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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on, June 8, 2015 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Present were: Phil McCraw
Dr. Tom Littrell
David V. Hutchins
Joshua A. Hendrick
Bob Martin
W.S. Sam Dickson
Gary Larrowe, County Administrator
Nikki Cannon, Asst. County Administrator
Jim Cornwell, County Attorney

Mr. McCraw called the meeting to order at 330 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION – PURSUANT TO VIRGINIA CODE SECTION 2.2-3711(A1, A3, A5, A7)

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Hendrick, and passing, the Board convened a Closed Session for the discussion of personnel, legal matter, as authorized by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A1, A3, A5, A7).

Mr. Cornwell explained the purpose for entering Closed Session as listed below.

1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board.

3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

5. Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion by Mr. Dickson, seconded by Mr. Hutchins, and passing, the Board adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors convened a Closed Session this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and on the motion to close the meeting in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act;

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711(D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board of Supervisors that such Closed Session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, (I) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed or considered in the Closed Session to which this certification applies, and (II) only such business matters as were identified in the motion by which this Closed Session was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting to which this certification applies.

VOTES

- Mr. Hendrick Yes
- Mr. McCraw Yes
- Mr. Hutchins Yes
- Mr. Dickson Yes
- Dr. Littrell Yes
- Mr. Martin Yes

Mr. McCraw lead in invocation and pledge. He told that it is good to see this many people out tonight. He told that he would like to mention the retirement of Roger Roop and we are going to miss him. He told that he would also like to mention the expansion of CWW, they are adding 20 jobs and they received some funds to help with that. He told that the new President will be at Crossroads on July 31st.

(Order)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the minutes of the meeting on June 8, 2015.

VOTES

- Mr. Hendrick Yes
- Mr. McCraw Yes
- Mr. Hutchins Yes
- Mr. Dickson Yes
- Dr. Littrell Yes
- Mr. Martin Yes

(Order)

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the payroll for July 2015 and did authorize the Chairman and Clerk, along with Bonita M. Williams, Treasurer, to sign checks for the August payment of salaries and wages for all County officials and employees as previously budgeted by the State Compensation Board and this Board of Supervisors.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the agenda.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the Consent Agenda.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

SERVICE AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the Service Agreement Amendment.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

RESOLUTION - SERVICE AGREEMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the Service Agreement Resolution.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

RESOLUTION NRRWA

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved the New River Regional Water Authority Resolution.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board appointed Dr. Oliver McBride to the WCC Board.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

FY 15 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved a budget transfer for overages in EMS reimbursements and Juvenile Detention utilization. The amount will be offset by unused expenditures from Personnel Contingency so there is no budget impact.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

NATURAL GAS BUDGET AMENDMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. Martin and passing, the Board approved an amendment to the FY16 budget in the amount of \$160,239 to create the budget for the Natural Gas Fund. The amount presented is 6 months of operating expenses for the Natural Gas line. The IDA is in the process of selling the gas line, which is operated by the County. This process has taken longer than anticipated. This item should cover the cost until the sale is complete.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

LADY CAVS SOFTBALL TEAM

Mr. McCraw read the proclamation for the Lady Cavs. He asked all of the team members to come forward and presented them with a copy of the proclamation. He told that his hat is off to everyone of the girls. He asked the coaching staff to come forward and presented them with a copy of the proclamation.

Mr. McCraw told that they have a proclamation for the Recreation Department and the High School as well. He told that there is a really nice banner hanging across Main Street. He told that it is an achievement for Carroll County.

(Order)

FARMERS MARKET REPURCHASE

Mr. McCraw told that the Farmers Market is a vital part of Carroll's economy and farming is our #1 business. He told that the State decided they were going to sell all of the Farmers Markets in the State so we started in negotiations and it was appraised for over \$400,000 and we were able to get them down to \$220,000 and we have closed on it. He told that we don't have to ask permission to have the fair or do anything else with the stipulation that it remain a Farmers Market for 20 years. He told that he serves on the Farmers Market Board and he is pleased that it worked out the way it did. He told that they are very proud that they were able to get that done.

(Order)

CONFEDERATE FLAG DISCUSSION

Mr. McCraw told that everyone may disagree with what he is getting ready to say but he feels like under the circumstances, the best thing they can do as a Board is to take this opportunity to think about this, talk with constituents and find out how they feel about this issue. He told that we need to do what the majority of our constituents wants. He told that we should take this under advisement until a later date.

(Order)

CITIZENS TIME

Traphena Horsley told that it is not an issue at the moment but she feels like the Country is getting out of hand on the Confederate issue. She told that the people that were shot were Christians regardless and the young man that waved the flag didn't take it there. She told that you are always going to have racists but the flag doesn't mean racism

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to her. She told that to her it means a way of life that we have here in the South. She told that there was a man who said, this is how we riot in the South. She told that no one wants black people or Mexicans in chains and quite frankly anymore she feels like we are all slaves to our government because our freedoms are disappearing. She told that you have to draw a line somewhere and the ISIS people are waving our flags and how long will it be before we can't use the American flag.

Jerry Cooper told that he agrees with what they said so he has nothing else to say tonight.

Andy Jackson told that he hopes everybody realizes the flag has never killed anybody and it has had alot of good men die for it. He told that it is a sacred thing for the military. He told that 10 years ago we went through this and everything they were doing got misconstrued. He told that most people in this County is going to agree with him. He told that where it is an issue is where they fly it 24 hours a day and we don't do that here. He told that we use it for historic events. He told that the American flag was not allowed to be flown anywhere besides a federal building before 1941. He thanked the Board for taking an honest look at this.

Edith White told that she is impressed by the emblem on the wall. She told that on the flag issue it is like an object being attacked when the flag had nothing to do with it. She told that she hasn't encountered anyone who has hate like that. She told that it is our heritage and if we forfeit our rights. She told that there are two sides of it and she thinks the guy who done it was mentally ill and they are doing it to make people feel better. She told that we shouldn't be convicted over something that we had nothing to do with it. She told that her dad was in World War II and he didn't choose to do it.

Sue Orr told that she is very passionate about her family history and much of that is tied up in Carroll County. She told that it is very important that we remember our history. She told that she would like to remember her ancestors who responded to the call. She told that if this flag comes down what is next, will the statue that honors them be next. She told that the general public you are going to find out that our heritage will outweigh.

Bonnie Reeves told that she is President of the Jefferson Baptist Chapter so you can guess where she stands on the flags. She told that the first National flag flew over Lees headquarters, not the battle flag and people don't realize the different flags. She told that never was the battle flag the official Confederate flag. She told that when we let the flag go we let our history go. She told that the children are not being taught the history as it is.

Myrtle Bryant told that she is standing for this flag because she has a great, great grandfather that fought for this flag and she is proud of it. She told that the flag has nothing to do with what is going on and she would appreciate if we would keep it up. She told that she would like for her grandchildren to know their relatives.

(Order)

ROOFTOP PRESENTATION

Mr. Hutchins told that he is Chairman for the Rooftop CAP and they celebrated the 50th year celebration in May and he would like to present a plaque representing what Carroll has done. He told that a lot of folks don't realize the support for the region that comes from Rooftop but it starts with Early Head start, weatherization, indoor plumbing and so on. He told that without the support of localities they would not be able to do it.

(Order)

SUPERVISORS TIME

Mr. Hutchins told that we had looked at one of our meetings back in March about committees that expire. He told that there is one that is a remainder of a two year term replacing Mr. Slate. He told that he would like to make a motion to appoint Benny Robinson for the unexpired term of Richard Slate on the IDA.

Mr. Dickson asked if nominations were open since there were two of them on the committee.

Mr. McCraw told that he would guess so.

Mr. Dickson told that he would like to nominate Wes Hurst.

Mr. Martin told that he would like to second the first nomination of Benny Robinson.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	No
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

Mr. Hendrick told that he is glad to see a good number of folks, he likes it when people pay attention to what is going on at home. He told that it makes a difference on what they do and he appreciates it.

Mr. Martin told that we have been focusing on the Confederate flag and he has spent hundreds of hours researching his grandfather in World War I. He told that his grand daddy's wives fathers were Confederate War Veterans. He told that when you get into battle situations it is so fouled up that. He told that we are all Americans and he is opposed to slavery.

Dr. Littrell told that he appreciates everyone being here today and the manner in which they expressed their opinions. He told that he wants to congratulate the Lady Cavs for their excellent achievement.

Mr. Dickson thanked everyone for coming out and voicing your opinion. He told that everyone had good thoughts. He told that different flags have flown and there is not any one flag that has caused this. He told that the way you protest is how he likes it, you come state your opinion and hope you change someone who disagrees with you. He told that he is glad we live in a civilized community. He told that as far as the selection for the IDA, he does not know the man that we voted on but he read the paragraph that he put in and he seems real qualified so he has no problem with the way it turned out. He told that we got some good applicants and he is a personal friend of Mr. Hurst and I know what he knows what he does so he was voting for what he knew. He told that it wasn't a vote against him.

Mr. McCraw told that he appreciates everyone coming tonight and expressing their thoughts in a Carroll County way, it makes him proud. He told that it is not a non-issue, they want to hear what the people have to say before they make a decision. He told that he would like to invite everyone to come back. He told that he didn't know what to expect tonight, he had a good idea and he wasn't let down.

(Order)

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ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board adjourned.

VOTES

Mr. Hendrick	Yes
Mr. McCraw	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. Martin	Yes

(Order)

Chairman

Clerk