zava Election District 7		Lunenburg County Administration 11413 Courthouse Road Lunenburg, VA 23952 Tracy M. Gee County Administrator Telephone: (434) 696-2142 Facsimile: (434) 696-1798
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The Board of Supervisors of Lunenburg County, in regular meeting on the 13 day of February 2020 adopted the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a public notice was posted as prescribed under §33.2-909, Code of Virginia, announcing a public hearing to receive comments concerning abandoning the section of roads described below and in the VDOT Form AM-4.3's from the secondary system of state highways, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation was provided the prescribed notice of this Board's intent to abandon the subject section of road, and

WHEREAS, after considering all evidence available, this Board is satisfied that no public necessity exists for the continuance of the section of Secondary Route 745, Zack Rd. from the end of state maintenance (dead end) of Rte. 745, Zack Rd. to 0.15 miles from the intersection of Rte. 745, Zack Rd. and Rte. 622, Ontario Rd., a distance of 0.10 miles, and hereby deems that section of road is no longer necessary as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

WHEREAS, after considering all evidence available, this Board is satisfied that no public necessity exists for the continuance of the section of Secondary Route 732, Bailey Rd. from the end of state maintenance (dead end) of Rte. 732, Bailey Rd. to 0.97 miles from the intersection of Rte. 732, Bailey rd. and Rte. 622, Ontario Rd. a distance of 0.63 miles, and hereby deems that section of road is no longer necessary as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Board abandons the above described section of road and removes it from the secondary system of state highways, pursuant to §33.2-909, Code of Virginia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Residency Administrator of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Recorded Vote
Moved By: Supervisor Hoover
Seconded By: Supervisor Hankins
Yeas: 6
Nays: 0

A Copy Teste:
Tracy M. Gee
Tracy M. Gee, Clerk to the Board

Mr. Kevin Smith of VDOT presented the monthly maintenance report. He advised that VDOT crews had recently removed numerous tree limbs from road ways due to the recent wind and heavy rain. He added that several roads in the county had to be closed due to high water; however, all roads have been reopened.

Mr. Mike Champion of 1244 Red Level Lane approached the Board regarding upcoming FY2020-21 funding for Piedmont Senior Resources. He noted that the county currently appropriates \$4,000; however, PSR is requesting \$16,000. Mr. Champion requested the Board consider full funding for the upcoming budget year, as it is needed to maintain the services provided within the county to seniors as well as adhere to the agreement of the member counties.

Mr. Joe Paschal of 1206 North Whittles Mill Road, thanked the Board for the recent resolution declaring Lunenburg as a Second Amendment Sanctuary. He presented another resolution for consideration. The resolution states that Second Amendment Sanctuary counties absolve themselves from all allegiance to the current legislature of Virginia and that all political connections are dissolved. Mr. Paschal named several bills before the Virginia House of Delegates and Virginia Senate regarding guns that he does not support and hoped the Board would agree by passing his proposed resolution. Supervisor Hankins commented that he is not certain if the bills mentioned had crossed over to the full house or senate, however, the Second Amendment Sanctuary resolution passed last month details Lunenburg's position. Supervisor Hankins suggested that County Attorney Rennie review Mr. Paschal's proposed resolution.

Mr. Jacob Boatwright of 7247 South Hill Road approached the Board. He also thanked the Board for the recent resolution declaring Lunenburg as a Second Amendment Sanctuary. Mr. Boatwright requested the Board consider

joining another movement to rally a local militia. He advised that he had sent an email with additional information to Supervisors and asked that his request also be passed to legal counsel to review. Administrator Gee requested a copy of Mr. Boatwright's email for further review.

Victoria Fire & Rescue Chief Rodney Newton requested permission from the Board to make the following purchases for the communications cache. He added that all purchases are 100% reimbursable with State Homeland Security Grant funds.

2018 State Homeland Security Grant Funds:

Communications Applied Technology—Incident Commander's Radio Interface	\$11,720
Harris Communications-Mobile Radio	\$ 7,000

2019 State Homeland Security Grant Funds:

2020 Ram 2500 Crew Cab 4x4 Truck	\$51,146.90
Emergency Lighting Package and installation	<u>\$ 9,000</u>
Total:	\$78,866.90

Supervisor Hoover made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Zava and unanimously approved, to approve the purchases listed above for communications cache in the amount of \$78,866.90, 100% reimbursable with State Homeland Security Grant funds.

Ms. Emma Webb, Financial Manager for Southside Center for Violence Prevention (also known as Madeline's House) advised the Board on many of the services provided to Lunenburg residents over the past year. Ms. Webb advised that SCVP's recent application to Children's Advocacy Centers of Virginia (CACVA) had been declined. Ms. Webb noted that this change comes in response to concerns by funding agencies that the organization is trying to serve too large an area to be effective. SCVP currently serves twelve counties; however, beginning July 1st they will be reducing the number of counties to five. Lunenburg County will not be one of the five remaining counties served. Ms. Webb thanked the Board for their continued support over the years.

Supervisor Edmonds made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Pennington and unanimously approved, to appoint Mrs. Abigail Barnes of 559 Lunenburg County Road, Victoria to the Crossroads Community Services Board for a three year term expiring December 31, 2022.

Supervisor Hankins made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Hoover and unanimously approved, to appoint Mr. Mike Champion of 1244 Red Level Lane, South Hill to the Piedmont Senior Resources Board for a three year term beginning February 14, 2020 and expiring February 13, 2023.

Administrator Gee explained that she was approached by one of the towns to inquire as to whether they would receive their portion of the Commonwealth Regional Council return-to-locality funds. The County pays the CRC \$19,000 in dues, with the towns sharing one-third of the cost. Kenbridge Town Manager asked if the towns would receive their one-third share from the surplus check given to the County. The surplus check was in the amount of \$4,830.60, one-third being \$1,610.20, making each town eligible to receive \$805.10.

Supervisor Hoover made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Hoover and unanimously approved, to forward each town their half of the one-third portion of the Commonwealth Regional Council return-to-locality funds, in the amount of \$805.10 to each town.

Mr. Glenn Millican, County Planner, provided his monthly report. He advised that he is talking with a company as a less expensive alternative for cell phone tower plan review, with the goal to increase cell tower locations in the county. He also advised that he had recently attended a regional workshop with Southside Virginia Community College on workforce training. They discussed the need for localities in Southside Virginia to improve their educational programs, as high school diplomas were no longer allowing graduates to obtain a high wage job.

Administrator Gee provided her monthly report. She advised that the Finance Committee held their first meeting regarding the 2020-21 fiscal year budget prior to the Board meeting. The Finance Committee will be scheduling

a meeting with school finance soon to discuss the school's upcoming budget request. Administrator Gee stated that the new Gary Road Convenience Center would be opening in March. Once it is open, four of the unmanned sites in the area will be closed.

County Attorney Rennie informed the Board that he along with Administrator Gee, County Planner Glenn Millican and Planning Commission Chairman Buck Tharpe met with a solar power company proposing to submit an application to the county. He added that their discussions were very preliminary and they will meet again before any application is submitted.

Supervisor Hoover made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Pennington and unanimously approved, to enter Closed Session citing Virginia Code Section §2.2-3711A3 Acquisition or Disposition of Public Property.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION MEETING

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lunenburg County, Virginia ("Board") convened a Closed Session Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section §2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, requires a certification by the Board that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from Open Meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the Closed Meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

VOTING YES

Supervisor Bacon
Supervisor Edmonds
Supervisor Hankins
Supervisor Hoover
Supervisor Pennington
Supervisor Zava

VOTING NO

ABSENT

Supervisor Slayton

Supervisor Zava made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Hoover and unanimously approved, to return to Open Session and certified as indicated.

Supervisor Hoover made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Zava and unanimously approved, to adjourn.

Tracy M. Gee, Clerk
County Administrator

Frank W. Bacon, Vice-Chairman
Board of Supervisors