

September 12, 2016

The Wythe County Board of Supervisors held its regularly scheduled meeting at 7 p.m., Monday, September 12, 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. Cellell Dalton, County Administrator
Stephen D. Bear, Assistant County Administrator
Scot Farthing, County Attorney
Martha G. Collins, Administrative Assistant
Bill Vaughan, County Engineer

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jeff Black
Anthony Cline
Art Davis

Regan Davis
Millie Rothrock

CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Chair Reeves determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Jeff Black of the Providence Reformed Presbyterian 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.

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

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Board was presented with the August 23, 2016, minutes for adoption.

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney to approve the August 23, 2016, minutes as presented.

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	

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NAYS: None

PAYMENT OF COUNTY INVOICES

Supervisor Willis made a motion to pay the invoices for approval on September 12, 2016, for the various departments of County government. The invoices were paid on General Warrants 30096385-30096503 as follows:

**EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT
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CHECK NO.	ISSUE DATE	VENDOR	TOTAL
30096385	09/07/16	APPALACHIAN POWER	\$3,461.02
30096386	09/07/16	BUSINESS CARD	\$557.21
30096387	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$45.74
30096388	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$46.99
30096389	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$53.56
30096390	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$73.00
30096391	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$76.67
30096392	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$122.15
30096393	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$147.70
30096394	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$154.33
30096395	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$226.88
30096396	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$244.36
30096397	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$2,379.36
30096398	09/07/16	CENTURY LINK	\$5,000.96
30096399	09/07/16	CITIZENS TELEPHONE COOP	\$720.00
30096400	09/07/16	CLARK GAS AND OIL CO	\$5.50
30096401	09/07/16	LUMOS NETWORKS	\$31.25
30096402	09/07/16	MCI COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE	\$32.40
30096403	09/07/16	MCI COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE	\$81.23
30096404	09/07/16	MCI COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE	\$573.92
30096405	09/07/16	SUBURBAN PROPANE 1241	\$60.00
30096406	09/07/16	SUNTRUST	\$36,881.92
30096407	09/07/16	TOWN OF RURAL RETREAT	\$2,201.64
30096408	09/07/16	TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE	\$4,511.43
30096409	09/07/16	U S CELLULAR	\$64.10
30096410	09/07/16	U S CELLULAR	\$780.77
30096411	09/07/16	VITA	\$148.41
30096412	09/07/16	VITA	\$193.03
TOTAL CHECKS 09/07/16			\$58,875.53

CHECK NO.	ISSUE DATE	VENDOR	TOTAL
30096413	09/12/16	APPALACHIAN POWER	\$11,458.47
30096414	09/12/16	APPALACHIAN POWER	\$10,378.21

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30096415	09/12/16	BEASLEY, VERNON R AND DREAMA G	\$2,500
30096416	09/12/16	BKT UNIFORMS	\$94.98
30096417	09/12/16	BLUE RIDGE AUTO PARTS INC.	\$310.53
30096418	09/12/16	BOB HUFF	\$263.22
30096419	09/12/16	BORING CONTRACTORS	\$319,512.55
30096420	09/12/16	BRENNTAG MID SOUTH INC.	\$937.50
30096421	09/12/16	BROWN EXTERMINATING CO.	\$40.00
30096422	09/12/16	CAR CARE CENTER LLC	\$16.00
30096423	09/12/16	CDW GOVERNMENT INC.	\$9,181.19
30096424	09/12/16	CENTRAL BUILDERS INC.	\$57,424.69
30096425	09/12/16	CENTURY LINK	\$122.07
30096426	09/12/16	COMPLETE TRUCK SERVICE INC.	\$471.99
30096427	09/12/16	CREATIVE GLASS INC.	\$568.80
30096428	09/12/16	CW WARTHEN	\$283.91
30096429	09/12/16	DA OFFICE SOFTWARE	\$4,000.00
30096430	09/12/16	DELL MARKETING LP	\$9,728.40
30096431	09/12/16	DEPARTMENT OF MUSEUMS HERITAGE	\$1,250.00
30096432	09/12/16	DUNAGAN, KEITH	\$513.91
30096433	09/12/16	EMS INC.	\$2,750.00
30096434	09/12/16	EVERBRIDGE INC.	\$10,928.33
30096435	09/12/16	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES	\$3,515.85
30096436	09/12/16	FOWLKES MACHINE CO. INC.	\$51.12
30096437	09/12/16	GRANT, BRUCE M	\$4,074.25
30096438	09/12/16	HARMAN, ANDREW J	\$120.00
30096439	09/12/16	HARPO'S HARDWARE AND BUILDING SUPPLY	\$68.32
30096440	09/12/16	HORNEY, HAYDEN H	\$307.97
30096441	09/12/16	ICC	\$105.00
30096442	09/12/16	JOINT IDA OF WYTHE COUNTY	\$287,500.00
30096443	09/12/16	JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY	\$43,414.80
30096444	09/12/16	KC AUTOMOTIVE	\$134.75
30096445	09/12/16	KING GENERAL CONTRACTORS	\$218,213.52
30096446	09/12/16	KING GENERAL CONTRACTORS	\$6,200.00
30096447	09/12/16	KING MOORE INC.	\$1,166.00
30096448	09/12/16	KMART	\$43.57
30096449	09/12/16	LEAD MINES RESCUE SQUAD	\$9,655.01
30096450	09/12/16	LEXIS NEXIS	\$192.15
30096451	09/12/16	LEXIS NEXIS	\$697.00
30096452	09/12/16	M & W PRINTERS INC	\$7,250.00
30096453	09/12/16	M & W PRINTERS INC	\$8,000.00
30096454	09/12/16	MABE, GERALD E II	\$48.50
30096455	09/12/16	MANSFIELD OIL CO.	\$6,526.89
30096456	09/12/16	MATTHEW BENDER AND CO. INC.	\$69.08
30096457	09/12/16	MEADE CONTRACTING	\$67,953.50
30096458	09/12/16	MILO C COCKERHAM INC.	\$685.60
30096459	09/12/16	NEW RIVER REGIONAL WATER AUTH.	\$14,952.44

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30096460	09/12/16	OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER	\$40.00
30096461	09/12/16	OTIS ELEVATOR CO.	\$10,398.24
30096462	09/12/16	PAPER CLIP	\$475.43
30096463	09/12/16	PEED AND BORTZ LLC	\$10,000.00
30096464	09/12/16	R & C TOWING AND REPAIR CO.	\$338.29
30096465	09/12/16	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	\$2,282.00
30096466	09/12/16	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	\$2,514.00
30096467	09/12/16	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	\$11,572.00
30096468	09/12/16	RURAL RETREAT VOL EMERGENCY SERVICES	\$9,655.01
30096469	09/12/16	SALEM STONE	\$693.23
30096470	09/12/16	SENTRY SERVICES	\$161.40
30096471	09/12/16	SHENTEL	\$65.21
30096472	09/12/16	SOUTHEASTERN SECURITY CONS INC.	\$185.00
30096473	09/12/16	SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA CRIMINAL	\$18,600.00
30096474	09/12/16	SOUTHWESTERN EQUIPMENT	\$517.52
30096475	09/12/16	SOUTHWESTERN VA CODE OFFICIALS ASSOC.	\$25.00
30096476	09/12/16	STATE ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO.	\$67.97
30096477	09/12/16	STEVE'S AUTO SALES AND REPAIR	\$34.99
30096478	09/12/16	THOMPSON TIRE	\$2,387.37
30096479	09/12/16	THRASHER GROUP INC.	\$12,200.00
30096480	09/12/16	THREE RIVERS MEDIA CORP.	\$330.00
30096481	09/12/16	TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY	\$599.99
30096482	09/12/16	TRI COUNTY GLASS INC.	\$295.34
30096483	09/12/16	TWO WAY RADIO	\$25.00
30096484	09/12/16	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC.	\$1,613.79
30096485	09/12/16	UNIFIRST CORP.	\$57.29
30096486	09/12/16	U S CELLULAR	\$812.22
30096487	09/12/16	U S CELLULAR	\$1,089.99
30096488	09/12/16	U S POSTAL SERVICE	\$94.00
30096489	09/12/16	USA BLUE BOOK	\$1,487.49
30096490	09/12/16	V & M RECYCLING	\$65,235.01
30096491	09/12/16	VACORP	\$14,150.00
30096492	09/12/16	VIRGINIA BUSINESS SYSTEMS	\$971.46
30096493	09/12/16	VIRGINIA COURT CLERKS' ASSOCIATION	\$320.00
30096494	09/12/16	VUPS	\$110.19
30096495	09/12/16	WASTE INDUSTRIES	\$1,045.00
30096496	09/12/16	WEATHERING SPRINGS	\$101.88
30096497	09/12/16	WEST END TRAILER SALES	\$144.00
30096498	09/12/16	WYTHE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD	\$9,655.02
30096499	09/12/16	WYTHE COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER	\$288.50
30096500	09/12/16	WYTHE TIRE AND MUFFLER	\$974.93
30096501	09/12/16	WYTHEVILLE OFFICE SUPPLY	\$728.45
30096502	09/12/16	XEROX	\$277.62
TOTAL			\$1,306,299.90

CHECK NO.	ISSUE DATE	VENDOR	TOTAL
30096503	09/12/16	NEW RIVER REGIONAL WATER AUTH.	\$438,153.00
TOTAL			\$438,153.00
TOTAL CHECKS 09/12/16			\$1,744,452.90
TOTAL EXPENDITURES APPROVED 09/12/16			\$1,803,328.43

Supervisor Lester 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

FUTURE APPOINTMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS

The Board reviewed a letter from Nicolas Morris, Virginia Department of Taxation Property Tax Manager, certifying Fred Pearson of Pearson's Appraisal Services as the professional assessor for Wythe County.

Mr. Dalton advised that several appointments would expire in October including that of two Joint Industrial Development Authority members and one Joint Public Service Authority member.

Chair Reeves noted that Wythe County Rescue Squad Board of Directors vacancies also remain to be filled.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN RE-ADOPTION

The Board reviewed Resolution 2016-16 for adoption of the revised Wythe County Emergency Operations Plan as follows:

**RESOLUTION 2016-16
 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors recognizes the need to prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural and manmade disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors has a responsibility to provide for the safety and well-being of its citizens and visitors; and

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WHEREAS, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors has established and appointed a Director and Coordinator of Emergency Management.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Wythe County Board of Supervisors, this Emergency Operations Plan as revised is officially adopted, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Director of Emergency Management, or his/her designee, is tasked and authorized to maintain and revise as necessary this document over the next four (4) year period or until such time be ordered to come before this Board.

Mr. Bear noted that the previously adopted Emergency Operations Plan has been revised to include the addition of the Family Assistance Center Plan Annex.

Supervisor Houseman made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney to approve Resolution 2016-16 for the adoption of the amended Wythe County Emergency Operations Plan as presented.

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Smyth Wythe Airport Commission – Supervisor Hale made a motion, as recommended by the Economic Development Committee to amend and appropriate \$7,467 to the Smyth Wythe Airport Commission.

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

2. Progress Park Grazing Lease – Mr. Dalton noted that the Economic Development Committee reviewed and discussed the Progress Park grazing lease and proposed amendments, including possible modification to an annual year-to-year term.

3. Appalachian Regional Exposition Center Logo – The Board reviewed the proposed Appalachian Regional Exposition Center logo as selected by the Economic Development Committee for approval.

Supervisor Hale made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney to approve the Appalachian Regional Exposition Center logo as presented.

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

MEALS TAX PARITY – CHANGES TO THE CODE OF VIRGINIA

The Board reviewed and discussed a letter and supporting information from Neil Morgan, York County Administrator, outlining York County’s strategy to seek General Assembly approval of changes to Code of Virginia Section 58.1-3833, equalizing meals taxation capabilities for counties, towns, and cities.

Chair Reeves advised that York County is proposing amendment to the Code of Virginia, which would authorize all counties to charge a meals tax up to 8%.

Supervisor Houseman questioned if the Virginia Association of Counties continues to support a tobacco tax.

Mr. Dalton noted that the tobacco tax is included on the Virginia Association of Counties’ legislative agenda as a top priority.

Supervisor Hale discussed a request from Crewe and Blackstone for the distribution of lottery proceeds. He explained that the proposed bill would provide localities with 5% of their local lottery sales, while not impacting the State’s portion. Supervisor Hale noted that this may be a significant option to offset local taxes.

Chair Reeves agreed, but noted that the General Assembly may reduce State funding, as they did with the schools.

Supervisor Hale recommended support of the proposed legislation. He noted that currently there are no restrictions on use of the funds. Supervisor Hale also suggested that Board members work to garner support from other localities for the tobacco tax legislation.

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Chair Reeves reported that the Virginia Association of Counties Region 12 and Region 13 plan to hold a meeting on September 22 in Lebanon at 6 p.m. He noted that the tobacco tax would be a topic of discussion at the meeting. Chair Reeves requested that Board members attend if possible. He added that legislators, as well as representatives from the adjoining counties have been invited to attend.

Following discussion, the Board directed staff to draft resolutions concerning both legislations for consideration at the September 27 Board meeting.

LEAD MINES RESCUE SQUAD ASSISTANCE FUND GRANT

The Board reviewed and discussed a memorandum and corresponding documentation from Stephen Bear, Assistant County Administrator, requesting amendment and appropriation of \$26,651.40 to 32031-470030 for payment of the required 20% Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF) grant match for purchase of an ambulance by the Lead Mines Rescue Squad.

Supervisor Houseman made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Hale to amend and appropriate \$26,651.40 to 32031-470030 – Lead Mines Rescue Squad Motor Vehicles and Equipment.

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

LOCAL OPTION HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN

The Board reviewed and discussed a letter from the Virginia Department of Human Resource Management detailing Senate Bill 364, Local Option Health Insurance Plan.

Following discussion, the Board agreed to submit the non-binding preliminary interest form to obtain additional information related to the Local Option Health Insurance Plan.

TIRE DISPOSAL

Supervisor Houseman noted that he had been contacted by Keith Crigger questioning if the transfer station would no longer accept tires for disposal.

Mr. Dalton advised that the transfer station has never accepted tires. He noted that most commercial businesses contract out the disposal of tires.

Chair Reeves recommended that Mr. Crigger contact other local tire businesses to ask how they dispose of their tires. He inquired if the County has scheduled a hazardous material disposal day.

Mr. Bear reported that a household hazardous material disposal day has been scheduled for September 24, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the transfer station. He noted that they would accept paint, chemicals, computers, televisions, and other similar items. Mr. Bear added that a tire disposal day is planned for October.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Supervisor Hale inquired how long the Virginia Department of Transportation Speedwell maintenance crew would be deployed to Grayson County. He noted that the crew was sent to Grayson County to assist with their maintenance backlog. Supervisor Hale advised that many of the Supervisors have roads in their districts that are in need of work.

Supervisor McRoberts noted that maintenance of Dry Pond Road and Crawford Road was requested several weeks ago, but has yet to be completed. He added that they did scrape Sipe Road.

Chair Reeves reported a water leak on Route 94 south of Lots Gap Road. He noted that there was water in the road on Sunday morning.

Supervisor McRoberts explained that he believes that the water leak was repaired earlier in the day.

CLOSED MEETING – CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL OR BRIEFING BY STAFF

Supervisor Willis made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Lester to enter into Closed Meeting under Section 2.2-3711-A.7 (Consultation with Legal Counsel and/or Briefing by Staff Related to a Legal Matter) of the Code of Virginia.

The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Lester made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney to return to open meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

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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

SCHOOL BOARD REQUEST

Supervisor Hale requested an explanation of the letter from the School Board.

Mr. Dalton explained that the letter is the School Board's official capital improvement funding request.

Chair Reeves noted that funds were not included in the Fiscal Year 17 budget for these capital improvement projects.

The Board agreed to further discuss the issue at the September 27 meeting.

RECESS

The Board recessed at 8:12 p.m. until September 20, 2016, at 7 p.m.

RECONVENE

The Board reconvened on September 20, 2016, at 7:04 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:

Stephen D. Bear, Assistant County Administrator
Martha G. Collins, Administrative Assistant

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BOND ISSUANCE – EXIT 24 WASTEWATER

Chair Reeves announced that, notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Wythe County, Virginia, in compliance with the Code of Virginia and amendments thereto, will hold a public hearing to receive comments related to the proposed issuance of bonds at one time or from time to time by Wythe County. The estimated maximum aggregate amount of the bonds is \$2,103,600. The general purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, and the proposed uses of the proceeds of such bonds, are (a) to finance the cost of extension of the County’s sewer system, including improvements of the area around Interstate 77, Exit 24 in the eastern portion of the County, for which more than ten percent of the total bond proceeds are expected to be used, and (b) to pay the costs of issuing the bonds. The public hearing, which may be continued or adjourned, and at which persons may appear and present their views on the bond issuance, will be held at 7 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on September 20, 2016, before the Board in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 340 South Sixth Street Wytheville, Virginia.

Chair Reeves opened the public hearing and inquired if anyone wished to address the Board concerning the proposed bond issuance.

With no one to address the Board, Chair Reeves closed the public hearing.

Mr. Bear noted that the project would include the Exit 24 wastewater treatment plant, as well as the sewer lines.

Following discussion, Supervisor Houseman made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Hale to adopt the Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of a general obligation bond of Wythe County, Virginia, in the principal amount of \$2,103,600 and providing for the form, details, and payment of the bond.

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

APPALACHIAN REGIONAL EXPOSITION CENTER GRADING BIDS

The Board reviewed a tabulation of the bids received for the grading of the Appalachian Regional Exposition Center site.

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Mr. Bear reported that the bids for the rough grade of the Appalachian Regional Exposition Center site were opened at 2 p.m. He advised that Bakers Construction submitted the apparent low bid in the amount of \$940,285, with Sowers Construction providing the second lowest bid in the amount of \$1,255,000. Mr. Bear noted that the engineer had estimated the rough grading of the site to cost \$1,100,000. He added that the Lane Group is reviewing the bids received and will provide a recommendation for the Board's approval at the September 27 Board meeting.

Supervisor Hale suggested that they work to negotiate the low bid received to reduce the cost of the site grading. He noted several items that could be removed or reduced from the bid including topsoil and stream crossing costs. Supervisor Hale also recommended the preparation of a breakdown of each of the costs associated with the project bid.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to come before the Board, Chair Reeves adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair