

At a special meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 6:30 p.m. on the 6th day of March 2012 at the County Administration Conference Room, Cumberland, Virginia:

Present: William F. Osl, Jr., District 1
Lloyd Banks, Jr., District 2, Vice-Chairman
Kevin Ingle, District 3
David Meinhard, District 4, Chairman
Parker Wheeler, District 5
Judy Ownby, County Administrator

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

The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a budget work session and to enter into closed session to interview County Attorney applicants.

Budget Work Session

Marlene Watson, Registrar met with the Board and asked to consider moving the District 3 voting precinct to another location where ample parking and space could be provided. She asked that this process be started immediately. She also asked that a generator be purchased for the Registrar's office so that her office could remain open during power outages.

Supervisor Wheeler questioned the practice of individual Board members contacting applicants for the County Administrator position to ask additional questions and whether this should be done by the Board as a whole.

Supervisor Banks addressed a member of the public, Megan Harris, a reporter from the Farmville Herald, and stated his displeasure of her coverage of the Board of Supervisors meeting. His complaints continued for some time and the Chairman was unsuccessful in bringing the meeting back to order. Mr. Wheeler, noting the disruption in the meeting and the emotional outburst of one member of the Board, made a motion to adjourn the meeting so that business could be taken up at another date. It failed with only Mr. Wheeler voting to adjourn. Mr. Meinhard, Mr. Banks, Mr. Osl and Mr. Ingle voted to continue the meeting.

CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mr. Ingle and carried, the Board entered into closed meeting under VA Code Section 2.2-3711 A(1) personnel, to interview applicants for the position of County Attorney.

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

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

Mr. Osl – aye
Mr. Banks – aye
Mr. Ingle – aye
Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler - 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.

County Administrator Contract

The Board reviewed the contract that is being proposed to offer to Mrs. Giles and agreed to allow time for the County Attorney to complete his comments and review for final contract. The Board made some minor amendments that will be submitted to Mr. Estes for inclusion in the contract.

Authorization to Advertise for Vacant Position

Due to the resignation of Jill Matthews effective March 19, 2012, the Board authorized the County Administrator to advertise for the position of Finance Director.

On a motion by Supervisor Banks and carried, the meeting was adjourned until March 7, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

Chairman

County Administrator