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At a recessed meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, May 12, 1992, at 7:00 p.m., at the County Administration Building in Abingdon, Virginia, the following were present:

PRESENT:

Joe W. Derting, Chairman
James T. Osborne, Vice Chairman
Kenneth G. Mathews
James P. Litton
Maurice H. Parris
Jackson Barker, Jr.
Cecil K. Simcox

Bruce E. Bentley, County Administrator Cliff Walsh, County Attorney Mark W. Seamon, Director of Accounting Sandra M. Hatfield, Secretary

1. Call to Order

The recessed meeting was called to order by Mr. Joe $\mbox{W.}$ Derting, Chairman of the Board.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance - Jackson Barker, Jr.

Mr. Jackson Barker, Jr. gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Budget Work Session - FY 1992-1993 County Budget

Prior to convening the FY 1992-93 budget work session, Mr. Derting opened the meeting by allowing for a public comment period.

<u>Michelle Robbins</u>, teacher, speaking for her daughter and all children attending Washington County Schools, appealed to the Supervisors to support the school budget in its entirety. In concluding her comments, Ms. Robbins introduced her daughter, Mandy.

<u>Tamara Grimm</u>, President-Elect, Washington County Education Association requested the Supervisors approve the school budget as presented.

<u>David Winship</u>, President of Washington County Education Association, reiterated comments stressing the importance of approving the school budget

He emphasized Washington County needs to maintain its standing.

Gwen Wilson, pointed out Washington County's per pupil ranking in the State is 128 out of 134 and commented that estimates expect Washington County will be in last place in terms of dollars spent for education.

Regina Carmack, resident of Washington County, presented signed petitions in support of Highlands Rescue funding.

There being no further comments, Mr. Derting opened discussions of the FY 1992-93 budget among the Supervisors.

Mr. Mathews distributed historical data from the Virginia Department of Taxation reporting the total retail sales tax collected in Washington County for the year 1990-1991. He emphasized the point that there has been considerable progress and growth in Washington County.

Mr. Litton read a letter from Tammy McClanahan who supported funding of Highlands Rescue Squad.

Mr. Derting turned the gavel over to Mr. Osborne for the purpose of making a motion.

On motion of Mr. Derting, second by Mr. Simcox, it was resolved to approve the Washington County School Board Budget for FY 1992-93 in the amount of \$35,000,000 with anticipated carry-over funds to be turned over to the County.

Mr. Mathews disagreed with the County withholding the School Board's carry over funds, and expressed his hope that the FY 1992-93 school budget would be approved as submitted by the School Board.

In his comments, Mr. Barker stated the School Board budget as submitted reflects less than a 1% increase over last year.

The vote on this motion was as follows (6-1):

Mr.	Mathews	Aye	Mr.	Litton	Aye	Mr.	Derting	Aye
		Aye Aye	Mr.	Parris	Aye	Mr.	Barker	Nay

Mr. Mathews stated his reason for supporting Mr. Derting's motion is only because it is a tentative acceptance of the FY 1992-93 School Board budget.

Mr. Osborne returned the gavel to Mr. Derting.

Mr. Barker filed an affidavit of disclosure explaining he is employed by the Washington County School Board and, therefore, has a personal interest in certain aspects of the Washington County budget.

Mr. Parris filed an affidavit of disclosure explaining his wife is employed by the Washington County School Board and, therefore, has a personal interest in certain aspects of the Washington County budget.

On motion of Mr. Litton, with no second, it was resolved to set aside \$10,000 from Food, Logding and Seminars Accounts to be placed in a special fund and released upon request.

The vote on this motion was as follows (4-3):

Mr. Mathews	Nay	Mr. Litton	Aye	Mr. Derting	Nay
Mr. Osborne Mr. Simcox	Aye Aye	Mr. Parris	Aye	Mr. Barker	Nay

Discussion at a later point in the meeting resulted in the Supervisors agreeing that the funds should be removed from every budget.

Mr. Osborne called attention to the budget information provided by fire departments, and complimented Damascus Fire Department for providing the Supervisors with justification for the funds they receive. He expressed his hope that during the FY 1993-94 budget discussions all fire departments will provide similar justification for the funds they receive.

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to tentatively approve Account 6004, Textbook Fund Expenses, for FY 1992-93 in the amount of \$318,735.

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

Mr. Osborne Aye Mr. Parris Aye Mr. Barker Aye	Mr.	Mathews	Aye	Mr.	Litton	Aye	Mr.	Derting	Aye
			Aye Ave	Mr.	Parris	Aye	Mr.	Barker	Aye

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Litton, it was resolved to tentatively approve Account 6020, School Construction Fund, Capital Project Expenses, for FY 1992-93 in the amount of \$305,000.

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

Mr. Math	ews Aye	Mr. Litton	Aye	Mr. Dertin	g Aye
Mr. Osbo	<u> </u>	Mr. Parris	Aye	Mr. Barker	Aye

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to tentatively approve Account 6004, Cafeteria Fund, for FY 1992-93 in the amount of \$2,068,596.

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

Mr. Mathews	Aye	Mr. Litton	Aye	Mr. Derting	Aye
Mr. Osborne Mr. Simcox	Aye Aye	Mr. Parris	Aye	Mr. Barker	Aye

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Litton, it was resolved to tentatively approve the addition of \$37,500 to Department 4402, Account 5854, Widener's Valley Water Project, pending a 50/50 contribution from the Washington County Service Authority.

The vote on this motion was as follows (6-1):

Mr.	Mathews	Nay	Mr.	Litton	Aye	Mr.	Derting	Aye
		Aye Aye	Mr.	Parris	Aye	Mr.	Barker	Aye

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to take a brief recess.

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

Mr.	Mathews	Aye	Mr.	Litton	Aye	Mr.	Derting	Aye
	Osborne Simcox	Aye Aye	Mr.	Parris	Aye	Mr.	Barker	Aye

On motion of Mr. Osborne, second by Mr. Litton, it was resolved to tentatively approve Department 4102, Account 3123, Capital Improvement Fund, which includes Meadowview Square, Emory & Henry Railroad Crossing, Wallace Crossing SR 659, Emory Crossing SR 609, Maple Street Crossing SR 750, Meadowview Crossing SR 80 in the amount of \$147,100.

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

Mr.	Mathews	Aye	Mr.	Litton	Aye	Mr.	Derting	Aye
Mr.	Osborne	Aye	Mr.	Parris	Aye	Mr.	Barker	Aye
Mr.	Simcox	Aye						

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Simcox, it was resolved to appropriate \$6,000 to Office on Youth for the USDA Summer food services program.

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

Mr.	Mathews	Aye	Mr.	Litton	Aye	Mr.	Derting	Aye
	Osborne Simcox	Aye Aye	Mr.	Parris	Aye	Mr.	Barker	Aye

Mr. Bentley reported on the possibility of the School Board authorizing a 3% salary increase for school employees. He inquired about the Board's

position in following their direction and granting a 3% salary increase to County employees. There was no opposition expressed. Mr. Bentley stated he will leave the percentage increase at 2% until he hears from the School Board.

On motion of Mr. Osborne, second by Mr. Parris, for budgeting purposes, it was resolved to include a 2% salary increase to the positions of County Administrator, County Attorney, and Resource Management position with the understanding that this matter will be addressed in more detail as the budget is finalized.

The vote on this motion was as follows (6-1):

Mr. Osborne Aye Mr. Parris Aye Mr		
Mr. Simcox Aye	. Barker	Aye

Mr. Mathews commented he is not in favor of the motion because Mr. Canter is included.

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to evaluate the County Administrator County Attorney, Resource Management Consultant and the Director of Emergency Services annually at a regular Board meeting during an executive session.

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

M	ır.	Mathews	Aye	Mr.	Litton	Aye	Mr.	Derting	Aye
			Aye Aye	Mr.	Parris	Aye	Mr.	Barker	Aye

For the Supervisors' information, Mr. Bentley reported Mr. Cozart will have approximately 150 dump loads of debris going into the landfill as a result of a fire destroying his warehouse.

Mr. Bentley gave a brief report on the Spring Clean-Up activities and informed Mr. Litton that he was in contact with Mrs. Delp who had concerns about illegal dumping on the roadway in front of her property.

4. Recess

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to recess the meeting to Wednesday, May 27, 1992, 7:00 p.m. at Abingdon High School for the public hearing on FY 1992-93 County budget.

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

Mr. Mathews	Aye	Mr. Litton	Aye	Mr. Derting	Aye
Mr. Osborne Mr. Simcox	Aye Aye	Mr. Parris	Aye	Mr. Barker	Aye

Joe W. Derting, Chairman