

**HENRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES**

May 10, 2021 – 5:00 p.m.

The Henry County Board of Supervisors held a budget meeting on May 10, 2021, at 5:00 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, Joe Bryant, Tommy Slaughter, and David Martin. Ryan Zehr was absent.

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

Sheriff Lane Perry, Lt. Col. Steve Eanes, Major Eric Hairston, and Lt. Brian Lawson of the Sheriff's Office were present. Also present were Ben Boone, Henry County Schools Director of Finance, Bill Wyatt of the Martinsville Bulletin and Brandon Martin of Henry County Enterprise.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Adams gave the invocation, and Ms. Buchanan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

PROCLAMATION ESTABLISHING MAY 9-15, 2021 AS "NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL WEEK" IN HENRY COUNTY

Mr. Adams said Sheriff Perry is requesting that the Board designate May 9-15, 2021 as "National Peace Officers Memorial Week" in Henry County. Local law enforcement agencies will hold a memorial service on May 12, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at the Martinsville Municipal Building to pay tribute to these fallen heroes.

On a motion by Dr. Martin and seconded by Mr. Slaughter, the Board approved the proclamation establishing May 9-15, 2021 as "National Peace Officers Memorial Week" in Henry County by the following vote:

AYES: Adams, Buchanan, Slaughter, Bryant, and Martin.

NAYS: None.

ADOPTION OF THE FY 2021-2022 HENRY COUNTY BUDGET

Mr. Hall said the Board is scheduled to set the tax rates and adopt the budget today. The appropriation of the budget is scheduled for May 25, 2021.

Tax Rates

On a motion by Dr. Martin and seconded by Ms. Buchanan, the Board adopted the following tax rates for FY 2022:

- Real Estate - \$.555 per \$100 assessed value.

- Personal Property and Machinery and Tools - \$1.55 per \$100 of assessed value for personal property, including motor vehicles, and \$1.55 per \$100 of assessed value for machinery and tools/business equipment.
- Motor Vehicle License Fee: Cars - \$20.75, Motorcycles - \$12.00, and Trailers - \$12.00.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Adams, Buchanan, Slaughter, Bryant, and Martin.

NAYS: None.

School Budget

Dr. Martin moved that the Board adopt the proposed budget for school expenditures for FY 2022 by category as summarized in Exhibits A and B, subject to the state, federal, and local funds becoming available as estimated. (Exhibits included in Board's File). The motion was seconded by Ms. Buchanan and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Adams, Buchanan, Slaughter, Bryant, and Martin.

NAYS: None.

Total Budget

Dr. Martin moved that the Board adopt the proposed FY 2022 Budget for fiscal planning purposes as summarized in Exhibits A and B. (Exhibits included in Board File). The motion was seconded by Mr. Slaughter and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Adams, Buchanan, Slaughter, Bryant, and Martin.

NAYS: None.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION RE: TRANSFER OF FY'21 FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ITEMS

During the recent budget presentation, County Administrator Tim Hall recommended using current year funds of \$1,640,525 to purchase several needed capital items, including the following:

- Additional funding for removal of unsafe structures - \$90,000 (\$15,000 for each magisterial districts)
- Replacement vehicle in Building Inspection - \$34,000
- Digitization of records for the Circuit Court Clerk's Office - \$13,725
- Employment management software for Human Resources – \$22,000
- Server replacement for Information Services – \$30,000
- Emergency radio system component replacements - \$60,000
- Roof replacement at the Henry County Recreation Center (former Collinsville YMCA) - \$175,000
- Vehicle replacement in Parks and Recreation - \$36,000
- Vehicle replacement in Public Safety Training Division - \$39,000

- Repairs to the Public Safety Burn Building - \$20,000
- Replacement of front loader for Refuse Department - \$315,000
- Replacement of four patrol cars for Sheriff's Office - \$156,000
- Purchase of electric poll books for Registrar's Office - \$85,000

In order to move forward with the purchase of these capital items, the funds must be appropriated. (Copy of the appropriation sheet included in the Board's file).

On a motion by Ms. Buchanan and seconded by Dr. Martin, the Board approved the transfer of current year funds as detailed on the appropriation sheet for the purchase of capital items as outlined by the following vote:

AYES: Adams, Buchanan, Slaughter, Bryant, and Martin.

NAYS: None.

CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Slaughter moved that the Board go into a closed meeting at 5:06 p.m. to discuss the following:

- A) §2.2-3711(A)7 for Discussion of Pending Legal Matters.

Ms. Buchanan seconded the motion, and it carried by the following vote:

AYES: Adams, Buchanan, Slaughter, Bryant, and Martin.

NAYS: None.

OPEN MEETING

The Board returned to open meeting at 7:12 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Ms. Buchanan, and it carried by the following vote:

AYES: Adams, Buchanan, Slaughter, Bryant, and Martin.

NAYS: None.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Wagoner read the Certification of the Closed Meeting and took a roll call vote.

Board members voting in the affirmative were Mr. Adams, Mr. Bryant, Ms. Buchanan, Dr. Martin, and Mr. Slaughter.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Bryant moved to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Dr. Martin seconded the motion, and it carried by the following vote:

AYES: Adams, Buchanan, Slaughter, Bryant, and Martin.

NAYS: None.