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The Wythe County Board of Supervisors held its regularly scheduled meeting at 4 p.m., Tuesday, February 9, 2016. The location of the meeting was in the Boardroom of the County Administration Building, 340 South Sixth Street, Wytheville, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair
Joe F. Hale, Vice Chair
Gary M. Houseman
Charlie G. Lester

Steven T. Willis
Coy L. McRoberts
B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.

STAFF PRESENT:

R. Cellel Dalton, County Administrator
Stephen D. Bear, Assistant County Administrator
Martha G. Collins, Administrative Assistant
Jeremy Farley, Public Information Officer
Bill Vaughan, County Engineer

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jimmy Huffard
Doug Hughes
George "Buddy" Johnstone
Bob Litton

Matthew Miller
Cathy Pattison
Jeff Butz

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Reeves determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

APPALACHIAN REGIONAL EXPOSITION CENTER AUTHORITY WORK SESSION

The Board met with members of the Appalachian Regional Exposition Center Authority to discuss funding, design, construction, marketing, and operation of the exposition center, as well as the Authority's role in the project.

RECESS

The Board recessed for a short break at 5:02 p.m.

RECONVENE

The Board reconvened at 5:16 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair
Joe F. Hale, Vice Chair
Gary M. Houseman
Charlie G. Lester

Steven T. Willis
Coy L. McRoberts
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STAFF PRESENT:

R. Cellell Dalton, County Administrator
Stephen D. Bear, Assistant County Administrator
Bruce Grant, Finance Director
Jennifer Druien, Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT:

Keith Dunagan

BUDGET WORK SESSION

The Board reviewed and discussed Police Activity Fund balance data comparing the current year to that of previous years.

The Board also discussed initial budget parameters and goals for the upcoming Fiscal Year 17 Budget.

RECESS

The Board recessed for a short break at 6:44 p.m.

RECONVENE

The Board reconvened at 7:01 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair	Steven T. Willis
Joe F. Hale, Vice Chair	Coy L. McRoberts
Gary M. Houseman	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
Charlie G. Lester	

STAFF PRESENT:

R. Cellell Dalton, County Administrator
Stephen D. Bear, Assistant County Administrator
Martha G. Collins, Administrative Assistant
Bill Vaughan, County Engineer

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bobby Angles	Rick Lindamood
Randy Caudill	Linda Meyer
Eric Gentry	Whitley Yates
Joshua Lewis	One Other Citizen

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Rick Lindamood of the West End United Methodist Church provided the invocation and Chair Reeves led the pledge of allegiance.

CITIZENS' TIME

Chair Reeves welcomed the citizens present at the meeting and inquired if anyone wished to address the Board.

1. Water Ordinance – Randy Caudill of 4346 East Lee Highway in Max Meadows addressed the Board. Mr. Caudill reported that he had a leak in his upstairs toilet while away from his home in December. He explained that he had requested an adjustment to his bill, which was brought before the Water Committee in January. Mr. Caudill noted that the Water Committee denied his request and asked that the Board reconsider the issue. He reviewed leak adjustment policies from several surrounding counties with the Board. Mr. Caudill added that the situation has placed a financial burden on his family.

Chair Reeves referred the issue back to the Water Committee for further review.

Mr. Caudill advised that due to the situation his water had been turned off.

Supervisor Hale questioned if Mr. Caudill had stated when he spoke with him on the phone, that he made an interim payment while the issue was being sent to the Water Committee.

Mr. Caudill stated that he paid what he normally owes, as recommended by the Water Department Secretary.

Chair Reeves asked if Mr. Caudill's water could be turned back on.

Mr. Dalton advised that the water could not be turned back on. He stated that the law is the law. He explained that Mr. Caudill could enter into an agreement to make payments and recommended that Mr. Caudill speak to the Water Secretary in the morning to discuss a payment plan agreement. Mr. Dalton added that the Water Committee would re-review the situation at their February 16 meeting.

Mr. Caudill inquired if the Board would consider revision to the water ordinance to allow an adjustment for this type of situation.

Chair Reeves referred review of the ordinance to the Water Committee.

Supervisor McRoberts requested that Mr. Caudill provide a letter for the Water Committee detailing the financial burden the situation has placed on his family.

2. Governmental Practices – Linda Meyer of 1118 Dry Road in Speedwell addressed the Board. Ms. Meyer reported that a recent newspaper article stated that the State is encouraging effective and efficient government practices. She explained that several counties are publishing their monthly credit card statements online

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for the public to review. Ms. Meyer requested that Wythe County consider publishing this information to help increase the public's confidence in their local government.

3. Somic America – Bobby Angles, Somic America Facilities Manager, addressed the Board. Mr. Angles reported that Somic America is working to expand their Progress Park facility. He explained that Somic America has obtained all of the necessary permits from the Department of Environmental Quality and has submitted all of the appropriate building permit paper work. Mr. Angles noted that Progress Park Covenants require the Board's approval of the site plan for the expansion.

Eric Gentry of Thompson and Litton, engineer for the Somic America expansion project, addressed the Board. Mr. Gentry explained that the project would expand the facility by approximately 50,000 square feet and provide a pad for future expansions of an additional 50,000 square feet. He noted that Section 5.1.1 of the Progress Park Covenant documents state that a site plan must be submitted to the Board for approval. Mr. Gentry reviewed the site plan, landscape maintenance plan, and project specifics with the Board. He noted that light poles 25 feet in height are required in accordance with the Progress Park Covenants. Mr. Gentry advised that the original site plan provided a variance allowing light poles 35 feet in height. He requested that the Board uphold that variance to allow the new light poles to match those presently on the site.

Supervisor Houseman made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney to approve Somic America's site plan for expansion of their Wytheville facility as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Virginia's aCorridor – Joshua Lewis, Executive Director of Virginia's aCorridor, addressed the Board. Mr. Lewis advised that the Virginia's aCorridor is the regional marketing organization for the region including Bland, Grayson, Smyth, Washington, and Wythe Counties, as well as the cities of Bristol and Galax. He noted that the organization's goal is to promote and market the infrastructure of the region.

Chair Reeves requested that Mr. Lewis inform the Board if a prospective business or industry visits Wythe County and finds a desired component missing. He noted that the County would work to add the needed infrastructure if possible.

Mr. Lewis explained that the Virginia's aCorridor has requested that the Virginia Economic Development Partnership inform them why project representatives did not select the sites presented to them. He added that often the information is not known, as it can be a very secretive process.

Chair Reeves noted that any feedback would be beneficial.

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

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Board was presented with the January 26, 2016, minutes for adoption.

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney to approve the January 26, 2016, minutes as presented.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
 Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
 Coy L. McRoberts

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Charlie G. Lester
 Joe F. Hale

PAYMENT OF COUNTY INVOICES

Supervisor Willis made a motion to pay the invoices for approval on February 9, 2016, for the various departments of County government. The invoices were paid on General Warrants 30093746-30093749, 30093751-30093776, and 30093778-30093826 as follows:

**EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT
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CHECK #	ISSUE DATE	VENDOR	TOTAL
30093746	02/01/16	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	\$505.00
30093747	02/01/16	APPALACHIAN POWER	\$1,869.54
30093748	02/01/16	BUSINESS CARD	\$1,850.55
30093749	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$43.58
30093751	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$4,863.47
30093752	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$53.56
30093753	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$227.94
30093754	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$217.32
30093755	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$43.58
30093756	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$115.72
30093757	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$144.11
30093758	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$71.30
30093759	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$61.74

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30093760	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK	\$151.04
30093761	02/01/16	CENTURYLINK LABOR	\$241.13
30093762	02/01/16	SUBURBAN PROPANE-1241	\$1,026.51
30093763	02/01/16	SUBURBAN PROPANE-1241	\$807.41
30093764	02/01/16	TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE	\$3,544.07
30093765	02/01/16	WELLS FARGO CORPORATE TRUST	\$295,146.36
TOTAL CHECK 02/01/16			\$310,983.93

CHECK #	ISSUE DATE	VENDOR	TOTAL
30093766	02/09/16	ALSCO	\$121.97
30093767	02/09/16	APPALACHIAN POWER	\$14,159.86
30093768	02/09/16	ASSOCIATION OF DISTRICT COURT JUDGES	\$60.00
30093769	02/09/16	BARREN SPRINGS VOL FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$703.51
30093770	02/09/16	BKT UNIFORMS	\$441.89
30093771	02/09/16	BLUE RIDGE AUTO PARTS (MM)	\$206.16
30093772	02/09/16	BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH INC	\$1,439.00
30093773	02/09/16	BUILDING AND DESIGN OF VA	\$7,715.00
30093774	02/09/16	CANDLEWOOD SUITES	\$1,620.00
30093775	02/09/16	CARILION HEALTHCARE CORP	\$100.00
30093776	02/09/16	CENTURYLINK	\$107.44
30093778	02/09/16	CITIZENS TELEPHONE COOP	\$720.00
30093779	02/09/16	COMMUNITY ANIMAL CLINIC INC	\$215.85
30093780	02/09/16	COMPLETE TRUCK SERVICE INC	\$927.76
30093781	02/09/16	CREATIVE GLASS INC	\$190.00
30093782	02/09/16	DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES	\$40.00
30093783	02/09/16	EEIS-ELEVATOR EQUIP INSPECT SERVICE	\$375.00
30093784	02/09/16	FASTENAL	\$53.52
30093785	02/09/16	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES	\$1,124.13
30093786	02/09/16	FOOD COUNTRY	\$91.94
30093787	02/09/16	GALLS	\$466.96
30093788	02/09/16	GOPHER SPORT	\$2,026.83
30093789	02/09/16	GRANT, BRUCE M	\$4,074.25
30093790	02/09/16	HORNEY, HAYDEN H	\$378.62
30093791	02/09/16	IVANHOE FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$929.95
30093792	02/09/16	JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY	\$32,461.52
30093793	02/09/16	LANDSCAPE SUPPLY	\$2,610.00
30093794	02/09/16	LEXISNEXIS	\$121.00
30093795	02/09/16	LITTLE B ENTERPRISES INC	\$106,455.48
30093796	02/09/16	LOWE'S	\$1,708.76
30093797	02/09/16	MATTHEW BENDER AND CO INC	\$153.43
30093798	02/09/16	MAX MEADOWS FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$1,908.21
30093799	02/09/16	MEADE CONTRACTING	\$125,619.45
30093800	02/09/16	NEW RIVER REGIONAL WATER AUTH.	\$12,060.03
30093801	02/09/16	NEW RIVER RESOURCE AUTHORITY	\$1,380.91
30093802	02/09/16	NEW RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL JAIL	\$111,002.55
30093803	02/09/16	OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER	\$20.00

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30093804	02/09/16	PROFESSIONAL COMM SYSTEMS LLC	\$2,832.03
30093805	02/09/16	R & R ENTERPRISES INC	\$135.00
30093806	02/09/16	R & R SEPTIC	\$800.00
30093807	02/09/16	SECOM SYSTEMS INC	\$20,177.40
30093808	02/09/16	SIMPLEXGRINNELL	\$732.00
30093809	02/09/16	SOUTHEASTERN SECURITY CONS INC	\$74.00
30093810	02/09/16	SPEEDWELL FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$1,458.33
30093811	02/09/16	STATE ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO	\$825.18
30093812	02/09/16	SUNTRUST	\$36,881.92
30093813	02/09/16	SUPPLY WORKS	\$1,067.45
30093814	02/09/16	SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA	\$1,782.20
30093815	02/09/16	TACS	\$491.20
30093816	02/09/16	THREE RIVERS MEDIA CORP	\$830.00
30093817	02/09/16	TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE	\$528.08
30093818	02/09/16	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC	\$9,360.06
30093819	02/09/16	V & M RECYCLING	\$76,767.67
30093820	02/09/16	VIRGINIA LAWYERS WEEKLY	\$179.50
30093821	02/09/16	VIRGINIA RESOURCES AUTHORITY	\$34,246.78
30093822	02/09/16	VITA	\$239.83
30093823	02/09/16	WYTHE COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER	\$187.00
30093824	02/09/16	WYTHE TIRE AND MUFFLER	\$448.95
30093825	02/09/16	WYTHEVILLE OFFICE SUPPLY	\$1,840.63
30093826	02/09/16	XEROX	\$616.22
TOTAL CHECKS 02/09/16			\$626,292.41

TOTAL EXPENDITURES APPROVED 02/09/16 **\$937,276.34**

Supervisor McRoberts seconded the motion.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Charlie G. Lester B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

WALL OF HONOR CIVIC MONUMENT

The Board reviewed a memorandum from Jacqueline King, Chairperson of the Wall of Honor Committee, recommending the Board's approval of nominees Jack W. Hunley and Daniel B. Gordon for inclusion on the Wall of Honor Civic Monument.

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Supervisor Horney made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Houseman to accept the recommendation of nominees Jack W. Hunley and Daniel B. Gordon for placement on the Wall of Honor Civic Monument.

The motion passed unanimously.

OLIVE BRANCH ATKINS MILL AND RICKEY ROADS WATER PROJECTS

The Board reviewed a letter from Craig Barbrow, Rural Development Area Director, announcing award of search grant funding for completion of preliminary engineering reports for the Olive Branch, Atkins Mill, and Rickey Roads water extension projects.

Chair Reeves inquired when the Speedwell Phase II project would begin.

Mr. Dalton reported that they are currently in the process of compiling the bonding for the project. He noted that bids received were lower than expected, and may allow for extension of the water to Pump Hollow, Stroupe Mountain Road, and Cinnamon Run. Mr. Dalton added that they are working to prepare a package for the additional extension.

KITCHEN WILKINS NIXON ROADS WATER PROJECT

The Board reviewed a letter and supporting information from Scott Bortz, Peed and Bortz Project Engineer, recommending award of the Kitchen, Wilkins, and Nixon Roads waterline project to Little B Enterprises with a low bid of \$369,195.75.

Supervisor Horney made a motion, seconded by Supervisor McRoberts to award the Kitchen, Wilkins, and Nixon Roads waterline project to Little B Enterprises in the amount of \$369,195.75.

Supervisor Hale questioned if the engineer completes background checks on bidders. He noted that the bid received from Little B Enterprises was substantially below the other bids received, as well as the engineer's estimate.

Mr. Dalton advised that Little B Enterprises is currently completing the Castleton Road project for the County. He noted that they are doing an excellent job and would possibly have a deduction at the end of the project.

The motion passed unanimously.

FIRE AND RESCUE COMMITTEE

1. Emergency Vehicle Use – Supervisor Houseman made a motion, as recommended by the Fire and Rescue Committee to adopt Resolution 2016-01, outlining use of emergency vehicles.

**WYTHE COUNTY RESOLUTION 2016-01
EMERGENCY VEHICLE USE**

WHEREAS, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors appreciates the many hours of training and service provided by members of the County’s fire departments and rescue squads; and,

WHEREAS, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors recognizes the need and importance of safe, professional, and efficient operations of County emergency vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors has an Emergency Vehicle Use Policy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wythe County Board of Supervisors assembled this 9th day of February 2016, adopts this resolution certifying the attached Wythe County Emergency Vehicle Use Policy; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution and policy be provided to all fire departments and rescue squads.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Gary M. Houseman	Coy L. McRoberts
	Charlie G. Lester	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Steven T. Willis	Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
	Joe F. Hale	

NAYS: None

CLOSED MEETING – DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL MATTERS AND DISCUSSION OF A PROSPECTIVE BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY

Supervisor Willis made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Hale to enter into Closed Meeting under Section 2.2-3711-A.1 (Discussion of Personnel Matters related to an Appointment) and Section 2.2-3711-A.5 (Discussion of Prospective Business or Industry) of the Code of Virginia.

The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Hale made a motion, seconded by Supervisor McRoberts to return to open meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

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Upon returning to open meeting, Supervisor Willis made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney 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:

AYES:	Gary M. Houseman	Coy L. McRoberts
	Charlie G. Lester	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Steven T. Willis	Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
	Joe F. Hale	

NAYS: None

Supervisor Willis made a motion, seconded by Supervisor McRoberts to authorize the Chair and County Administrator to sign any option and sale agreement documents concerning an unannounced prospective industry.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Gary M. Houseman	Coy L. McRoberts
	Charlie G. Lester	B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
	Steven T. Willis	Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
	Joe F. Hale	

NAYS: None

Supervisor Hale made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Willis to appoint Artie Hall to the Appalachian Regional Exposition Center Authority.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Charlie G. Lester Coy L. McRoberts
 Steven T. Willis B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
 Joe F. Hale Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.

NAYS: Gary M. Houseman

Supervisor Hale requested the preparation of a report detailing the steps necessary for adoption of the maintenance section of the building code. He noted that there are several houses in the Ramsey Mountain Road area that are dilapidated and need to be removed. Supervisor Hale questioned if the maintenance section of the building code would provide the County the tool to address these homes.

Mr. Dalton advised that adoption of the maintenance section would provide a tool to address these homes. He asked if the Board has the will and desire to condemn and tear down houses, with the costs charged to the property owner. Mr. Dalton explained that adoption of the complete maintenance section would require inspection of rental homes, which may not be desirable. He noted that he would contact the County Attorney to determine if only a portion of the maintenance section could be adopted. Mr. Dalton added that he would include the topic on the February 23 Board meeting agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to come before the Board, Chair Reeves adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair