

At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 9:00 a.m. on the 22nd day of February 2010 at the Cumberland County Conference Room, Cumberland, Virginia:

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

The Chairman called the meeting to order, and stated that all Board members were present. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct budget discussions.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Assistant County Administrator of Finance, Jill Matthews, provided the Board with a tax rate comparison spreadsheet noting the effect on levels of services to citizens, and the potential effect on an average tax bill for different levels of tax increase. Supervisor Osl recommended the Board hold town hall meetings to inform citizens and receive comments and suggestions regarding the budget.

CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Osl and carried, the Board entered into closed meeting under VA Code Section 2.2-3711 A(1) regarding personnel matters.

The Board returned to regular session on a motion by Mr. Kennell.

A motion was made by Mr. Kennell and adopted by the following vote:

Mr. Osl – aye

Mr. Kennell – aye
Mr. Petty – aye
Mr. Womack – aye
Mr. Oertel - aye

that the following Certification of a Closed Meeting be adopted in accordance with The Virginia Freedom of Information Act:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County has convened a closed meeting 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 this Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County 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 meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County.

No action was taken on the items discussed.

VDOT

Kevin Wright, Residency Administrator, Keith Halbon, and Mark McKissick were present. Mr. Wright provided the Board with the current 6-year plan. The Board discussed the projects currently on the list with the VDOT representatives. Both the Board members and VDOT representatives agreed that the project on Rt. 624, Jenkins Church Road, should be designated as a Rural Rustic Road. Mr. Wright informed the Board that this action will require a public hearing and a Resolution adopted by the Board.

The Board agreed to move forward with this action by unanimous consent. Mr. Wright stated that he will revise the 6-year plan to reflect this change, and will bring it back to the Board for approval.

REQUEST TO DESIGNATE CIVIL WAR MONTH

The Board discussed the request; no action was taken.

CUMBERLAND RESCUE

The Chairman informed the Board that the ESC recently met to review the proposed franchise agreement, and that discussions will continue in order to reach a consensus.

Jill Matthews submitted a request to release the remainder of funds allocated to Cumberland Rescue, minus the amount owed to the County.

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to release the remainder of funds appropriated to Cumberland Rescue, minus the amount owed to the County.

With no additional business to come before the Board, the Chairman ordered the meeting adjourned until the next regular meeting of the Board scheduled for March 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Courtroom, Cumberland, Virginia.

Chairman

County Administrator