

# AGENDA

Tuesday March 11, 2014  
4:00 PM

**4:00 CALL MEETING TO ORDER** (Chairman Wade H. Blevins, Jr.)

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Code of Virginia, Section 2.2-3711 -**A.3**; Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and **A.5; Industrial/Business Prospects**; discussion concerning a business or industry considering expansion with no previous announcement being made, and **A.7 Legal**; discussion with legal counsel and staff pertaining to actual or probable litigation.

## **5:00 CALL MEETING TO OPEN SESSION**

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Adopt the agenda and the additional agenda as presented

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS (Pgs. 3-17)**

Request adoption of the February 11, 2014 meeting minutes.

## **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Charlie Atkins - Inform the Board of the County's financial status

## **PAYMENT OF INVOICES**

Consideration of appropriations and accounts payable as listed on the additional agenda

**\*Introduction of Lori Hester-Director of Economic and Development for Smyth County- Michael Carter**

## **5:15 CITIZENS TIME**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**\*VDOT-Jeff Russell**

**\*Storm Ready Recognition-Charlie Harrington**

**\*Skills Gap Presentation- Marty Holliday**

**\*Wings Air Rescue- Jason Monday**

**\*MSHA- Stacey Ely (Pg.18)**

**\*Library Board- Brenda Umbarger**

**\*Budget Committee Recommendations (Pgs. 19-20)**

**\*UTRR Board of Directors Appointment Recommendation- Michael Carter**

**\*Appointment for Social Services Board- Todd Dishner**

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Collection of delinquent taxes. **(8-10-04)**
2. Financial Discussion. **(7-9-13)**
3. Mega-Site Project **(11-17-11)**

**Supervisor Comment Time**

**Meeting reminders:**

**CONTINUED MEETING MARCH 27, 2014 @ 7 P.M.**

Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes  
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The Smyth County Board of Supervisors held its regular meeting at 4:00 p.m., **Tuesday, February 11, 2014**. The location of the meeting was in the First Floor Board Room of the County Office Building, 121 Bagley Circle, Suite 100, Marion, Virginia.

**PRESENT:**

Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H Blevins, Jr.; Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K Blevins; North Fork District Supervisor Ron C Blevins; Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton; Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D Call; Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier (6)

**ABSENT:**

Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner (1)

**STAFF:**

County Administrator Michael Carter; Assistant County Administrator Scott Simpson; Director of Finance Charlie Atkins; County Attorney Michelle Clayton; Administrative Assistant Kelly Woods (5)

A motion was made by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K Blevins to enter into closed session under Code of Virginia, Section 2.2-3711 - **A.1**; Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment and **A.3**; Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and **A.5**; **Industrial/Business Prospects**; discussion concerning a business or industry considering expansion with no previous announcement being made, and **A.7 Legal**; discussion with legal counsel and staff pertaining to actual or probable litigation. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D Call seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner

5:20:30 PM Chairman Wade H. Blevins Jr., called the meeting back to order from closed session.

5:20:40 PM It was moved by North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins, seconded by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call to adopt the following resolution certifying the business conducted in closed session as follows:

**RESOLUTION  
CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors has convened in a closed session 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 Smyth County Board of Supervisors that such a meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Smyth 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 session were heard, discussed or considered by the Smyth County Board of Supervisors.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner

**ABSENT:** None.

5:21:12 PM Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier gave the invocation and Information Systems employee Heather Street led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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5:22:10 PM A motion was made by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to adopt the agenda and additional agenda as presented.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

5:22:48 PM Financial Update-Mr. Charlie Atkins, informed the Board, per the report from the Treasurer's Office, there were sufficient funds in the bank for the requested appropriations.

5:29:07 PM It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to appropriate \$5,885,000.00 for the General Fund appropriation. The following is an explanation of the appropriations approved:

General County	\$ 1,600,000.00
Social Services (February 12-28, 2014)	\$ 325,000.00
(March 1 - Feb. 11, 2014)	\$ 60,000.00
Schools - Operating Fund	\$ 3,800,000.00
School Debt and Capital Outlay Fund	\$ 100,000.00

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After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded by Royal Oak District Supervisor G Blake Frazier to appropriate \$15,000.00 for the School Textbook Fund.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to appropriate \$722.84 for the Animal Damage Fund.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

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It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to appropriate \$2790.00 for the EDA-Fund 4.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to appropriate \$50,657.20 for the Lick Skillet Housing Project.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins to appropriate \$549,943.92 for the Accounts Payable listing.

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After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

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Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

5:30:32 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr., opened citizen's time.

5:30:58 PM With no one wishing to speak, Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr. closed citizens time.

5:31:04 PM Harry Dean, member of SWIFA Board, presented the Annual SWIFA Report. Mr. Dean thanked the Board for allowing him the time to present information. Mr. Dean stated the audit was conducted by an independent consultant and if the Board had any questions he would answer them to the best of his abilities.

5:37:52 PM Henry Snodgrass, SWIFA Chairman, addressed the Board in regards to the concrete pad, formerly occupied by Gates that is located in the Highlands Business Park. Mr. Snodgrass stated that Mr. Jim Street, whom owns this concrete slab, is interested in building a spec building so that more businesses would be interested in the property. Mr. Snodgrass would like recommendation from the Board or see if there is any interest. Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner asked questions concerning building heights. Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton motioned to move forward and form a committee for this project. Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

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5:44:59 PM Dr. Mike Robinson, Smyth County School Superintendent, gave an update in regards to the Turn Lane project for Oak Point Elementary School. VDOT has received the monies appropriated from the Revenue Sharing fund to move forward with this project. Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier asked how the closing of the bridge near the Hall Addition affected this project, and Dr. Robinson stated he has not seen any effects of the closure. Dr. Robinson stated that the School Board is currently waiting on the Speed Study Information, so the speed can be lowered for citizens and buses transporting to Oak Point Elementary School. Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner asked if the project consisted of only one turn lane, and Dr. Robinson stated that was correct.

5:47:57 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator spoke concerning the GOF Agreement the County has with New Ridge LLC. Mr. Carter informed the Board the signed agreement has been received, and the County should see the return from this within the next four (4) to six (6) weeks.

5:48:57 PM Michelle Clayton, County Attorney brought a recommendation before the Board concerning the TROF Agreement between the County and New Ridge LLC. Mrs. Clayton explained that she would like to see the wording changed in the agreement, to allow the County to ask for a Bond or Deed of Trust from New Ridge LLC. This allows the County protective measures should the New Ridge LLC agreement fall thru. The Board unanimously decided to send this back to the EDA, asking for the agreement to be modified.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

**5:56:28 PM Recommendation on behalf of the Planning Commission-Rebecca Thomas for a Special Use Permit:** Mr. Davidson made a motion to recommend the Board approve Rebecca Thomas' application for a Special Use Permit to operate a Childcare Facility at 733 Wet Springs Road in Chilhowie (Tax Map Nos. 76-9-11 and 76-A-143A1.) Mr. Pugh seconded the motion and the following vote was recorded.

Vote: 4 yays	Davidson, Wassum, Pugh, and Sparks
2 absent	Harris and Venable
1 vacancy	Royal Oak District

Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call made a motion to approve the Special Use Permit as recommended by the Planning Commission. North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

**5:57:44 PM** Michael Carter, County Administrator informed the Board of the names obtained for the Board of Equalization. Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier motioned to recommend the following for Board of Equalization Members and for Michelle Clayton, County Attorney to submit to the Circuit Court Judge. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded the motion.

Tom Copenhaver  
Amanda Walters  
Archie Atwell  
Wanda Sanderson  
Collin Lincoln  
Barbara Hall

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins

**ABSENT:** None.

5:59:54 PM Nuisance Complaints

Property Owner	Tax Map No.	Account No.	Location
Alfred M. Gullion Jr. c/o Wendy Felty	28A2-A-23	41289	221 Cove Street, Saltville
Leo J. & Minnie L. Weaver	28A2-A-39	57819	359 Lick Skillet Road, Saltville
Walter L. & Rosella M. Conklin	71F-A-32	107212	5432 Sugar Grove Hwy., Sugar Grove

Clegg Williams, Building and Zoning Administrator provided information concerning each case, including pictures of each property.

6:26:23 PM North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins motioned to declare the properties listed below as a nuisance. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded the motion.

Property Owner	Tax Map No.	Account No.	Location
Mattie Lee Richardson	58-A-11	000115371	Crisp Road Marion, VA
J.B. Hogston Estate	28A3-A-69	000086550	714 Allison Gap Road Saltville, VA
Lois M. Miller	76-A-86A	117137	1639 St. Clair's Creek Road Chilhowie, VA
Clarence R. Minton Estate	29-A-4	102016	Kent Street between 179 & 195, Saltville, VA

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In addition to properties listed above, Supervisor Ron C. Blevins motioned to declare property located on Entrepid Drive, Marion, VA owned by Joseph Ellis Jr., tax map number 59-A-20, account number 89257, as a nuisance. Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

6:30:42 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr. called a 10 minute recess.

6:55:26 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr. called the meeting back to order.

6:55:42 PM Scott Simpson, Assistant County Attorney brought before the Board information concerning the following:

As approved in October, 2013, we have finally received all of the Professional Services Term Agreements back from the respective firms, Michelle Clayton, County Attorney has reviewed and worked with each firm to come up with an acceptable agreement for each.

The 5 firms recommended are:

Anderson & Associates  
CHA Consulting  
Draper Aden Associates  
ECS-Mid Atlantic  
The Lane Group

Due to the dates on the Agreements, it was motioned by North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins to date the agreements with a current date, and to proceed with them as previously approved. Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

**6:57:38 PM Budget Committee Update**-Michael Carter, County Administrator updated the Board concerning the upcoming Budget season. Mr. Carter stated that during the Budget Committee meeting held on January 31, 2104, it was discussed to set the deadline for anyone needing to submit budget information as February 21, 2014. All departments will be notified concerning this. Mr. Carter then informed the Board that the Budget Committee will start budget process meetings on Feb 27, 2014, moving forward to meet twice a week until the budget is finished. Michael Carter, County Administrator updated the Board concerning the part time pay for County Deputies who escort inmates. There had been some confusion as to why, when the deputies worked for the Sheriff's Office they received \$10.00 hourly, but when they worked for the County, they only received \$15.00 hourly. Once it was recognized there was a difference, a decision was made to set the pay at \$10.00 hourly, to make it equal between the departments. Mr. Carter stated that some Board members have expressed an interest in attending VACO training, and this was discussed within the committee. It was recommended by the Budget Committee to consider the funding for this in the upcoming budget process. The County will have to be selective of our approach to handle this. Mr. Carter then asked Charlie Atkins, Financial Director to explain the Cost Allocation Plan. Mr. Atkins stated we have used Robinson, Farmer, and Cox for many years in past and they continue to provide a good service.

With the Budget Committee recommendation, Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier motioned to approve a 3-year agreement, totaling \$12,000, with Robinson, Farmer and Cox to prepare the Cost Allocation Plan for Smyth County. Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton seconded the motion.

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After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
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North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None

Michelle Clayton, County Attorney spoke concerning the Water and Sewer Departments past due accounts and her efforts for collecting these. Mrs. Clayton has set up a program with the IRS, so that when citizen's go to file tax returns, if money is owed to the Water Department, the funds will come directly out of the refund. Mrs. Clayton would like to know if the Board would like to collect an administrative fee in addition to the money owed when collecting these past due accounts. After consideration, Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier motioned to set the fee at \$25.00 per account, per year. North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None

7:11:37 PM Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator, brought a recommendation before the Board concerning the roofing to be used on the Dome for the Courthouse. Mr. Simpson explained the options that were available, some with cost savings. Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins motioned to send this back to the Courthouse Committee, needing further information. North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins seconded the motion.

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After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

Mr. Simpson then brought a recommendation before the Board concerning an amendment made to the Mosley Architect Agreement. This amendment states that a representative from Mosley is required to be on site for the Court House Project once a week, along with Mr. Simpson being on site daily.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

Mr. Simpson discussed a proposal submitted from ECS Mid Atlantic for the Court House Project. Mr. Simpson stated we have used their services in the past, and he is pleased with their work. The last project ECS Mid Atlantic worked on for the County came in under budget by 10%. Recommendation from the Courthouse Committee to the Board is to accept the proposal from ECS Mid Atlantic as presented.

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After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
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Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None

7:19:32 PM Discussion of Old Business

It was moved by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins, seconded by North Fork District Supervisor Ron C Blevins, to remove item #2, Nuisance Complaint against property owner Joseph F. Ellis Jr. from the agenda.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

7:20:17 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr. opened supervisor comment time. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call had no comment, along with Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner. Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton spoke about Local Government Day he attended with Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator and stated that it was a very productive trip. Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins had no comment. North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins notified the Board regarding a scam going around within the County. Mr. Blevins stated people were placing calls to citizens stating they have grant money, and the calls are coming from

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a 202 area code. Mr. Blevins stated he has notified the Sheriff's Office concerning this and they are looking into the issue. Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier stated how proud he is of our Sheriff's Department, along with the Rescue Squads and how professional they are. Mr. Frazier also stated that we are fortunate for the Board we have who give the County good leadership, and he is pleased to be a part of it.

7:23:44 PM Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins made a motion to continue the meeting until Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

**AYES:** Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,  
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins,  
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSTAINERS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None



## Smyth County Board of Supervisors

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*Michael L. Carter*  
County Administrator

*Scott R. Simpson, P.E.*  
Assistant County Administrator

**WHEREAS**, a healthy workforce and community are critical to the economic vitality of Smyth County; and

**WHEREAS**, over one million Virginians under the age of 64 are uninsured, many of whom are in families with at least one full- or part-time worker who aren't provided health insurance coverage through their employers, can't afford coverage on their own or don't make enough to qualify for insurance offered through the health care exchanges; and

**WHEREAS**, these uninsured Virginians receive care, which is subsidized by employed Virginians through higher insurance premiums, providers charging more to the insured for their own care and underwriting of uninsured care by providers; and

**WHEREAS**, this cost-shifting will continue to rise faster than inflation if the Commonwealth does not address ensuring more Virginians have access to affordable health care coverage; and

**WHEREAS**, through 2022, Virginians will send \$29.7 billion to Washington, D.C., through mandatory federal Affordable Care Act-related taxes, fees and provider payment cuts to pay for the uninsured in other states; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth has the ability to recoup these funds to help its own citizens by developing a Virginia plan to control growth and reform the current Medicaid program; reduce cost-shifting from the uninsured to Virginia businesses and their employees; force individuals to take responsibility for their own health; improve the quality of care delivered by paying providers to manage care rather than paying for volume of care; shift the risk of Affordable Care Act implementation off of Virginia taxpayers if the federal government reneges on its commitments and reduce waste, fraud and abuse of government programs more effectively; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** by the Smyth County Board of Supervisors that it hereby supports and urges the Virginia General Assembly to develop and implement in the Commonwealth of Virginia a plan to provide more Virginians with access to affordable health care coverage and services and to take advantage now of receiving federal funds for this implementation, which would provide a significant boost to Virginia's economy and provide local taxpayer relief.

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Wade H. Blevins Jr., Chairman

A meeting of the Smyth County Budget Committee was held at the County Office Building on Thursday, February 27, 2014, at 3:30 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:**

Wade Blevins, Chairman  
M. Todd Dishner  
Rick Blevins

**Staff Members Present:**

Michael Carter, County Administrator  
Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator  
Charlie Atkins, Financial Director  
Kelly Woods, Administrative Assistant

**Others Present:**

Major M.B. Hounshell, Smyth County Sheriff's Office  
Dr. Mike Robinson, School Superintendent  
Julie Bear, School Board Director of Finance

**Sheriff's Office** – Mr. Hounshell was in attendance of meeting requesting \$150,000 to be transferred from Radar Fund 744 Revenue to Radar Fund 744 Expenditures. This is to cover the part time salary and wages for Sheriff's office employees who escort inmates to pick up trash, etc. for the county. Mr. Hounshell gave information as to how this program works, and how the funds for radar are received. He also stated that the program had been placed on hold, due to the fund being low to cover expenses.

Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick Blevins motioned to recommend to the Board of Supervisors, to transfer the funds, along with restarting the program on March 11, 2014. Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner seconded the motion and the motion was agreed upon unanimously.

**School Board** – Dr. Mike Robinson gave an update to the committee as to where their budget is to date. He stated they have been watching their budget closely and have made efforts to stay on task. He introduced Julie Bear as the new Director of Finance for Smyth County School Board. Dr. Robinson stated that they would be presenting information to the committee for the FY 2014-2015 Budget, and if any information was needed to please let him know.

**Vehicle Bids**- Information was presented concerning the purchase of a new vehicle for the county. On a recent trip to Richmond, a Chevrolet Trailblazer was involved in an accident. Insurance recovery was \$17,300. Mountain View Ford had the lowest bid of the four (4) bids received. The total for the bid from Mountain View Ford was \$26,204.81. A transfer would need to be made from 011010-5308 to 012010-9003 for this purchase. Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick Blevins made a motion to recommend the purchase of the vehicle from Mountain View Ford and for the transfer of funds, to the Board of Supervisors. Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner seconded the motion and the motion was agreed upon unanimously.

At 5:38 p.m., Chairman Wade Blevins continued the meeting until Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.