V I R G I N I A:

At a recessed meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Wednesday, May 14, 1997, at 7:30 p.m., at Abingdon High School Auditorium, 705 Thompson Drive, Abingdon, Virginia, the following were present:

PRESENT:

James T. Osborne, Chairman
Bobby D. Ingle, Vice Chairman
Kenneth G. Mathews
Joe W. Derting
Maurice H. Parris
Jackson Barker
Dulcie M. Mumpower

Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator
Joseph B. Lyle, County Attorney
Mark W. Seamon, Accounting/Purchasing Manager
Sandra M. Hatfield, CPS, Administrative Assistant

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1 **Call to Order and Welcome**

The recessed meeting was called to order by Mr. James T. Osborne, Chairman of the Board, who welcomed everyone in attendance.

2 **Statement Concerning Purpose of Public Hearing**

Chairman Osborne announced the opening of a public hearing pursuant to Section 58.1 - 3321 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, for the purpose of permitting public comment upon the proposed and recommended County Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 1997-1998. This hearing is required pursuant to Section 15.1-162 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended.

3 **Public Hearing Opens**

Mr. Osborne read the rules for addressing the Supervisors during the public hearing, and opened the hearing by inviting comments on matters pertaining to the purpose of the public hearing.

The following persons addressed the Supervisors concerning the proposed FY 1997-98 County Budget:

Patrick Mannix, Sr., urging the Supervisors to use monies for capital improvement projects, specifically, water and sewer projects; advertisement of the budget; payments in lieu of taxes;

Carolyn Fleenor, requested the Supervisors fund the Library Budget, calling attention to the Damascus Branch Library Budget and the intent to increase the hours of operation to 36 hours per week.

Joey D. Henderson, Sr., addressed the Supervisors on the jail improvements.

George Kite, urged the Supervisors to be fiscally responsible with the budget.

The following persons addressed the Supervisors concerning the proposed FY 1997-98 School Board budget requesting that it be fully funded:

Richard Burke, **President, Washington County Education Association*;***

David Winship, **Parent, Teacher at Watauga Elementary School;**
Dolores Jarvis, **Parent;**
Lori Ellis, **Parent;**
Carol Fields, **Parent;**
Gwen Wilson, **Teacher;**
Edith Hiltebeitel, **Teacher.**

4. **Public Hearing Closes**

There being no further comments, Mr. Osborne declared the public hearing closed.

5. **Recess to May 17, 1997 Budget Adjustment Workshop Meeting, 9:00 a.m., Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, County Administration Building**

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Ingle, it was resolved to recess to May **17, 1997 Budget Adjustment Workshop Meeting, 9:00 a.m., Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, County Administration Building.**

The vote on this motion was as follows: (7-0)

Mr. Derting	**Aye**	**Mr. Ingle**	**Aye**	**Mr. Mathews**	**Aye**
Mr. Osborne	**Aye**	**Mrs. Mumpower**	**Aye**	**Mr. Parris**	**Aye**
Mr. Barker	**Aye**				

James T. Osborne, Chairman