

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2006

At a reconvened meeting of the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors held on Monday, May 1, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the County Administration Building, Board Room, 143 Third Street, NW, in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, the following members were present: Joseph L. Sheffey, Chairman, Frank R. Conner, Vice Chairman; Ranny L. Akers; William E. "Eddie" Hale; and Dean K. Pratt. Staff members present included: Peter Huber, County Administrator and Nancy M. Burchett, Assistant County Administrator.

After a light dinner, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Sheffey. He then called upon Peter Huber, County Administrator, to review the proposed FY 07 county budget.

1. Budget Matters:

a. Review of Recommended Budget:

Peter Huber at this time reviewed with the Board of Supervisors budget summary sheets for revenues and expenditures for FY 07. He highlighted those categories of the proposed budget for FY 07 that had recently been changed and provided details of the reason for the changes. He noted that the county's debt service would decrease in FY 07 and this was primarily the reason why the budget had been easier to prepare this year. He also reviewed with the Board certain personnel fringe benefit costs not mandated by law that the county was providing employees.

Other budget matters discussed included the estimated machinery and tools tax revenue decrease projected for FY 07, the Area Transit budget request, the hiring of a full time code enforcement officer, employer VRS contribution increase and the payment of the employee's 5% member share of VRS.

b. Consideration to Public Hearing Advertisement or Subsequent Work Sessions:

On the motion of Mr. Hale, seconded by Mr. Akers and carried, the Board of Supervisors authorized staff to advertise the proposed FY 07 budget for public hearing at the regular meeting of the board set for April 24, 2006 per the County Administrator's recommended figures.

Voting yes: Mr. Hale, Mr. Conner, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Akers and Mr. Pratt.

Voting no: none.

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2. Additional Budget Questions, Directions for Staff or Request for Additional Information:

The Board of Supervisors requested staff to provide the cost of the Virginia Retirement rate increase reflected in the FY 07 proposed budget and a listing of counties that do not pay the employee's 5% VRS member share. Further, the Board requested staff to confirm that allowance of annual leave is not a mandated benefit under the Code of Virginia.

3. Other Matters:

a. Cost Increase Information from Robinson, Farmer, Cox for Audit

The Board reviewed additional information from the auditing firm of Robinson, Farmer and Cox Associates regarding the increased costs proposed for auditing services.

On the motion of Mr. Conner, seconded by Mr. Pratt and carried, the Board ratified the contract for auditing services with Robinson, Farmer and Cox Associates for an annual cost of \$32,400 for FY 06 with a 3% increase in fees for the two subsequent years of the 3-year contract.

Voting yes: Mr. Hale, Mr. Conner, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Akers and Mr. Pratt.
Voting no: None.

b. Fireworks Permit

On the motion of Mr. Hale, seconded by Mr. Akers and carried, the Board of Supervisors approved a fireworks permit for a Relay for Life activity scheduled for May 19, 2006 at Randolph Park.

Voting yes: Mr. Hale, Mr. Conner, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Akers and Mr. Pratt.
Voting no: none.

c. Shooting Range

Peter Huber, County Administrator, noted that county staff had been contacted again by the citizen who had recently requested the use Cloyd's Mountain Landfill for a shooting range.

d. Board Picture

The Board agreed that a board picture had already been done and that a new picture would not necessary at this time.

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4. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Akers and carried, that the Board of Supervisors adjourn to reconvene on Monday, April 24, 2006 for their regular meeting to be held at the County Administration Building, Board Room, Pulaski, Virginia.

Voting yes: Mr. Hale, Mr. Conner, Mr. Sheffey, Mr. Akers and Mr. Pratt.

Voting no: None.

Joseph L. Sheffey, Chairman

Peter M. Huber, County Administrator