

VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD IN THE BOARD MEETING ROOM OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, DINWIDDIE, VIRGINIA, ON THE 7TH DAY OF MARCH, 1984 AT 2:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	G.S. BENNETT, JR., CHAIRMAN	ELECTION DISTRICT #1
	M.I. HARGRAVE, JR., VICE-CHAIRMAN	ELECTION DISTRICT #3
	H.L. CLAY, JR.	ELECTION DISTRICT #2
	G.E. ROBERTSON, JR. (left at 3:00 PM)	ELECTION DISTRICT #2
	A.S. CLAY	ELECTION DISTRICT #4
	L.G. ELDER	COUNTY ATTORNEY
	B.M. HEATH	SHERIFF

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon motion of Mr. H. Clay, seconded by Mr. A. Clay, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Bennett voting "aye", the minutes of the February 15, 1984 regular meeting and the February 22, 1984 continued meeting were approved as presented.

IN RE: OPPOSITION TO CLOSING OF CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL AND ITS RELATED FACILITIES

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

WHEREAS, Central State Hospital, Hiram Davis Medical Center and the Southside Training Center and Support Unit have become an integral part of the makeup of the Tri-City area and the surrounding communities by providing valuable services as well as employment for a large number of the citizens in the area; and

WHEREAS, due to budget limitations, the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation proposed to reduce their staff at these facilities by phasing out approximately 800 positions by 1986; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is now considering closing these mental health facilities and replacing them with a correctional institution; and

WHEREAS, the correctional institution would most likely relocate its present staff and would, therefore, not be able to provide employment opportunities for those workers displaced by the closing of the mental health facilities; and

WHEREAS, the skills that the displaced workers possess would not be readily employable in this same area because of the lack of similar mental health facilities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia opposes the closing of Central State Hospital, Hiram Davis Medical Center and the Southside Training and Support Unit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia that a copy of this resolution be sent to the County's legislative representatives.

IN RE: CLAIMS

Upon motion of Mr. A. Clay, seconded by Mr. H. Clay, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Bennett voting "aye",

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia that the following claims be approved:

General Fund checks numbering 84-382 through 84-469 amounting to \$99,911.17.

IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING--1984-85 REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

This being the time and place as advertised in the Progress-Index on Wednesday, February 22, 1984 and Wednesday, February 29, 1984 for the Board of Supervisors to conduct a public hearing to receive public input on the uses of \$250,000 revenue sharing funds in the 1984-85 budget.

The County Administrator stated he had not received information as to what the actual amount of revenue sharing funds would be. In the past, the funds have been allocated to the school system.

There were no comments from the public and no action was taken.

IN RE: TREASURER

Mr. W.E. Jones presented his report for the month of February, 1984.

IN RE: SHERIFF

Sheriff B.M. Heath reported his department has issued 160 to 170 summonses for not having a county tag.

He also advised the Board that he had been authorized to purchase six cameras for his department but after assessing his needs, he found that he needed to purchase seven.

IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mr. J.L. Blaha presented his report for the month of February, 1984.

IN RE: ANIMAL WARDEN

Mr. L.A. Brooks, Jr. was not present. The Chairman read his report for the month of February, 1984.

IN RE: PROPOSED LOCKS DAM--OLD VEPCO CANAL

Mr. W.C. Scheid, Director of Planning, presented a proposal by the Locks Development Corporation to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission requesting permission to establish a hydroelectric facility on the existing VEPCO canal.

He stated that he had talked with the State and while no one had opposed it, several departments had raised concerns about the Scenic River designation and erosion and sedimentation control.

Mr. Scheid recommended that the Board authorize the County Administrator to respond to the Council on the Environment that the County is interested in the project but wishes to see the results of the impact study before taking action.

Mr. Hargrave asked if the County would be assured an opportunity to reply on the final review. Mr. Scheid stated the EPA Coordinator had assured him the County would be put on record as an interested party.

IN RE: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION--
DISCUSSION OF RECREATIONAL ROAD

Mr. MacFarland Neblett, Resident Engineer, and Mr. Harold Dyson, Ass't Resident Engineer, Va. Department of Highways and Transportation, appeared to answer any questions the Board might have.

1. Mr. Neblett reported that the speed limit on Rt. 619 has been reduced from Rt. 1 to the existing reduced area as requested by the Board and the signs are in place.

2. Mr. Neblett stated that at the request of the County, his department has examined the recreational road off Rt. 627 into the recreation complex across from the high school. He handed out a preliminary sketch showing the existing 30 ft. right-of-way owned by the School Board. He indicated that the Highway Department would require a 50 ft. right-of-way to construct a state maintained road. He reviewed several alternatives the School Board could take to gain the additional right-of-way, adding that the existing intersection is not in the best location. The suggestion is to move the entrance of the recreational road further down Rt. 627, away from the existing intersection. The estimated cost is \$30,000 to \$40,000.

The other alternative would be to carry the road through between the baseball field and the track. But this is a low area, and it would cause people to have to cross a state maintained road to get from one area to the other.

Mr. Robertson asked about obtaining the triangle of land near the house and making the entrance straighter. Mr. Neblett indicated that it had not been ruled out but additional right-of-way would be needed and it would still be close to the existing intersection. Mr. Robertson asked if the County had a verbal agreement to obtain the property. Mr. Scheid stated the County had not contacted anyone.

Mr. Hargrave asked who owns the right-of-way. Mr. Scheid stated the School Board owns all the 30 ft. right-of-way but the road does run out of it.

Mr. Bennett asked if there were funds available to build the road. Mr. Neblett stated recreational access funds are available but the County would be in competition with others.

Mr. Robertson asked if they moved the entrance up, would they be killing the use of the land that is cut off. Mr. Scheid suggested it could be used for a basketball court or for extra parking.

The Chairman asked if the Board now needs to decide what the best location for the road will be. Mr. Neblett stated that was correct.

Mr. Scheid added that the movement of utility poles and the purchase of land are not fundable under Recreational Access funds. The only thing in the right-of-way now is the throw switch box to the lights at the softball field.

IN RE: ROUTE 40 SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

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

WHEREAS, two members of the Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors have viewed two extremely hazardous locations on Route 40 West of McKenney;

(1) location: beginning at the intersection of Route 602 running in an easterly direction approximately .30 miles involving two extremely short steep hills and a very sharp curve.

(2) location: beginning approximately .30 miles West of Route 610 intersection, running 0.29 miles east of Rt. 610 a total length of 0.59 miles involving an intersection and steep grade to the east of the intersection; and

WHEREAS, it is the understanding of this Board that there is an existing assigned project with reasonably completed plans

covering 3.06 miles and the above two locations are within the project assigned and proposed for construction; and

WHEREAS, it is further understood that at the present and for some time in the future, funds will not be available to construct the project as planned;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia requests the Virginia Department of Highways allocate sufficient funds to correct the two extremely hazardous locations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia concurs with the McKenney Ruritan Club's letter to the Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation dated February 8, 1984 asking for this work to be funded out of the District Engineer's Safety Fund.

IN RE: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

1. Mr. Robertson stated that at the intersection of Rt. 226 and Rt. 600, motorists are cutting close on the turn causing holes to develop in the road. He suggested the possibility of a de-acceleration lane to go around the corner. Mr. Neblett stated he had discussed this problem and suggested a temporary measure would be to put a white edge line there.

Mr. Robertson asked about the signs at the intersection limiting wide loads to 11 feet. Mr. Neblett stated this was a temporary measure until the bridge repairs are finished. Mr. H. Clay asked when that would be. Mr. Neblett stated by July.

2. Mr. A. Clay asked how often bridges are inspected on the secondary roads. Mr. Neblett stated every two years.

3. Mr. Bennett stated he had received a complaint on the intersection of Rt. 619 and U.S. #1. Since the stop sign has been removed, it is difficult to see the road. Mr. Bennett stated he tried to discourage streetlights but would suggest reflectors.

IN RE: DISTRICT 19 MENTAL HEALTH & MENTAL RETARDATION SERVICES

Dr. C. Eldon Taylor, Director, District 19 Mental Health Services, and Dr. David M. Portner, Director, Dinwiddie Counseling Services, appeared before the Board to give a brief update on the mental health services provided to the residents of Dinwiddie County.

IN RE: AUTHORIZATION TO SECURE BIDS--LANDFILL CLEANUP TRUCK

Mr. John M. Loftis, Director of Sanitation, reported that he had found a used cleanup truck for the Landfill at a cost of \$4,000. However, it has over a 100,000 miles on it. He asked the Board if they wanted to purchase a used truck, rebuild the one he has or buy a new one.

Mr. Bennett stated that his experience with used trucks of this type is that they are already worn out. Mr. A. Clay suggested he might look in Richmond. He did not think it would be a good idea to rebuild what Mr. Loftis has.

Mr. H. Clay moved that Mr. Loftis be authorized to secure bids on new and used trucks for the Board to consider. Mr. A. Clay seconded the motion. Mr. Clay, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson voted "aye".

Mr. Donald Andrews suggested he check with Brown and Williamson about their old trucks.

IN RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT--FOLDING DOORS

Mr. A. Clay stated that the employees at the Health De-

partment approached him about putting up some folding doors across the window to their reception area. Their lunch hour is from 12:00 to 1:00 and they find it difficult to eat with people coming up to the window for service.

Upon motion of Mr. A. Clay, seconded by Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Bennett voting "aye", the County Administrator was authorized to look into obtaining folding doors for the reception window at the Health Department.

IN RE: SUTHERLAND--NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bennett stated that a new florist shop has opened in the Sutherland area called "Clay-Potts" and the number is 861-BUDS.

IN RE: CENTRAL STATE ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Larry G. Elder stated that the Commissioner of Mental Health held a press conference earlier in the day to announce that Central State Hospital will stay as it is, with the phasing out of the geriatric and acute skilled service at Hiram Davis. This proposal has the blessing of the Governor and Senator Wiley.

IN RE: MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT--AMELIA COUNTY

Mrs. Wendy Quesenberry advised the Board that she and the County Administrator in Amelia County are working on a mutual aid agreement between the two counties for emergency services. The Amelia Board will consider the agreement on the 13th of March and she hopes to present it to this Board at the 21st meeting.

IN RE: DONALD ANDREWS--RECREATION ROAD

Mr. Donald Andrews stated that he is very interested in the road to the recreational field across from the high school. He has talked to people who are willing to donate their time and machinery and he felt the road could be built for less than \$30,000.

IN RE: LARRY TOOMBS--SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD

Mr. Bennett pointed out that the Board had received a letter from Larry Toombs resigning from the Social Services Board, effective April 1, 1984.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. A. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Clay, Mr. Bennett voting "aye", pursuant to Sec. 2.1-344(6) of the Va. Freedom of Information Act, the Board moved into Executive Session at 3:12 P.M. to discuss a legal matter. The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 4:29 P.M.

IN RE: "WELCOME TO DINWIDDIE" SIGNS

Mr. H. Clay stated that he would like to see the Ruritan Clubs take on the project of putting up "Welcome to Dinwiddie" signs on the major arteries coming into the County. He felt if each Ruritan Club sponsored one sign, they could cover the major highways in the County.

IN RE: INFORMATION

The following information was included in the Board material for this meeting:

1. Letter from Commissioner, Va. Dept. of Highways and Transportation, concerning pre-allocation hearings across the state.

2. Letter of resignation from Larry Toombs on the Social Services Board.

3. Letter of response to the Town of McKenney relative to the adoption of an ordinance for the issuance of dog tag licenses.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. A. Clay, seconded by Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Bennett voting "aye", the meeting adjourned until 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 13, 1984.

MARCH 13, 1984 -- 1:00 P.M. -- CONTINUATION OF MARCH 7, 1984 MEETING

PRESENT:	G.S. BENNETT, JR., CHAIRMAN	ELECTION DISTRICT #1
	M.I. HARGRAVE, JR., VICE-CHAIRMAN	ELECTION DISTRICT #3
	G.E. ROBERTSON, JR.	ELECTION DISTRICT #2
	A.S. CLAY	ELECTION DISTRICT #4

ABSENT: H.L. CLAY, JR. ELECTION DISTRICT #2

IN RE: 1984-85 BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

The Board met with the following Constitutional Officers and Department Heads to discuss their 1984-85 budget proposals:

Sheriff B.M. Heath; W.E. Bolte, Commissioner of Revenue; Appomattox Regional Library Board; Health Department.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Robertson, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Clay, Mr. Bennett voting "aye", pursuant to Sec. 2.1-344 (1) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, the Board moved into Executive Session at 4:00 P.M. to discuss personnel matters. The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 4:30 P.M.

IN RE: CONTINUATION OF 1984 BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

The Board continued their budget discussions with the following departments:

W.E. Jones, Treasurer; Dinwiddie, Namozine and Old Hickory volunteer fire departments.

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mr. Robertson, Mr. Clay, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Bennett voting "aye", pursuant to Sec. 2.1-344 (6) of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, the Board moved into Executive Session at 5:45 P.M. to discuss legal matters. The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 6:30 P.M.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Clay, Mr. Hargrave, Mr. Clay, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Bennett voting "aye", the meeting adjourned at 6:31 P.M.

ATTEST:


W.E. KNOTT


G.S. BENNETT, JR., CHAIRMAN