

**November 23, 2021**

The Wythe County Board of Supervisors held its regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 23, 2021. 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

Martha Collins, Administrative Assistant/Clerk

Scot Farthing, County Attorney

Matthew C. Hankins, Assistant County Administrator

Regina Williams, Finance Director

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Barry Ayers

Kim Ayers

Alexander Church and Marissa Todd

Louise Ferguson and two others

Charlie Foster

John Langham

Linda Meyer

Zach Wright

and one or two others

**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**

The Rev. Dr. John Langham, Wytheville Presbyterian Church, provided the invocation and Supervisor Cook led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CITIZENS' TIME**

Chair Vaught inquired if anyone present wished to address the Board.

1. Joint Meeting With School Board – Ms. Linda Meyer appeared before the Board and stated "Gentlemen, you're having a meeting next week with the School Board. I was wondering if that was open to the public and will it be here?"

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Chair Vaught responded that the meeting will be held here in the Boardroom and it is open to the public.

Ms. Meyer continued "In regard to that, I was wondering if you have seen my letter that I sent to the newspaper concerning ... I wish to address that with them. We've been going around in circles since August about these porn books that are in our public school system and I've done everything that they've asked me to do. Every time I go back to them, they want more forms, they want it to go to all over the place. So anyway, I've done that and so on, but we need some, not more direction, but we need this acted upon to get these books out of our public school system. So, I'd appreciate it if you put that on your agenda for your joint meeting next week. Thank you."

With no one else signed up to address the Board, the Chair closed Citizens' Time.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING – SUPERVISORS' DISTRICT & VOTING PRECINCT ORDINANCE**

Chair Vaught read the following "In compliance with the Code of Virginia of 1950, and amendments thereto, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing to consider reenactment of the Ordinance titled, "Supervisors District & Voting Precinct Ordinance of Wythe County, Virginia." The Board of Supervisors shall hear comments from citizens concerning the reenactment of this ordinance. The reenactment of this ordinance will not change the existing supervisor districts but updates the ordinance in accordance with the latest census.

The public hearing shall be held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, at 6:05 p.m. in the Board Room of the Wythe County Administration Building, 340 South Sixth Street, Wytheville, Virginia.

A copy of the proposed reenacted ordinance may be found online at [www.wytheco.org](http://www.wytheco.org) or at the County Administrator's Office, 340 South Sixth Street, Wytheville, Virginia for public review.

Mr. Bear thanked the County Attorney for his help drafting this ordinance. According to the last census, there is an overall decrease in population; however, all of our districts stayed within the plus/minus 5% range of an ideal district population. The proposal presented tonight is to create the Supervisors Districts for the next decade which will follow the same lines they are currently. Senate and Delegate seats are drawn out (same as current lines) and will eliminate any need for a split precinct for the next ten years.

The Chair opened the public hearing for comment.

Ms. Linda Meyer appeared before the Board and stated "I'd like you to hold off on this, gentlemen. As you know, I'm a poll watcher and I'm there and I speak to a lot of people and this just happened to come from meeting with people. We have some peripheries in our districts. There are some friends of mine that live over on Cedar Springs Road, their house number is 1444; they're less than two miles from the Rural Retreat Community Center. But they have to go to Speedwell to vote, and the people directly across the street from them vote at the Community Center. And then we have people that live – in fact, it's the last house, the Moore family, before the, in Cripple Creek, at the end just before the National Forest, they have to go to Sheffey to vote. And so, people in that enclave, we don't want to disenfranchise everybody; we'd like to make it as accessible as possible but for somebody to go 20 miles in the other direction, all over the countryside to vote where they could just zip over as they normally do to Speedwell and vote. So, we need people to look at addresses and actually find out where some of these people are going and make it easier for them. The people on Cedar Springs Road, the people at the other end of Cripple Creek and so on. So, if you could bring this up with Lennon Counts or if there's a committee or whatever, to do some door-knocking because I'm sure there are people that did not see, don't get the newspaper, didn't see this in the newspaper, and have no knowledge that they could perhaps change their voting district just to make it more accessible to them, closer and so on and so forth. So, I would hope you could address that in the future and make sure everybody can get out and vote easily. Thank you so much."

With no other citizens signed up to speak, the Chair closed the public comment section of the hearing.

Supervisor Horney asked if the ordinance presented contains current language. He thought the Speedwell District moved closer into Ivanhoe.

Mr. Farthing indicated the verbiage is current and that the only thing that has changed are the numbers in each district.

Mr. Bear added that they proposed the public hearing for consideration and comments, and will then put on an upcoming agenda for action.

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**PAYMENT OF COUNTY INVOICES**

Supervisor Horney made a motion to pay the invoices for approval on November 23, 2021, for the various departments of County government. The invoices were paid on General Warrants 30111034-30111227, and one wire transfer, as follows:

**EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
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<b>CHECK #</b>	<b>ISSUE DATE</b>	<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
30111034	11/16/2021	APPALACHIAN POWER	\$ 23,035.93
30111035	11/16/2021	CENTURYLINK	39.98
30111036	11/16/2021	CENTURYLINK	67.87
30111037	11/16/2021	CENTURYLINK	131.59
30111038	11/16/2021	CENTURYLINK	139.00
30111039	11/16/2021	CENTURYLINK	341.10
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES 11/16/2021</b>			<b>\$23,755.47</b>

<b>CHECK #</b>	<b>ISSUE DATE</b>	<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
(wire)	11/23/2021	SUNTRUST	\$ 36,881.92
30111040	11/23/2021	AGA	100.00
30111041	11/23/2021	AKER, CORY A	221.20
30111042	11/23/2021	ALPHA & OMEGA REPAR SERVI	505.94
30111043	11/23/2021	AMAZON	247.73
30111044	11/23/2021	ANDERSON, REVA W	165.00
30111045	11/23/2021	APPALACHIAN JUVENILE COMM	6,300.00
30111046	11/23/2021	ATKINSON, BARBARA R	165.00
30111047	11/23/2021	BARREN SPRINGS VOL FIRE D	330.99
30111048	11/23/2021	BEAT, STEPHEN	217.09
30111049	11/23/2021	BRIDGERS, JOANN	165.00
30111050	11/23/2021	BROWN EXTERMINATING CO	375.00
30111051	11/23/2021	BUSINESS CARD	2,829.87
30111052	11/23/2021	CARILION HEALTHCARE CORP	60.00
30111053	11/23/2021	CASSELL, MARY B	200.00
30111054	11/23/2021	CATRON, G W	176.94
30111055	11/23/2021	FOSTER, CHARLES W	89.89
30111056	11/23/2021	CITIZENS TELEPHONE COOP	311.32
30111057	11/23/2021	CLINE, DEBRA B	165.00
30111058	11/23/2021	CLIPPARD, EURAL D	247.50

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30111059	11/23/2021	COEN, JAMES	330.00
30111060	11/23/2021	COLLINS AUTO REPAIR INC	20.00
30111061	11/23/2021	COMMONWEALTH DOCUMENT MGT	252.00
30111062	11/23/2021	COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERING	2,051.14
30111063	11/23/2021	COMPLETE TOWING & RECOVER	597.29
30111064	11/23/2021	COMPLETE TRUCK SERVICE IN	5,498.27
30111065	11/23/2021	COPENHAVER, JANET F	239.12
30111066	11/23/2021	CREATIVE GLASS INC	1,875.00
30111067	11/23/2021	CSG SYSTEMS, INC	1,836.17
30111068	11/23/2021	DISHON, PATRICIA TICKLE	165.00
30111069	11/23/2021	DUNFORD, JEAN R	247.50
30111070	11/23/2021	EAST COAST EMERGENCY VEHI	1,724.57
30111071	11/23/2021	EDMONDS, BETTY F	165.00
30111072	11/23/2021	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWA	2,808.70
30111073	11/23/2021	ENTERPRISE FM TRUST	6,385.85
30111074	11/23/2021	ESP	655.17
30111075	11/23/2021	FARTHING, SCOT S	3,212.50
30111076	11/23/2021	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES #5	6,661.62
30111077	11/23/2021	GAYLORD BROS INC	48.58
30111078	11/23/2021	GEARHART, JAMES D	165.00
30111079	11/23/2021	GENUINE PARTS COMPANY	258.86
30111080	11/23/2021	GORDON, BETTY	200.00
30111081	11/23/2021	HARRIS, KAREN G	210.00
30111082	11/23/2021	HEYWARD INCORPORATED OF V	405.20
30111083	11/23/2021	HICOK, BROWN & COMPANY, I	21,500.00
30111084	11/23/2021	HIGH TIDE TECHNOLOGIES	660.00
30111085	11/23/2021	HORNEY, B GENE JR	90.72
30111086	11/23/2021	INNOCORP LTD	3,672.90
30111087	11/23/2021	JAMESTOWN ADVANCED PRODUC	1,159.00
30111088	11/23/2021	JASON'S AUTO SERVICE	520.00
30111089	11/23/2021	JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE AUTH	83.20
30111090	11/23/2021	JONES, BRANDI	155.00
30111091	11/23/2021	JONES, SANDRA V	222.32
30111092	11/23/2021	JP COOKE CO	27.15
30111093	11/23/2021	LANDSCAPE SUPPLY	2,514.00
30111094	11/23/2021	LESTER, LINDA F	27.44
30111095	11/23/2021	LINDSEY, PATSY D	221.20
30111096	11/23/2021	LITTLE, DANE	165.00
30111097	11/23/2021	LOWE'S	753.34

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30111098	11/23/2021	MATTHEW BENDER & CO INC	231.10
30111099	11/23/2021	MCROBERTS, COY L	107.52
30111100	11/23/2021	MEADE TRACTOR	869.29
30111101	11/23/2021	MEREDITH'S GARAGE	103.00
30111102	11/23/2021	JEFFERY LEE MILLER	2,803.50
30111103	11/23/2021	MONTGOMERY, TERRY	165.00
30111104	11/23/2021	MOUNT ROGERS COMMUNITY SE	41,087.25
30111105	11/23/2021	MUSSER, JEREMIAH	132.96
30111106	11/23/2021	NACO	585.00
30111107	11/23/2021	NEW RIVER REGIONAL WATER	36,707.00
30111108	11/23/2021	NEW RIVER VALLEY JUVENILE	7,750.00
30111109	11/23/2021	NEW RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL	140,814.75
30111110	11/23/2021	NEWBERRY, ALBERT L	165.00
30111111	11/23/2021	OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDIC	80.00
30111112	11/23/2021	ABBIE F. IRVIN	30.00
30111113	11/23/2021	ALLEN D. CRUMMETT	30.00
30111114	11/23/2021	AUDREY R. HAYES	30.00
30111115	11/23/2021	BENNY M. LINEBERRY	30.00
30111116	11/23/2021	BETH COCHRAN	165.00
30111117	11/23/2021	BONNIE G FREEMAN	10.53
30111118	11/23/2021	BRIDGET SPENCER	155.00
30111119	11/23/2021	BYRON M. HENLEY	30.00
30111120	11/23/2021	CALVIN J DUNCAN	79.21
30111121	11/23/2021	CAROL A. AKER	30.00
30111122	11/23/2021	CARRIE M. ANDERSON	30.00
30111123	11/23/2021	CASEY L CARR	49.16
30111124	11/23/2021	CHARLES M. KING	30.00
30111125	11/23/2021	CHARLES W. MARTIN III	30.00
30111126	11/23/2021	CLAY F. AKERS	30.00
30111127	11/23/2021	CONLEY HICKS	30.00
30111128	11/23/2021	CORY VAIGHAN	35.00
30111129	11/23/2021	DANIEL W. HOLBROOK	30.00
30111130	11/23/2021	DAVID B. LYONS	30.00
30111131	11/23/2021	DAVID L. LOWE	30.00
30111132	11/23/2021	DAWSON LLITTLE	165.00
30111133	11/23/2021	DIANA TRIVITTE	165.00
30111134	11/23/2021	DON ALEXANDER	30.00
30111135	11/23/2021	DORCAS W. MABE	30.00
30111136	11/23/2021	EDMOND R. CALHOUN	30.00

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30111137	11/23/2021	ERIC M HICKS	29.61
30111138	11/23/2021	EVAN D. TRENT	30.00
30111139	11/23/2021	EVERGREEN CHURCH	110.00
30111140	11/23/2021	FRANKIE L. DALTON	30.00
30111141	11/23/2021	GRAYSON BOWERS	180.00
30111142	11/23/2021	HELEN KEENE	165.00
30111143	11/23/2021	IMA CAROL S. SHAVER	30.00
30111144	11/23/2021	JACQUELINE CAMPBELL	210.00
30111145	11/23/2021	JAMES E. HARMON	30.00
30111146	11/23/2021	JANE-ERIE S. SHRESTHA	30.00
30111147	11/23/2021	JANNIE JONES	265.00
30111148	11/23/2021	JENNIFER D. CROCKETT	30.00
30111149	11/23/2021	JERRY G MILLER	365.00
30111150	11/23/2021	JOEY MABE	30.00
30111151	11/23/2021	JOHN DIX	30.00
30111152	11/23/2021	JOHN MATTHEWS	155.00
30111153	11/23/2021	JONATHAN C. MOXLEY	30.00
30111154	11/23/2021	JOSH FLOYD	165.00
30111155	11/23/2021	KATELYN PLAUGHER	165.00
30111156	11/23/2021	LAURA J. CINTRON	30.00
30111157	11/23/2021	LESA R. GLEASON	30.00
30111158	11/23/2021	LINDA SCANK	30.00
30111159	11/23/2021	LINDSAY E. IRISH	30.00
30111160	11/23/2021	LORI E. DAVIS	30.00
30111161	11/23/2021	LORIE C. WYATT	30.00
30111162	11/23/2021	MARIA I. MARTINEZ	30.00
30111163	11/23/2021	MARIETTA F. MONAHAN	30.00
30111164	11/23/2021	MARY ANN WILLIAMS	165.00
30111165	11/23/2021	MATTHEW FRUSHER	155.00
30111166	11/23/2021	MICHAEL C. SCHENEMAN	30.00
30111167	11/23/2021	MICHAEL W. MILLS	30.00
30111168	11/23/2021	NATHAN L TUCKER	15.22
30111169	11/23/2021	NOLA HILLENBURG	165.00
30111170	11/23/2021	NORA J. NEWMAN	30.00
30111171	11/23/2021	OLIVE A. MARTIN	30.00
30111172	11/23/2021	PATRICIA A. SAYERS	30.00
30111173	11/23/2021	PATRICIA G. ELLER	30.00
30111174	11/23/2021	PATRICIA J. SWINEY	30.00
30111175	11/23/2021	PATTY U HALL	165.00

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30111176	11/23/2021	ROSE J SNOW	6.78
30111177	11/23/2021	ROSE J SNOW	372.06
30111178	11/23/2021	SARA E. MILLER	30.00
30111179	11/23/2021	SCOTT THAVER	165.00
30111180	11/23/2021	SHERRI REPASS	165.00
30111181	11/23/2021	SHERRY J. SHAVERDI	30.00
30111182	11/23/2021	STEPHEN D. REYNOLDS	30.00
30111183	11/23/2021	TABITHA A. FRYE	30.00
30111184	11/23/2021	TARA ADDAIR	30.00
30111185	11/23/2021	TED G. SUTHERLAND	30.00
30111186	11/23/2021	THOMAS CANNOY	30.00
30111187	11/23/2021	THOMAS L. NESTER	30.00
30111188	11/23/2021	VANESSA L. CASSELL	30.00
30111189	11/23/2021	WILLIAM J. JACKSON	30.00
30111190	11/23/2021	ZACHARY W CHARLES	67.35
30111191	11/23/2021	R&R ENTERPRISES INC	785.00
30111192	11/23/2021	REEVES, DEBRA R	165.00
30111193	11/23/2021	SAWYERS, MARTHA A	226.80
30111194	11/23/2021	SHEFFEY, SANDRA M	165.00
30111195	11/23/2021	SMITH, JAMIE	27.89
30111196	11/23/2021	SMYTHERS-STITT, ANNA E	210.00
30111197	11/23/2021	SOUTHERN REFRIGERATION CO	130.94
30111198	11/23/2021	SOUTHWESTERN EQUIPMENT	180.00
30111199	11/23/2021	SOUTHWESTERN VA GAS SERVI	385.61
30111200	11/23/2021	STRAIGHT ARROW TRANSMISSI	529.45
30111201	11/23/2021	TACS	5,191.60
30111202	11/23/2021	TESLA ELECTRIC SERV	892.64
30111203	11/23/2021	TESSCO INC	25.00
30111204	11/23/2021	THOMPSON TIRE	1,385.23
30111205	11/23/2021	TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE	8,811.06
30111206	11/23/2021	TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE	148.08
30111207	11/23/2021	TRANSUNION RISK & ALTERNA	75.00
30111208	11/23/2021	TREASURER OF WYTHE COUNTY	206.86
30111209	11/23/2021	TRI-CITIES / SOUTHWEST RE	268.60
30111210	11/23/2021	UNIFIRST CORP	110.43
30111211	11/23/2021	USA BLUE BOOK	1,124.20
30111212	11/23/2021	V&M RECYCLING	8,603.87
30111213	11/23/2021	VAUGHT, BRIAN W	162.50
30111214	11/23/2021	VEST'S SALES & SERVICE IN	1,490.00



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30111215	11/23/2021	VGFOA	100.00
30111216	11/23/2021	VIARS, DAVID G	232.40
30111217	11/23/2021	VIRGINIA BUSINESS SYST	49.71
30111218	11/23/2021	VIRGINIA BUSINESS SYSTEMS	481.74
30111219	11/23/2021	VITA	147.35
30111220	11/23/2021	VUPS	67.20
30111221	11/23/2021	WAMPLER EANES APPRAISAL G	36,585.00
30111222	11/23/2021	WATTS, TREND A	165.00
30111223	11/23/2021	WEST END PRECAST	150.00
30111224	11/23/2021	WORDSPRINT	559.00
30111225	11/23/2021	WYTHE TIRE AND MUFFLER	1,779.96
30111226	11/23/2021	WYTHEVILLE OFFICE SUPPLY	821.71
30111227	11/23/2021	XEROX	188.17
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES 11/23/2021</b>			<b>\$427,373.49</b>

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES APPROVED 11/23/2021** **\$451,128.96**

Supervisor Cook 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 MEETING

The Board was presented with the November 9, 2021 minutes for approval.

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson, to approve the November 9, 2021 minutes as presented.

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	

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NAYS: None

### **RESOLUTION 2021-35 ENTERPRISE ZONE APPLICATION**

Mr. Bear referenced the public hearing that took place at the last Board meeting wherein Mr. Matthews presented the proposed changes. This resolution will adopt amendments to the Enterprise Zone boundary as discussed at the hearing.

Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson, to approve Resolution 2021-35 Enterprise Zone Application and local assurances.

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

### **LEAD MINES RESCUE SQUAD ("LMRS") ROCK BOAT**

Mr. Hankins reminded the Board they agreed to fund the rock boat at their last meeting. Approval is requested to amend the FY22 budget and appropriate \$50,387. LMRS will reimburse the County \$14k with money they raised for this purchase.

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, to adopt Resolution Amending the FY22 Wythe County Budget and Appropriating Funds for Lead Mines Rescue Squad Rock Boat as presented.

Mr. Hankins added that Tam Topham was very helpful in getting the price down and allowed us to get a couple of extra options.

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

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**SHERIFF'S REPORT**

Sheriff Charlie Foster said that under State Code if an officer leaves in good standing, they can purchase their service weapon for \$1.00. Sheriff Foster would like the former Sheriff's service weapon declared surplus so they can give to him in appreciation.

Supervisor Cook made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, to declare Sheriff Keith Dunagan's service weapon as surplus and to present to him in recognition of his many years of service to Wythe County.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

Sheriff Foster also mentioned that his department recently hosted a "Crocktoberfest" contest in which they raised money for the Logan Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund. The Sheriff was honored to present Supervisor Smith with this money in memory of his son.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

**1. PAYROLL – October 2021:**

General County Fund	\$	730,067.75
Police Activity Fund		64,221.27
Courthouse Security Fund		15,241.40
Water Department Fund		23,727.10
Wythe County Wastewater Fund		25,254.23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>858,511.75</b>

**Check Numbers:** 2001333-2001343; 2001355-2001358

**Voucher Numbers:** 18805-19193

**2. STATUS REPORTS:**

- A. Animal Control – Arlan Dunford
- B. Building & Grounds – Billy Bowers
- C. Building Inspection – Kyle Taylor
- D. Engineering – Johnny Kincer
- E. Finance – Regina Williams
- F. Information Technology – Todd Catron
- G. Parks & Recreation – Kevin Williams

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**3. PERSONNEL:**

- A. Harrington, Tyler A. – Hired, Full-time PAF Funded Deputy, Sheriff’s Office, Annual Salary \$35,148, Effective October 15, 2021
- B. Vaughan, Cory – Resigned, Full-time Deputy, Sheriff’s Office, Effective October 29, 2021
- C. Doyle, Tamara K. – Hired, Full-time Consolidated Dispatch, Annual Salary \$28,000, Effective November 1, 2021
- D. Justus, Alison L. – Hired, Full-time Consolidated Dispatch, Annual Salary \$28,000, Effective November 1, 2021
- E. Quinn, Janet – Hired, Full-time Custodian, Annual Salary \$25,364, Effective November 1, 2021
- F. Ramsey, Taylor J. L. – Hired, Full-time PAF Funded Deputy, Sheriff’s Office, Annual Salary \$35,148, Effective November 1, 2021
- G. Nettleton, Crystal – Hired, Full-time V-STOP, Commonwealth’s Attorney’s Office, Annual Salary \$27,506, Effective November 1, 2021
- H. Cline, Anthony – Promoted, Compensation Board Increase, Sheriff’s Office, Annual Salary \$69,845, Effective November 3, 2021
- I. Thompson, John – Promoted, Sheriff’s Office, Annual Salary \$58,690, Effective November 3, 2021
- J. Dixon, Stacy – Promoted, Sheriff’s Office, Annual Salary \$50,938, Effective November 3, 2021
- K. Jones, Ellis K. – Resigned, Full-time Consolidated Dispatch, Effective November 13, 2021

**4. BUDGET AMENDMENT:**

- A. \$315.00 (3202-457292) – Hazmat Reimbursement

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

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NAYS:           None

#### **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES – MS. KIMBERLY AYERS**

Ms. Kimberly Ayers, Director of the Department of Social Services appeared before the Board to provide an update on their operations.

Ms. Ayers attended the Blue Star groundbreaking ceremony yesterday and was quite impressed. She is very excited to see the project move forward with incredible workforce development opportunities. The Board has spoken about housing development that is needed, and she would like the Board to also consider child care needs for the anticipated community growth.

Ms. Ayers reported that they currently have 41 children in foster care, and have had nine adoptions this year with two pending. Next week, she will be celebrating her 27<sup>th</sup> year serving the Commonwealth of Virginia, starting her career as a Child Protective Services worker here in Wythe County. Suffice it say that she has seen it all over the past 27 years, but sadly, as much as the cases seem the same, she said they are much more complex in nature. Ms. Ayers reported that during the State's fiscal year, they had 631 children involved in Child Protective Service reports for our locality.

Ms. Ayers introduced Ms. Louise Ferguson, DSS Supervisor, to give the Board an update on the last quarter. Ms. Ferguson reported that from August 1 through October 31 (90-day timeframe), DSS had 57 valid referrals, of which 16 were investigations and 41 were assessments. Investigations are typically more serious cases (sex abuse, physical abuse, neglect). Of the 57 referrals, they solicited help from law enforcement on 18 of those referrals resulting in criminal charges being placed against seven of them. Of the 57 referrals, one child went into foster care, 11 were placed with family members, two were non-residents (travelling through). Of the 57 referrals, there were at least 8 parents who were homeless. Ms. Ferguson said they made 19 mental health referrals, 18 substance abuse referrals, and four substance-exposed infants.

They have seven workers on their CPS Team; three are full-time investigators and four are in-home workers (including supervised visits). They currently have 18 family support

cases and 13 ongoing cases. They currently have 11 trained On-Call staff, the most they've ever had.

Vice Chair Lawson thanked Ms. Ferguson on a job well done.

Ms. Ayers added that the pool of trained staff is the best she's seen in a long time. Additionally, they are able to do a better job when they have such great support from law enforcement, the hospital and schools. They all work together as a team.

Chair Vaught commented that sitting on the DSS Board has truly reinforced his decision to go into law enforcement and not social services. He said the public would be shocked if they were privy to the details of a lot of these cases.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer, Lori Guynn, appeared before the Board and reported the following:

1. System Issues – Mrs. Guynn explained that for the past two days, they've been experiencing issues with their system. Thankfully, the IT Department was able to get them operational today.
2. Revenue Statement – Mrs. Guynn reported that the Consolidated Account was comprised of \$63,350,049 of which \$39,046,658 was in the General Fund Account at the end of October.
3. Extended Office Hours – The Treasurer stated that their office will stay open until 6:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday, next week. On Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, they will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and on Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> (tax due date), they will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Guynn said the change in personal property values has made for a difficult situation for her office because certain vehicle values have actually increased. As for the recent reassessments, it won't affect property taxes until next year and that, in itself, will pose a challenge for her office.

The Treasurer said the best time to come in and pay taxes is after 4:00 p.m. or Saturday morning, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Her office has had a better handle on the mail-in tax payments this season.

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Mr. Bear added that he and Mrs. Guynn met last week to further discuss the credit card fees and structure. Information is still being gathered and they hope to present options to the Board at the next meeting.

Mrs. Guynn clarified that when her office processes payments, the bank charges a higher fee for telephone payments due to a higher liability. The bank transaction fee is less if a person comes into the office to pay in person.

### **MOUNT ROGERS HEALTH DISTRICT LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT**

Mr. Bear explained that this document is the annual agreement routinely presented and approved. However, he did recommend the local contribution be changed in paragraph one from \$329,880 to \$329,380 which is the amount that was approved in our budget.

Vice Chair Lawson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Cook, to approve the Mount Rogers Health District Local Government Agreement and local contribution amount of \$329,380.

Chair Vaught asked if rent is included in this amount, and whether a permanent director been appointed yet for our District.

Mr. Bear responded that rent is not included and that notification was recently received of the annual CPI increase; rent falls under a separate agreement. And to the best of Mr. Bear's knowledge, a permanent director has not yet been appointed.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: Stacy A. Terry

### **WATER PROMISSORY NOTE**

Mr. Bear shared a handout with the Board regarding proposed promissory note for water account #101396-00. The account holder has been a non-user of water/sewer and remained current with payments until around 2013-2014. Now, however, the account holder wishes to connect to water and sewer, and are willing to pay the outstanding charges if penalties and interest can be waived. Staff recommend a Promissory Note of

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\$100 per month for the next 12 months and, as long as the customer stays current with their financial obligations, penalties and interest can be waived.

Supervisor Smith made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney, to approve the Water Promissory Note waiving penalties and interest on account #101396-00 provided customer stays current on their payments.

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

**RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT FOR RURAL RETREAT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ("RRVFD") AND SPEEDWELL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ("SVFD")**

Mr. Hankins explained that the PIO is working on Rural Development grants for RRVFD and SVFD and that resolutions are required. The fire departments want to standardize their air packs to match others in the County. The resolutions are as follows:

**RESOLUTION OF GOVERNING BODY OF WYTHE COUNTY / SPEEDWELL FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Governing Body of the Wythe County Board of Supervisors, consisting of seven members in a duly called meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2021, at which a quorum was present **RESOLVED** as follows:

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in order to facilitate obtaining financial assistance from the United states of America, United States Department of Agriculture, and Rural Development, the Speedwell Fire Department, in order to serve the community, the Governing Body does hereby adopt and abide by all covenants contained in the agreements, documents, and forms required by the Government to be executed.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman of the Wythe County Board of Supervisors be authorized to execute on behalf of Speedwell Fire Department



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the above-referenced agreements, documents, and forms, and to execute such other documents including, but not limited to, debt instruments, security instruments, and/or grant agreements as may be required in obtaining the said financial assistance.

This resolution is hereby entered into the permanent minutes of the meetings of this Board.

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Brian W. Vaught, Chairman  
Wythe County Board of Supervisors

**RESOLUTION OF GOVERNING BODY OF  
WYTHE COUNTY / RURAL RETREAT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Governing Body of the Wythe County Board of Supervisors, consisting of seven members in a duly called meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2021, at which a quorum was present **RESOLVED** as follows:

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in order to facilitate obtaining financial assistance from the United states of America, United States Department of Agriculture, and Rural Development, the Rural Retreat Volunteer Fire Department, in order to serve the community, the Governing Body does hereby adopt and abide by all covenants contained in the agreements, documents, and forms required by the Government to be executed.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman of the Wythe County Board of Supervisors be authorized to execute on behalf of Rural Retreat Volunteer Fire Department the above-referenced agreements, documents, and forms, and to execute such other documents including, but not limited to, debt instruments, security instruments, and/or grant agreements as may be required in obtaining the said financial assistance.

This resolution is hereby entered into the permanent minutes of the meetings of this Board.

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Brian W. Vaught, Chairman  
Wythe County Board of Supervisors

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Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney, to approve the Rural Development Resolutions for RRVFD and SVFD as presented.

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

### **PROGRESS PARK CONNECTOR ROAD – LETTER OF SUPPORT**

Mr. Bear said VDOT held a public input session last week, and are now asking us for a letter of support. Three alternatives were considered. It is recommended the Board authorize staff to prepare a letter of support for Alternative Alignment #3 for the Progress Park Connector Road.

The Chair asked if Alternative #3 affects just farm land or does it affect any residences?

Mr. Bear responded that all three alternatives impact one residential area east of Lovers Lane. VDOT is working with the landowner(s) to either buy the remaining corridor or buy the right-of-way. Research uncovered a cemetery in one area that needs to be avoided, as well as the solar area.

Supervisor Smith made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson, to authorize letter of support for the VDOT Connector Road to Progress Park, Alternative Alignment #3.

Supervisor McRoberts asked who the owner is of the solar farm area.

Mr. Bear said that Coyote Springs, LLC (Crowgey family) owns the property.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Brian W. Vaught	James D. "Jamie" Smith
	Rolland R. Cook	Coy L. McRoberts
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry

NAYS: B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.

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**ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

Mr. Hankins highlighted a few items from his report that is included in the Board package, and offered to answer any questions the Board may have:

1. Broadband – Mr. Hankins expects to hear something in the next 30 days on VATI funding. If applications are not approved, there is funding in the Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act.
2. Comprehensive Plan – This is still in process; the Planning Commission has requested adjustments and further consideration.
3. Capital Construction – Mr. Hankins said Lead Mines Rescue Squad will begin with grading, footers and slab work the week after Thanksgiving. Steel building is due to be delivered December 31<sup>st</sup> or thereabouts. Estimated project completion is in late April.
4. Capital Purchasing – Mr. Hankins reported that Ivanhoe pumper tanker should be delivered next week, and the Speedwell pumper tanker, hopefully, will arrive by first of the year.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

1. Preliminary Engineering Agreements – Mr. Bear presented the Board with agreements from Peed & Bortz and Thrasher.

Supervisor Cook made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, to approve the Peed & Bortz PER for the Wastewater Treatment Conveyance System.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney, to approve the Thrasher PER for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

2. Budget Amendment Requests – Mr. Bear said budget amendment requests have been submitted for the following:
  - a. Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, amend and appropriate \$107.00 to 2201-464010.

Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, to amend and appropriate \$107.00 to 2201-464010.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

- b. Speedwell Fire Department, amend and appropriate \$4,624.00 to 32025-461200.

Supervisor Horney made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Cook, to amend and appropriate \$4,624.00 to 32025-461200.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

- c. Ext. Office FY20 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Disbursement, amend and appropriate \$13,776.90 to 8305-430150.

Mr. Bear explained that VA Tech has contacted our Finance Department after they discovered they had not requested their drawdown from the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2020. That money had been carried over to FY21. Mr. Bear confirmed that payment was never made to them and said they are requesting it now.

Chair Vaught asked how the Extension Office operates when this amount of money was never requested? Perhaps they didn't need local funding that badly.

Supervisor Horney made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson, to amend and appropriate \$13,776.90 to 8305-430150.

Mr. Bear explained that the Extension Office will routinely bill us quarterly for their actual expenditures. They recently discovered the oversight and submitted receipts to us requesting payment.

Supervisor Cook asked if this was money they actually spent in 2020.

Mr. Bear responded yes and apparently, they overlooked requesting our local share. They did request quarterly payments in 2021 but not for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2020.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

- d. Sheriff's Office Calendar Proceeds, amend and appropriate \$3,750.00 to 3103-461260.

Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, to amend and appropriate \$3,750.00 to 3103-461260.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rolland R. Cook James D. "Jamie" Smith Coy L. McRoberts	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr. Stacy A. Terry
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NAYS:	None
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ABSTAIN:	Brian W. Vaught	Ryan M. Lawson
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**COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORT – OPIOID RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. Farthing explained that the State of Virginia has worked with the attorneys who filed suit against the drug companies involved in the opioid crisis. There is an MOU of the settlement with all the localities in the State, and we have until January 2<sup>nd</sup> to agree to sign on or reject the settlement. It should be noted that the pool of money shrinks with the localities that do not sign on. Our Counsel recommends agreeing to the settlement agreement and adopt these two resolutions. One resolution is to authorize County Administrator or County Attorney to execute necessary settlement documents; and the second resolution is to approve the MOU for settlement with the four drug companies. There are other drug companies not included in this settlement, two of which are currently in bankruptcy, so there is potential for more money later.

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Chair Vaught commented that he feels confident that Southwest Virginia is being represented fairly, especially in light of Senator Pillion's involvement.

Vice Chair Lawson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Cook, to approve Resolution 2021-36 Approving Wythe County's Participation in the Proposed Settlement of Opioid-Related Claims Against McKesson, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, Janssen, and Their Related Corporate Entities, and Directing the County Attorney or Administrator to Execute the Documents Necessary to Effectuate the County's Participation in the Settlements.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

Supervisor Smith made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Terry, to approve Resolution 2021-37 Approving Wythe County's Participation in the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") and Directing the County Attorney or Administrator to Execute the Documents Necessary to Effectuate the County's Participation in the MOU.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

## **WATER COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. Ft. Chiswell Transmission System Pump Station – Supervisor Horney made a motion, as recommended by the Water Committee, to amend and appropriate \$25,500 to 4401-460525 for repairs to the Fort Chiswell Transmission System pump station.

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

2. Peed & Bortz PER - Route 52 Sewer Project – Supervisor Horney made a motion, as recommended by the Water Committee, allowing staff to update existing PER

with Peed & Bortz and to research funding options for the Route 52, Phase I Sewer Project. The Phase I project has an estimated cost of \$1.6MM.

Mr. Bear referenced the map on page 296 of the Board package that shows different phases of the project. Page 299 shows the details of Phase 1, and Page 301 shows the estimated annual debt service of approximately \$70k.

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

### **SUPERVISORS' REPORTS**

1. Logan Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund – Supervisor Smith, along with his wife, extend their thanks and gratitude to the Sheriff's Department for support of this scholarship fund that will aid students at the Fort Chiswell High School.
2. Dry Hydrant on Rockdale Road – Vice Chair Lawson mentioned that, with the help of Messrs. McCabe and Hankins, work continues on the dry hydrant for resident on Rockdale Road, as they try to identify an appropriate site.
3. Barren Springs Land – Supervisor McRoberts asked if any progress has been made locating land in Barren Springs? Both Messrs. Bear and Hankins have not yet been able to uncover any potential properties but continue to look.
4. Happy Thanksgiving – Supervisor Terry extended his best wishes to all for a happy, safe and blessed Thanksgiving.
5. Blue Star Groundbreaking Ceremony – Chair Vaught also wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, and thanked all who attended the Blue Star Groundbreaking Ceremony yesterday. He extended special thanks to JIDA (David Manley, John Matthews and Jessica DeHart) for orchestrating a fine event.

6. VACo Conference – Chair Vaught said he attended the conference and while not as good as previous years, some good contacts were made.

### **CLOSED MEETING**

Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson, to enter into Closed Meeting under Code of Virginia Section 2.2-3711-A.1, Discussion of Personnel Matters.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

Supervisor Terry made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, to return to open meeting.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

Upon returning to open meeting, Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson, to adopt the following Resolution certifying the business conducted in closed meeting as follows:

### **RESOLUTION CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

**WHEREAS**, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and,

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Wythe County Board of Supervisors that such meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Wythe County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered by the Wythe County Board of Supervisors.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:



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	Rolland R. Cook	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Ryan M. Lawson	Stacy A. Terry
	James D. "Jamie" Smith	

NAYS: None

### **APEX AUTHORITY JOINT MEETING**

The Chair said it appears that the idea of a joint meeting between our two groups seems to be disjointed. He asked if a joint meeting can be confirmed in December or should we wait until after the APEX Authority can produce financial reports?

Mr. Bear said they could meet/review financials in December then meet later on to discuss capital improvements. APEX has not yet drawn down their second quarter allotment. Third quarter appropriations will be done on December 28<sup>th</sup>.

The majority of the Board would like to review the financials before voting on the third quarter appropriation for the APEX.

Mr. Bear advised the APEX Authority that they need to be submitting admissions tax on a monthly basis. In addition, he stressed to them that any capital improvements requested, that they also show the return on investment as support for the request.

Supervisor Cook said that he requested financials from the APEX Office Manager on November 4<sup>th</sup> and has not received anything.

It was agreed that the joint meeting take place after the Board receives the financials.

### **JOINT GOVERNING BODIES MEETING NOVEMBER 29, 2021**

Mr. Bear announced that there is a Joint Governing Bodies meeting on Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Wytheville Meeting Center, and that Josh Lewis will be reporting on the Virginia Industrial Advancement Alliance, as well as a representative from the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino. Mr. Bear would like Mr. Hankins to give an update on Broadband at the meeting, and asked if anyone else has an interest in presenting.

### **JOINT MEETING WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD NOVEMBER 30, 2021**

Mr. Bear confirmed the joint meeting with the School Board will be here on Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**RECESS**

Supervisor Smith made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Terry, to recess until Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. for a Joint Meeting with the Wythe County School Board.

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

**RECONVENE**

The Board reconvened on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 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  
Matthew C. Hankins, Assistant County Administrator  
Regina Williams, Finance Director

**SCHOOL BOARD PRESENT:**

Peggy A. Waggy, Chair  
Ann H. Manley, Vice Chair  
Tonya M. Freeman  
Chalmer L. Frye

Don L. Goode  
Lee H. Johnson  
Stephen R. Sage

**SCHOOL BOARD STAFF PRESENT:**

Nicki Blankenship  
Brad Haga

Catrina Hall  
G. Wesley Poole

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Lucas Arnold  
Jim & Dee Ennis  
Alan Freeman  
Steve King

Linda Meyer  
Julia Tomiak  
And 5 other citizens

**CALL TO ORDER**

Both Chair Vaught and Chair Wagy determined that a quorum was present from each of their Boards and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**FY23 BUDGET DISCUSSIONS**

Dr. Wesley Poole, Interim Superintendent, provided the Board of Supervisors with information relating to next year's budget as well as the Scott Memorial Middle School building project.

Dr. Poole briefly commented on the reduced VRS rates that will result in an approximate savings of \$250,000-300,000. He also discussed the local composite index rates. Dr. Poole anticipates an update from the Governor's Office soon with respect to funding from the new administration.

Dr. Poole shared the School Board's FY23 budget request process as well as detailed budget information (current and historical) for each of the schools in the district. Included in Dr. Poole's presentation was a summary of the Wythe County Public Schools FY22 Budget Book.

**SCOTT MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT**

Dr. Poole discussed plans for the building project with the Board of Supervisors, as well as potential funding sources (ESSER). He also presented a debt service analysis, and mentioned that Spiller is next (after Scott) for capital improvements.

Mr. Bear commented on financing/budgeting for the building project, and said that the School Board has a well, laid-out plan. He and Dr. Poole will research/consider various financing options but prefer to do it sooner, rather than later, given the current interest rates.

Supervisor Cook made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Lawson, for the School Board to proceed with plans for the Scott Memorial Middle School building 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	

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NAYS: None

Dr. Poole thanked the Board of Supervisors for doing the right thing for the students and families in our County, and said the students are the future of this community.

Chair Vaught appreciated the presentation and information provided by Dr. Poole, and congratulated him on his appointment as Interim Superintendent.

Supervisor McRoberts thanked the School Board for their great work and commitment, and hopes they will continue to do the best for our kids.

Chair Vaught commented that Mr. Sage is retiring and everyone wishes him well.

Mr. Frye thanked Supervisor McRoberts for his commitment and service to both the School Board and Board of Supervisors, and said he has always been a "champion" for the kids in Wythe County.

Vice Chair Manley also thanked Supervisor McRoberts for his commitment. She also expressed heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in the Scott Memorial Middle School project.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business to come before the Boards, both Chair Wagy and Chair Vaught adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:57 p.m.

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Brian W. Vaught, Chair