

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Alleghany County, Virginia held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Alleghany County Governmental Complex, Covington, Virginia, thereof:

PRESENT: G. Matt Garten, Chairman
Stephen A. Bennett, Vice-Chairman
Shannon P. Cox
James M. Griffith (electronic)
Cletus W. Nicely
Richard Lee Shull
M. Joan Vannorsdall

and Jonathan A. Lanford, County Administrator
Suzanne T. Adcock, Director of Finance
Jim Guynn, County Attorney (electronic)
Melissa A. Munsey, Deputy Clerk to the Board

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chairman called the regular meeting to order. Mrs. Cox gave the invocation and the audience remained standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Garten stated that this meeting is being held pursuant to and in compliance with ordinance O-20-2 which was adopted on April 3, 2020. The following Board members are physically present: Matt Garten, Steve Bennett, Shannon Cox, Cletus Nicely, Richard Shull. and Joan Vannorsdall. The following Board member is electronically present: James Griffith. He mentioned that comments for public comment and/or public hearings for this meeting were received by Melissa Munsey by 5:00 p.m. today and will be presented during that section of the agenda. Notice of the opportunity for the public to access this electronic meeting was provided to the Virginian Review, the Alleghany Journal, local radio stations, and posted on the County's Facebook page. He asked that each Board member participating wait until their name is called before commenting on each agenda topic.

MINUTES:

Hearing no corrections or deletions, the Chairman declared the following minutes approved as submitted: (1) a regular meeting of May 5, 2020; and (2) an adjourned meeting held on May 14, 2020.

Mr. Garten stated that the Closed Meeting is being removed from the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING - APPOINTMENTS TO THE SCHOOL BOARD FROM THE COVINGTON DISTRICT AND CLIFTON FORGE EAST DISTRICT:

Public Hearing was held to consider appointments to the Alleghany County School Board from the Covington District and Clifton Forge East District for a term of four years beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2024.

The Chairman announced that this public hearing was advertised in the Virginian Review on Saturday, May 9, 2020 and Saturday, May 16, 2020 in accordance with the Code of Virginia. He then called the public hearing to order.

Mr. Garten stated that one letter/resume was received for the appointment to the Covington District from Gerald Franson and one letter/resume was received for the appointment to the Clifton Forge East District from Danielle Morgan. He mentioned that both are attending the meeting electronically via zoom. He asked each to make opening comments and then answer any questions the Board may have.

Presentations by candidates and questions/comments from Board members:

Ms. Danielle Morgan, 1314 Forester Road, read the following prepared statement:

I would like to start by thanking each of you for affording me the opportunity to serve these last three years as the Clifton Forge East Representative on the Alleghany County School Board. It has at times been difficult, controversial, and tiring, but most importantly such a rewarding experience that allows me to play a small part in this community's future. It is truly an honor to serve as representation for my district and I assumed this responsibility with the most humble of intentions and in an effort to ensure we achieve quality outcomes for our students, staff, and administration. As a life-long resident and native of Clifton Forge, as well as an Alleghany High School graduate and parent of two Alleghany High School graduates, I have a vested interest in our school system and ensuring that we continue to provide the highest quality education possible for years to come. Our school system has accomplished a great deal over the last several years; however, our work is just beginning. We as a board must continue to ensure that we make the right decisions, which are not always the easy decisions. We also must work together to achieve our strategic goals but in a collaborative manner while working to gain the support of other community leaders. In order to do this, I acknowledge that my role as a board member is to ask the tough questions and make the hard

decisions, but always in the effort to advance our school system while meeting the need of all our stakeholders...the students, staff, and administration. There are many challenges before us and there are many unknowns as to what the future of education will look like and having experienced board members that have gained your trust as well as that of our constituents will be key to any future success. Therefore, I humbly ask your support in reinstatement for another term and pledge to each of you that I will continue to serve to the best of my ability while conducting myself in a professional manner and with dignity befitting this position. Thank you for your consideration.

Mr. Gerald Franson, 9001 Dunlap Creek Road, stated that he has represented the Covington District on the School Board over the last four years. He mentioned that it takes time to get acclimated to be a better member. He commented that they have a lot going on with COVID-19 (when to start school, how to teach kids, etc..) and with the consolidation committee. He stated that he would like to continue to serve on the School Board.

Mrs. Cox commented that she appreciates both being willing to serve again.

Ms. Vannorsdall stated that it is not an easy position and particularly now with the consolidation issue.

Mr. Garten thanked both for all they have done in the past and mentioned that it will get harder before it gets easier.

Mr. Bennett commented that the Board has to set tax rates to run all services. He asked what value they put on the impact of decisions made in relation to taxpayers.

Mr. Franson replied that he served on the budget committee for four years and is a staunch advocate of being fiscally conservative. He commented that the School Board has an excellent relationship with the Board with a goal to work together hand in hand. He mentioned that it is going to get tough and we have to tighten our belts.

Ms. Morgan replied that she agrees with Mr. Franson. She commented that you have to look at future implications and where the money would come from.

Mr. Bennett asked if they are open to consolidating schools or any other decisions to make things more efficient and save taxpayers money as the County may need to make some tough budgetary decisions in the future that may not be popular.

Ms. Morgan replied that she absolutely would be open and in order to change you need to be open minded by hearing all sides and then changing your mind or compromising. She commented that there is growth outside comfort zones.

Mr. Franson replied that he serves on the consolidation committee. He commented that we are the Alleghany Highlands and it is not us versus them. He mentioned looking at things that are sustainable and not digging a hole that you can not get out of. He stated that he wants to be fair to both sides as it is our kids future.

There being no one else who wished to speak, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed. He stated that action will be taken at the Board's June 9th meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL - READOPT EMERGENCY ORDINANCE #O-20-2 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO EFFECTUATE TEMPORARY CHANGES IN CERTAIN DEADLINES AND TO MODIFY PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES TO ADDRESS CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PANDEMIC EMERGENCY":

Public Hearing was held to consider readopting Emergency Ordinance #O-20-2 entitled "An Ordinance to Effectuate Temporary Changes in Certain Deadlines and to Modify Public Meeting and Public Hearing Practices and Procedures to Address Continuity of Operations Associated with the Pandemic Emergency."

The Chairman announced that this public hearing was advertised in the Virginian Review on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 and Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in accordance with the Code of Virginia. He then called the public hearing to order.

Mr. Lanford stated that a copy of ordinance O-20-2 adopted on April 3, 2020 is included in the agenda packet and it is effective for 60 days. He commented that a revised resolution to readopt and amend ordinance O-20-2 is at each seat and is a part of the records of this meeting. He mentioned that this would extend the ordinance an additional 60 days.

Mr. Nicely asked if meetings would go back to normal after the 60 days. Mr. Lanford responded that meetings can go back to normal before, but the ordinance allows for the flexibility.

There being no one else who wished to speak, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

On motion of Mr. Shull, seconded by Mr. Bennett, that the Board waive its policy of not acting on a public hearing on the same night.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

On motion of Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shull, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board intends for this ordinance to be applied in conjunction with Amendment 28 to House Bill 29 (the Budget Bill) enacted during the 2020 Session of the Virginia General Assembly;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, after holding a public hearing on Tuesday, June 2, 2020, the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors agree to readopt Emergency Ordinance #O-20-2 which is entitled "An Ordinance to Effectuate Temporary Changes in Certain Deadlines and to Modify Public Meeting and Public Hearing Practices and Procedures to Address Continuity of Operations Associated with the Pandemic Emergency" and originally adopted on April 3, 2020 with the abovementioned amendment to page 2 of the original ordinance to add paragraph 3 to read as such.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the abovementioned ordinance shall remain in full force and effect for a period of an additional sixty (60) days from the date of readoption.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL - AMENDMENT TO COUNTY OPERATING BUDGET FOR FY20 (FEDERAL CARES CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS):

Public Hearing was held to consider an amendment to the County Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20 in the amount of \$1,296,478. The amendment is needed due to the receipt of Federal CARES Coronavirus Relief Funds.

The Chairman announced that this public hearing was advertised in the Virginian Review on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in accordance with the Code of Virginia. He then called the public hearing to order.

Mr. Lanford stated that the County received the \$1,296,478 from the State today for CARES Coronavirus Relief funding. He commented that the distribution was based on population and the County will also be distributing a portion of those funds to the towns of Clifton Forge (\$304,176.35) and Iron Gate (\$31,041.94) and the County must track their use of the funds. He mentioned that he found out the school system is receiving a direct allocation of \$507,038.88 from the State and they have been advised that there would not be an allocation to them from the County unless there are funds available at the end. He stated that the regulations are very specific on what the funds can be used for such as one time expenditures in relation to COVID (i.e., modifications for social distancing; technology such as zoom; changing out entrance ways, doorways, light switches, etc. to be non-touch; PPE; etc.). He commented that the County has from March 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

to expend funds and a supplemental appropriation is needed. He stated that information was distributed to Clifton Forge, Iron Gate, County departments and agencies, Chamber of Commerce, AHEDC, etc. regarding the use of funds.

Mr. Bennett asked if fire and rescue departments are eligible. Mr. Lanford replied that they are.

There being no one else who wished to speak, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

On motion of Mr. Nicely, seconded by Mr. Shull, that the Board waive its policy of not acting on a public hearing on the same night.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

On motion of Mr. Nicely, seconded by Ms. Vannorsdall, that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors, after holding a public hearing on June 2, 2020 to amend the FY 19-20 budget in the amount of \$1,296,478, hereby budget and approve the following supplemental appropriation due to the receipt of Federal CARES Coronavirus Relief Funds:

<u>Revenue Account</u>		
Fund 190 - CARES Act COVID-19 (190-4190115)		\$1,296,478
<u>Expenditure Account</u>		
Fund 190 - Professional Services (1900-53002)		\$1,296,478

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL - AMENDMENTS TO CH. 1 - GENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE COUNTY CODE (COURTHOUSE SECURITY FEE):

Public Hearing was held to consider amendments to Chapter 1 - General Provisions of "The Code of the County of Alleghany, Virginia" in Section 1-18 in relation to an increase in the courthouse security fee from \$10.00 to \$20.00 due to changes in the State Code.

The Chairman announced that this public hearing was advertised in the Virginian Review on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 and Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in accordance with the Code of Virginia. He then called the public hearing to order.

Mr. Lanford stated that the Courthouse Security fee can be amended from \$10.00 to \$20.00 due to changes in the Code of Virginia.

There being no else to speak, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

On motion of Mr. Shull, seconded by Ms. Vannorsdall, that the Board waive its policy of not acting on a public hearing on the same night.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes

Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

On motion of Mr. Shull, seconded by Mr. Bennett, that the following amendments proposed at the Public Hearing held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 to The Code of the County of Alleghany, Virginia in Chapter 1 entitled "General Provisions" be adopted as follows:

**CH. 1
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Sec. 1-18. Assessment for courthouse security.

CURRENT:

The general district court and the circuit court shall assess as costs a sum of \$10.00 as part of the costs in each criminal or traffic case in the court in which the defendant is convicted of a violation of any statute or ordinance. Such costs shall be collected by the clerk of the court in which the case is heard and remitted to the county treasurer. The funds shall be held by the treasurer subject to appropriation by the governing body to the sheriff's office for the funding of courthouse security as allowed by § 53.1-120(d) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

(Ord. No. O-02-06, 6-18-02; Amdmt. No. O-04-3, 7-13-04; Amdmt. No. O-07-4, 6-19-07)

State law reference—Authority for above assessment, Code of Virginia, § 53.1-120(d).

CHANGE TO:

The general district court and the circuit court shall assess as costs a sum of \$20.00 as part of the costs in each criminal or traffic case in the court in which the defendant is convicted of a violation of any statute or ordinance. Such costs shall be collected by the clerk of the court in which the case is heard and remitted to the county treasurer. The funds shall be held by the treasurer subject to appropriation by the governing body to the sheriff's office for the funding of courthouse security as allowed by § 53.1-120(d) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

(Ord. No. O-02-06, 6-18-02; Amdmt. No. O-04-3, 7-13-04; Amdmt. No. O-07-4, 6-19-07)

State law reference—Authority for above assessment, Code of Virginia, § 53.1-120(d).

Adopted: June 2, 2020

Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Adopted by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mrs. Cox	Yes
Mr. Garten	Yes
Mr. Griffith	Yes
Mr. Nicely	Yes
Mr. Shull	Yes
Ms. Vannorsdall	Yes

ALLEGHANY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Deputy Clerk to the Board

PUBLIC HEARING - FY21 SEWER RATES FOR THE TOWN OF CLIFTON FORGE AND THE TOWN OF IRON GATE:

Public Hearing was held to consider, pursuant to Sections 15.2-107 and 15.2-2122 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, and agreements between the parties, the possible adoption of sewer rates for the Town of Clifton Forge and the Town of Iron Gate as follows:

	<u>FY 2021 Rate</u>
Clifton Forge	\$4.22 / \$1,000 gals.
Iron Gate	\$13,160.00 per month

The Chairman announced that this public hearing was advertised in the Virginian Review on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 and Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in accordance with the Code of Virginia. He then called the public hearing to order.

Mr. Lanford stated that there is a memo in the agenda packet. The memo is as follows:

The Bulk Rate for sewer services for the Town of Clifton and the Town of Iron Gate is based on the following: debt service initiation, three year rolling average flows, and O&M costs for the LJRWWTP. Following is the result of these calculations and how the bulk rate will change:

Clifton Forge Sewer Bulk Rate
FY 20-21 \$4.22/1000 gallons

Iron Gate Sewer Bulk Rate
FY 20-21 \$13,160.00/month

He added that Clifton Forge and Iron Gate were advised of the proposed bulk sewer rates in March for budgeting purposes.

There being no one else who wished to speak, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed. He stated that action will be taken at the Board's June 9th meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENTS TO CH. 62 "WATER, SEWER, AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL" OF THE COUNTY CODE (WATER AND SEWER RATES):

Public Hearing was held to consider amendments to Chapter 62-Water, Sewer and Sewage Disposal of "The Code of the County of Alleghany, Virginia" in Section 62-71 - Rates to increase water and sewer rates effective July 1, 2020. The water rate, sewer rate, and sewer only rate would each increase \$1.00. The overage rate would increase by \$0.25 per 1,000 gallons. The deposit amounts would also increase for owners and tenants in Sec. 62-140.

The Chairman announced that this public hearing was advertised in the Virginian Review on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 and Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in accordance with the Code of Virginia. He then called the public hearing to order.

Ms. Adcock stated that impacts on the water and sewer budget were discussed during the budget work session which include increases in workers' compensation and VRS costs, as well as debt service for the Rosedale sewer project (\$40,000/yr.).

Mr. Shull asked if she thinks we will ever not have to raise the rate. Ms. Adcock replied that if debt service is paid off and no new debt is added, then it could stop being raised but there is always the issue of replacing an aging infrastructure and prices to maintain the system increase every year. She commented that the water/sewer fund has to be self-sufficient and not paid for through taxpayer money, but through fees charged. She mentioned that rural systems are more expensive to maintain as we are spread out.

Mr. Nicely asked how much a \$1.00 generates. Ms. Adcock replied that it is approximately \$44,000 for both water and sewer.

Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Cox, and Mr. Garten mentioned having private systems at home and the cost is more expensive than being on a meter.

Mr. Lanford stated that the Board has a handout of an email received from Mr. Bobby Hippert which he will read. The email is a part of the records of this meeting and is as follows:

My name is Bobby Hippert and I reside at 1203 John Tyler Street in Selma. When I look around at my closest neighbors I can see 26 homes. At those 26 homes there are a total of 38 individuals living in them. 5 people are the most at any home, most only have 1 or 2. All 26 of these homes are paying \$90 for 5,000 gallons of water and I am willing to bet that most are not using half of what they are paying for. So I ask why do you need to once again raise the price on water and sewer when most people are already paying for more than they use which means the County is not providing the amount of water they are charging for or treating the amount of sewage they are charging for.

Mr. Lanford commented that 2,000 gallons was the base and that was increased to 5,000 gallons as the average usage was 4,500 gallons. He mentioned that when budgeting, the rate is what is used and it is not based on overages.

There being no one else who wished to speak, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed. He stated that action will be taken at the Board's June 9th meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING - TAX RATE FOR TAX YEAR 2020:

Public Hearing was held to consider reenacting the existing tax rate of 73 cents per \$100 of assessed value on real property and mobile homes for the tax year 2020 and to reenact at the existing rate the levy of two dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$2.98) per \$100.00 of assessed value on tangible personal property (including machinery and tools segregated by Section 58.1-3507, Code of Virginia) located in the County on January 1, 2020 and the respective levies being also applicable to the real estate and tangible personal property of public service corporations.

The Chairman announced that this public hearing was advertised in the Virginian Review on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in accordance with the Code of Virginia. He then called the public hearing to order.

Ms. Adcock stated that there is no change in the tax rate this year.

There being no one else who wished to speak, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed. He stated that action will be taken at the Board's June 9th meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING - FY 2020-21 COUNTY OPERATING BUDGET:

Public Hearing was held to consider the proposed FY 2020-21 budget for the year beginning July 1, 2020.

The Chairman announced that this public hearing was advertised in the Virginian Review on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in accordance with the Code of Virginia. He then called the public hearing to order.

The budget was advertised as follows:

The following budget synopsis was prepared and published for information and fiscal planning purposes only. The inclusion in the budget of items does not constitute an obligation or commitment to appropriate any funds for that item or purpose. The budget has been prepared on the basis of the estimates and requests submitted by the Officers and Department Heads of this County. There are no allocations of any County funds for any purpose until appropriation for that purpose has been made by the Board.

EXPENDITURES

General Operating	\$35,448,148
School Operating	26,497,426
School Textbook	277,312
Governor's School	274,639
School Capital	1,482,315
Medicaid Reimbursement	400
New Tech Fund	227,391
VFD-United Fire/Rescue	183,500
Law Library	4,500
Special Law	83,500
Drug Asset Forfeiture - Sheriff	8,500
Courthouse Security	119,176
Drug Asset Forfeiture - Com. Atty.	5,000
Sheriff - Joint Services	5,536,616
Sheriff - County Code Enforcement	82,000
Emergency Home Repair Program	6,510
Capital Improvement Program	1,053,082
Special Welfare	80,000
AHEDC	897,166
Water & Sewer Capital	0
Water & Sewer Operating	<u>5,166,070</u>
	\$ 77,433,251

REVENUES

General Operating:	
Local (66%)	\$23,395,778
State (30%)	10,634,444
Federal (4%)	1,417,926
School Operating	26,497,426
School Textbook	277,312
Governor's School	274,639
School Capital	1,482,315
Medicaid Reimbursement	400
New Tech	227,391
VFD-United Fire/Rescue	183,500
Law Library	4,500
Special Law	52,000
Drug Asset Forfeiture - Sheriff	8,500
Courthouse Security	119,176
Drug Asset Forfeiture - Com. Atty.	5,000
Sheriff - Joint Services	5,536,616
Sheriff - County Code Enforcement	82,000
Emergency Home Repair Program	6,510
Capital Improvement Program	1,053,082
Special Welfare	80,000
AHEDC	897,166
Water & Sewer Capital	0
Water & Sewer Operating	<u>5,166,070</u>
	\$ 77,401,751
Special Law Fund Balance	<u>31,500</u>
	\$77,433,251

Ms. Adcock stated that just about all departments received level funding and with the lack of revenue there were not a lot of options. She commented that notable items regarding the budget included:

- Sheriff's Department joint services is now its own fund.
- The Sheriff's Department is entering into an agreement for vehicle leasing with \$50,000 budgeted. A portion

of this amount is shared with Covington.

- The shared Radio Technician position with Covington is included in the budget.
- Radio debt service is included.
- There was a significant increase in workers' compensation, line-of-duty act, and VRS costs. No increase in health insurance.
- The Commonwealth's Attorney approved State position and a half is included.

She added that the County may need to revisit the budget in November/December once we have a better idea on revenues due to COVID-19 and as the school has not voted on their budget (currently the school budget is level funded).

Mr. Nicely asked the total annual cost of the radio system. Ms. Adcock replied that the debt service is \$353,000 a year, but is paid twice a year. She mentioned that the lease payments for towers are paid monthly.

Mr. Garten asked when the radio system will go live. Sheriff Hall replied that testing is being done throughout the summer and hopefully the system will go live in October/November.

Mr. Bennett asked about the school system CARES funding. Mr. Lanford commented that the school system is receiving a direct allocation of \$507,038.88 from the State and they found out on May 1st. He mentioned that their eligibility for use of the funds runs from March 2020 to September 2022 and can not be used for programs with ongoing expenditures, but one time expenditures.

There being no one else who wished to speak, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed. He stated that action will be taken at the Board's June 9th meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT (5 MINUTE TIME LIMIT):

There were no public comments received.

MS. SUSAN HAMMOND, VDOT RESIDENT ENGINEER - VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UPDATE:

Mr. Lanford stated that a report has been received from Ms. Susan Hammond, VDOT Resident Engineer, on the following VDOT activities:

Maintenance

- *Cleared debris and downed trees from storm damage.*
- *Replaced pipe and repaved surfaces on Rts, 657, 600, 610, and 619.*
- *Cleared drainage on Heatherton and in front of Sharon School.*
- *Plant-mix repaired various primary and secondary routes.*
- *Started spring mowing of primary and secondary routes.*
- *Flushed blocked pipes on secondary routes (including Roberts and Rt. 60).*

Construction

- *Rt. 696 Bridge Replacement Project - temporary signals will go into service June 3rd. Project is moving ahead of schedule.*

Mr. Lanford asked the Board to contact him or Ms. Hammond with any comments or issues.

Mr. Garten stated that he sent an email to Ms. Hammond regarding drainage issues in Clearwater Park and she is checking on that problem.

Mrs. Cox commented that she previously mentioned taking out reflectors on Potts Creek. She stated that rumble strips were put in the middle of the road at a place where there are a lot of accidents and the rumble strips will work better than the reflectors.

APPROVE AMENDMENT TO THE ALLEGHANY COUNTY CAFETERIA PLAN TO ELIMINATE THE PRESCRIPTION REQUIREMENT FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS:

Mr. Lanford commented that there is information in the agenda packet regarding an amendment to the County's Cafeteria Plan in relation to eliminate the prescription requirement for over-the-counter medications and other products and

claims for these items may be reimbursed back to January 1, 2020.

On motion of Mr. Shull, seconded by Mr. Bennett, that the following resolution be adopted:

**Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Allegheny County
for the Amendment of Allegheny County Cafeteria Plan**

WHEREAS, the Employer has the power to amend the Plan.

BE IT RESOLVED that the form of Cafeteria Plan Code Section 125 with health Flexible Spending Account under the Cafeteria Plan Code Section 105, Dependent Care under the Cafeteria Plan Code Section 129, and Health Savings Account under the Cafeteria Plan Code 223(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, presented to this meeting is hereby amended and approved and that the proper Officers of the Employer are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the Plan Administrator one or more copies of the Plan. This amendment shall be effective January 1, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Plan has been amended to eliminate the prescription requirement for over-the-counter medications and to allow reimbursement of menstrual products from the Health FSA and Health Savings Account. In accordance with the CARES Act, claims for these items may be reimbursed for expenses incurred back to January 1, 2020.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the proper Officers of the Employer shall act as soon as possible to notify employees of the Employer of the amendment of the Plan. The undersigned certifies that attached hereto as Exhibits A is a true copy of the Plan Document for Allegheny County Cafeteria Plan approved and adopted in the foregoing resolutions.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

DISCUSS AN APPOINTMENT TO THE DSLCC BOARD:

Mr. Garten stated that the term of Mr. Eddie Graham (Clifton Forge East District) on the DSLCC Board expires June 30, 2020. Terms are for four years and Mr. Graham is not eligible to be reappointed as he has served two consecutive terms. The appointment can be from any district.

Mr. Lanford commented that he asked Dr. Rainone, President of DSLCC, for suggestions, but he has not received any at this time.

The Chairman stated that this item will be on the next regular meeting agenda.

REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. JOHN BATTEN, MR. JACK SIMPSON, AND MS. WANDA DAVIS AND APPOINTMENT OF MR. CHRIS RICE TO THE RECREATION BOARD:

Mr. Garten stated that the terms of Mr. Stuart Graham (Covington District), Mr. John Batten (Falling Spring District), Mr. Jack Simpson (Clifton Forge East District), and Ms. Wanda Davis (Clifton Forge West District) on the Recreation Board expire June 30, 2020. Terms are for three years and all are eligible for reappointment except for Mr. Graham who has moved to another district.

Mr. Garten commented that Mr. Batten would like to be reappointed.

Ms. Vannorsdall stated that Mr. Simpson would also like to be reappointed.

Mr. Shull commented that Ms. Davis is interested in being reappointed.

Mr. Griffith indicated that Mr. Chris Rice would like to be appointed.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, seconded by Ms. Vannorsdall, that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors that the following individuals be reappointed to the Recreation Board for a term of three years beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023:

John Batten (Falling Spring District), 195 W. Morris Hill Road, Covington
Glen Ray "Jack" Simpson (Clifton Forge East District), 1313 Willow Lane, Clifton Forge
Wanda Davis (Clifton Forge West District), 58 Verge Street, Clifton Forge

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Christopher Rice (Covington District), 216 Dusty Road, Covington be appointed to the Recreation Board for a term of three years beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. ESTON BURGE TO THE SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD:

Mr. Garten stated that the term of Mr. Eston Burge (Falling Spring District) on the Social Services Board expires June 30, 2020. Terms are for four years and Mr. Burge is eligible for reappointment.

On motion of Mr. Garten, seconded by Mr. Bennett, that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors that Mr. Eston E. Burge (Falling Spring District), P.O. Box 1061, Covington, VA 24426 be reappointed to the Social Services Board for a term of four years beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2024.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. JONATHAN LANFORD TO THE NINTH DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT FINANCING BOARD:

Mr. Garten stated that the term of Mr. Jonathan Lanford (County Administrator) on the Ninth District Development Financing Board expires June 30, 2020. Terms are for two years and Mr. Lanford is eligible for reappointment.

On motion of Mr. Nicely, seconded by Ms. Vannorsdall, that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors that Mr. Jonathan A. Lanford (County Administrator), 9212 Winterberry Avenue, Covington, VA 24426 be reappointed as the County's representative on the Ninth District Development Financing Board beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes

G. Matt Garten Yes

REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. JONATHAN LANFORD TO THE ROANOKE VALLEY-ALLEGHANY REGIONAL COMMISSION:

Mr. Garten stated that the term of Mr. Jonathan Lanford (non-elected representative) on the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission expires June 30, 2020. Terms are for three years and Mr. Lanford is eligible for reappointment.

On motion of Mr. Nicely, seconded by Mrs. Cox, that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors that Mr. Jonathan A. Lanford (Non-Elected Representative), 9212 Winterberry Avenue, Covington, VA 24426 be reappointed to the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission and Executive Committee for a term of three years beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023.

Unanimously adopted by the following roll call vote:

Shannon P. Cox	Yes
James M. Griffith	Yes
Cletus W. Nicely	Yes
Richard Lee Shull	Yes
M. Joan Vannorsdall	Yes
Stephen A. Bennett	Yes
G. Matt Garten	Yes

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Lanford gave a report on the following items:

COVID-19

Plans are to reopen this facility to the public on June 10th. Mechanisms will be in place (i.e. signage, barriers, tape, masks, sanitation stations, etc. Some staff will continue to telework for a while.

AHEDC

This Thursday/Friday will be the final relocation of the AHEDC to this building.

CDBG Funds for Small Businesses

A letter of intent was submitted on behalf of the four local governments to DHCD to apply for CDBG funds for small businesses reopening and he hopes to hear from them soon. The County will be the fiscal agent and the Chamber of Commerce will be the conduit. Grants would be up to \$15,000 for qualified small businesses for various uses (i.e. PPE, outside seating, professional services, etc.). We are requesting \$1.6 million and have approximately 106 small businesses that could benefit at the full amount.

FOCUS Program

Previously the Giles County FOCUS program was mentioned and is a blend with the Bridges of Poverty program and the Bridges Gap program. In the Giles County program, 5% of the addresses utilized 60% of all reactive services (DSS, CSB, etc.) with a breakdown to specific neighborhoods/streets. The RV-ARC has been requested to assist us in our own program.

Mr. Garten asked if unemployment benefits will skew numbers for a while. Mr. Lanford replied that some historical data can be used.

Census Update

A handout is at each seat and is a part of the records of this meeting. Page 2 of the handout shows low-response rates for areas of the County. It is critically important for people to respond to the Census. People are not willing to share information even though the information is completely confidential. He suggested that the importance of completing the Census be mentioned to citizens as it helps reduce the local burden to support taxpayers.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS (INQUIRIES/REPORTS):

Miscellaneous

Mr. Shull stated that he feels sorry for law enforcement in the United States who are taking the brunt for one fellow officer who went beyond his duty. He sent out prayers to the family of Mr. Floyd and mentioned that it should not have happened to him. He commented that he hopes we can get over this COVID-19 period and get on with life. He thanked Ms. Adcock and Mr. Lanford for the great job they have done on the budget.

Mrs. Cox thanked those who wished to be reappointed. She mentioned that the Census is still looking for people to canvas and pay \$13.50 to \$17.50/hr. with very flexible hours. She commented regarding being thankful to live in this community as Lynchburg, Roanoke, and Richmond are having issues and the local law enforcement needs to be praised as we pray for the whole country and nation.

Ms. Vannorsdall gave an update on the following: Arts & Crafts Center and Amphitheatre reopening on June 10th; Clifton Forge School of the Arts working on Phase II reopening and have a small shop inside creating sneeze shields; businesses in Clifton Forge slowly reopening; Clifton Forge Library stayed open the entire time with curbside delivery of books and kids using wifi outside everyday doing homework; Clifton Forge is working on how to sanitize conditions at parks; etc.

Mr. Bennett stated that early on with COVID-19 it was said that we are at war. He mentioned that if we just wear masks and gloves and sanitize then we can win this war.

Mr. Garten commented that they had a good Task Force call today where it was mentioned that cases are down to 5 active which is way down. He stated that Phase 2 reopenings begin Friday for much needed businesses. He mentioned that prayers are needed all over the country.

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion of Mr. Nicely, seconded by Mr. Bennett, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried.

G. Matt Garten
Chairman