V I R G I N I A:

At a recessed meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, April 25, 2000, at 6:00 p.m., at the County Administration Building in Abingdon, Virginia, the following were present:

PRESENT:

Joe W. Derting, Chairman
John B. Roberts, Sr., Vice Chairman
Bobby D. Ingle
Phillip B. McCall
Anthony S. Rector
Dulcie M. Mumpower
Jackson H. Barker

Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator
Lucy E. Phillips Bright, County Attorney
Mark W. Seamon, Accounting/Purchasing Manager
Sandra M. Hatfield, CPS, Administrative Supervisor

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1. **Call Recessed Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Joe W. Derting, Chairman of the Board, who welcomed everyone in attendance.

2. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Derting gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Presentation of County Administrator's Recommended FY 2000-2001 Budget**

County Administrator Mark K. Reeter presented the recommended County Budget for FY 2000-2001.

Mr. Reeter gave a summary report of his recommendations making the following points:

- Anticipated FY 2000-01 Budget, $86,856,379;
- Proposed salary increases, 3% across the board salary/wage increase for all County funded positions;
- Reserve for Contingency funds, $350,000; uncommitted reserve funds, $47,391;
- School Board Budget, $60,907,476. School Textbook Fund, School Construction Fund and School Cafeteria Fund are the same as proposed by the School Board for the coming fiscal year.
- Constitutional Offices:
  - Circuit Court: Integration of personnel-related line-items into the County Operating Budget beginning FY 2000-01
  - Commissioner of Revenue: No major changes in local funding from FY 1999-2000;
  - Commonwealth Attorney: No major changes in local funding from FY 1999-2000;

- Sheriff: (Includes Central Dispatch) Recommended funding of budget, $3,605,523, providing for purchase of field communication equipment, motor vehicles and computers. Jail Operations funding, $425,951.
- Treasurer: No major changes in local funding from FY 1999-2000.

➢ Judiciary:
- Circuit Court/General District Court/Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court: No major changes in local funding from FY 1999-2000.

➢ Boards, Authorities and Commission:
- Airport Commission: Recommendation: $457,139 in County funds, of which $182,500 in restricted funds for airport land acquisition activities is carried over from the current fiscal year to FY 2000-01;
- Industrial Development Authority: Recommendation for IDA operations: $50,000; The recommended budget provides for a total of $770,000 in County funds to the IDA specifically for (1) acquisition of the Kelly property jointly with Smyth County to enlarge the Glade Highlands Industrial Park, $260,000; (2) acquisition of Carolina Steel site within the Bristol/Washington County Industrial Park as part of the Constellation Power project, $440,000; and, (3) debt-service payment for financing remaining debt on purchase of the former Westinghouse property, $70,000. Not included were County funds for construction of the Glade Highlands regional park with Smyth County and other IDA project expenses;
- Library: Recommendation includes $18,000 for replacement of roof a Main Library, as well as $7,000 for professional architectural consulting services to plan for future renovation and modernization needs.
- Park Authority: Recommendation is for level funding based on FY 1999-2000, $95,000;
- Service Authority: Recommendation is for $95,000 to continue subsidization of the operation of WC Industrial Park sewer system;

➢ State, Regional and Local Independent Agencies:
- Community Action Agency: No major changes in local funding from FY 1000-2000;
- Community Services Board: Recommended level funding, $211,587;
- Health Department: Recommended level funding, $433,762;
- Social Services: Recommended funding, $893,580;
- Community College: Virginia Highlands Community College budget is fully funded;

➢ Public Safety:
- Central Dispatch and E-911 Personnel, Operations & Communications: Recommendation $260,181. E-911 Technician position has been assumed by the County's GIS Department. (No E-911 levy funds originating from the present $0.65 per month surcharge on County telephone customers is being allocated to personnel-related expenses in the County GIS Department in support of its new role in street address assignment and E-911 mapping.)
- Emergency Response Organizations: Recommendation: Level funding with current fiscal year; Washington County Fire & Rescue, Glade Spring VFD and Damascus VFD are budgeted to receive $45,000 each toward truck purchases (the first year of a three fiscal year cycle, which, when completed, will conclude the second full found of fire vehicle replacement funding initiated by the County in FY 198884-85);

➢ Civic Organizations and Activities
- Athletic Groups: Level funding with current fiscal year;
- Cultural Enrichment: Recommendation: Same as current fiscal year, and includes $30,000 for third year of County's commitment for improvements to the Washington County Fairgrounds, and $50,000 for the White's Mill Foundation;

➢ Capital Improvements:

- Road Improvements: Unexpended FY 1999-2000 County matching funds of $30,000 are recommended for carry-over with an additional $30,000 in new funds for the coming fiscal year for upgrading subdivision roads. Unexpended FY 1999-00 County matching funds of $150,000 for design work on SR 1717 Relocation Project are recommended for carry-over with an additional $235,000 in new funds for the coming fiscal year for right of way acquisition for SR 1717 Relocation Project.
- Jail Renovation Project: No significant further renovations to or expansion to the existing jail are proposed or recommended at this time in view of the Southwest Virginia Regional Jail Initiative. The balance of the original $500,000 appropriated for Jail renovations has been reallocated to other County needs, and this budgetary department is not recommended for further funding in the coming year. $50,000 is provided in the recommended budget to cover Washington County's share of the initial costs in participating in the Southwest Virginia Regional Jail Initiative.
- Water Projects: Recommendation is to allocate $25,000 in new funding o the County's seven Election Districts; carry-over of $192,100 in water projects funded but not completed in previous years; Carry-over of Poor Valley Water Project funds in the amount of $489,000.
- Sewer Projects: Recommendation is to carry-over FY 1999-2000 funding in the amount of $293,638 for completion of glade Spring Sewer Project, High Meadows Sewer Project, and Mock Hollow Sewer Project; Set aside $50,000 for sewer projects as may be identified in FY 2000-01.
- Other Capital Projects: No funds are provided in the recommended budget for other capital projects as may be identified in FY 2000-01;
- Grant Funded Capital Projects: Recommendation is to carry-over grant funding ($1.65 million from Appalachian Regional Commission, Community Development Block Grant Program and VDOT Industrial Access Road Program funds) for SR 1717 Relocation Project for FY 2000-01 for road construction activities and will not be expended in FY 2000-01.

Mr. Reeter responded to questions from members of the Board.

Mrs. Mumpower requested the Supervisors schedule the adoption of the Budget and Appropriation Resolution for the last meeting in June.

4. **Adjournment**

On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Roberts, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr. McCall	***Aye***	***Mr. Rector***	***Aye***	***Mr. Roberts***	***Aye***
Mrs. Mumpower	***Aye***				

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Joe W. Derting, Chairman