

**HENRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES**

**Organizational Meeting
January 4, 2016 – 5:00 pm**

The Henry County Board of Supervisors held its organizational meeting on January 4, 2016, at 5:00 pm in the Summerlin Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, King's Mountain Road, Collinsville, Virginia. The following Board members were present: Vice Chairman Jim Adams, Tommy Slaughter, Debra Buchanan, Milton Kendall, Joe Bryant, and Ryan Zehr.

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

Also present were Deputy Mike Hooper and Lt. Troy Easter of the Sheriff's Office; Ben Williams of the Martinsville Bulletin; Ron Morris of B99; Cable 18; and BTW.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Hall gave the invocation and Mr. Slaughter led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

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

On a motion by Ms. Buchanan and seconded by Mr. Slaughter, the Board unanimously moved the County Administrator chair the meeting during the election of Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Mr. Hall reviewed the procedures for nomination of Chairman and Vice Chairman and noted that nominations do not require a second.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR 2016

Mr. Hall opened the floor for nominations for Chairman.

Ms. Buchanan nominated Mr. Adams. There being no further nominations, the floor was closed for office of Chairman.

The vote carried 6-0.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN FOR 2016

Mr. Hall opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman.

Mr. Bryant nominated Ms. Buchanan. There being no further nominations, the floor was closed for office of Vice Chairman.

The vote carried 5-0; Ms. Buchanan abstained.

Mr. Hall congratulated Mr. Adams and Mr. Buchanan on their election as Chairman and Vice Chairman and turned the meeting over to Chairman Adams.

Mr. Adams thanked the Board for their vote of confidence and thanked staff for their dedication and work.

Ms. Buchanan said she thinks 2016 will be a good year for Henry County and as a Board, will work collectively with County staff to continue to move forward.

SETTING OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2016

Mr. Hall said a proposed calendar of meeting dates for 2016 was included in the Board's working papers. The dates are based on the schedule of meeting every fourth Tuesday, with the exception of December as to avoid the holidays.

Mr. Bryant moved the Board approve the proposed Board Meeting Dates for 2016, seconded by Mr. Zehr and unanimously carried.

ADOPTION OF 2016 BOARD BYLAWS

Mr. Hall stated the Board traditionally adopts bylaws each year at its annual organizational meeting. A copy of the existing bylaws adopted January 6, 2015, was included in the Board's package.

Mr. Kendall moved the Board approve the Bylaws as presented, seconded by Mr. Slaughter and unanimously carried.

CONSIDERATION OF A DATE FOR THE BOARD'S ANNUAL PLANNING SESSION

Mr. Hall said for the past several years the Board has held an annual Planning Session, usually in late January or early February. Mr. Hall said the Board has clearly identified its priorities as economic development, education, and public safety/law enforcement. Therefore, staff recommends using the majority of the time at the planning session to hear the results of the community needs assessment and to discuss a path forward for the jail project. Mr. Hall said we typically do a tour of one or two local companies but he does not have that confirmed yet.

The Board selected Tuesday, February 2, 2015 as a tentative date for the planning session. Mr. Hall said Board members should plan to be at the Public Safety complex on DuPont Road at 3:30 p.m.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION RE: DONATED FUNDS FROM THE HARVEST FOUNDATION

Mr. Hall said The Harvest Foundation has approved funding in the amount of \$20,000 to fund a second Sponsor Garden. The location of this garden is to be determined, but it would be similar in appearance to the one it already funds near the Martinsville hydroelectric facility on Greensboro Road.

On a motion by Ms. Buchanan and second by Mr. Zehr, the Board unanimously approved the additional appropriation as outlined.

INFORMATIONAL

Mr. Hall noted the Annual Chamber Meeting is January 21 at 6 p.m. at Chatmoss Country Club. Mr. Hall requested that Board member RSVP if they plan to attend. Also, Mr. Hall asked that Board members review their bios on the County website and let staff know if they have any changes.

CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Slaughter moved that the Board go into a closed meeting at 5:11 p.m., seconded by Ms. Buchanan and unanimously carried to discuss the following.

- 1) §2.2-3711(A)5 for Discussion of As-Yet Unannounced Industries.
- 2) §2.2-3711(A)10 for Discussion of Special Awards.

OPEN MEETING

The Board returned to an open meeting at 5:37 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Buchanan, seconded by Mr. Zehr and unanimously carried.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Wagoner read the Certification of the Closed Meeting and took a roll call vote. Those voting in the affirmative were Mr. Zehr, Mr. Bryant, Mr. Kendall, Mr. Slaughter, Ms. Buchanan and Mr. Adams.

There was no action taken out of closed session.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Slaughter moved to adjourn at 5:37 p.m., seconded by Mr. Bryant and unanimously carried.