

## **Board of Supervisors – June 25, 2020 Recessed Meeting**

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The Wise County Board of Supervisors met in a Recessed Meeting on June 25, 2020, @ 6:30 PM in the School Board Education Center located at 628 Lake Street in Wise. The following members were present:

Honorable John T. Schoolcraft, Chairman  
Honorable Steve Bates – Vice-Chairman  
Honorable J. H. Rivers  
Honorable Robert R. Adkins  
Honorable James Lawson  
Honorable Robert E. Robbins, Jr.  
Honorable Bobby Cassell (By Phone)  
Honorable Fred Luntsford (By Phone) – members of said Board and  
Michael W. Hatfield – County Administrator  
Karen T. Mullins – County Attorney  
Annette Underwood – Executive Secretary

### AGENDA

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by Bob Adkins, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING – REZONING – PROPERTY ON AIRPORT ROAD

A public hearing was duly advertised for this date to receive citizens' comments regarding a proposed rezoning of property that adjoins the LP business and Technology Park located on Airport Road to an M-1 District.

There being no public comments, the public hearing was closed.

#### IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING – VARIANCE AND SPECIAL USE PERMIT- ANACOSTIA ROAD

A public hearing was duly advertised for this date to receive citizens' comments regarding a proposed Variance and Special Use Permit for property located at 8542 Anacostia Road, Norton for the purpose of constructing 199 feet, 4 tenant, monopole telecommunications tower.

Dale Hill representing Apex Tower, LLC explained that Apex is leasing property from Joseph A. Brickey at 8542 Anacostia Road in Norton to construct 199 feet, 4 tenant, monopole telecommunications tower. For this application, a tower this height, in an A-RR District, would require setbacks of 184 feet on each side. The required distance from a residential structure is 400 feet. Apex is requesting a variance, on 3 of the 4 sides. A Special Use Permit is required also since this does not meet the specifications for a by-right application.

There being no further public comments, the public hearing was closed.

#### IN RE: RESOLUTION – WISE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL FY 2020/21 BUDGET

A public hearing was held on June 11, 2020 to receive citizens' comments on the proposed Wise County Public Schools FY 2020/21 budget. There was no public opposition to the proposed budget.

A motion was made by J. H. Rivers, seconded by Bob Adkins, to adopt the resolution approving the Wise County Public Schools Fiscal Year 2020/21 budget by expenditure classification/category as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTION #26-2020**

(Said resolution is on file in the County Administrator's Office)

**IN RE: RESOLUTION – WISE COUNTY FY 2020/21 BUDGET**

A public hearing was held on June 25, 2020 to receive citizens' comments regarding the proposed Wise County FY 2020/21 budget. There was no public opposition to the proposed budget.

Several Board members voiced their concerns regarding the County's future with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and the impact this could have on the County's budget. It was also noted that the County's channel 19 needs to be used more to promote the County regarding tourism, recreational activities, etc., and as a safe place to live.

County Administrator Hatfield stated that a freeze has been put in place with no spending unless approved by the County Administrator or the Finance Director. Regarding channel 19, County staff will be operating channel 19 to promote our region.

A motion was made by Bob Adkins, seconded by Steve Bates, to adopt the resolution approving the County's FY 2020/21 budget as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTION #27 – 2020**

(Said resolution is on file in the County Administrator's Office)

**IN RE: REZONING OF PROPERTY – AIRPORT ROAD**

A public hearing was held on June 25, 2020 to receive citizens' input regarding a proposed rezoning of property that adjoins the LP Business and Technology Park located on Airport Road to an M-1 District. There was no public opposition to the proposed rezoning.

A motion was made by J. H. Rivers, seconded by Robby Robbins, to approve the rezoning request from the IDA to rezone property that adjoins the LP Business and Technology Park to an M-1 District for the purpose of providing more area in the Tech Park for new economic development and potential for more employment. The motion was unanimously approved.

**IN RE: SPECIAL USE PERMIT AND VARIANCE – TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER - ANACOSTIA ROAD**

A public hearing was held on June 25, 2020 to receive citizens' comments regarding a proposed Variance and Special Use Permit for property located at 8542 Anacostia Road for construction of a monopole telecommunications tower. There was no public opposition to the proposed Variance and Special Use Permit.

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by Bob Adkins, to approve the request from Apex Towers, LLC for a Variance and Special Use Permit for property located at 8542 Anacostia Road, Norton for the purpose of constructing 199 feet, 4 tenant, monopole telecommunications tower. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: APPROPRIATIONS – FIRST QUARTER

A motion was made by Bob Adkins, seconded by Robby Robbins, to approve the first quarter appropriations as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: RESOLUTION – SAFETY PROJECT -- NORTON-COEBURN ROAD/HAWTHORNE DRIVE

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by Steve Bates, to approve the resolution in support of the application for the 2020 SMARTSCALE Project for Norton-Coeburn Road / Hawthorne Drive Intersection Advance Notification Safety Project and also supports the location of the flashing beacon within Wise County, Virginia. The motion was unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTION # 28-2020**

(Said resolution is on file in the County Administrator's Office)

IN RE: BUDGET AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by Bob Adkins, to approve budget amendment #47 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: CLOSE SESSION

A motion was made by Steve Bates, seconded by Fred Luntsford, to go into close session as permitted by the Code of Virginia per the following Code Sections:

- Section 2.2-3711(A)(6) Investing of public funds
- (A)(7) Consultation with legal counsel
- (A)(1) Personnel

Ron Helton was invited into close session.

After a lengthy close session, a motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by J. H. Rivers, to convene the regular meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: RESOLUTION – CLOSE SESSION CERTIFICATION

Robby Robbins read the certification for close meeting.

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by Steve Bates, to approve the resolution certifying that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements as were identified in the motion convening the meeting were heard or discussed by the Board of Supervisors. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION # 29-2020**

(Said resolution is on file in the County Administrator's Office)

IN RE: AGENDA AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Bob Adkins, seconded by Robby Robbins, to add discussion of site for Department of Social Services. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT -- SITE

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by Bob Adkins, to authorize the County Administrator to proceed with negotiations for site selected #1 for the Department of Social Services.

Aye-	Robby Robbins	Nay-	Bobby Cassell
	Steve Bates		J. H. Rivers
	Fred Luntsford		
	John Schoolcraft		
	James Lawson		
	Bob Adkins		

Motion carried.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by James Lawson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

ATTEST:

WISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Michael W. Hatfield, Clerk

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John T. Schoolcraft, Chairman