

AGENDA

Tuesday, April 14, 2015
4:00 PM

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

CLOSED SESSION

Code of Virginia, Section 2.2-3711 –**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

Request adoption of the March 10 and March 26, 2015 minutes

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Michael Carter – Inform the Board of the County's financial status

PAYMENT OF INVOICES

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

5:15 CITIZENS TIME

NEW BUSINESS

- 5:30 SCCH- James Tyler & Stacey Ely
- 5:40 Emergency Operation Plan- Charlie Harrington
- 5:50 Aid to Localities- Shannon Williams
- 6:00 Public Hearing-Residential Rehabilitation Tax Exemption
- MacArthur Foundation Grant- Michael Carter
- Planning Commission Recommendations- Michael Carter

- **Appointment Committee Recommendations- Rick Blevins**
- **Building & Grounds Committee Recommendation-Roscoe Call**
- **Personnel Committee Recommendation-Wade Blevins**
- **Designate Becca Creasy with official authority to sign in Clegg's absence- Michelle Clayton**
- **Board of Supervisors Rules of Procedures- Michelle Clayton**
- **Animal Damage Claims and Animal Adoption Procedures**
- **November Meeting Date- Michael Carter**

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:

Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2015

The Smyth County Board of Supervisors held its regular meeting at 4:00 p.m., **Tuesday, March 10, 2015**. 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.;
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner; Rye
Valley District Supervisor Rick K Blevins; Atkins District
Supervisor J. Howard Burton; Saltville District Supervisor
Roscoe D Call; Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier (6)

ABSENT: North Fork District Supervisor Ron C Blevins (1)

STAFF: County Administrator Michael Carter; Assistant County
Administrator Scott Simpson; County Attorney Michelle
Clayton; Administrative Assistant Kelly Woods; Director
Community & Economic Development Lori Hester (5)

4:04:17 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. called the meeting to order.

4:04:21 PM 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.3 **Land Acquisition; 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: Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. 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: North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins.

5:02:11 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. called the meeting to order from closed session.

It was moved by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. 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 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: Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.,
Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton,
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins.

ABSENT: None.

North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins entered the meeting.

5:02:46 PM Lori Hester, Director of Community and Economic Development gave the Invocation and Abbey Coe, Maintenance Assistant led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5:03:47 PM A motion was made by North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins to adopt the Agenda and Additional Agenda. 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.

5:04:03 PM It was moved by Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton, seconded by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2015 meeting.

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.

5:04:24 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator presented the Board with information on the current FY14-15 budget and a current month analysis for appropriations.

5:11:56 PM It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins to appropriate \$5,370,000.00 from the General Fund. The following is an explanation of the appropriations approved:

General County:	\$1,200,000.00
Social Services (March 11-March 31, 2015)	\$310,000.00
Social Services (April 1-April 14, 2015)	\$60,000.00
Schools-Operating Fund	\$3,800,000.00

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 Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner to appropriate \$400,955.69 for the Courthouse 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,
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

NAYS: North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None

It was moved by Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton seconded by Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner to appropriate \$960.36 from Sheriff Fund-748 for outstanding invoices.

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,
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

NAYS: North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None

It was moved by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins, seconded by Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner to appropriate \$504,838.16 for the Accounts Payable listing.

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.

5:14:08 PM North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins made a motion to schedule a Joint Public Hearing for CPV Substantial Accord Review for March 26, 2015 at 7:15 P.M. or soon thereafter. Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton 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.

5:15:00 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr., opened citizen's time. Tyler Spencer and Leslie Yarber, 614 Norton Lane, Rural Retreat VA spoke regarding their request to use the Courthouse lawn and steps for their wedding ceremony.

Kristen Untiedt-Barnett, Executive Director of The Lincoln Theatre. The Lincoln Theatre would like to apply for a grant, which if awarded; the Board of Supervisors would need to consider a local match of funds in the FY15-16 budget. This is not a commitment to the funds, just allowing the Lincoln Theatre to start the application process only.

Earl McClure Sugar Street, Chilhowie VA 24319, spoke concerning the County's budget and debt limit. Mr. McClure requests the Budget Committee to identify to the citizens what the County's debt is.

5:35:41 PM With no one else wishing to speak, Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. closed citizen's time.

5:36:11 PM Lennie Gail Dunlop, Executive Director of SVAM presented an update to the Board. Larry Souverielle, President of the SVAM Board of Directors presented an update on the Center of Excellence.

5:49:56 PM David Matlock, Vice President of VHCC presented information on The Summit Center for Higher Education, which will be a partnership among Wytheville Community College, Virginia Highlands Community College, and the Town of Marion to provide educational opportunities for citizens of Smyth County and the Town of Marion. Discussion continued on this item. Mr. Matlock also solicited an investment from the County for \$150,000.00 to support the Summitt for Higher Education.

6:00:00 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. called the Public hearing to order concerning the VDOT Road Abandonment. Michael Carter, County Administrator read the advertisement as placed in the Smyth County News and Messenger.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED ROAD ABANDONMENT

Pursuant to § 33.2-909 of the Code of Virginia, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 6:00 P.M., or soon thereafter, in the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 121 Bagley Circle, Smyth County Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing will be to receive comments on a proposed abandonment of Secondary Route 779 from 645 to dead end a distance of 0.21 mile. The Virginia Department of Transportation and the Board of Supervisors has determined it serves no public necessity and is no longer necessary as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

At the above-mentioned day, time, and place any citizen of Smyth County may appear to express their opinion(s). A full copy of a map detailing the surrounding affected area is on file at the office of the County Administrator at 121 Bagley Circle, Suite 100, Marion VA, and may be viewed during regular business hours 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate in this hearing should contact Clegg Williams, Smyth County ADA Coordinator, at (276) 783-3298 x8315 at least forty eight (48) hours prior to the hearing.

Done by order of the Board of Supervisors
Michael L. Carter, County Administrator

No one signed up to speak concerning the Public Hearing.

6:02:57 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. closed the Public Hearing.

6:03:11 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator brought a recommendation before the Board of Supervisors from the Smyth County Building and Zoning Department requesting a budget transfer as listed below.

Transfer \$1,000.00 from line item 034010-5600 (State Storm water Fees) to line item 034010-5408 to accommodate maintenance issues needed for the remainder of the FY2014-2015 budget.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Michael Carter, County Administrator brought a recommendation before the Board of Supervisors from the Smyth County Maintenance Department requesting a budget transfer as listed below.

Transfer \$2,000.00 from line item 043040-1003 (Part Time Wages) to line item 043030-5405 (Health Dept. Bldg. Janitorial and Housekeeping) to accommodate janitorial needs for the remainder of the FY2014-2015 budget.

Transfer \$2,000.00 from line item 043040-1003 (Part Time Wages) to line item 043040-5405 (County Office Bldg. Janitorial and Housekeeping) to accommodate janitorial needs for the remainder of the FY2014-2015 budget.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

6:05:55 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator brought a recommendation before the Board of Supervisors from the Budget Committee. It is the committee's recommendation to allow Michael Carter, County Administrator to approve Departmental Line Item Transfers up to \$4,000 cumulative for the fiscal year.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

6:06:54 PM Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins brought forward a recommendation from the Smyth County Appointment Committee. At the request of the Town of Chilhowie, the committee recommends appointing Cathy Smith to the Mt. Rogers Planning District Commission as the Town of Chilhowie representative for a four (4) year term, beginning June 30, 2014 and ending June 30, 2018.

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,
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins brought forward a recommendation from the Smyth County Appointment Committee. The committee recommends appointing Susan Snead, 173 Gatson Road, Marion V.A. to the Mt. Rogers Community Services Board for a three (3) year term, beginning December 31, 2014 and ending December 31, 2017.

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,
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins brought forward a recommendation from the Smyth County Appointment Committee. The committee recommends appointing Suzanne Jennings, 686 Dogwood Lane, Marion, V.A. to the Mt. Rogers Community Services Board for a three (3) year term, beginning December 31, 2014 and ending December 31, 2017.

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,
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins brought forward a recommendation from the Smyth County Appointment Committee. The committee recommends appointing Justine

Bradley, 389 Laurel Springs Road, Marion V.A. to the Smyth-Bland Regional Library Board for a four (4) year term, beginning December 31, 2014 and ending December 31, 2018.

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,
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins brought forward a recommendation from the Smyth County Appointment Committee. The committee recommends appointing Graham Davidson Jr., 1711 Highway 107, Chilhowie, V.A. to the Planning Commission for a four (4) year term, beginning January 31, 2015 and ending January 31, 2019.

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,
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,
Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

6:09:40 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. called for a 5 minute recess.

6:17:57 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. called the meeting back to order.

6:18:01 PM Michael Carter brought forward a recommendation from the Budget Committee concerning the use of categorical funding for the Smyth County School Board in the FY2015-2016 budget. It is the committee's recommendation to move forward with categorical funding.

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.

Michael Carter brought forward a recommendation from the Budget Committee relating to the purchase of four (4) Dodge Chargers, from Haley Auto Group for the Sheriff's Office. Total for the four (4) chargers is \$112,807.20, with emergency equipment installed and \$2,380.00 to be paid to Jerry's Signs for the marking of the four cars. The funds will be paid out of line item 744-010000-9003.

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.

Michael Carter brought forward a recommendation from the Budget Committee relating to the purchase of two (2) walk-thru scanners from Point Security for the Court House in the amount of \$4,750.00 each for a total of \$9,500.00. The scanners will be installed now, and used within the new courthouse.

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.

6:26:09 PM North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins brought forward a recommendation from the Ordinance Committee to set a public hearing for consideration of an ordinance to provide a one year tax abatement for certain rehabilitated multi-family residential structures. The committee recommends scheduling the Public Hearing for April 14, 2015 at 6:00 PM.

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.

6:28:17 PM Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call brought forward a recommendation from the Insurance Committee regarding the contract renewal for the Anthem/Local Choice employee health insurance plan for July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Mr. Call stated the highlight of plan was there would be no rate increase for the plan in the coming year. The committee's recommendation is to accept the renewal for the Anthem/Local Choice health insurance plan for the County.

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.

6:30:00 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. called the Public hearing to order concerning the Personal Property Tax Exemption. Michael Carter, County Administrator read the advertisement as placed in the Smyth County News and Messenger.

**Public Hearing
Personal Property Tax Exemption
on Farm and Household Items**

Pursuant to §§ 58.1-3504 and 58.1-3505 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors proposes to amend the Smyth County Code, Article III, Chapter 23 (Finance and Taxation – Personal Property Taxes on Household Exemption) to codify and continue the exemptions on personal property taxes on farm animals and items and items defined under household goods, effective immediately:

- Sec. 23-44.1 The amendment would provide continued and additional exemptions with regard to certain farm animals and items from personal property taxation such as farm animals (horses, cattle, sheep, goats, hogs, poultry), grain, tobacco, wine from farm wineries and agricultural products in the hands of a producer.
- Sec. 22.43.2. – The amendment would provide continued and additional exemptions for household goods from personal property taxation that include items such as: bicycles, furniture, appliances, household machinery, musical instruments, radios, television, paintings, pictures, art, jewelry, sporting goods, photographic equipment, clothing, all-terrain vehicles, and off-road motorcycles, cell phones, computers and other tangible personal property used by an individual or household incident to maintaining an abode. Mopeds and antique motor vehicles (as defined by Virginia Code § 46.2-100) would be subject to personal property taxes.
- The classification set forth in subsection (a) of this section shall apply only to such property owned and used by an individual or by a family or household incident to maintaining an abode.

A Public Hearing will be conducted by the Smyth County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors meeting room, 121 Bagley Circle, Marion, Virginia. A copy of the present and proposed ordinance is on file at the Smyth County Administrators Office, 121 Bagley Circle, Marion, Virginia and can be viewed between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate in the public hearing should contact Clegg Williams, ADA Coordinator for Smyth County, at (276) 783-3298 x 8315 at least forty eight (48) hours prior to the public hearing.

By order of the Smyth County Board of Supervisors - Michael L. Carter, County Administrator

North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins made a motion to waive the reading of the rules seconded by Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner.

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.

No one signed up to speak concerning the Public Hearing.

6:33:42 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. closed the Public Hearing.

6:34:20 PM Sarah Combs, resident of the Sugar Grove Community presented an update to the Board concerning cellular service in Sugar Grove.

6:48:56 PM Nothing was discussed concerning old business.

6:49:53 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. called for a 10 minute recess.

7:01:17 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. called the meeting back to order.

7:01:25 PM Stevie Steele with CHA Consulting presented information concerning the Adwolfe Sewer Project.

Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator brought a recommendation before the Board from the Water and Sewer Committee. The committee recommends allowing the submittal of an application to Rural Development for the Adwolfe Sewer Project, and to allow Michael Carter to sign any documents needed for this submittal.

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.

7:26:50 PM Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator brought a recommendation before the Board from the Water and Sewer Committee. The committee recommends moving forward with the Ebenezer Land Acquisition. Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner abstained from discussion and voting on this matter.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 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 and
Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner.

ABSENT: None.

7:29:41 PM Supervisor Comment Time-All Supervisors are appreciative of the County employees and citizens.

Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call made a motion to continue the meeting to March 26, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. 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.

The Smyth County Board of Supervisors held its continued meeting at 7:00 p.m., **Thursday, March 26, 2015**. 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.; Vice Chair, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner; Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K Blevins; Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton; North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins (5)
Chilhowie District Planning Commissioner Graham Davidson Jr.; Vice Chair; Rye Valley Dist Planning Commissioner Paul D. Shepherd; Vice- Chair, Park District Planning Commissioner Joel Pugh; Chairman, North Fork Dist. Planning Commissioner Norman Sparks; Saltville District Planning Commissioner Wayne Venable; Atkins District Planning Commissioner Hazel Wagoner (6)

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D Call; Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier (2)

STAFF: County Administrator Michael Carter; Administrative Assistant Becca Creasy; Assistant County Administrator Scott Simpson; Building & Zoning Administrator Clegg Williams; County Attorney Michelle Clayton (5)

7:00:40 PM At 7:00 p.m. Mr. Wade Blevins, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and Mr. Norman Sparks, Chairman of the Planning Commission, called the joint public hearing to order. Mr. Michael Carter, County Administrator read the advertisement as placed in the Smyth County News and Messenger; as well as, the rules of procedure during public hearings.

**BEFORE THE SMYTH COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
SMYTH COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

The Smyth County Board of Supervisors and the Smyth County Planning Commission will conduct a joint public hearing on Thursday, March 26, 2015, at 7:00 P.M. or as soon after 7:00 P.M. as an application may be heard, in the Smyth County Office Building, 121 Bagley Circle, Marion, Virginia, to consider the following application(s) to the Zoning Ordinance of Smyth County, Virginia:

An application from the Rich Valley Agricultural and Fair Association, Inc. for a Special Use Permit to expand their activities by conducting several individual events throughout the year, including: Bull Riding, Demolition Derby, Donkey Softball Games, Go Cart Racing, Lawnmower Pull, Lawnmower Racing, Mixed Martial Arts, Musical Concerts, Tough Truck Contest, Tractor Pulls, Truck Mud Races, Truck Pulls, Wrestling and Circus. The property is located at 325 & 329 Long Hollow Road, Saltville. The property is identified as Tax Map Nos. 19-A-51, 19-A-36B and 19-A-36C, and is zoned Agricultural.

At this public hearing, subject to the rules of procedure of the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission of Smyth County, Virginia, any person may appear and state his/her views thereon.

Copies of the application(s) along with their maps/drawings are on file in the Office of the County Administrator of Smyth County. Copies are also maintained by the County Zoning Administrator at the address given above, and may be viewed during regular business hours Monday through Friday.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate in this hearing should contact the Smyth County Building and Zoning Department at (276) 783-3298 ext. 8315 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing.

Done by order of the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commission.

Michael L. Carter, County Administrator
Norman K. Sparks, Chairman of the Planning Commission

7:07:06 PM Lenny Robbins was present to represent the Rich Valley Fair Association. Discussion continued on this item.

7:14:09 PM Board of Supervisors Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. and Planning District Commission Chairman Norman Sparks closed the joint public hearing.

7:15:05 PM Mr. Wade Blevins, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and Mr. Norman Sparks, Chairman of the Planning Commission, called the joint public hearing to order. Mr. Michael Carter, County Administrator read the advertisement as placed in the Smyth County News and Messenger; as well as the rules of procedure during public hearings.

Joint Public Hearing
Competitive Power Ventures Substantial Accord Review

Pursuant to Sections 15.2-2232 and 15.2-2204, of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors and the Smyth County Planning Commission will conduct a joint public hearing on March 26, 2015 at 7:15 P.M. to consider the following application:

CPV Smyth Generation Company, LLC seeks to obtain a determination by the Planning Commission that the general location, character and extent of the power generation facility proposed at Mulberry Lane in Atkins (Tax Map 48-A-45), is in substantial accord with the adopted Comprehensive Plan of the County.

The public hearing will be held at the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room in the Smyth County Office Building located at 121 Bagley Circle, Marion, Virginia 24354. The adopted Comprehensive Plan is available for inspection in the Smyth County Administrator's Office at the address given above during normal business hours and online at Smyth County's website:

www.smythcounty.org. All are encouraged to view the adopted Comprehensive Plan and to attend the public hearing. At the hearing, persons may make public comments regarding the request, subject to the rules of procedures of the Smyth County Planning Commission. Questions or written comments regarding this request should be directed to Clegg Williams, Zoning Administrator, by telephone at (276) 783-3298, Ext. 8315, or by e-mail at zoning@smythcounty.org. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate in this hearing should contact the Smyth County Administrator's office at (276) 783-3298 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the hearing.

Done by order of the Smyth County Board of Supervisors
Michael L. Carter, County Administrator
And the Smyth County Planning Commission
Norman Sparks, Chairman

7:20:01 PM Mr. Stevie Steele was present and addressed the room on CPV's progress with the project. Mr. Steele stated that all wind data was collected for a year and a draft air permit should be provided by the end of the year. Discussion continued on the project and the steps left to take to get it complete.

7:31:11 PM Board of Supervisor Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. and Planning District Commission Chairman Norman Sparks closed the joint public hearing.

7:45:37 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H Blevins, Jr. called the Board of Supervisors meeting to order.

7:45:41 PM Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H Blevins, Jr. opened citizen's time. With no one wishing to speak Chairman, Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr. closed citizen's time.

7:45:55 PM North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins made a motion to approve the VDOT Road Abandonment as presented at the March 10, 2015 Public Hearing and as shown below. Atkins District Supervisor J. Howard Burton seconded the motion.

The Board of Supervisors of Smyth County, in continued meeting on the 26th day of March, 2015, adopted the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a public notice was posted as prescribed under §33.2-909, Code of Virginia, announcing a public hearing to receive comments concerning abandoning the section of road described below from the secondary system of state highways, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation was provided the prescribed notice of this Board's intent to abandon the subject section of road, and

WHEREAS, after considering all evidence available, this Board is satisfied that no public necessity exists for the continuance of the section of Secondary Route 779 from Route 645 to Dead End, a distance of 0.21 mile, and hereby deems that section of road is no longer necessary as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Board abandons the above described section of road and removes it from the secondary system of state highways, pursuant to §33.2-909, Code of Virginia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Resident Administrator of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Recorded Vote

Moved By: Ron C. Blevins

Seconded By: J.Howard Burton

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

A Copy Teste:

(Name), (Title)

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,

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

7:47:18 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator presented information to the Board concerning the Lincoln Theater. Kristen Untiedt-Barnett, Executive Director had presented a request to apply for a grant at the March 10, 2015 Board of Supervisors meeting. No action was taken on this item from the Board.

7:57:01 PM North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins made a motion to deny the request made by Tyler Spencer and Leslie Yarber to use the Smyth County Courthouse for a wedding ceremony. Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. 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,

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

7:58:18 PM Michelle Clayton, County Attorney presented information on the Personal Property Tax Exemption as heard at the Public Hearing held on March 10, 2015. North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins made a motion to approve the Personal Property Tax Exemption as shown below. Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner seconded the motion.

Presented to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Smyth, Virginia at its Regular Meeting on February 10, 2015 to set a public hearing for the Regular Meeting on March 10, 2015 with consideration of adoption at the Regular Meeting on April 14, 2015. The following proposed ordinance would exempt household items from personal property tax and be effective immediately upon adoption.

ORDINANCE ON EXEMPTION OF FARM AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXATION

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Smyth County and the Smyth County Commissioner of the Revenue do not and have not in many years collected personal property taxes on regular household items; and,

WHEREAS, §58.1-3504 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, requires localities to adopt an ordinance if the local governing body desires to officially exempt personal property taxes on certain farm and household items except that antique motor vehicles and mopeds shall not be exempt; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors and Commissioner of the Revenue of Smyth County do not wish to change its longstanding policy of exempting personal property taxes on household items;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, on this _____ day of _____, 2015, that Article III Property Taxes, Sec. 23-44.2 of Chapter 23 of the Smyth County Code of Ordinances is hereby proposed as set forth below:

CHAPTER 23 - FINANCE AND TAXATION.

**ARTICLE III.
PROPERTY TAXES***

* State Law References: Intangible personal property taxes, Code of Virginia, § 58.1-1100 et seq.; real property tax, Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3200 et seq.; tangible personal property, machinery and tools and merchant's capital, Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3500 et seq.

Sec. 23-42. Penalty and interest for failure to file return of tangible personal property, machinery and tools, and merchant's capital.

(a) The annual return of taxable tangible personal property of merchants engaged in a business or

trade shall be filed with the commissioner of revenue for the county on or before the first day of May of each year, except as stated in subsections (d) and (e).

(b) The annual return of taxable merchant's capital, machinery and tools, furniture and fixtures employed in a business or trade for the county shall be filed with the commissioner of revenue for the county on or before the first day of May of each year.

(c) A penalty for failure to file such return as required in herein is assessed at the rate of ten percent of the tax assessable or due on such property or \$10.00, whichever shall be the greater.

(d) The penalty imposed by this section shall attach to the filing of the tax return at any time after May 1 in each calendar year.

(e) The penalty imposed by this section, when assessed, shall become a part of the tax due on such return.

(f) The penalty imposed by this section shall bear interest at the rate of ten percent from the date of assessment thereof.

(g) A taxpayer shall not suffer a penalty or interest if the failure to file a return is not the fault of the taxpayer. The commissioner of the revenue of the county, or his duly appointed representative, shall determine whether or not the failure to file was the fault of the taxpayer.

(Code 1978, § 8-47(a)--(d), (f); Code 1995, § 34-2; Ord. of 2-24-2011; Amend of 10-8-2013)
State Law References: Setting of penalties, interest, etc., Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3916.

Sec. 23-43. Provision for failure to file any return required by law; provisions for the delinquent payment of real or personal property taxes; due dates for payment.

(a) Real and personal property taxes shall be due and payable on December 5 of each calendar year.

(b) The county treasurer may offer options, which may include coupon books and payroll deductions, for the payment of all local taxes, through monthly, bimonthly, quarterly, or semi-annual installments, provided such taxes are paid in full by the final due date fixed in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) For failure by merchants in business or trade to file any return that is required by law to be filed, there is hereby imposed a penalty of ten percent of the tax assessable on such return, or \$10.00, whichever is greater; provided, however, the penalty shall in no case exceed the amount of tax due. Individual taxpayers are no longer required to file tangible personal property tax.

(d) Interest at a rate of ten percent per year shall be payable to the county on any unpaid local taxes and such interest shall accrue beginning January 1 of the year following the day such taxes are due, unless otherwise provided herein.

(e) The penalty for failure to pay a tax or an installment when due shall be ten percent of the tax past due on all real and personal property taxes; provided, however, that the penalty for late payment of real or personal property taxes shall not exceed the amount of tax due. (f) The penalties imposed by this section, when assessed, shall become a part of the tax due on such property.

(g) A taxpayer shall not suffer a penalty or interest if the failure to pay a tax on time is not the fault of the taxpayer. The county treasurer, or his duly appointed representative, shall determine that no such fault exists, the treasurer shall report, in writing, such determination to the Board of Supervisors, outlining the reason no such penalty applies.

(h) In the event a transfer of real property ownership occurs after January 1 of a tax year, and the real estate tax bill has been mailed pursuant to Code of Virginia, §§ 58.1-3281 and 58.1-3912, the county treasurer may invalidate a bill sent to the prior owner and reissue the bill to

the new owner as permitted by Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3912, and no penalty for failure to pay any tax for any such assessment shall be imposed if the tax is paid within two weeks after the notice thereof is mailed.

(i) Penalty and interest for failure to file a return or to pay a tax shall not be imposed if such failure to file a return or to pay a tax is due to the death or a medically determinable physical or mental impairment of the taxpayer on the date that the return or tax is due and shall be presumptive proof of the lack of fault on the taxpayer's part, provided that the return is filed, or the taxes are paid, within 30 days of the due date. However, if there is a committee, legal guardian, conservator or other fiduciary handling the individual's affairs, such return shall be filed or such taxes paid within 120 days after the fiduciary qualifies or begins to act on behalf of the taxpayer. Interest on such taxes shall accrue until paid in full. Any such fiduciary shall, on behalf of the taxpayer, by the due date, file any required returns and pay any taxes that come due after the 120-day period. The treasurer shall make determinations of fault relating exclusively to failure to pay a tax, and the commissioner of the revenue shall make determinations of fault relating exclusively to failure to file a return.

(j) Reasonable extensions of time, not to exceed 90 days, for the payment of real estate and personal property taxes and for filing returns on tangible personal property, machinery and tools, and merchants' capital may be granted whenever good cause exists. The county treasurer may grant extensions for the payment of taxes, and the commissioner of the revenue may grant extensions for the time of filing a return. The treasurer and commissioner of the revenue shall keep a record of every such extension. If any taxpayer who has been granted an extension of time for filing his return fails to file his return within the extended time, the case shall be treated the same as if no extension had been granted.

(k) The county shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney or collection agency fees, not to exceed 20 percent of the delinquent tax bill. Attorney fees shall be added only if such delinquency is collected by an action at law or suit in equity.

(Ord. of 8-26-1997; Ord. of 10-28-1997; Amend. of 10-8-2013)

State Law References: Date for filing returns, penalties, interest, Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3916.

Sec. 23-44.1 Exemption of certain animals and items from taxation.

In accordance with Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3505(B), the following animals and items are hereby exempted in whole from any taxation within the county: Farm animals and livestock and grains and agricultural products are hereby defined as separate items of taxation and classified as follows

- (1) Horses, mules and other kindred animals.
- (2) Cattle.
- (3) Sheep and goats.
- (4) Hogs.
- (5) Poultry.
- (6) Grains and other feeds used for the nurture of farm animals.
- (7) Tobacco and wine produced by farm wineries as defined in Code of Virginia, § 4.1-100 and other agricultural products in the hands of a producer.

(b) All of the classes of farm animals and livestock and grains, etc. set forth in subsection (a) of this section are hereby exempt from taxation.

(Code 1978, § 8-47.1; Code 1995, § 34-3)

State Law References: Classification of farm animals, etc., which county may exempt, Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3505. Ord. of 4-14-2015.

Sec. 22.43.2. - Exemption of household goods from taxation.

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of §58.1-3503, household goods and personal effects are hereby defined as separate items of taxation and classified as follows:

(1) Bicycles.

(2) Household and kitchen furniture, including gold and silver plates, plated ware, watches and clocks, sewing machines, refrigerators, automatic refrigerating machinery of any type, vacuum cleaners and all other household machinery, books, firearms and weapons of all kinds.

(3) Pianos, organs, phonographs and record players and records to be used therewith and all other musical instruments of whatever kind, radio and television instruments and equipment.

(4) Oil paintings, pictures, statuary, curios, articles of virtue and works of art.

(5) Diamonds, cameos and other precious stones and all precious metals used as ornaments or jewelry.

(6) Sporting and photographic equipment.

(7) Clothing and objects of apparel.

(8) All-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles as defined in §46.2-100;

(10) Electronic communications and processing devices and equipment, including but not limited to cell phones and tablet and personal computers, including peripheral equipment such as printers.

(11) All other tangible personal property used by an individual or a family or household incident to maintaining an abode.

(b) The classification set forth in subsection (a) of this section shall apply only to such property owned and used by an individual or by a family or household incident to maintaining an abode.

(c) All of the classes of household goods and personal effects set forth in subsection (a) of this section are exempt from taxation.

State law reference— Authority of county to adopt exemptions from personal property tax, Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3504. Ord. of 4-14-2015.

Sec. 23-45. Assessment of new buildings substantially completed.

All new buildings substantially completed or fit for any use and occupancy prior to November 1 of the year of completion shall be assessed when so completed or fit for use and occupancy, and the commissioner of the revenue shall enter in the books the fair market value of such building. No such partial assessment shall become effective until information as to the date and amount of such assessment is recorded in the office of the

treasurer of the county and made available for public inspection. The total tax on any such new building for that year shall be the sum of:

- (1) The tax upon the assessment of the completed building, computed according to the ratio which the portion of the year such building is substantially completed or fit for use and occupancy bears to the entire year; and
- (2) The tax upon the assessment of such new building as it existed on January 1 of the assessment year, computed according to the ratio which the portion of the year such building was not substantially complete or fit for use and occupancy bears the entire year.

(Code 1995, § 34-4; Ord. of 11-14-1990)

State Law References: Assessment of new buildings, Code of Virginia, § 59.1-3292.

Sec. 23-46. Tax exempt status of Thomas Bridge Water Corporation.

(a) The Board of Supervisors has determined, after a public hearing, that the Thomas Bridge Water Corporation is presently exempt from taxation under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and because of its unique operational procedures, qualifies as a benevolent organization pursuant to the requirement Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3651.

(b) The county hereby designates Thomas Bridge Water Corporation as exempt from taxation by the county on its real and personal property by designation, and not by classification.

(c) Beginning January 1, 2003, the real and personal property of Thomas Bridge Water Corporation, 586 Thomas Bridge Road, Marion, Virginia 24354, shall be exempt from real and personal property taxation by the county.

(d) Unless modified or repealed, the provisions of this section shall be effective upon the adoption of the ordinance from which this section is derived, and shall further exempt the real and personal property of Thomas Bridge Water Corporation from such taxes for subsequent tax years.

(Ord. of 8-13-2003)

Secs. 23-47--23-65. Reserved.

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

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,

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

7:59:43 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator presented a recommendation from the Budget Committee as shown below.

Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator informed the Budget Committee that bids had

been solicited for a 2015 4WD Extended Cab Pickup for use by the Animal Control Department. Two (2) bids were received. The Bids received were from Marion Automotive group in the amount of \$25,900.00 and from the State in the amount of \$25,673.19. With the state bid, the County would be responsible for paying \$1.80 per mile for delivery from Richmond. There will need to be a line item transfer of \$900.00 from line item 035010-5420 (Animal Control Supplies and Equipment) to line item 035010-9003 (Motorized Equipment) to cover the purchase of the truck.

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,

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

8:01:39 PM Nothing was discussed concerning old business.

8:01:55 PM A motion was made by North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins to enter into closed session under Code of Virginia, Section 2.2-3711-A.7 Legal; discussion with legal counsel and staff pertaining to actual or probable litigation. Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. 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,

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

It was moved by Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner seconded by North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins 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 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: 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,

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

Supervisor Comment Time- Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins made a motion to appoint Mr. Sam Parsons, 221 Horne Hollow Road, Sugar Grove, VA to serve on the Rye Valley Water Authority Board. 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,

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

8:30:02 PM North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. 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,

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call and Royal Oak District Supervisor G. Blake Frazier.

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121 BAGLEY CIRCLE, Suite 110 • MARION, VIRGINIA 24354

March, 27, 2015

Smyth County Board of Supervisors
121 Bagley Cir; Ste 100
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Re: FY2015 Aid to Localities Allocations

Dear Smyth County Board of Supervisors:

Smyth County has received an initial 90% payment from the Aid to localities FY2015 allocations in the amount of \$60,498. Staff recommends the following disbursement schedule.

Agency:	Disbursement Amount 90%
Atkins Fire Dept	\$13,083
Adwolfe FD	\$13,083
Nebo Fire Dept	\$13,083
Sugar Grove Fire Dept	\$13,083
Chilhowie FD	\$4,083
Saltville FD	\$4,083

* * Please note that the Town of Marion is not listed for disbursements because they receive more money (\$16,131) from the ATL program then what will be distributed to the other Fire Departments.

Please mail checks directly to the agencies if approved.

FY 2015 Aid to Localities

Smyth County has received \$60,498 dollars from the Department of Fire Programs Aid to Localities Allocation. This is an initial (90%) payment with the remainder coming sometime later in the year.

Aid to Localities (ATL) FY 2015 Allocations

Description	FY 2015 Estimated	Initial Payment (90%)
Smyth County	\$67,220	\$60,498
Town of Chilhowie	\$10,000	\$9,000
Town of Saltville	\$10,000	\$9,000
Town of Marion	\$17,924	\$16,131

* * Please note that the Town of Marion is listed for information purposes only. They receive more money from ATL than any other agency and are not included in the disbursement calculation.

Distribution Formula:

Smyth County:	\$60,498
Town of Chilhowie:	\$9,000
Town of Saltville:	\$9,000
Total:	\$78,498 divided by 6 Fire Depts = \$13,083

Staff recommend disbursement:

Atkins FD:	\$13,083
Adwolfe FD:	\$13,083
Nebo FD:	\$13,083
Sugar Grove FD:	\$13,083

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EDI Remittance Detail

Total Amount: 60,498.00

Deposit Date: 03/30/2015

Trace Number 80068482

Agy No	Amount	Offset Amount	Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Customer Number	Voucher Number	Description
960	60,498.00	0.00	3Q15ATL173	03/23/2015		00000326	Smyth Co. FPF 15 Pymt3
Tot 960	60,498.00						

Public Hearing Residential Rehabilitation Tax Exemption

Pursuant to §58.1-3220 of the Code of Virginia, (1950), as amended, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors proposes to amend Chapter 23 (Finance and Taxation) of the Smyth County Code to provide one-year of tax abatement on increased assessed value for certain rehabilitated residential units, effective immediately upon adoption.

A new Smyth County Code, Article IX, Chapter 23, Division 3 (Sections 23-338 through 340) on Residential Rehabilitation Tax Exemption is proposed to permit applications for partial exemption on the increased assessed value for completed rehabilitation of residential multi-family residences of ten units or more with no less than fifteen years of age and located in Smyth County.

A Public Hearing will be continued by the Smyth County Board of Supervisors and conducted on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 beginning at 6:00p.m. or soon thereafter in the Board of Supervisors meeting room, 121 Bagley Circle, Marion, Virginia. A copy of the present and proposed ordinance is on file at the Smyth County Administrators Office, 121 Bagley Circle, Marion, Virginia and can be viewed between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate in the public hearing should contact Clegg Williams, ADA Coordinator for Smyth County, at (276) 783-3298 x 8315 at least forty eight (48) hours prior to the public hearing.

By order of the Smyth County Board of Supervisors - Michael L. Carter, County Administrator

**ARTICLE IX. ENTERPRISE ZONE EXEMPTIONS, LOCAL TECHNOLOGY ZONES*
AND RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION PARTIAL EXEMPTION****

* State Law References: Enterprise zone grant act, Code of Virginia, § 59.1-538 et seq.;

** State Law Reference: Partial exemption of certain rehabilitated, renovated or replacement residential structure, Code of Virginia §§ 58.1-3220 et seq.

DIVISION 3. RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION PARTIAL EXEMPTION*

- **State Law Reference**, Partial exemption for certain rehabilitated, renovated or replacement residential structures, § 58.1-3220, Code of Virginia.

Sec. 23-338. Legislative authority, designation, and purpose of the residential rehabilitation partial exemption. The ordinance from which this article is derived was adopted by the Board of Supervisors by virtue of authority granted by Code of Virginia, §§ 58.1-3220 et seq. The partial exemption is designated by the governing body by virtue of an approved application and completion of the project under certain conditions. The purpose of the partial exemption on residential rehabilitation is to preserve low- and moderate-income housing in older structures. Certain partial tax exemptions are authorized when real estate, by virtue of age and use, have undergone substantial renovation, rehabilitation or replacement.
(Ord. of 05-12-2015)

Sec. 23-339. Definitions. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Multifamily residential real estate means land containing a structure or other improvement of ten (10) or more units constructed or used for residential purposes in accordance with this Code and other applicable law.

Rehabilitation means the process of restoring or increasing the assessed value over the base value of a qualified structure through (i) renovation and (ii) replacement.
(Ord. of 05-12-2015)

Sec. 23-340. Rehabilitated real estate tax exemption--Eligibility. The commissioner has sole authority to determine, pursuant to the requirements of this article, whether a structure is an eligible structure. In order to qualify for the partial exemption from real property taxation for eligible structures, the applicant for such exemption shall have paid all taxes on the affected property up to and including the most recently concluded taxable year paid in full, both at time of application and at time of completion of rehabilitation, and shall comply with all mandatory administrative requirements as set forth in this article. In addition, the structure for which an application for partial exemption is filed shall meet all of the following criteria: (1) Located within the boundaries of Smyth County; (2) Be a structure of no less than 15 years old; (3) Designed as and suitable for the sole purpose of at least ten (10) multi-family residential units use after completion of rehabilitation; (4) Be rehabilitated after filing an application for tax

exemption and after issuance of all appropriate building permits, including a certificate of occupancy upon completion of the rehabilitation; (5) The rehabilitation of such structure shall result in an increase in assessed value of the structure.
(Ord. of 05-12-2015)

Sec. 23-241. Same--Amount of exemption.

(a) For eligible structures, a one-year rehabilitated residential real estate tax exemption is allowed in the amount of 100% of increased value during the first year of newly assessed value upon completion of the rehabilitation.

(b) The exemption from county taxation for real estate awarded by this section shall terminate at the end of the first tax year.

(Ord. of 05-12-2015)

Sec. 23-242. Same--Application.

(a) Applications shall be filed and processed in accordance with the following procedures: (1) To qualify, the owner shall file a written application for a rehabilitated real estate tax exemption. The owner carries the burden of proof to show that the property for which an application has been filed complies with all eligibility criteria established in 34-340. The commissioner may require documentary proof of eligibility, and, in such cases, the owner shall present documentation satisfactory to the commissioner. (2) The owner shall file a written application with the office of the commissioner prior to initiation of the rehabilitation and no later than 30 days after obtaining the building permit for the rehabilitation. (3) The owner shall include with each application a nonrefundable processing fee of \$250.00. (4) Within a reasonable amount of time after receipt of an application, the commissioner shall determine if the structure described by the application meets the age, location, and use criteria of an eligible structure and shall determine the assessed base value of the structure, if it is an eligible structure. If the structure does not meet the age, location, or use criteria of an eligible structure, then the commissioner shall, in a timely manner, provide to the owner written notice of such determination. The owner shall have ten days after receipt of such notice to provide documentation to the commissioner to show that such criteria are satisfied by the structure, and the commissioner shall make a final determination on the basis of such additional information in a timely manner after submission of such additional information. (5) An appeal of the commissioner of revenue's determination may be made in writing to the Board of Supervisors within 30 days of the commissioner's final determination. (6) The application shall be effective for a period of two years from the date of filing. No extensions of this time period will be granted. (7) The rehabilitation must be completed (and evidenced by the date of the certificate of occupancy issued by the county building official) within two years after the date of the filing of the application. (8) Within 60 days of the issue date of the certificate of occupancy, the owner shall notify the commissioner in writing that the rehabilitation is complete, and the commissioner shall, within a reasonable time period, inspect the property to determine whether the subject of the application is an eligible structure and to determine the amount of the rehabilitated real estate tax exemption. (9) Upon determination of the partial tax exemption, the commissioner shall provide timely notice to the county administrator and county treasurer. Following this notification, the Board of Supervisors

may authorize the commissioner of the revenue to exonerate the appropriate value in order to carry out the tax exemption.

(b) The commissioner, with advice of the county administrator and county treasurer, may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this section as are deemed necessary for the effective administration of this article.

(c) The exemption resulting from the rehabilitation of an eligible structure shall commence on January 1 of the next tax year following completion of the rehabilitation, as defined by the date of issuance of the certificate of occupancy, and the commissioner's determination that the structure is eligible for the rehabilitated real estate tax exemption.

(e) Only one partial exemption under this section may be applicable to any eligible structure during the life of the eligible structure.

(f) Nothing in this article shall be construed as to permit the commissioner to list upon the land book any reduced value due to the exemption provided in this section.

(g) The making of any false statement in any application, affidavit or other information supplied for the purpose of determination of eligible structure and the amount of the rehabilitated real estate tax exemption shall constitute a Class 2 misdemeanor.

(Ord. of 05-12-2015)

Insert Letterhead here

MacArthur Foundation
Office of Grants Management
140 S. Dearborn Street
Chicago, IL 60603-5285

Dear MacArthur Foundation:

The (participating jurisdictional organization) is committed to supporting and participating in the execution of the Safety and Justice Challenge project as applied for by the Southwest Virginia Regional Jail Authority. The (participating jurisdictional organization) understands that effective jail population management strategies require a system wide scope. No single stakeholder can impact local jail populations without the support and involvement of their counterparts in law enforcement, the criminal defense bar, prosecutors' offices, the judiciary, pretrial service agencies, probation and parole, and other local service providers.

The (participating jurisdictional organization) will provide data and agency leaders to support the Southwest Virginia Regional Jail Authority in its efforts to complete this project if awarded.

Sincerely,

(Title of Head of participating jurisdictional organization (and sign above))



Safety + Justice Challenge: RFP

MacArthur Foundation

OVERVIEW

America's reliance on local jail incarceration has grown dramatically over the past three decades. Jail populations have more than tripled since the 1980s. So have cumulative expenditures related to building and running jails. There are now nearly 12 million admissions to local jails annually—almost 20 times the number of admissions to state and federal prisons.

Jails are where our nation's incarceration problem begins. While the primary purpose of local jails is to detain those awaiting court proceedings who are a danger to public safety or a flight risk, they have come to hold many who are neither. Jails too often serve as warehouses for low-risk individuals too poor to post bail, or too sick for existing community resources to manage. Nearly 75 percent of both sentenced offenders and pretrial detainees are in jail for nonviolent traffic, property, drug, or public order offenses. And many in jail are held there far longer than necessary, due to crowded court dockets and chronic backlogs that delay timely case resolutions.

All this carries significant costs—to individuals, families, communities, and society at large. Just a few days in jail can damage health, degrade economic prospects, interrupt education and employment, jeopardize housing, break up families, increase the likelihood and severity of a sentence of incarceration, and even promote future criminal behavior—making jail a gateway to deeper and more lasting involvement in the criminal justice system. And research shows that all these impacts are disproportionately felt in low-income communities and communities of color.

The overuse of jails is a major driver and core component of over-incarceration that needs to be addressed directly. That's why local policymakers interested in improving public safety, saving money, and promoting stronger, healthier communities are beginning to take a hard look at how their jails are used.

Fortunately, every community in America can safely reduce its use of local incarceration while reserving valuable jail resources for offenders who pose significant risk to public safety. Proven strategies include:

- Policing practices that limit unnecessary custodial arrests;
- Early screening and assignment of counsel;
- Pretrial detention decision-making that focuses on assessments of safety and flight risk, not ability to pay;
- Diversion options that hold offenders accountable without separating them from their jobs and families;
- Booking, arraignment, case screening, and processing procedures that shorten jail stays by reducing procedural delays; and
- Reentry practices that better prepare inmates for release and reintegration and serve to reduce reoffending.





SAFETY+JUSTICE CHALLENGE

To support the spread of these and other approaches, and to encourage innovation, the MacArthur Foundation is launching the Safety and Justice Challenge, an initial five-year, \$75 million investment in local reform, research, experimentation, and communications intended to create national demand for local justice reform as a means of reducing over-incarceration in America. Through the Safety and Justice Challenge, the Foundation will support a nationwide network of selected local jurisdictions committed to finding ways to safely reduce jail incarceration, with a particular focus on addressing disproportionate impact on low-income individuals and communities of color. With help from a consortium of national experts and technical assistance providers, participating sites will rigorously examine how their jails are being used; who is being held there, and what risks they pose to the community; what policies and practices have driven the growth of local jail populations; and what strategies will work to reduce the unnecessary use of jail without compromising public safety.

To advance our knowledge and understanding about the use of jail in America, and to document the experience of local jurisdictions that succeed in building safer, less costly, and more just criminal justice systems, the Foundation will complement the grants it makes to local jurisdictions with investments in research and data analytics. The Foundation will also invest in a robust communications campaign aimed at elevating jail overuse into an urgent national issue, and generating national demand for a more balanced set of approaches to crime and disorder that use incarceration only where necessary, and as part of a flexible range of effective alternatives.

THE COMPETITION

The Safety and Justice Challenge competition will unfold in two rounds.

Round 1: Planning (May-December 2015)

Up to twenty selected sites will receive a grant of \$150,000 to support an intensive six-month planning process, during which they will rigorously examine how their jails are being used and what strategies will reduce incarceration without compromising public safety. Each site will produce a plan for implementing these reforms.

Each site will be paired with an expert technical assistance partner. Four of the nation's leading criminal justice organizations will provide technical assistance to Safety and Justice Challenge sites—the Center for Court Innovation, the Justice Management Institute, Justice System Partners, and the Vera Institute of Justice. With the support of one of these technical assistance partners, teams from each site will work through a rigorous, fast-paced, data-driven planning process. Sites will be supported in a system mapping exercise to help them describe—using facts and data—how the jurisdiction's criminal justice system currently operates. From there, sites will consider the most promising ways to reduce unnecessary jail use without compromising public safety and, with the help of the technical assistance partner, develop an action plan for achieving reductions. The best implementation plans will set quantifiable impact targets, and chart a credible path for achieving them.





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Throughout the planning period, participating sites will have meaningful opportunities to learn from experts and from one another as part of a robust Challenge Network. Delegations from all selected sites will be assembled twice, in-person, during the planning period. Sites will also be invited to attend virtual events, such as webinars with practitioners in other jurisdictions.

During the planning phase, participating sites will:

- Ensure key staff and agency leaders meaningfully participate in the process;
- Collect and share data among local partners and with the Foundation;
- Collaborate with a research team engaged by the Foundation to develop and track performance measures and inform an independent evaluation of the outcomes and impact of the initiative;
- Identify and agree on priority problems that contribute to the overreliance on jails, and look for achievable solutions that do not compromise public safety;
- Surface and address racial and ethnic disparities in the way jail is used, administered, and experienced; and
- Engage affirmatively with the larger goals of the Safety and Justice Challenge by participating in a communications campaign about the appropriate use of jail in America.

At the end of the planning phase, participating sites will have:

- Demonstrated engagement of local leaders in the planning process, including participation in key planning meetings, and ongoing commitment to the implementation process;
- Conducted a comprehensive analysis of interagency data to understand the drivers of jail population at each decision point;
- Committed to reducing the number of people in jail, tackling racial and ethnic fairness head-on, and tracking progress toward achieving those aims through data collection, performance measurement, and evaluation; and
- Developed a clearly articulated plan for system change, including a compelling logic about how incarceration will be reduced and a realistic implementation plan with measurable and time-sensitive goals, and assigned activities to responsible parties.

Selected jurisdictions will be required to attend a meeting on **May 27th through the 29th, in Washington, D.C.** Grant funds will be applied to cover travel expenses for this meeting.

Round 2: Implementation (2016-2017)

As many as ten jurisdictions will be selected to receive funding to support implementation of the plans developed during Round 1. The Foundation aims to invest in those jurisdictions that:

1. Identify the most promising strategies for safely reducing overreliance on local jails;
2. Produce the most ambitious and credible plans for implementing those strategies; and
3. Demonstrate the availability of and willingness to share identifiable data.

Depending on the scope and ambition of the second round proposals, the Foundation expects to make implementation grants to each site that range from \$500,000 to \$2 million annually over two years, with an option to extend if substantial progress is made. Whether or not sites are selected to





SAFETY+JUSTICE CHALLENGE

receive implementation funding, all Round 1 sites will receive funding to support their continued participation in the Challenge Network.

ELIGIBILITY

Any jurisdiction with governing authority over a local jail or jail system that has **at least 50 beds** is eligible to apply for grant funding through the Safety and Justice Challenge, including states, cities, counties, judicial districts, and tribes.





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Joel Pugh, Park District
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Paul D. Shepherd, Rye Valley District
Wayne Venable, Saltville District
Clegg Williams, Zoning Administrator
Becca Creasy, Administrative Assistant

To: Michael L. Carter
From: Clegg Williams *CW*
Date: March 27, 2015
Subject: Recommendation from Planning Commission on Special Use Permit application for Rich Valley Agricultural and Fair Association, Inc.

At the Planning Commission's meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2015 the following motion was rendered:

Commissioner Joel Pugh made a motion to recommend the Board approve the Special Use Permit requested by Rich Valley Agricultural and Fair Association, Inc. to expand their non-conforming use to include the following activities: *bull riding, demolition derby, donkey softball games, go cart racing, lawnmower pulls, lawnmower races, mixed martial arts, musical concerts, tough truck contest, tractor pulls, truck mud races, truck pulls, wrestling and circus events* with the following conditions: Events can only be held on Friday, Saturday and/or Sunday until midnight. The property is identified as 325 and 329 Long Hollow Road, Saltville; Tax Map Nos. 19-A-51, 19-A-36B, and 19-A-36C; and is zoned Agricultural. Commissioner Wayne Venable seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Davidson, Doyle, Pugh, Shepherd, Sparks, Venable and Wagoner
NAYS: None.
ABSTAINERS: None.
ABSENT: None.



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To: Michael L. Carter
From: Clegg Williams *CW*
Date: March 27, 2015
Subject: Recommendation from Planning Commission on Letter of Substantial Accord for CPV

At the Planning Commission's meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2015 the following motion was rendered:

Commissioner Wayne Venable made a motion to recommend the Board approve the resolution for a Letter of Substantial Accord for CPV as presented. Commissioner Joel Pugh seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES:	Davidson, Doyle, Pugh, Shepherd, Sparks, Venable and Wagoner
NAYS:	None.
ABSTAINERS:	None.
ABSENT:	None.



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To: Michael L. Carter
From: Clegg Williams *CW*
Date: March 27, 2015
Subject: Recommendation from Planning Commission^{on} Mount Rogers Planning
District Commission

At the Planning Commission's meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2015 the following motion was rendered:

Commissioner Wayne Venable made a motion to recommend the Board appoint Robbie Doyle to the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission. Commissioner Joel Pugh seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES:	Sparks, Venable, Pugh, Wagoner, Shepherd and Davidson
NAYS:	None.
ABSTAINERS:	Doyle.
ABSENT:	None.

April 2, 2015

A meeting of the Smyth County Appointment Committee was held at the County Office Building on Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 3:30P.M.

Committee Members Present: Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins, Jr.
Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner

Committee Members Absent: Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins

Staff Members: Michael Carter, County Administrator
Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator
Kelly Woods, Administrative Assistant

Acting Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner called the meeting to order at 3:50 pm.

Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. made a motion to appoint C. Todd Young to the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission for a four (4) year term, beginning June 30, 2014 and ending June 30, 2018. All agreed unanimously.

Chilhowie District Supervisor Wade H. Blevins Jr. made a motion to appoint Bryan Saunders to the Southwest Virginia Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc., to fill the remainder of the term for Doug Testerman. Mr. Testerman has resigned his seat due to medical reasons. The term will expire on December 31, 2016. All agreed unanimously.

All recommendations will be brought before the full Board at the next scheduled meeting for April 14, 2015.

With nothing further to discuss, Acting Chairman Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner adjourned the meeting at 3:52 P.M.

A meeting of the Smyth County Building and Grounds Committee was held at the County Office Building on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, Chairman
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins

Committee Members Absent:

North Fork District Supervisor Ron C. Blevins

Staff Members Present:

Michael Carter, County Administrator
Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator
Kelly Woods, Administrative Assistant

Roscoe D. Call, Chairman called the meeting to order at 4:44 p.m.

Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator informed the committee of bids received for HVAC services for the County. The bids received were from Cook's Mechanical Service in the amount of \$26,900 and Trane-Tri Cities in the amount of \$28,637.00.

After discussion, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins made a motion to recommend awarding the bid to Cook's Mechanical Service in the amount of \$26,900.00 for a one (1) year cycle, and to recommend this to the Board of Supervisors at the April 14, 2015 meeting. All agreed unanimously.

Having no other business to discuss, Chairman, Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call adjourned the meeting at 4:59 pm.

A meeting of the Smyth County Personnel Committee was held at the County Office Building on Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 4:30 P.M.

Committee Members Present: Wade Blevins
Roscoe Call

Staff Members: Michelle Clayton, County Attorney
Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator
Diane Spence, IT Director
Kelly Woods, Administrative Assistant
Lisa Richardson, Human Resource Manager

Wade Blevins called the meeting to order at 4:32 P.M.

Michelle Clayton, County Attorney presented information to the Committee concerning use of County Equipment as shown below.

Use of County Equipment

(a) Telephone Use and Use of the Internet:

- (i) The County provides telephones and computers for employees who need them to conduct County business.
- (ii) Personal use of office telephones for long distance and toll calls is prohibited.
- (iii) Personal calls shall not be made or received on any County office or cell phones, when they are of a nature or extent that interrupt or interfere with the employee's work or ability of others to perform their work, or where such calls either prevent or hinder the use of the phone for County business.
- (iv) Use of County-owned cell phones including smart phones, Email, and internet service shall be limited to hours during which an employee is performing work on behalf of the County or is on-call.
- (v) Reimbursement shall be required if any excess charges arise due to unauthorized personal use.

(b) Postage. The use of County-paid postage for personal correspondence is prohibited.

(c) Other Property and Equipment. Unauthorized removal of County equipment or property from County worksites, and the use of County equipment or property for personal reasons, is prohibited.

(d) **EMPLOYEES ARE HEREBY PLACED ON NOTICE THAT THEY SHALL NOT HAVE AN EXPECTATION OF PRIVACY WHEN USING COUNTY TELEPHONES, COMPUTERS, INTERNET SERVICES, WI-FI, EMAIL, TEXTING AND OTHER ELECTRONIC AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT.** All County electronic and

telecommunications systems and equipment are owned by the County. Information and records created, sent, received, accessed or stored using such systems and equipment are property of the County. The County reserves the right to monitor all activities without notice and the County may monitor, access and review all such information and records, at any time, as the County deems necessary for the efficient, effective and secure use and operation of such systems. Users must recognize that computer generated documents (e.g., old email) are public records subject to the Freedom of Information Act.

(e) All internet use shall be conducted in compliance with applicable federal and state laws governing electronic and telecommunications.

(f) The use of County electronic and telecommunications systems and equipment for illegal or inappropriate purposes is prohibited. Illegal use means any use in violation of local, state and/or federal laws and regulations. Inappropriate use means any use that would violate the County's policies or procedures, including, without limitation, the following:

- i. Email: creating or forwarding jokes, chain messages, or any other non-work related messages.
- ii. Internet: pirating software; stealing passwords; hacking other machines on the Internet or County network; participating in the viewing or exchange of pornography or obscene materials; engaging in other illegal or inappropriate activities using the Internet.
- iii. Any unauthorized access to any computer system, application or service.
- iv. Concealing or misrepresentation of an employee's identity when sending or receiving communications using County electronic or telecommunications systems or equipment, including, without limitation, using "identifiers" of other individuals as your own, and using a computer logon ID other than the individual user ID assigned.
- v. Any activities for private, commercial purposes, such as business transactions between individuals and/or commercial organizations.
- vi. Any usage that significantly interferes with or disrupts network users, services, or computers. Disruptions include, but are not limited to, distribution of unsolicited advertising and deliberate propagation of computer viruses.
- vii. Any activities where users engage in acts that are deliberately wasteful of computing resources or which unfairly monopolize resources to the exclusion of others. These acts include, but are not limited to, broadcasting unsolicited mailings or other messages, creating unnecessary output or printing, or creating unnecessary network traffic.

(g) Minimal use of County systems for personal internet accounts while on breaks is permissible. Abuse of this privilege may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

h) Smyth County's Policy on Use of Internet and Electronic Communications provides more detailed guidelines for use of these systems and is available through the Information Systems Department as well as the County's website.

Roscoe Call made a motion to recommend approval of this policy to the Board of Supervisors at the April 14, 2015 meeting, to be effective immediately. All agreed unanimously.

With no other matters to discuss, Wade Blevins adjourned the meeting at 4:59 P.M.

DRAFT

Reason for disapproval: _____

SMYTH COUNTY DAMAGE CLAIM

I hereby make oath that I have had 17 CHICKENS
destroyed by dogs on the 17 day of JAN., 2015
worth \$ \$85.00.

Owner: (Print) MICHAEL BILLINGS

Address: 817 HUTTON BRANCH RD.

Telephone: 276-783-1451

Signature: Michl. Billy

Dog Owner: _____ ☒ Unknown

-----OFFICER USE ONLY-----

Date Reported: JAN 17 2015 Date Checked by Officer: JAN. 20TH 2015.

Description of damage: 17 CHICKENS KILLED BY
STRAY DOG.

Damage was done by: STRAY DOG.

Smyth County Extension Office (fair market value) \$ 5.00 EACH \$85.00

3.2-6584 Code of VA: \$400.00/animal and \$10.00/fowl maximum limit

We hereby certify that the above claim has been investigated and
approve/disapprove \$ 85.00 to be paid in settlement
for the damage.

Smyth Co. Animal Control Officer: SGT. Darin Keese

Reason for disapproval: _____

SMYTH COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL

287 FOX VALLEY ROAD
121 BAGLEY CIRCLE, SUITE 100
MARION, VA 24354
TELEPHONE 276-646-2222 FAX 276-646-5148

February, 2015

IN RE: SCAS ADOPTIONS and TRANSFERS

Upon approval a new adoption and rescue transfer policy will be as follows:

SCAS will no longer accept requests to save or place names on animals for adoptions or transfers.

Individual adopters will have to appear in person and pay a deposit on their requested animal in the amount of the standard adoption fee.

In cases where the fee has been paid and the animal is not adopted for any reason, the fee will be refunded.

Animals that have been previously sterilized will also require an in person signature whether by an adopter or a rescue.

Rescue agents must appear in person to sign their intent to acquire or transfer an animal from **SCAS**.

Adopted or transferred animals must be claimed on their release date.

No SCAS employees will act as agents for any individual or rescue group.

***Effective February 24, 2015**