

Board of Supervisors - March 8, 2018 Regular Meeting

The Wise County Board of Supervisors met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 8, 2018 @ 6:00 PM in the School Board Education Center located at 628 Lake Street in Wise. The following members were present:

Honorable Dana G. Kilgore – Chair
Honorable Robert E. Robbins, Vice-Chair
Honorable J. H. Rivers
Honorable John Schoolcraft
Honorable Fred Luntsford
Honorable Bobby Cassell
Honorable Robert R. Adkins
Honorable Steve Bates – members of said Board and
David L. Cox – Interim County Administrator
Karen T. Mullins – County Attorney
Annette Underwood – Executive Secretary

PRAYER

Bob Adkins led in prayer.

PLEDGE

All led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by John Schoolcraft, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

AGENDA

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

ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

Supervisor Rivers gave a brief update on the positive comments that have been made regarding the recent roundabout that has been constructed in front of the school parking lot to assist with the traffic flow.

IN RE: MECC ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Dr. Kristen Westover, President of MECC, addressed the Board with a brief overview of MECC's enrollment and the different training programs that are available to help with the loss of jobs in our area.

IN RE: PRO-ART ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Jan Zentmeyer, Executive Director for Pro-Art, came before the Board with an update on the art performances and music education that is being provided by Pro-Art. She asked the Board to consider

supporting the Pro-Art Association and the WiseJams Program for the 2018/19 season. She explained that under the Local Government Challenge Grant, the Virginia Commission for the Arts will match the County's contributions up to \$4,500 this year, which will help both Pro-Art and WiseJams Programs to proceed without cuts.

David Cox noted that the County has worked with Pro-Art every year regarding this grant, and will continue to do so this year.

IN RE: DMME ENERGY PERFORMANCE

Nick Polier, Energy Marketing Specialist for DMME, provided the Board with a power point presentation on Energy Performance Contracting (EPC) for state Agencies and Public bodies. The performance contracting allows you to upgrade your facilities and pay for the upgrades by reallocating existing energy dollars. EPC is a financing vehicle that state agencies and public bodies can use to upgrade facilities, reduce energy costs and consumption, and lower deferred maintenance without the need for additional capital dollars. All work is measured and verified by DMME on a yearly basis. If the guaranteed energy savings are not realized, the contractor pays the agency the difference, and fixes the problem at the contractor's expense in order to meet the guarantee in future years. The EPC procurement contract and process for state agencies falls under the Commonwealth of Virginia Contract Number: E194-77519. The contract and associated documents are posted on eVA.

Construction can typically take anywhere from 6 months to 18 months depending upon the complexity of the project.

Mr. Polier explained the EPC implementation process, noting that DMME gives its support throughout the entire process.

Interim County Administrator Cox stated that several properties have already been discussed with DMME. The next step would be to advertise for an RFP.

PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Walter Crouse, a resident of the Hurricane section of Wise County, addressed the Board regarding the need to do bulk purchasing, increase recycling, advance agriculture in our area, and proceed with installing countywide sewer.

Nathaniel Mullins addressed the Board on behalf of Pound Youth Football Program requesting sole use of the former Pound High School ball field facilities for their program. He advised that the prior leadership of the program had determined to dissolve and combine with the Central Warriors Youth Program. He stated that the decision was not proper and did not represent the majority of Pound Youth Football. He and several other members took over the program and want to continue the use of the field and concession.

Supervisor Luntsford asked if there was an increase in the number of teams at Central because of the consolidation

Mr. Mullins stated that Pound Youth is not affiliated with Central.

Supervisor Luntsford asked Mr. Mullins to provide, for him, information as to whether or not consolidation created a situation where there were more children participating at Central, which created more teams and a need for more space.

There being no more comments, the public expression period was closed.

IN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Fred Luntsford, seconded by Robby Robbins, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

IN RE: APPROPRIATIONS

Approved the 4th quarter appropriations as presented

IN RE: SPAY/NEUTER FUNDS

Authorized Wise County to serve as fiscal agent for Spay/Neuter funds

IN RE: PROCLAMATION

Approved the Proclamation recognizing March as American Red Cross Month

The motion to approve the consent agenda was unanimously approved.

IN RE: APPOINTMENT – BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by John Schoolcraft, to recommend that the following individuals be appointed to serve on the Board of Equalization:

Jarred Addison (Dist 1)
Bill Wampler (Dist 2)
Jim Cornett (Dist 3)
Mark Harrison (Dist 4)

The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

A motion was made by Fred Luntsford, seconded by Bobby Cassell, to end the Declaration of Local Emergency effective February 23, 2018. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: ENERGY SERVICES PROJECT ADVERTISEMENT

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by Fred Luntsford, to authorize an advertisement for an RFP - BOE for Energy Services Project . The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: BUDGET AMENDMENTS

A motion was made by Fred Luntsford, seconded by John Schoolcraft, to approve budget amendment #13 & #14 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: APPOINTMENT – PLANNING DISTRICT 1 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD

A motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by J. H. Rivers, to appoint Bobby Cassell to fill the unexpired term of Paxton Wright on the Planning District 1 Behavioral Health Services Board.

It was noted that this appointment is made by nomination.

Robby Robbins withdrew his motion.

J. H. Rivers withdrew his second.

Robby Robbins nominated Bobby Cassell to fill the unexpired term of Paxton Wright on the Planning District 1 Behavioral Health Services Board. J. H. made a motion that nominations cease. John Schoolcraft seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: RESOLUTION APPROVING COAL ROAD COMMITTEE – TRANSFER OF COAL FUNDS

A motion was made by J. H. Rivers, seconded by Robby Robbins, to adopt the resolution approving the Coal Road Committee resolution on the transfer of coal funds. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION # _____-2018

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

IN RE: RESOLUTION APPROVING COAL ROAD COMMITTEE ANNUAL PLAN FOR ROADS & BRIDGES

A motion was made by John Schoolcraft, seconded by Fred Luntsford, to adopt the resolution approving the Coal Road Committee Annual Plan for Roads and Bridges July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019. The motion was unanimously approved.

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IN RE: CLOSE SESSION

A motion was made by Bob Adkins, seconded by John Schoolcraft, 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

The motion was unanimously approved.

After close session, a motion was made by Robby Robbins, seconded by Bob Adkins, to reconvene the regular meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

IN RE: RESOLUTION – CERTIFICATION FOR CLOSE MEETING

A motion was made by Fred Luntsford, seconded by J. H. Rivers, to approve the resolution certifying that only business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were discussed or heard by the Board of Supervisors. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

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IN RE: COUNTY CABIN ROOF REPAIR

A motion was made by Bobby Cassell, seconded by John Schoolcraft, to contribute \$1,000 to the Country Cabin for roof repairs to be taken from the Transit Funds. The motion was unanimously approved.

BOARD COMMENTS

There were brief comments from Board members.

RECESS

A motion was made by J. H. Rivers, seconded by John Schoolcraft, to recess the meeting until Friday, March 23, 2018 @ 9:00 AM in the conference room of the County Administrator's Office located in the Wise County Courthouse for the purpose of discussing an advertisement for the County Administrator's position, and discuss the tax rate. The motion was unanimously approved.

ATTEST:

WISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

David L. Cox, Interim Clerk

Dana G. Kilgore, Chair