

The Smyth County Board of Supervisors held its regular meeting at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 9, 2018. 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: Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner; Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K Blevins; Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D Call; North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson; Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea; Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins; Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant (7)

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: County Administrator Michael Carter; Assistant County Administrator Scott Simpson; County Attorney Travis Lee; Administrative Assistant Kelly Woods (4)

OTHERS: Stephanie Porter-Nichols, Smyth County News and Messenger, Deputy with the Smyth County Sheriff's Office and several citizens.

 1/9/2018 4:00 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator called the meeting to order.

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.7 Legal; discussion with legal counsel and staff pertaining to actual or probable litigation. Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner seconded the motion.


After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:


AYES: Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

 1/9/2018 5:00 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator called the meeting back to order from Closed session.

 1/9/2018 5:00 PM It was moved by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K Blevins, seconded by North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson, to adopt the following resolution certifying the business conducted in closed session as follows:

RESOLUTION

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors has convened in a closed session on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Smyth County Board of Supervisors that such a meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Smyth County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed or considered by the Smyth County Board of Supervisors.


After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:


AYES: Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

 1/9/2018 5:01 PM Kendra Hayden, Administrative Assistant gave the invocation and Lisa Richardson, Human Resource Manager led the Pledge of Allegiance.

 1/9/2018 5:01 PM A motion was made by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins to adopt the agenda and additional agenda as presented.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.  
ABSTAINERS: None.  
ABSENT: None.



1/9/2018 5:02 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator opened the floor for discussion and nominations for the Election of Officers for calendar year 2018.

Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call made a motion to nominate Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner as Chairman for calendar year 2018. The motion was seconded by Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins.

North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.  
ABSTAINERS: None.  
ABSENT: None.

Michael Carter, County Administrator called for a vote on Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner's nomination for Chairman for calendar year 2018.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.  
ABSTAINERS: Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner.  
ABSENT: None.

Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner opened the floor for nominations of Vice Chairman for calendar year 2018. North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson nominated Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins as Vice Chairman for calendar year 2018. The motion was seconded by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call.

Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call made a motion to close the nominations for Vice Chairman.  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner called for a vote on Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins's nomination for Vice Chairman for calendar year 2018.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson and  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins, Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

ABSENT: None.

Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner opened the floor for nominations of Clerk for calendar year 2018. North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson nominated Michael Carter for Clerk. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded the motion.

Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call made a motion to close the nominations for Clerk and North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner called for a vote on Michael Carter's nomination for Clerk for calendar year 2018.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner opened the floor for nominations of Deputy Clerk for calendar year 2018. North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson nominated Scott Simpson for Deputy Clerk. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded the motion.

Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call made a motion to close the nominations for Deputy Clerk and North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson seconded the motion.

Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner called for a vote on Scott Simpson's nomination for Deputy Clerk for calendar year 2018.


After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

 1/9/2018 5:06 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator asked the Board their desired meeting schedule for calendar year 2018 and suggested the meeting stays as scheduled on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, with the exception of November's meeting to be held on Wednesday, November 14, 2018. A second meeting, as needed will be the fourth Thursday of each month. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call made a motion to continue with the regular meeting schedule on the second Tuesday of each month, with closed session beginning at 4:00 p.m., and for November's meeting to be held on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup>, with a second meeting the fourth Thursday of each month as needed. North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.



1/9/2018 5:09 PM A motion was made by Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to adopt the Board of Supervisors Rules of Procedures as Amended March 8, 2016, with the addition of the Resolution for Electronic Participation by a Board Member the Board of Supervisors approved on June 23, 2016. North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.



1/9/2018 5:10 PM A motion was made by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call to adopt the 2018 state holiday schedule as approved by the Governor and amended throughout the year. North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson seconded the motion.


After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

 1/9/2018 5:11 PM It was moved by Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins, seconded by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call to approve the minutes from the December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting, with a correction being made to page 8, concerning Susan Rutherford speaking as a citizen of Smyth County.


After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

 1/9/2018 5:13 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator asked the Board to consider setting the budget deadline for the FY18-19 budget on February 23, 2018 at close of business. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call made a motion to set the budget deadline for FY2018-2019 on February 23, 2018 at close of business. Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:


AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.


NAYS: None.


ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

 1/9/2018 5:15 PM Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner opened citizens time.

 1/9/2018 5:16 PM With no one wishing to speak, Chairman Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner closed citizens time.

 1/9/2018 5:16 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator presented the Board with information on the current FY2017-2018 budget and a current month analysis for appropriations.

 1/9/2018 5:27 PM It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson to appropriate \$1,580,000.00 from the General Fund. The following is an explanation of the appropriations approved:

General County	
Accounts Payable Listing:	\$ 920,764.71
Payroll:	\$ 664,327.66
Auto Draft Rural Development:	\$ 8,974.00
AEP/Century Link Bills:	\$ 25,000.00
County Administration Fund:	\$ 5,000.00
Total County Appropriation (Plus Carryover):	\$1,580,000.00

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins to appropriate \$400,000.00 from the General Fund for the Department of Social Services. The following is an explanation of the appropriations approved:

Social Services	
(January 10-January 31, 2018)	\$ 340,000.00
(February 1-February 13, 2018)	\$ 60,000.00
Total Social Services:	\$ 400,000.00

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins, seconded by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call to appropriate \$4,120,000.00 from the General Fund for the Smyth County School Board Operating Fund. The following is an explanation of the appropriations approved:



Schools-Operating Fund	
Instruction	\$2,800,000.00
Administration, Attendance, & Health	\$ 115,000.00
Transportation	\$ 175,000.00
Facilities	\$ 425,000.00
School Food Service	\$ 550,000.00
Technology	\$ 55,000.00
Total School Operating Fund:	\$4,120,000.00

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins, seconded by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call to appropriate \$385,000.00 from the General Fund for School Debt Service.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins to appropriate \$6,581.73 from the Sheriff's Fund 748 for open invoices.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,

Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins to appropriate \$3,000.00 from the EDA Fund 4 for open invoices.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to appropriate \$190,124.68 from Fund 307 for the Adwolfe Sewer Project.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins, seconded by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call to appropriate \$1,894.59 from the Commonwealth Attorney's Fund 760 for open invoices.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,

Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins to appropriate \$100.00 from the Water/Sewer Deposit Refund account for open invoices.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call, seconded by Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins to appropriate \$56.63 from the Drug Recovery Court Fund 749 for open invoices.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:


AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.


NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

 1/9/2018 5:31 PM Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner called for recess.

 1/9/2018 5:33 PM Josh Lewis, Executive Director with Virginia's Industrial Advancement Alliance presented a slide show to the Board of Supervisors, updating them on the Economic Development process provided by VIAA in Southwest Virginia and the GO Virginia Initiative.

 1/9/2018 6:12 PM Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins brought forward a recommendation from the Insurance Committee. It is the Committee's recommendation to allow Ms. Lisa Richardson, Human Resource Manager, to inform the Virginia Department of Human Resource Management, the

County's decision to not move forward with the COVA program, which is a health care plan for localities similar to state agencies.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant made a motion to adopt a resolution as shown below, allowing Smyth County to provide Worker's Compensation benefits to acting Board of Supervisors members. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded the motion.

Be it Resolved the members of the Smyth County Board of Supervisors are hereby authorized to be included as employees for the purpose of the Workers' Compensation Act of the Commonwealth of Virginia and are entitled to coverage provided under said Act.

**ADOPTED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018.**

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.



1/9/2018 6:17 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator updated the Board of Supervisors concerning the Bond Rating for Smyth County. Mr. Carter stated that according to Moody's rating services, the State Intercept Rating has been modified from an Aa3 to an Aa1.



1/9/2018 6:25 PM Michael Carter, County Administrator presented House Bill 222 for consideration by the Board of Supervisors and read aloud the following resolution for the record:

**JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL NUMBER :222**

**WHEREAS**, Delegate James W. Morefield has introduced House Bill Number 222 into the Virginia General Assembly for consideration in the 2018 session, which seeks to provide a state income tax incentive for Corporations who invest in Smyth County and create at least fifty jobs for County residents and provide state income tax breaks for the employees of such new businesses;

**WHEREAS**, such tax incentives will provide incentives for private persons, partnerships, and corporations to locate their enterprises in Smyth County, broaden the tax base with their investment, and improve the economy by creating employment opportunities for County residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors desire to support said legislation by joining with the other affected localities in approving this joint resolution;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors do hereby **RESOLVE** to support House Bill Number 222, sponsored by Delegate James W. Morefield, for the purposes of increasing economic development opportunities for the residents of Smyth County.

**Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018 in the County of Smyth, Virginia**

North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson made a motion to adopt the Resolution as presented. Chilhowie District Representative R. Curtis Rhea seconded the motion.


After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.

 1/9/2018 6:30 PM Scott Simpson, Assistant County Administrator updated the Board concerning the Adwolfe Sewer project and stated the project is essentially complete with the field construction

work. The pump station portion of the contract is almost complete with the site work and fencing which is anticipated to be completed by the end of the month. Mr. Simpson stated that AEP has the Highway 11 electrical service scheduled for installation the last week of January. The Exit 39 pump station electrical service is still in easement acquisition, as there is one landowner who has not returned their easement despite repeated attempts to contact them. AEP and the County staff are following up on this on a consistent basis.

The gravity sewer portion of the project is lacking about 350 feet of pipe installation in order to be complete. This piping is planned to be installed January 16<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>, at that time all piping installation will be completed. The remaining testing of these line segments of added work is expected to be complete by the end of January.

Mr. Simpson then informed the Board of Supervisors of the challenges that had been faced in recent weeks by the Water/Sewer Department due to the prolonged cold weather and the repairs that have been needed such as frozen water meters, burst meters, and water main breakage. Mr. Simpson commended the employees of the Water/Sewer Department for their dedication and ongoing work in these tough conditions.

North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson made a motion to allow staff to send a letter to the employees of the Water/Sewer Department on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, thanking them for their hard work and dedication. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.



1/9/2018 6:36 PM Supervisor Comment Time:


Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner thanked all those in attendance of the Board meeting.

Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call thanked all those in attendance of the Board meeting and welcomed Mr. Curtis Rhea and Ms. Judy Wyant to the Board.

Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins thanked those in the attendance of the meeting as well and welcomed Mr. Curtis Rhea and Ms. Judy Wyant. Mr. Atkins also stated he would like to continue to see things moving in a more positive direction for Smyth County and urged everyone to concentrate on Economic Development.

Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis also thanked everyone in attendance of the meeting and stated that he is looking forward to working with everyone to move the County forward in 2018.

Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant thanked everyone in attendance of the meeting and thanked those in the Royal Oak District for entrusting her to represent them.

 1/9/2018 6:41 PM North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call seconded the motion.

After consideration, the motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: Chairman, Park District Supervisor M. Todd Dishner,  
Vice Chairman, Rye Valley District Supervisor Rick K. Blevins,  
Saltville District Supervisor Roscoe D. Call,  
North Fork District Supervisor Phil Stevenson,  
Atkins District Supervisor Charles Atkins,  
Chilhowie District Supervisor R. Curtis Rhea and  
Royal Oak District Supervisor Judy Wyant.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINERS: None.

ABSENT: None.