

## **HENRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES**

**April 2, 2014 – 5:00 p.m.**

The Henry County Board of Supervisors met on April 2, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. in the Fourth Floor Conference Room of the County Administration Building, King's Mountain Road, Collinsville, Virginia. The purpose of the meeting was to present the FY 2014-'15 County Budget. The following Board members were present: Chairman H.G. Vaughn; Vice Chairman Tommy Slaughter; Debra Buchanan; Jim Adams; Joe Bryant; and Milton Kendall.

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

Ben Williams of the Martinsville Bulletin was present. Also present was Sheriff Lane Perry; Superintendent Dr. Jared Cotton, Dawn Lawson, Bill Bullins, and Keith Scott of the Henry County School Board.

Chairman Vaughn called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present. He stated this is a continuation of the Board's March 25 meeting.

### **PRESENTATION OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S PROPOSED 2014-2015 BUDGET**

Mr. Hall gave an overview of the Management Discussion and Analysis for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Proposed Operating Budget for the County of Henry. (Copy of presentation included in Board's file)

Mr. Hall opened by telling a story about an elderly couple who asked him to take their picture at the marina's recent open house event. Mr. Hall said the couple told him that the marina was one of the nicest things they had ever seen in Henry County. Mr. Hall said, "They were proud of where they lived at that moment, and we've got a lot of things to be proud of. We need to celebrate those things." Mr. Hall also mentioned the many contributions to the marina by the late Jeff Turton, who served as project manager on the marina. Mr. Hall said Jeff treated this project like he was building his own house and he really wishes he could see it today.

Mr. Hall highlighted several areas of the proposed budget as follows:

- Total proposed County Budget up 1.4% - \$117,238,114
- No tax increase in the upcoming fiscal year, but discussion may need to take place in the future
- School recommendation - \$73,119,097, up 2.6%; School Board requested increase of \$476,847 in local funding, County staff recommended increase of \$75,000
- Change to self-insurance for health care

- No pay raise for employees beyond required 1% increase for the Virginia Retirement System; consideration of a one-time stipend for county employees before the end of the calendar year, depending on how fiscal 2015 looks at that point
- Eliminate annual surplus auction and transition to online auctions through govdeals.com
- Addition of parks and recreation maintenance position to accommodate growing park system
- Outside agency requests
  - Recommended adding Piedmont Virginia Dental Health Foundation
  - Recommended discontinuance of funding to The Launch Place
- Current-year budget recommendations
  - Replacement of Administration Building roof, estimated cost \$300,000 from the fund balance and an additional \$75,000 from the operations budget
  - Purchase three replacement vehicles totaling \$91,000; vehicles will be used by Parks and Recreation, Building Inspection and the Fire Marshal
  - Allow school system to retain \$784,386 in carry-over funds from FY 2013

#### FY 2013-'14 Highlights

- Expansions/openings at Monogram Foods, Commonwealth Laminating, Eastman Chemical, Bassett Furniture and Kilgour Industries, totaling \$75.45 million in investments and 365 jobs
- School system achievements
  - Rich Acres Elementary named 2014 Title I Distinguished School
  - Magna Vista High School's Warrior Tech Academy, the first of its kind in Virginia
- Ongoing partnership between Patrick Henry Community College and the New College Institute

Mr. Hall said the budget will be available on the County website and also at all four branches of the Blue Ridge Regional Library. Mr. Hall reminded the Board of the budget work session scheduled on April 3, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fourth Floor Conference Room. Mr. Hall requested that the Board review the budget and on Thursday, staff will go through each category and answer any questions.

#### **Advertise FY '14-'15 Budget**

Following the presentation, Mr. Kendall moved that the Board advertise the FY 2014-'15 Budget on Sunday, April 6, 2014, for a scheduled public hearing on April 14, 2014, seconded by Ms. Buchanan and carried 6 to 0.

There being no further business to discuss Mr. Bryant moved at 5:51 pm that the Board continue the meeting to April 3, 2014 at 5:00 p.m., second by Mr. Kendall and unanimously carried.