

VIRGINIA: A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD IN THE GENERAL DISTRICT COURTROOM OF THE SURRY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2015 AT 7:00P.M.

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR JUDY S. LYTTLE, CHAIR
 SUPERVISOR JOHN M. SEWARD, VICE-CHAIR
 SUPERVISOR ERNEST L. BLOUNT
 SUPERVISOR KENNETH R. HOLMES
 SUPERVISOR GIRON R. WOODEN, SR.

ALSO

PRESENT: MR. TYRONE W. FRANKLIN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
 MR. WILLIAM HEFTY, HEFTY & WILEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY
 MS. TERRI HALE, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
 MR. ERVIN JONES, DIRECTOR, PARKS & RECREATION
 MRS. VALERIE PIERCE, DIRECTOR, SOCIAL SERVICES
 MS. RHONDA RUSSELL, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING
 MR. GLENN SLADE, VCE AGRICULTURAL AGENT
 MS. GAIL CLAYTON, CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 MRS. DEBBIE NEE, COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE
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CALL TO ORDER/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lyttle who then asked for a moment of silence. Following the moment of silence, she asked those present to stand and say the pledge of allegiance.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of November 5, 2015 Minutes, Board of Supervisors
2. Approval of December 2015 Accounts Payable:

	Accounts Payable	Additional	Total
General Fund	\$65,908.91	\$200,230.20	\$266,139.11
Debt Service	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Capital	\$65,843.24	\$478,440.91	\$544,284.15
Water & Sewer	\$37,356.12	\$84.42	\$37,440.54
CSA	\$11,412.00	\$0.00	\$11,412.00
Indoor Plumbing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Juror Payments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	\$180,520.27	\$678,755.53	\$859,275.80

3. Appropriation Requests:

School System - December 2015	Instruction	\$1,050,233.00
	Admin./Health	\$76,289.00
	Pupil Transp.	\$84,558.00
	Operation/Maint.	\$95,016.00
	Food Serv.	\$44,066.00
	Debt Service	\$0.00
	Capital Projects	\$0.00
	Technology	\$47,192.00
	Total	\$1,397,354.00
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Dept. of Social Serv. - December 2015	\$150,000.00	

Supervisor Blount made a motion that the Board approve the Consent Items as enumerated. Supervisor Seward seconded the motion. Supervisors Lyttle, Blount, Homes, Wooden and Seward voted affirmatively to approve the motion.

PROGRESS REPORTS

1. VDOT

No Report.

2. Treasurer

A. Investment Letter

Chairperson Lyttle read the Investment Letter provided by Mary H. Shaw, Treasurer, which stated that at the November 5, 2015 meeting, it was reported that the balance in the LGIP Fund was \$9,677,876.87. Since that report, accrued interest for October, 2015 in the amount of \$1,535.14 had increased that balance to \$9,679,412.01. Since the last report, \$1,000,000.00 was transferred from LGIP to the General Fund leaving a balance in the LGIP of \$8,679,412.01. As of December 3, 2015 the County had \$9,187,346.59 in total investments, including one CD valued at \$507,934.58 which matures on January 18, 2016.

3. County Administration

A. Presentation; The Improvement Association

Representatives for the Improvement Association were accompanied by some of the students of the Surry Head Start program in making a holiday presentation to the Board. The children sang several holiday selections for the Board and audience.

B. Project Updates & Award of Contract

Mr. Brian Camden, Project Manager, addressed the Board to provide an update on County projects. Mr. Camden informed that the Surry County Visitors Center project was complete with punch list items being addressed. The building is ready for occupancy.

Mr. Camden further informed that the Gray's Creek Marina project had not progressed satisfactorily since his last report, although most of the interior work was being completed. Exterior siding and decking have been delayed although a new subcontractor will be engaged during the next week. Tenants have requested an addition to the structure to house a new cooler and freezer and to create a small "office space". Completion of the marina restaurant is now anticipated after the first of the new year.

Mr. Camden stated that work on the new water well and sewer force main serving the marina complex was progressing satisfactorily; that concrete holding tanks and pump chambers were installed. The pre-fabricated well building is expected to be delivered next week. Work on this project will continue over the next few months, but is not expected delay the opening of the restaurant.

Mr. Camden further informed that engineering design work on the Town of Dendron's new water system is progressing on schedule with horizontal and vertical layout of all water mains about 75% completed. The revised preliminary engineering review will be formally submitted to the County Administrator by December 11, 2015 and a full report of current findings presented to the Surry County Board of Supervisors at their February, 2016 meeting.

C. Presentation: Review of the 2007 Fire and Emergency Medical Services Study and the County's Fire/EMS Capital Planning Processes

Mr. Franklin informed that Mr. John Anzivino, Senior Vice President of Springsted Incorporated, was unable to attend the meeting and requested that the Board table this item with the intention of rescheduling at their January, 2016 meeting.

Supervisor Wooden made a motion that the Board reschedule the presentation to the January 7, 2016 agenda. Supervisor Holmes seconded the motion which received unanimous approval.

D. Presentation: Virginia Cooperative Extension

Mr. Glenn Slade, VCE Agricultural Agent addressed the Board to request that they consider an appeal to Governor McAuliffe to have Surry County designated as a crop disaster area for soybean producers. Mr. Slade explained that excessive rainfall in September

and October adversely affected the local soybean crop resulting in a 30% loss of production. Mr. Slade further informed that the County had experienced good corn production and satisfactory production of peanut and cotton crops in 2015. He also stated that Isle of Wight had requested the same crop disaster designation.

Supervisor Holmes made a motion that the Board authorize a letter of appeal to Governor McAuliffe to request that Surry County be designated as a crop disaster area. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Wooden and was passed with unanimous support.

E. Resolution 2015-15 Recognizing Sheriff Clayton upon his Retirement

Mr. Franklin asked the Board to consider Resolution 2015-15 recognizing Sheriff Alvin W. Clayton, Sr. on the occasion of his retirement from Surry County which will be effective on December 31, 2015. He informed that Sheriff Clayton has served the County for 34 years as Deputy, Sergeant and Sheriff.

Additionally, Mr. Franklin requested that the Board allow both Sheriff Clayton and Sgt. Michael U. Bailey to purchase their service weapons upon their retirement from the Sheriff's Office under the Code of Virginia, Section §59.1-148.3. The Code allows law enforcement officers with ten or more years of service to purchase their service weapons for \$1.00 upon their retirement.

Supervisor Seward made a motion that the Board approve Resolution 2015-15 recognizing Sheriff Alvin Clayton, Sr. upon this retirement. Supervisor Wooden seconded the motion; Supervisors Lyttle, Blount, Holmes, Seward and Wooden voted affirmatively.

Supervisor Blount donated the \$2.00 which would enable both Sheriff Clayton and Sgt. Bailey to purchase their service weapons. Supervisor Wooden made a motion that the Board allow the purchase of service weapons by retiring officers Clayton and Bailey as per the Code of Virginia. Supervisor Seward seconded the motion which was passed with unanimous approval.

F. Resolution 2015-16 Senior Citizen 90 Years of Age

Mr. Franklin asked the Board to consider approval of Resolution 2015-16 recognizing Mr. James Douglas Charity, Sr. who has reached the age of 90 years.

Supervisor Blount made a motion that the Board approve Resolution 2015-16 recognizing Mr. James D. Charity, Sr. upon his 90th birthday.

Supervisor Seward seconded the motion; the motion was passed with unanimous approval.

G. Resolution 2015-17 Senior Citizen 90 Years of Age

Mr. Franklin asked the Board to consider approval of Resolution 2015-17 recognizing Mrs. Ruby E. Price who has reached the age of 90 years. Mrs. Price was in attendance; she was recognized and congratulated by the Board.

Supervisor Blount made a motion that the Board approve Resolution 2015-17 recognizing Mrs. Ruby E. Price upon her 90th birthday. Supervisor Seward seconded the motion; the motion was passed with unanimous approval.

H. Request for New Utility Connections in the Town of Dendron

Mr. Franklin informed the Board that he had received two requests for new utility connections within the Town of Dendron. Neither property (Tax Map # 49A2-2-15A and #49-38) is served by a lateral connection. Mr. Franklin stated that the property owners had been informed of their responsibility regarding potential costs for the connections, engineering and construction. Due to limited system capacity in the Town of Dendron, the Surry County Board of Supervisors must determine whether or not these connections can be authorized. Mr. Franklin further informed that capacity was available for both water and sewer hook-ups to the two properties as reported to him by representatives of Sussex Service Authority who manages the systems.

Supervisor Blount made a motion that the Board authorize utility connections to the two properties referenced above in the Town of Dendron. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Wooden; Supervisors Lyttle, Holmes, Seward, Blount and Wooden voted affirmatively.

I. Appointment – Youth Services Citizen Board

Mr. Franklin introduced correspondence from the Surry County Office on Youth requesting that the Board appoint an At-Large member to complete the term of Mrs. Angela Eley, who is no longer able to serve. Mrs. Eley's term is scheduled to expire on September 30, 2017.

Supervisor Seward made a motion that the Board appoint Mr. Nathan Cecil to complete the term of Mrs. Eley which expires on September 30, 2017. Supervisor Wooden seconded the motion which was passed with unanimous approval.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Appointments: Surry County Economic Development Authority

Chairperson Lyttle recommended that the Board reappoint Mrs. Gladys Hardy (Bacon's Castle District) for a term beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2019. Supervisor Seward made the motion as recommended and Supervisor Blount seconded the motion. Supervisors Lyttle, Wooden, Holmes, Seward and Blount voted affirmatively.

NEW BUSINESS

None

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Mike Eggleston (Dendron District) addressed the Board stating that he would like to see more transparency in the Board's agenda package and prompt posting of the approved meeting minutes.

Mayor Yvonne Pierce (Dendron District) addressed the Board to thank Supervisor Blount for his service to the citizens of the Town of Dendron and the Dendron Election District.

There being no further comments from the public, Chairperson Lyttle closed the floor for citizen comments.

Chairperson Lyttle, Supervisor Holmes and Supervisor Seward all expressed their appreciation for Supervisor Blount's leadership and service on the Surry County Board of Supervisors for the last eight years.

Chairperson Lyttle recognized Sheriff-elect, Carlos Turner.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Supervisor Seward made a motion to adjourn. The first meeting of 2016 will take place on Thursday, January 7, 2016 at 7:00pm. Supervisor Wooden seconded the motion; the motion passed with unanimous approval.