

**HENRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTES**

**August 30, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.**

The Henry County Board of Supervisors held a special called meeting on August 30, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. in the Summerlin Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, King's Mountain Road, Collinsville, Virginia. The following Board members were present: Jim Adams, Chairman, Debra Buchanan, Vice-Chairman, Tommy Slaughter, Milton Kendall, Joe Bryant, and Ryan Zehr.

Staff members present were Tim Hall, County Administrator; Dale Wagoner, Deputy County Administrator; County Attorney George Lyle; and Michelle Via, Administrative Assistant.

Sheriff Lane Perry along with several Sheriff's Office staff was present. Also present was Ben Williams and of the Martinsville Bulletin and Ron Morris of B99.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Adams gave the invocation and Mr. Bryant led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present. He stated that anyone who wishes to be on the agenda for the Board's regular business meeting held at 3:00 p.m. must contact the County Administrator's Office seven days prior to a scheduled meeting. Those wishing to speak at the Board's public meeting starting at 6:00 p.m. may do so under Agenda Item - Matters Presented by the Public without contacting the County Administrator's Office.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On a motion by Mr. Bryant and second by Mr. Slaughter, the Board unanimously approved the agenda.

**AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND SUBMIT A JAIL PLANNING STUDY – SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Mr. Hall said the current Henry County Jail was built in 1974 and is no longer efficient from an operational or safety standpoint for our inmate population or correctional staff. Mr. Hall said a Community-Based Corrections Plan was prepared for Henry County by Moseley Architects and delivered to the Board in January 2016 to possibly address our jail needs. The report included an

evaluation of the current Henry County Jail and a projection for future facility needs.

Mr. Hall said in May 2016, the Board was presented with cost projections for construction and operation of a jail based on inmate counts of 250, 300, 350 and 400 people. The report also included preliminary budget and financing needs, and part of that discussion was the potential 25% contribution from the Commonwealth of Virginia toward the total cost. Mr. Hall said in order to move this process forward, a Corrections Facility Study must be submitted to the Commonwealth's Department of Corrections by the end of December. If that deadline is missed, another 12 months would pass before the next opportunity to submit. Mr. Hall said this report must include the total number of beds recommended for a new facility; the number submitted may be reduced later, but cannot be increased.

On a motion by Mr. Kendall and second by Mr. Zehr, the Board unanimously recommended that staff move forward with the creation and submission of a Jail Planning Study, to be done by Moseley Architects, based on a total bed capacity of 400. This should be done with the understanding that the maximum funding from the Commonwealth will be based on this count, but the Board may reduce the number of beds (and the Commonwealth's share of the total cost) at any point.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Zehr, seconded by Mr. Slaughter, and unanimously carried.