

October 07, 2019

A regular monthly meeting of the Russell County Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, October 07, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the Russell County Government Center in Lebanon, Virginia. An executive (closed) session was prior to the meeting at 5:00 pm.

The Clerk called the meeting to order.

Roll Call by the Clerk:

Present:

Tim Lovelace
Lou Wallace
Carl Rhea
David Eaton
Steve Breeding
Harry Ferguson
Rebecca Dye

Lonzo Lester, Clerk
Vicki Porter, Deputy Clerk
Katie Patton, County Attorney

Absent:

None

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Motion made by Harry Ferguson, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to enter into (closed) executive session pursuant to Section 2.2-3712(5) of the Code of Virginia to discuss legal and personnel matters pursuant to 2.2-3712(A), (3), (7) and (8).

The vote was:

Aye: Harry Ferguson, Lou Wallace, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and David Eaton

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Motion made by Steve Breeding second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to return to regular session.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Pursuant to § 2.2-3712(D) of the Code of Virginia 1950, as amended each member of the Board of Supervisors upon the Roll Call certifies that to the best of their knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and (ii) only such public business matters that were identified in the motion(s) by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board of Supervisors.

Any member of the Board of Supervisors who believes that there was a departure from the requirements of clauses (i) and (ii) above shall so state prior to the vote, indicating the substance of the departure that, in his or her judgment, has taken place.

Are there any who believe a departure has taken place? Seeing none, if you agree that the matters heard, discussed or considered during the closed meeting were pursuant only to the motion(s) by which the closed meeting was convened, please signify by saying aye or yes.

Tim Lovelace – AYE
Lou Wallace – AYE
Carl Rhea – AYE
David Eaton – AYE
Rebecca Dye - AYE
Steve Breeding – AYE
Harry Ferguson – AYE

Invocation by Haga (Buck) Statzer, Cedar Creek Baptist Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the agenda as amended.

The vote was:

Aye: Steve Breeding, David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Harry Ferguson and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

Acknowledgements

The Board recognized the All-State achievements of Lebanon High School Baseball, Girl's Basketball and Girl's Softball.

Presentations

Superintendent Greg Brown and Donnie Ramey, Chairman of RCPS announced Russell County Public School's ranking of 12th in the State. Dr. Brown also commented that the RACE Program has been a tremendous success. Mr. Ramey thanked the Board for all their support.

Board Appointments

JOHN MASON AND WAYNE YOUNG RE-APPONED TO THE RUSSELL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Motion made by Harry Ferguson, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to re-appoint John Mason and Wayne Young to the Russell County Planning Commission for (4) four-year terms, said terms ending October 07, 2023.

The vote was:

Aye: Harry Ferguson, Carl Rhea, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Steve Breeding and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

SEVEN MEMBERS OF OAK GROVE COMMUNITY CENTER RE- APPOINTED

Motion made by Tim Lovelace, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to re-appoint Linda Cross, Frances Glovier, Rita Johnson, Tammy Perry, John Perry, Nancy Osborne and Peggy Kegley to the Oak Grove Community Center for (2) two-year terms, said terms ending October 07, 2021.

The vote was:

Aye: Tim Lovelace, Steve Breeding, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, David Eaton, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 09, 2019 MINUTES

Motion made by David Eaton, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the September 09, 2019 minutes and dispense with the reading thereof.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

APPROVAL OF GENERAL COUNTY INVOICES

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve general county invoices in the amount of \$515,205.11, including reoccurring and withholdings.

The vote was:

Aye: Steve Breeding, David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Harry Ferguson and Rebecca Dye

Nay: None

Citizens Comment

The Chair opened citizens comment period.

Ralph Maples, Castlewood asked that the Board help keep the rates low for the water and sewer customers as so many are on a fixed income.

Raymond Deel, commented that his road has no room to pass and would like the County to help out.

The Chair closed citizens comment period.

County Attorney Reports and Requests

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A PIECE OF PROPERTY IN HONAKER

Motion made by David Eaton, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve the purchase of a piece of property in Honaker (1887 Thompson Creek Rd).

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO ADOPT THE PPEA GUIDELINES FOR THE COURTHOUSE PROJECT

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to adopt the PPEA guidelines for the courthouse project.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

AUTHORIZATION TO DRAFT AN RFP FOR CONSULTANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE COURTHOUSE PROJECT

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to authorize the County Administrator and the County Attorney to draft an RFP for consultant management services for the courthouse project.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO APPOINT (2) TWO IDA MEMBERS TO THE COURTHOUSE COMMITTEE

Motion made by David Eaton, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to add (2) two members from the IDA to the courthouse committee.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson
Nay: None

County Administrator Reports and Requests

APPROVAL OF A DROUGHT RELIEF RESOLUTION

Motion made by Tim Lovelace, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a Drought Relief Resolution.

The vote was:

Aye: Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson
Nay: None

APPROVAL OF AN EMERGENCY BURN BAN FOR RUSSELL COUNTY

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second David Eaton and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve an Emergency Burn Ban for Russell County.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson
Nay: None

APPROVAL TO TABLE A VDOT NOTICE OF INTENT TO DISCONTINUE RT. 608 TO DEAD END

Motion made by Steve Breeding, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to table a VDOT Notice of Intent to Discontinue Rt. 608 to dead end.

The vote was:

Aye: Steve Breeding, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Rebecca Dye, David Eaton and Harry Ferguson

APPROVAL OF A VDEM AND DCJS GRANTS

Motion made by David Eaton, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve a Virginia Department of Emergency grant in the amount of \$354,084.12 and a Department of Criminal Justice Services grant in the amount of \$90,000 for the Russell County Sheriff's Department.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson
Nay: None

APPROVAL TO APPROVE A CPROP GRANT APPLICATION

Motion made by David Eaton, second Carl Rhea and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve an IDA request for a Cumberland Plateau Regional Opportunity Program grant application.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Carl Rhea, Lou Wallace, Tim Lovelace, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO MOVE THE CARBO DISPOSAL SITE TO THE CLEVELAND SCHOOL

Motion made by Harry Ferguson, second Steve Breeding and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to relocate the Carbo Disposal Site to the Cleveland School property.

The vote was:

Aye: Harry Ferguson, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and David Eaton

Nay: Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea and Tim Lovelace

APPROVAL OF \$7500 IN EDUCATIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CLINCH VALLEY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Motion made by David Eaton, second Lou Wallace, and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to approve \$7500 for educational funding for the Clinch Valley Soil and Water Conservation District.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, Tim Lovelace, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

Other Matters Presented by the Board

APPROVAL OF THE ADDITION OF A LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER

Motion made by Tim Lovelace, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to add another member to the Library Board of Trustees.

The vote was:

Aye: Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

SHERRY LYTTLE APPOINTED TO THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Motion made by Tim Lovelace, second Lou Wallace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to appoint Sherry Lyttle to the Library Board of Trustees for a (2) two-year term, said term ending October 07, 2021.

The vote was:

Aye: Tim Lovelace, Lou Wallace, Carl Rhea, David Eaton, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

APPROVAL TO ADJOURN

Motion made by David Eaton, second Tim Lovelace and duly approved by the Board of Supervisors to adjourn.

The vote was:

Aye: David Eaton, Tim Lovelace, Carl Rhea, Lou Wallace, Steve Breeding, Rebecca Dye and Harry Ferguson

Nay: None

Clerk of the Board

Chairperson