

**March 24, 2020**

The Wythe County Board of Supervisors held its regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2020. The location of the meeting was in the Boardroom of the County Administration Building, 340 South Sixth Street, Wytheville, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Brian W. Vaught, Chair

Ryan M. Lawson, Vice Chair

Rolland R. Cook

B.G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.

Coy L. McRoberts

James D. "Jamie" Smith

Stacy A. Terry

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Stephen D. Bear, County Administrator

Scot Farthing, County Attorney

Martha Collins, Administrative Assistant/Clerk

Curtis Crawford, Emergency Services Coordinator

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Deputy Eric Queen

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Vaught determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

County Attorney, Scot Farthing, provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CITIZENS' TIME**

Chair Vaught announced that in accordance with the mandated 10-person rule, this meeting is streaming live on Facebook, and the following comments from citizens will be entered into the official minutes:

1. Library Carpet Replacement Bids – Ms. Mary Thomas, Director of Wythe-Grayson Regional Libraries, submitted the following: "I would like to request that the Board accepts the current bid for the carpeting project at Wythe County Public Library. The Library has been waiting a long time for new carpeting.

Why now? This is an extremely convenient time. The Library is currently closed to the public. If you accept to rebid this project scheduling becomes an issue. The

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project will be pushed into the beginning of Summer Reading. This is the busiest time for the library and a time we would not be able to close for this project. It will be difficult to close the library again, denying services to the public, after being closed for this current situation.

I strongly recommend that the Board of Supervisors does not put this project out to bid again."

2. Library Carpet Replacement Bids – Mr. Barry Catron of Xterior Plus Inc. submitted the following: "On February 21, 2020 a bid was posted for the Wythe/Grayson Library requesting bids for replacing the flooring in the library. Xterior Plus worked for days getting pricing from our suppliers including Mohawk. We are the Mohawk dealer for SWVA and buy direct from the factor, which is located in the United States. Our volume has increased to the point where we have strong purchasing power, receive free shipping on our products and get the best prices available. Xterior Plus is a Wythe County business which employs Wythe County residents. We all pay Wythe County taxes. I feel this is an important point because unlike hiring out of area contractors, the money the Board spends won't leave the County.

After the deadline had passed we were called and thanked for producing a complete bid, references and samples. We included more than was required. We were told at that point that we had the only complete bid that came in, with all the licenses and insurances required.

Time passed and the Coronavirus issue came up. So, I made a call to Stephen Bear once the Library was closed to the public thinking this would be a great time for us to get in and get the job completed. That way when things return to normal the library renovations would be complete and open to the public with the new flooring already installed. I know the Library is very important to many people, my mother in law being one of them.

On March 20, 2020 Stephen Bear called me back and told me that the Board decided that they wanted more bids. I'm not sure how the Board arrived at this decision. You would think the Board would be happy that a local business received the bid and that the winning bid was not the highest. But with the Coronavirus situation we are dealing with, I'm questioning if the bid is being reopened to take advantage of the fact that people will be getting more

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desperate for work. Is the Board looking for a company from out of state to come in and give a cheaper bid? I hope that is not the case.

I have requested the minutes of the Board meeting where they requested more bids with no response. Please understand I love living in Wythe County and don't want to make waves. But I have a responsibility to the people I employ. I need to be able to explain why we don't have a job where we had the only qualifying bid and why we don't have enough work for them to provide for their families. The bidding was conducted in a fair and impartial manner with all businesses given an equal opportunity. I'm asking for the Board of Supervisors to acknowledge the Xterior Plus bid as the winning bid and to move forward with the project."

With no one else wishing to address the Board, Chair Vaught closed Citizens' Time.

#### **PAYMENT OF COUNTY INVOICES**

Supervisor Horney made a motion to pay the invoices for approval on March 24, 2020, for the various departments of County government. The invoices were paid on General Warrants 30106262-30106393 as follows:

#### **EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS March 24, 2020**

<b>CHECK #</b>	<b>ISSUE DATE</b>	<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
30106262	03/10/2020	CRIGGER JODY N	\$ 123.66
30106263	03/10/2020	ELK KNOB INC	296.00
30106264	03/10/2020	GRUBB SHIRLEY S	621.54
30106265	03/10/2020	STEWART ALINA	41.89
30106266	03/10/2020	STIDHAM KAREN E	99.47
30106267	03/10/2020	AGEE JAMES P	1,183.68
30106268	03/10/2020	AGW DEVELOPMENT LC	1,043.20
30106269	03/10/2020	ALSTON NANCY J	37.26
30106270	03/10/2020	BONICORO JOHN ANTHONY	36.00
30106271	03/10/2020	COX FRANK DUANE	29.28
30106272	03/10/2020	CRIGGER JEANNE P	227.88
30106273	03/10/2020	E & E SERVICES, LLC	88.56
30106274	03/10/2020	EVERSOLE EXCAVATING INC	21.60
30106275	03/10/2020	FALLON TIMOTHY OBRIAN	32.02
30106276	03/10/2020	GOOD NEIGHBOR HOMES	54.00

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30106277	03/10/2020	GOTTSCHAMER DAVID T	349.09
30106278	03/10/2020	GOVIN EVELYN S	56.15
30106279	03/10/2020	GRIMES KARLA LYN	97.39
30106280	03/10/2020	GRUBB JAMIE LEANNE	20.00
30106281	03/10/2020	HAMILTON STEPHEN B & JUDI	368.82
30106282	03/10/2020	JARRETT II WILLIAM JACKSO	88.50
30106283	03/10/2020	LEAR JAMES E &	1,136.16
30106284	03/10/2020	LITZ TIMOTHY GALE	19.28
30106285	03/10/2020	MANUEL SUSAN JOHNSON	23.98
30106286	03/10/2020	MANUEL WANDA B	47.95
30106287	03/10/2020	MOORE JEREMY RYAN	30.00
30106288	03/10/2020	MUSICK KELLI LOVINGOOD	66.08
30106289	03/10/2020	NESTER KASEY	27.00
30106290	03/10/2020	PATINO-ANUARIO ROSA YAREL	132.75
30106291	03/10/2020	PORTER CHRISTOPHER TODD	205.74
30106292	03/10/2020	ROARK JOSHUA AARON	16.20
30106293	03/10/2020	ROSENBAUM DAMON ODELL JR	16.20
30106294	03/10/2020	SAIN JAMES J & DEBRA S	64.80
30106295	03/10/2020	SEXTON ANITA F	39.42
30106296	03/10/2020	SHEFFEY RICHARD SCOTT	99.90
30106297	03/10/2020	SHEFFEY ROBERT SAWYER	20.00
30106298	03/10/2020	SHORT RAYMOND L	35.10
30106299	03/10/2020	SMITH KELSEY RAY	20.00
30106300	03/10/2020	SNOW ROGER DALE	30.78
30106301	03/10/2020	SOKOLICH TAMMY COULSON	40.00
30106302	03/10/2020	SPURLOCK DAVID WAYNE	20.00
30106303	03/10/2020	STROUPE ROGER D & DEBORAH	70.20
30106304	03/10/2020	THOMAS ZACHERY SHANE	15.20
30106305	03/10/2020	TOMIAK JULIA ANN	15.66
30106306	03/10/2020	TOPHAM TAM D	63.10
30106307	03/10/2020	TWEEDIE TRAVIS	269.90
30106308	03/10/2020	WILLARD MARY K	9.72
30106309	03/10/2020	WRIGHT JAMES SCOTT	23.22
30106310	03/10/2020	WRIGHT STEPHEN DEREK	10.24
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES 03/10/2020</b>			<b>\$ 7,484.57</b>
30106311	03/17/2020	APPALACHIAN POWER	\$ 32,368.57
30106312	03/17/2020	CENTURYLINK	62.90
30106313	03/17/2020	CENTURYLINK	116.31

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30106314	03/17/2020	CENTURYLINK	312.61
30106315	03/17/2020	ENTERPRISE FM TRUST	6,267.37
30106316	03/17/2020	SHENTEL	68.37
30106317	03/17/2020	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	69.36

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**TOTAL EXPENDITURES 03/17/2020** **\$39,265.49**

30106318	03/24/2020	DOOR SERVICES CORPORATION	\$ 1,749.86
30106319	03/24/2020	AKERS, KAREN L.	8.86
30106320	03/24/2020	ANCHOR SALES AND SERVICE,	1,849.00
30106321	03/24/2020	APPALACHIAN POWER	1,514.03
30106322	03/24/2020	APPALACHIAN POWER	63,946.00
30106323	03/24/2020	ATLANTIC EMERGENCY SOLUTI	412,117.00
30106324	03/24/2020	BLUE RIDGE AUTO PARTS INC	281.90
30106325	03/24/2020	BROWN EXTERMINATING CO	75.00
30106326	03/24/2020	BSN SPORTS INC	843.10
30106327	03/24/2020	CARILION HEALTHCARE CORP	240.00
30106328	03/24/2020	CAVALIER SUPPLY CO	1,073.55
30106329	03/24/2020	CENTURYLINK	39.98
30106330	03/24/2020	CHOICE COMPUTER CENTER, I	2,206.00
30106331	03/24/2020	CREATIVE GLASS INC	34.00
30106332	03/24/2020	CSG SYSTEMS, INC	1,672.88
30106333	03/24/2020	DALTON, BRADLEY G	39.37
30106334	03/24/2020	DEPT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	2,685.00
30106335	03/24/2020	DIRECT DODGE	1,538.35
30106336	03/24/2020	DUNAGAN, KEITH	286.82
30106337	03/24/2020	EAST COAST EMERGENCY VEHI	923.50
30106338	03/24/2020	ESP	1,801.63
30106339	03/24/2020	FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER	937.50
30106340	03/24/2020	FARMERS MILLING & SUPPLY	16,853.00
30106341	03/24/2020	FARTHING, SCOT S	4,792.50
30106342	03/24/2020	FASTENAL	31.24
30106343	03/24/2020	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES #5	7,351.66
30106344	03/24/2020	GALLS	1,523.97
30106345	03/24/2020	GRANT, BRUCE M	4,343.59
30106346	03/24/2020	J. KEITH GOINES	64.12
30106347	03/24/2020	KC AUTOMOTIVE	25.00
30106348	03/24/2020	KUSTOM SIGNALS	3,392.00
30106349	03/24/2020	LANTAGNE LEGAL PRINTING	243.60
30106350	03/24/2020	MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVI	21.00

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30106351	03/24/2020	MANSFIELD OIL CO	6,102.68
30106352	03/24/2020	MCI COMM SERVICE	35.61
30106353	03/24/2020	MCI COMM SERVICE	156.86
30106354	03/24/2020	MCI COMM SERVICE	772.65
30106355	03/24/2020	MEADE TRACTOR	61.62
30106356	03/24/2020	MEREDITH'S GARAGE	43.00
30106357	03/24/2020	NEW RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL	136,374.00
30106358	03/24/2020	OC RUGGED LAPTOPS	9,087.00
30106359	03/24/2020	OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDIC	20.00
30106360	03/24/2020	PAPER CLIP	1,876.15
30106361	03/24/2020	PITNEY BOWES	274.65
30106362	03/24/2020	PROFESSIONAL COMM SYSTEMS	4,701.50
30106363	03/24/2020	R&C TOWING & REPAIR CO	370.55
30106364	03/24/2020	R&R ENTERPRISES INC	345.00
30106365	03/24/2020	R. E. MICHEL COMPANY, LLC	129.09
30106366	03/24/2020	RASNAKE, TRACY	75.00
30106367	03/24/2020	RGM ERECTORS INC	32,919.00
30106368	03/24/2020	RURAL RETREAT AUTO PARTS	174.25
30106369	03/24/2020	S&S ENGINEERS INC	2,000.00
30106370	03/24/2020	SHORT, CHRIS	60.20
30106371	03/24/2020	SOUTHWESTERN VA GAS SERVI	1,238.02
30106372	03/24/2020	SPEEDWELL FIRE DEPT	8,424.40
30106373	03/24/2020	STATE ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO	496.75
30106374	03/24/2020	SUPPLY ROOM	16.19
30106375	03/24/2020	TESLA ELECTRIC SERV	650.14
30106376	03/24/2020	TESSCO INC	16,851.70
30106377	03/24/2020	THOMPSON TIRE	1,217.20
30106378	03/24/2020	THREE RIVERS MEDIA CORP	330.00
30106379	03/24/2020	TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE	4,464.92
30106380	03/24/2020	TRI CITIES/SW VA REGIONAL	1,053.00
30106381	03/24/2020	TYLER BUSINESS FORMS	283.60
30106382	03/24/2020	US CELLULAR	971.36
30106383	03/24/2020	V&M RECYCLING	4,300.00
30106384	03/24/2020	VERIZON	69.00
30106385	03/24/2020	VERIZON	32.00
30106386	03/24/2020	VERIZON WIRELESS	1,481.57
30106387	03/24/2020	VIRGINIA BUSINESS SYST	102.36
30106388	03/24/2020	VRPS	306.00
30106389	03/24/2020	WORDSPRINT	75.00

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30106390	03/24/2020	WYTHE TIRE AND MUFFLER	1,167.27
30106391	03/24/2020	WYTHEVILLE OFFICE SUPPLY	237.32
30106392	03/24/2020	XEROX	949.08
30106393	03/24/2020	JOINT IDA	25,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES 03/24/2020</b>			<b>\$799,800.70</b>

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES APPROVED 03/24/2020** **\$846,550.76**

Supervisor Terry seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board was presented with the March 10, 2020 minutes for approval.

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, to approve the March 10, 2020 minutes as presented.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

### APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Bear mentioned there are a few open appointments, but nothing critical at this time.

Supervisor McRoberts reported that Teresa Mabe is resigning at the end of this month from the Lead Mines Rescue Squad ("LMRS") Board and he would like to nominate Cody Jackson in her place.

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Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Cook, to appoint Cody Jackson to the LMRS Board effective April 1, 2020.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

### **GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY**

Supervisor McRoberts stated that it has been customary to give Good Friday off to County employees and he recommends continuing this practice.

Supervisor McRoberts, therefore, made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Terry, to authorize Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> as a holiday for County employees.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

County Treasurer, Lori Guynn, did not appear before the Board due to the 10-person rule. However, she is available to answer any questions or concerns anyone may have regarding information contained in her report.

### **BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

1. Library Replacement Carpet – Supervisor Cook made a motion, as recommended by the Building & Grounds Committee, to reject all bids for the Library carpet replacement and re-advertise the project.



Supervisor Terry said he understood there were three bids received and he would like to know why the Committee is rejecting all of them.

Mr. Bear explained that two of the three bids were incomplete. The Committee's recommendation was to reject all bids and to rebid the project for better competition.

Supervisor Terry replied that three bids seem adequate competition even though two of the three were incomplete.

Chair Vaught added that, due to COVID-19, things have changed dramatically since the Committee met and the library is now closed. He said this would be the perfect time to complete the project and since the one qualified bid came in just under budget (\$45k), perhaps the Board should reconsider the Committee's recommendation.

Vice Chair Lawson commented that putting the work out to bid again may result in saving the taxpayers money, so why not?

Mr. Bear responded that the advantage of doing the work now is that the library is closed for the foreseeable future.

Chair Vaught said that County staff were slated to help move furnishings in the library, but now with the library closed, he asked if library employees can move the furniture.

Mr. Bear believes that most of the library employees should be able to help in that regard.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: None

NAYS:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
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Vice Chair Lawson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, to accept the bid from Xterior Plus Inc. for the library carpet project.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

2. Hay Removal Lease – Supervisor Cook made a motion, as recommended by the Building & Grounds Committee, to amend the ending date for the Hay Removal Lease Agreement with Art Davis to December 31, 2020.

Mr. Bear added that this is at Mr. Davis' request and it will also coincide with the expiration date of the grazing lease.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

### **WATER COMMITTEE**

Supervisor Horney made a motion, as recommended by the Water Committee, to adopt the revised water contract as presented.

Mr. Bear explained that major changes are (1) increase renter deposit from \$75 to \$100 (2) eliminate the need for a new contract after disconnection due to non-payment; this policy has been burdensome; the revision states that the reconnect fee would have to be paid along with payment of outstanding balance to have water turned back on; and (3) charge a \$50 fee if the Water Department has to make a return trip to reconnect (i.e. if resident is not present).

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The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

#### **1. PAYROLL – February 2020:**

General County Fund	\$	570,848.33
Police Activity Fund		71,493.55
Courthouse Security Fund		15,134.55
Water Department Fund		21,497.25
Wythe County Wastewater Fund		23,778.31
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>702,751.99</b>

**Check Numbers:** 20000702-20000723

**Voucher Numbers:** 11109-11469

#### **2. STATUS REPORTS:**

- A. Animal Control – Arlan Dunford
- B. Building Inspection
- C. Central 911 – Darlene Lang
- D. Finance – Bruce Grant
- E. Parks & Recreation – Kevin Williams

#### **3. PERSONNEL:**

- A. Ausmus, David – Transferred to Part-time, 911 Communications, Effective February 9, 2020
- B. Kincer, Rebecca – Hired, Full-time Deputy Clerk, Commissioner of the Revenue Office, Annual Salary \$26,250, Effective February 16, 2020

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- C. Grubb, Karla – Promoted to Lead Dispatcher, 911 Communications, Annual Salary \$32,000, Effective February 16, 2020
- D. Mooney, Carolyn – Hired, Full-time Deputy Treasurer, Treasurer Office, Annual Salary \$26,250, Effective March 2, 2020
- E. Spraker, Timothy – Resigned, Full-time Building Inspector, Effective March 4, 2020

#### 4. **BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

- A. \$2,406.63 (43048-461250) – Auto Claim, 2015 Ford F150, Vin5041

Supervisor Horney seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

#### **FY2020 EXPENDITURE BUDGET & 4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER APPROPRIATIONS**

Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson, to approve the FY20 Expenditure Budget and Fourth Quarter Appropriations as requested.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

#### **JIDA BUDGET AMENDMENT & APPROPRIATION**

Mr. Bear explained we received one grant of \$25k for Vitality Farms and expect another for \$30k from the Tobacco Commission for Seven Sisters Brewery (agreements are

already in place). This just amends and appropriates the amounts so the County can generate a check to JIDA for disbursement in compliance with the agreement.

Supervisor Horney made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, approving to amend and appropriate \$55,000 to the JIDA – Payment for Joint Operations (8107-457010).

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

#### **BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR HVAC**

Mr. Bear explained this request is to cover the installation of UV lights in all of the HVAC units in the County complex. UV lights are used in restaurants and hospitals to combat viruses that would become airborne. Because this will help us fight against the Coronavirus, a new line item has been created to track costs related to the Coronavirus so the County can be reimbursed for these costs.

Supervisor Smith made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Terry, to approve budget transfer request of \$2,844.20 from 43043-461200 repair and maintenance, and \$4,266.30 from 43042-461200 repair and maintenance to 35051-461200 repair and maintenance, for a total of \$7,110.50.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

#### **COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

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Mr. Scot Farthing, County Attorney, stated that he sent the Board a copy of his assignment list that he reviews weekly with the County Administrator. Should anyone have any questions or concerns, please reach out to him.

### **DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY FOR COVID-19**

Chair Vaught commented that he signed this declaration last week and has sent it to the Board for their review and approval.

Mr. Farthing clarified that the County Emergency Operation Plan appoints the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors as the Director of Emergency Management. As such, Chair Vaught has the authority to approve the Declaration of Emergency for COVID-19.

Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson to approve the Declaration of Emergency for COVID-19.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	Coy L. McRoberts
	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

Mr. Bear added that Mr. Crawford, Emergency Services Coordinator, is present to answer any questions the Board may have. Mr. Crawford is also disseminating information to them on a daily basis.

Chair Vaught advised citizens to follow Wythe County's official Facebook page as well as Ready Wythe County's Facebook page for important updates. He said that Mr. Crawford has been sharing updates there from the State and Federal governments, and the Chairman extended his thanks to Mr. Crawford for keeping everyone informed.

### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' TIME**

1. Emergency Services Coordinator – Vice Chair Lawson wanted to take this opportunity to also thank Mr. Crawford for all his hard work, long hours, and sharing of vital information.

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2. Cattle Issue on Peppers Ferry Road – Supervisor Smith received messages regarding Mr. Rambo having not been paid for his services taking care of the cattle issue.

Mr. Bear responded that all we can do is talk to the individual who is responsible for paying that bill.

3. Water/Sewer to Peppers Ferry Road Residents – Supervisor Smith reiterated the need to get water from the area of Coalfield Services down to Ms. Huddle's residence in Max Meadows.
4. Lots Gap Road – Speeding – Supervisor Smith has received several complaints about the speed on this road, on both sides of the mountain as well as on the S-curves on 94 from the high school to St. Paul Church.
5. Grouse Ridge Road – Supervisor Smith reported that construction has finally begun on Grouse Ridge Road and the residents are extremely appreciative. He extended his thanks to Mr. Bear for successfully pushing the paperwork through to make this happen.
6. Local County Emergency – Chair Vaught encouraged everyone to support our local businesses as much as possible to help them get through these challenging times. Only if we work together can we get through this.

He also added that the School Board is continuing to provide lunches on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and that pick-up locations and times are on their Facebook page. The Chair also heard the School Board will likely roll that into their summer feeding program administered through the USDA. Any new information received in that regard will be posted on the County website as well as on Facebook.

Supervisor Terry reported that All Nations Church has established a food bank and if anyone needs food or supplies, they should contact the church.

### **RECESS**

The Board recessed until Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. for a budget work session.

### **RECONVENE**

The Board reconvened on Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Brian W. Vaught, Chair  
Ryan M. Lawson, Vice Chair (arrived late)  
Rolland R. Cook  
B.G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.

Coy L. McRoberts  
James D. "Jamie" Smith  
Stacy A. Terry

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Stephen D. Bear, County Administrator

**BUDGET WORK SESSION**

The Board met with County departments and outside agencies for presentation of Fiscal Year 21 Budget funding requests.

**RECESS**

The Board recessed until Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. for a budget work session.

**RECONVENE**

The Board reconvened on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Brian W. Vaught, Chair  
Ryan M. Lawson, Vice Chair  
Rolland R. Cook  
B.G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.

Coy L. McRoberts  
James D. "Jamie" Smith  
Stacy A. Terry

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Stephen D. Bear, County Administrator  
Martha Collins, Administrative Assistant/Clerk  
David Suthers, IT Coordinator  
Todd Catron, IT Specialist

**BUDGET WORK SESSION**

The Board met to review and discuss Fiscal Year 21 Budget funding requests.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business to come before the Board, Chair Vaught adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:00 p.m.

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Brian W. Vaught, Chair