PRESENT: Greg Benton, Livingston District

Kevin W. Marshall, Berkeley District

Timothy J. McLaughlin, Chancellor District

David Ross, Courtland District Gary F. Skinner, Lee Hill District Paul D. Trampe, Salem District Chris Yakabouski, Battlefield District

STAFF PRESENT: Mark B. Taylor, County Administrator

Mark L. Cole, Deputy County Administrator

Karl Holsten, County Attorney Aimee R. Mann, Deputy Clerk

Dr. Trampe called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Mr. Skinner led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Ross gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mr. Ross and passed unanimously, the Board approved the agenda.

VOTE:

Ayes: 7 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross

Mr. Skinner, Dr. Trampe and Mr. Yakabouski

Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

AWARD PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

<u>Sheriff's Office - Certificate of Accreditation from VA Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission</u>

The Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission presented a certificate of accreditation to the Sheriff's Office.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

The County Administrator read the synopsis as a brief preview of these agenda items for the public.

The following item was removed for separate consideration:

• Approval of Task Order to Rummel, Klepper & Kahl (RK&K) for Courtland High School Force Main Extension.

On a motion by Mr. Skinner and passed unanimously, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as follows:

VOTE:

Ayes: 7 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross

Mr. Skinner, Dr. Trampe and Mr. Yakabouski

Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

- 1. Appointment of Richard Thompson to the Transportation Committee Representing the Courtland District;
- 2. Approve Recommended Tow Board Members for 2019-2021;
- 3. Authorization for Public Hearing Repeal County Code Sec. 18-12: Restrictions on Activities on Highways, Public Roadways and Medians;
- 4. Business License Refund AAA Pest Pros Inc.

VOTE:

Ayes: 7 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross

Mr. Skinner, Dr. Trampe and Mr. Yakabouski

Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Approval of Task Order to Rummel, Klepper & Kahl (RK&K) for Courtland High School Force Main Extension

Staff recommended the approval of Task Order in the amount of \$126,649.00 to RK&K to provide engineering design services for Courtland High School Force Main Extension project. On a motion by Mr. Skinner and passed unanimously, the Board approved the Task Order in the amount of \$126,649.00 to RK&K to provide engineering design services for Courtland High School Force Main Extension project.

VOTE:

Ayes: 7 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross

Mr. Skinner, Dr. Trampe and Mr. Yakabouski

Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

The following citizens spoke with concerns regarding the school budget/tax rate: Renee Beverly, Gary Sexton, Troy Wright, Wanda Stroh, Missy Howard, Laleska Mendieta Gordon, Sherry Mosiniak, Bill Broughton, Marsha Dameron, Tiya Shaw, Jake Hainsey, Jacqueline Jones, Craig Amelung, Tonya Watson, Peter Pfotenhauer, Erin Hughes, Emma Cole, Jack Earnhart, Katie Earnhart, Stephanie Burchett, Lisa Murphy, Leticia Vargas, Betty Parker Dill, Chris Pace, Theresa Tempesta, Lorita Daniels, Erin Sherwood, Lisa Amer, Justin Davis, Diane Holmes, Nathan Thompson, Shawn Davis, and Meghan Jackson.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORTS

Mr. Yakabouski thanked the citizens for coming out to speak.

Mr. Marshall attended the YMCA Awards Recognition and commended the volunteers.

VDOT REPORT

Doug Morgan presented for VDOT. He reviewed the March VDOT Report presented to the Board.

Mr. Trampe spoke about safety issues turning into Patrician Court from Harrison Road.

Mr. Benton spoke about potholes throughout Livingston District.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

The following citizen spoke with concerns regarding the school budget/tax rate: Anthony Lofaro.

PRESENATIONS/REPORTS BY STAFF

Mr. Benton read the following statement:

I hereby disclose I have an interest in the budget transaction as a retired employee of the County. My disclosure is on file with the clerk and is available to the public for review. Mark/Aimee, please record this disclosure in the minutes of this meeting as required by law.

Mr. Marshall read the following statement:

I hereby disclose I have an interest in the budget transaction as an employee of the County. My disclosure is on file with the clerk and is available to the public for review. Mark/Aimee, please record this disclosure in the minutes of this meeting as required by law.

Citizen Budget Review Committee (CBRC) - Budget Presentation

The Citizen Budget Review Committee (CBRC) gave a brief presentation regarding the budgets of the County and the Schools.

Joint Work Session with School Board – FY 2020 Budget

The joint work session with the School Board was held to discuss FY 2020 budget updates and share responses to budget questions.

SUP18-0001 – Sustainable Property Holdings, LLC (sPower Solar Energy Facility Site A) (Livingston Voting District) (Public Hearing Closed)

The Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on February 26, 2019 and closed the hearing. The Board continued consideration of the case to March 12, 2019 and requested that staff prepare a table listing concerns raised during the public hearing process with sPower's proposal to address the concerns, staff or County consultant comment, and recommended conditions.

Staff presented the table listing concerns raised during the public hearing process and the Board entertained rebuttal from experts in their fields.

On a motion by Dr. Trampe and passed unanimously, the Board suspended its bylaws to continue the meeting past midnight.

VOTE:

7 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross Ayes:

Mr. Skinner, Dr. Trampe and Mr. Yakabouski

0 Nays: Absent: 0 0

Abstain:

On a motion by Dr. Trampe and passed unanimously, the Board continued consideration of SUP18-0001, SUP18-0002 and SUP18-0003 to March 19, 2019.

VOTE:

Ayes: 7 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross

Mr. Skinner, Dr. Trampe and Mr. Yakabouski

Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing for Amendment to Exempt the Elderly or Disabled Person; Sec 21-80

On April 12, 2018, the FY 2019 Budget was adopted with the intent that the exemption for the Tax Relief for the Elderly or Disabled Program would be increased from \$1,200 to \$1,500. The \$130,372 decrease in real estate revenue was factored into the FY 2019 Budget.

Dr. Trampe declared the public hearing opened and when no one indicated an indication to speak, closed the public hearing.

On a motion by Mr. Marshall and passed unanimously, the Board adopted the ordinance as follows:

VOTE:

Ayes: 7 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross

Mr. Skinner, Dr. Trampe and Mr. Yakabouski

Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

ORDINANCE NO. 21-86

ARTICLE III. - REAL ESTATE TAXES

DIVISION 2. - REAL ESTATE TAX EXEMPTION FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED PERSONS.

Sec. 21-80. - Amount of exemption; proration.

A maximum amount of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) will be allowed towards the taxes owed by a taxpayer qualifying for the exemption, with such exemption being applied to the dwelling and up to one (1) acre of the land upon which it is situated.

There shall be a prorated exemption for an otherwise unqualified spouse for the partial year period, if the property owned by the qualified but now deceased spouse is transferred to the surviving unqualified spouse.

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(Code 1980, § 8-23; Ords. of 2-22-83; 6-24-86(1); 5-24-88(2); Ord. No. 21-6, 10-22-91; Ord. No. 21-28, 8-27-96; Ord. No. 21-37, 5-11-99; Ord. No. 21-50, 6-8-04; Ord. No. 21-62, 11-13-07; Ord. No. 21-66, 10-14-08; Ord. No. 21-77, 12-11-12; Ord. No. 21-86, 3-12-19)
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State Law reference— Amount of exemption to be as prescribed by ordinance, Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3210; authority to prorate exemption, § 58.1-3215.

PRESENATIONS/REPORTS BY STAFF(cont'd)

FY 2020 Budget Work Session – Tax Rate Advertisement

Staff gave a presentation concerning known changes within the FY 2020 Recommended Budget. Additionally, staff seeks the Board's direction on the tax rates to be advertised for 2019.

On a motion by Mr. Yakabouski and passed 6 to 1 with Dr. Trampe opposed, the Board advertised a real estate tax rate of \$0.8630 with all other rates remaining unchanged.

VOTE:

Ayes: 6 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross

Mr. Skinner and Mr. Yakabouski

Nays: 1 Dr. Trampe

Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Mr. McLaughlin requested staff provide the cost to implement the proposed public safety pay plan beginning in January and spanning over 2 years.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Dr. Trampe and passed unanimously, the Board adjourned its meeting at 1:38 a.m.

VOTE:

Ayes: 7 Mr. Benton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ross

Mr. Skinner, Dr. Trampe and Mr. Yakabouski

Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Mark B. Taylor

Clerk to the Board of Supervisors