

At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 9:00 a.m. on the 16th day of March 2009 at the Conference Room of the Administration building, Cumberland, Virginia:

Present: William F. Osl, Jr., Chairman, District 1
Timothy Kennell, District 2
Van H. Petty, Vice-Chairman, District 3
Elbert R. Womack, District 4
Robert J. Oertel, District 5
Judy Ownby, County Administrator
Jill Matthews, Asst. County Administrator

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the County Administrator called the roll.

The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a budget workshop to consider and review budget requests submitted for FY 2009-10.

The County Administrator presented the Board with a resolution ratifying the declaration of emergency during the recent snow event in the County.

On a motion by Mr. Osl and carried, the Board adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia experienced the most widespread winter weather event in eight years beginning on March 1, 2009 and continuing through March 3, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Virginia called a state of emergency on March 2, 2009 for said weather event; and

WHEREAS, the majority of Cumberland County residents experienced some period during which a power outage occurred, and for some residents this period of time lasted for up to four days; and

WHEREAS, a number of residents were stranded due to depth of snow and fallen limbs which blocked driveways and roadways; and

WHEREAS, County residents were in need of emergency shelters for warmth, food, water and electricity; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services called for the activation of one or more shelters in the County due to the circumstances of those citizens in need;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors declares a state of emergency in Cumberland County for the period between March 1, 2009 and March 6, 2009, and further ratifies all acts by county officials during said state of emergency, including and specifically the opening of shelters by the Director of Emergency Services;

Vote:	Mr. Osl – aye	Mr. Kennell – aye
	Mr. Petty – aye	Mr. Womack – aye
	Mr. Oertel – aye	

Budget discussion

The Board reviewed the budget requests and revenue, and discussed the County supplements to departments and schools, vehicle replacement schedules, and many other items included or requested in the budget.

Mr. Bruce Zirkle, Cumberland Rescue Squad, met with the Board and stated that CVRS voted to pursue revenue recovery in order to recoup expenses through the patients' insurance companies. The Board supports their efforts to look into this possibility.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, March 17th at 10:00 a.m. for continued budget discussions.

Chairman

County Administrator