

## HENRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

April 18, 2011 – 7:00 pm

The Henry County Board of Supervisors held a meeting on April 18, 2011, at 7:00 pm in the Board Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, King's Mountain Road, Collinsville, Virginia. The purpose of the meeting was to hold public hearings on the FY '11-'12 School Budget and Total County Budget. The following Board members were present: Chairman Debra Buchanan, Vice Chairman H. G. Vaughn, Jim Adams, Milton Kendall, Joe Bryant and Tommy Slaughter.

Staff members present were Benny Summerlin, County Administrator; Tim Hall, Deputy County Administrator; George Lyle, County Attorney; Michelle Via, Administrative Assistant; Darrell Jones, Director of Finance; Richard Stanfield, Deputy Director of Finance; and Susan Reynolds, Director of Human Resources.

Dr. Anthony Jackson, Dawn Lawson, and numerous other School Board staff were present.

Paul Collins of the Martinsville Bulletin and Lt. Ricky Walker and Lt. Rick Vaughn of the Sheriff's Office were present.

H. G. Vaughn gave the invocation.

Chairman Buchanan called the meeting to order and stated this is a continuation from the Board's April 7 meeting. She welcomed everyone present and stated there are two public hearings scheduled as well as an award of contract not related to the public hearings. The first public hearing is on the FY '11-'12 School Budget and following is the public hearing on the FY '11-'12 Total County Budget. She stated if anyone wishes to address the Board to come to the podium, state your name and the district in which you live. She stated those who wish to speak will agree to exhibit respect to the Board and they would receive the same level of respect.

### **AWARD OF CONTRACT – SOUTH STREET NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Mr. Summerlin said bids were received for the rehabilitation of property at 2540 Fairystone Park Highway and the low bidder was Lawson Brothers Construction in the amount of \$40,650.00. Mr. Summerlin said the South Street Housing Rehab Board has already approved the project.

Mr. Slaughter made a motion to award a contract to Lawson Brothers Construction in the amount of \$40,650.00 for housing rehabilitation of 2540 Fairystone park Highway, seconded by Mr. Adams and unanimously carried.

## **PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED FY '12 SCHOOL BUDGET**

Mrs. Buchanan opened the public hearing at 7:04 pm. The following persons spoke:

- Kathy Rogers, Chairman of the School Board, expressed the School Board's appreciation for funding and continued support.

There being no one else who wished to speak the public hearing was closed at 7:04 pm.

## **PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FY '11-'12 TOTAL COUNTY BUDGET**

The public hearing was opened at 7:05 pm.

The following persons spoke and thanked the Board for level funding in the coming fiscal year and cited examples of how the County's investments are being used:

- Truman Adkins, Chairman of the Blue Ridge Regional Library Board
- Will Gravely, past Board President of Boys & Girls Club of the Blue Ridge
- Kathy Rogers, Executive Director of Piedmont Arts Association

Stuart Bowman, President of the Martinsville-Henry County Rescue Squad Association, spoke and requested that the Board consider reinstating operating funds to the five rescue squads. Mr. Bowman said funds were cut when supplemental staffing was implemented in 2010 and asked the Board to consider a reduced amount of \$10,000 per squad. Mr. Bowman said they have not yet received confirmation of funding from United Way and since career staff was hired, there is some perception that the rescue squads no longer need financial support from the public.

There being no further comments the public hearing was closed at 7:12 pm.

## **CONSIDERATION OF ANY PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGES BEFORE EXHIBITS ARE FINALIZED FOR BUDGET ADOPTION**

Mr. Summerlin stated if there are no changes to the proposed FY '12 budget, it will be included in the Board package for adoption at the April 26 meeting and scheduled for appropriation at the May meeting. Chairman Buchanan asked the Board for any suggested changes, and no suggestions were offered.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Adams moved at 7:14 pm to adjourn its meeting, seconded by Mr. Slaughter and unanimously carried.