

VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD IN THE BOARD MEETING ROOM OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, DINWIDDIE, VIRGINIA ON THE 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1982 AT 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	G.E. ROBERTSON, JR., CHAIRMAN	ELECTION DISTRICT #2
	STEVE WEBER, VICE-CHAIRMAN	ELECTION DISTRICT #2
	G.S. BENNETT, JR.	ELECTION DISTRICT #1
	M.I. HARGRAVE, JR.	ELECTION DISTRICT #3
	A.S. CLAY	ELECTION DISTRICT #4
	L.G. ELDER	COUNTY ATTORNEY
	ALVIN BOOTH	INVESTIGATOR

IN RE: INVOCATION

The Reverend Thomas J. Jordan, Associate Pastor, Shiloh Baptist Church, delivered the Invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon motion of Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Weber, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", the minutes of the August 18, 1982 meeting were approved as presented.

IN RE: AUTHORIZATION TO BID CONTRACT FOR RADIO SERVICE

In reviewing the claims, Mr. Hargrave commented that there seemed to be a lot of radio repairs. The Chairman asked what the status was of a radio service contract for the County. The County Administrator stated that a contract was discussed last year, and the Board decided at that time to continue the work on an as needed basis.

Mr. Clay indicated that he would like to see figures on what it was costing the county now as compared to if there was a contract for radio service because he wanted to do it the cheapest way. He added that to determine the cost for a contract, it would probably have to be put out on bid.

Upon motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Weber, Mr. Clay, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", the County Administrator was authorized to solicit bids on a radio service contract.

IN RE: CLAIMS

The Chairman advised the members that they had not given approval for anyone to attend the Virginia Association of Counties meeting, and they should consider Check #1758 to the Homestead, when reviewing the claims.

Upon motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Bennett, Mr. Clay, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Weber, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", the following claims were approved, with the exception of Check #1758:

General Fund checks-numbering 82-1666 through 82-1757 and 82-1759 through 82-1879 amounting to \$164,487.87; Law Library Fund Check Number LF-82-17 in the amount of \$25.00.

IN RE: COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE

Mr. W.E. Bolte appeared before the Board to present a Comparative Report of 1981 and 1982 Assessments on personal property, machinery and tools, farm machinery, heavy construction machinery and mobile homes.

IN RE:       TREASURER

Mrs. Margaret W. Lewis was not present at the meeting, but previously provided copies of her report for the month of August, 1982 to be presented to the Board.

Mr. Bennett asked if it looked like the County will be able to get to December without borrowing. The County Administrator stated that in discussions with the Treasurer, he felt the County could certainly get through October without borrowing.

Mr. Robertson asked if the Treasurer was keeping the checking account as low as possible to allow the maximum investment of funds. The County Administrator stated she was.

IN RE:       SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT--APPROVAL OF TELETYPE TERMINAL

Mr. Alvin Booth, Investigator, appeared before the Board to answer any questions they might have concerning the Sheriff's request for a teletype terminal. The request was presented at the August 18, 1982 meeting.

Mr. Robertson commented about the State taking over the funding of the equipment. The County Administrator stated that the County would have to fund the installation, shipping and rental until July of 1983 at which time it would be placed in the Sheriff's budget and, hopefully, the State would agree to fund it.

Mr. Clay stated that he had talked with members of the Sheriff's Department who indicated there was a real need for the equipment.

Mr. Clay moved that the Sheriff's Department be authorized to install a teletype terminal in their department. Mr. Hargrave seconded the motion. He asked if there was a competing brand available. Mr. Booth stated that this brand was used throughout the State. Mr. Hargrave then asked if it was normally rented. Mr. Booth stated he talked with Chesterfield and Prince George and they were both renting. Mr. Hargrave also asked if the County could apply now to have it taken over by the State. The County Administrator indicated they would but because it was not a budgeted item, it did not look encouraging this year.

Mr. Robertson asked if it would be such an important item that a backup would be needed when it was out. Mr. Booth said no backup would be needed. He then asked who performed the service. Mr. Booth advised him the service is provided by contract through a program with the State Police.

Mr. Weber asked who would be trained for the equipment. Mr. Booth stated all the Dispatchers and two or three other employees.

Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Weber, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Robertson voted "aye".

IN RE:       BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mr. James L. Blaha was not present but previously provided copies of his August, 1982 report to be presented to the Board.

IN RE:       ANIMAL WARDEN

Mr. L.A. Brooks, Jr. presented his report for the month of August, 1982.

In response to the Board's previous inquiry about the hours spent on dog bites, Mr. Brooks indicated that he had already spent 40 hours on dog bites this month. He stated that each case was different.

Mr. Robertson asked what type were most of the dog bites. Mr. Brooks stated that 75% were children. He added that he was usually able to find the dogs but they were very hard to catch.

Mr. Hargrave asked what percentage were licensed. Mr. Brooks indicated 25%. Most of the cases were stray dogs.

Mr. Weber asked if they are kept for a certain time. Mr. Brooks stated they were required to be confined 10 days. He added the parents pay the doctor's bill unless the owner is found. Then it becomes a civil matter.

Mr. Robertson asked what the child does if the dog is not found. Mr. Brooks stated it was up to the parents but they usually go through the shots.

Mr. Robertson stated that each year, the dogs are required to be penned up in May. He added he had heard comments that this really wasn't working and asked Mr. Brooks what results he had. Mr. Brooks advised that the ordinance was not a leash law and the dog was alright as long as he was in his own yard.

Mr. Robertson said Mr. Brooks had requested the Assistant's help the month before May to go door to door and asked how that worked out. Mr. Brooks stated it did work and he was going to start again next week.

Mr. Robertson asked if Mr. Brooks was able to satisfy all of the complaints. Mr. Brooks indicated he was able to satisfy most of them. He usually tries to get in touch with someone for three days. Mr. Hargrave asked if he was unable to get in touch with an individual, did he leave a note on the door to that effect.

Mr. Brooks stated that if he couldn't reach them by phone, most of the time it was useless to go to their house.

Mr. Hargrave stated that there was a concern one time that he wasn't getting the messages and maybe if he left a note, people would know he tried.

Mr. Brooks stated they had gone to the duplicate system for messages and it had worked. He also has a tag to place on the door.

Mr. Robertson asked when Mr. Brooks was out on the road, did he have a regular time to check in. Mr. Brooks said it depends upon the seriousness of the call. He usually tries to check in three times a day.

IN RE: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM -- 1982-83  
APPLICATION

Mr. W.C. Scheid, Director of Planning, appeared before the Board to present the application for 1982-83 Community Development Block Grant funds, as he described at the August 18, 1982 meeting. Mr. M.G. Rainey, Director of the Water Authority was also present to answer questions concerning the project.

Mr. Robertson asked if there would be mandatory hookup for the project. Mr. Rainey advised him that the individuals served would not be required to hook up to water but would be required to pay the connection fee. He added that they would be required to hook up to the sewer line.

Mr. Robertson expressed a concern for the burden placed on the people renting the units and their ability to pay. Mr. Rainey stated that because grant money was involved, they would reduce the connection fee by 75%.

Mr. Weber indicated that he was not against the people receiving a service, but he did not think it was fair for the owners of the rental property to receive this 75% reduction when the users on the system now did not receive a break. Mr. Rainey explained that with the 75% reduction on the connection fee, they would be

paying \$500 which is the same the original users paid for a connection fee. Mr. Weber indicated he too did not want to see a burden on the individuals renting the property and he did not want to see any more mandatory hookups.

Mr. Hargrave stated that on the other side, the project would help to improve the conditions for the occupants, whereas now, some did not have indoor plumbing facilities and no room on the property for a septic tank.

Mr. Hargrave asked Mr. Rainey if he felt comfortable with his construction estimates if the project would not start until probably February of next year. Mr. Rainey stated he did if there was no delay in the starting time.

Mr. Weber asked if the pipe would be plastic or asbestos. Mr. Rainey said it would depend upon what the federal regulations required in awarding the contract.

Upon motion of Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Bennett, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Weber, Mr. Clay, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia through the Department of Housing and Community Development is administering the Virginia Development Block Grant Program for Non-Entitlement Communities for FY 82-83; and

WHEREAS, the County of Dinwiddie is an eligible applicant for funds available through this program; and

WHEREAS, public water and sewer lines benefiting low and moderate income families is an eligible project under this program; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for public water and sewer lines in an area of Dinwiddie County known as Piney Beach/Oak Hill; and

WHEREAS, the total project cost is estimated at \$634,723.00 of which \$512,882.00 is construction costs which is within the maximum grant amount of \$700,000.00 for a single fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Dinwiddie County Water Authority has expressed an interest in administering and constructing this project;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that an application be prepared and sent to the Department of Housing and Community Development requesting that funds in the amount of \$512,882.00 be made available for the construction of public water and sewer lines to serve the Piney Beach/Oak Hill area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia, that the Dinwiddie County Administrator be authorized to act on behalf of the Board of Supervisors in entering into any and all agreements necessary to secure these grant funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia that the Dinwiddie County Water Authority be authorized to administer the construction of this public water and sewer project.

IN RE: SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

Mrs. King B. Talley appeared before the Board to answer any questions they might have. She previously presented her financial report to be included in the Board material for this meeting. Mrs. Talley expressed her appreciation to the Board for concurring with her budget request presented at the August 18, 1982 meeting.

IN RE: TRANSFER OF FUNDS--1981-82 SCHOOL OPERATING BUDGET

Upon motion of Mr. Weber, seconded by Mr. Clay, Mr. Weber,

Mr. Clay, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", the following transfers were authorized within the 1981-82 School Operating budget

TRANSFER FROM:	TO:	
17B Instruction	17A Administration	\$ 7,922.02
"	17C Health Services	6,898.03
"	17E Food Service	21,497.49
"	17I Adult Education	1,450.49
"	19 Capital Outlay	35,880.18
"	20 Debt Service	6.54

IN RE: POSTPONEMENT OF APPOINTMENTS

The appointments to the Appomattox Basin Industrial Development Corporation Board were postponed until the October 6, 1982 meeting.

IN RE: RENEWAL OF SOIL SURVEY AGREEMENT UNTIL 9/30/83

Upon motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Weber, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", the Chairman was authorized to sign the renewal of the Dinwiddie Soil Survey Agreement extending it to September 30, 1983.

IN RE: REVIEW OF INCOME SOURCES

As discussed at the last meeting, the County Administrator distributed information on the dog license fees for the Board to review. He indicated he was still collecting information on the building fees and he would present at a later date. He advised the Board that if they desired to adjust the tax, a public hearing should be scheduled for the October 20, 1982 meeting with adoption at the November 3, 1982 meeting.

Mr. Robertson asked if the size of the kennel or restrictions as to where kennels are allowed could be considered at the same time. The County Attorney stated they could but it would be a separate ordinance.

Mr. Bennett asked if as the tax increased, was there a decline in the tags purchased? The County Administrator stated that the number of tags purchased has remained about the same.

No action was taken.

IN RE: INCREASE IN DUMPSTER USE

Mr. Robertson advised the Board that since the City of Petersburg has increased its Landfill fees, the County will probably see an increase in dumpster use from outside the County. He felt the County should be aware of the situation. The County Administrator added that there had been an increase in use from Chesterfield too since they raised their fees.

Mr. Hargrave felt it would be beneficial to make these localities aware of the increase the County is having to share because of usage by their citizens.

IN RE: STREETLIGHT--RT. 1322 AND U.S. #1 INTERSECTION

As instructed at the last meeting, the County Administrator presented information on placing a streetlight at the intersection of Rt. 1322 and U.S. #1. He indicated there was a light serving homes approximately three lots down that could be moved to the intersection. The Chairman pointed out that the individuals where the light is now located had not been contacted about moving it. A citizen from that area appeared before the Board to request that a light be placed at the intersection. She stated that she went to work in the morning at a restaurant on the road and she could not see where the entrance

was located to turn into the road. She felt it was a safety hazard for everyone that uses the road. She added that the restaurant owner was going to put up another light at the building to better light the area.

Mr. Hargrave questioned whether a light at the intersection would make it difficult to see when trying to enter the flow of traffic. He suggested a reflector might be more beneficial.

Mr. Weber moved that an additional light be placed at the intersection. Mr. Clay seconded the motion.

Mr. Bennett asked if the other streets in that area had lights at the intersection. The County Administrator indicated he did not know which ones did or didn't.

Mr. Hargrave suggested that the marking of streets be a consideration on future lights.

Mr. Bennett felt that the reflectors would be sufficient for entrance to a road.

Mr. Hargrave suggested that the Board let the State put up reflectors to see if that would alleviate the problem before considering moving or adding a light.

Mr. Bennett agreed that they should approach the VDH&T Resident Engineer about a solution.

Mr. Hargrave amended Mr. Weber's motion to state that before moving or adding a light, the County Administrator ask the Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation Resident Engineer, Mr. C.B. Perry, to look at the intersection and offer any suggestions he might have for it and future situations in lieu of a light for discussion at the October 6, 1982 meeting.

Mr. Bennett seconded the amendment. Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Weber, Mr. Clay, Mr. Robertson voted "aye".

The vote on the original motion to add a light was: Mr. Weber, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson voted "aye". Mr. Bennett abstained.

IN RE: PRESENTATION OF SHOOTING RANGE PERMITS--DONALD R. GREENWAY

The County Administrator presented two applications for shooting ranges from Mr. Donald Greenway. One will be located at St. John's Recreational Hall and the other behind Greenway Grocery Store. Because the County Code requires a waiting period of 28 days, action will be considered at the October 20, 1982 meeting.

IN RE: CABLETELEVISION ORDINANCE WORKSHOP

The County Administrator presented information that has been prepared on the cable television ordinance and suggested a workshop session to be held October 6, 1982 at the regular day meeting. He stated that he and the County Attorney had taken the County's ordinance and suggestions from two companies and come up with some suggested changes.

Mr. Robertson questioned why the Chair was not invited to participate in the discussions.

Mr. Elder stated that there was nothing new in the material. The Board had copies of the February letter and he had just recently received the other one.

Mr. Robertson indicated that he would like to have had more and better communications with the Board. Mr. Hargrave indicated that he did not understand Mr. Robertson's concern. Mr. Robertson stated he had made a specific request three months ago

to look at the inadequacies in the ordinance and discuss them with the County Attorney. He further indicated that he would like to have had input into the preparation of the material prior to meeting with the cable television companies. He was only asking for the courtesy.

Mr. Elder stated that he did not understand the problem. He understood that the Chair was attempting to arrange a meeting with the cable television companies and it fell through. He added that the letter received in February had been there some months and the last letter was from a gentleman who had approached him and he told the gentleman to send a letter indicating his interest. Mr. Elder stated he was now presenting the information to the Board to arrange a meeting.

Mr. Robertson stated that the Chair was disappointed with communications with County government. He added he had been Chairman for nine months and has received only twelve telephone calls. Mr. Robertson stated he has not had communication from the Administrator. He added that he wanted to have input into what was going on since he had spent considerable time on cable television. This discussion merely gave him an opportunity to vent his frustration.

The Chair closed the discussion indicating there was a need to go into Executive Session.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Bennett, Mr. Clay, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Weber, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", pursuant to Sec. 2.1-344(6) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, the Board moved into Executive Session at 10:15 P.M. to discuss legal matters. The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 10:30 P.M.

IN RE: BROWN VS. WATER AUTHORITY & ET ALS

Upon motion of Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Weber, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", the County Attorney was authorized and instructed to act on behalf of the County in the case of Brown vs. the Water Authority and et als.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Weber, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson voting "aye", the meeting adjourned at 10:32 P.M.

ATTEST:

  
W.C. KNOTT

  
G.E. ROBERTSON, JR., CHAIRMAN

