

**VIRGINIA:**

At a meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, September 12, 2000, at 7:00 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  
 Jack H. Barker  
 Dulcie M. Mumpower

Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator  
 Lucy E. Phillips Bright, County Attorney  
 Mark W. Seamon, Accounting/Purchasing Manager  
 Carol A. Dorton, Administrative Assistant

**ABSENT:**

Sandra M. Hatfield, CPS, Administrative Supervisor

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1      **Call to Order**

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

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2      **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Jack Barker**

Mr. Barker gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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3      **Approval of Agenda**

*On motion Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Roberts, it was resolved to approve the Agenda with the following additions:*

- 14 a. *Postponed: Thursday September 14, 2000 Joint Meeting with Damascus Town Council at the Rock School, Damascus, Virginia*
- 16 e. *Request For Release of Funds in the amount of \$232,500 for purchase of Simmons Property by Virginia Highlands Airport Commission*
- 16 f. *Drawdown Request of \$246,925 by Smyth-Washington Regional Industrial Facilities Authority to purchase Robinson Property for Glade Highlands Regional Industrial Park*
- 19      *Adjourn*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>		<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>		<i>Aye</i>			<i>Aye</i>

4 a. **Approval of Minutes of Recessed Public Information Meeting of August 22, 2000**

*On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Rector, it was resolved to approve the Minutes of August 22, 2000 as written.*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

4 b. **Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 22, 2000**

Mr. Roberts referenced page 9819 of the minutes, making note that upon the Board's reconvening in open meeting he left the Board meeting. Mr. Roberts wished the record to indicate that he had no objections to anything discussed in the closed meeting of August 22, 2000.

*On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mrs. Mumpower, it was resolved to approve the Minutes of August 22, 2000 as written.*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

4 c. **Approval of Minutes of Recessed Joint Meeting of August 31, 2000**

*On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Rector, it was resolved to approve the Minutes of August 31, 2000 as written.*

*The vote on this motion was as follows: (6-0-1)*

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Abstain</i>				

Mr. Barker abstained from voting for the reason he was absent at the August 31, 2000 meeting.

5 a. **Planning & Zoning Public Hearings:**

**Intent to Rezone:**

**Bobby and Beverly Hogston:** Request to rezone approximately 6.026 acres of property located on the south side of State Route 11 near the intersection of State Route 91/11 from A-2 (Agricultural, General) to B-2 (Business, General), Monroe Magisterial District.

Mr. Derting opened the public hearing and invited comments both in support of and in opposition to application by Bobby and Beverly Hogston intent to rezone.

Mr. Bob Hogston addressed the Board of Supervisors, stating the reason for his application to rezone from residential to commercial. He believes that his property value in terms of its value for residential use has dropped due to recent influx of new businesses built nearby and/or adjacent to his property. He stated that he feels he would benefit greater in the future if his property were zoned commercial.

Mr. Ingle made reference to a statement in the minutes of a Washington County Planning Commission meeting where Mr. Hogston was made aware that the existing uses currently on his property will become non-conforming and therefore cannot be altered. Mr. Ingle asked Mr. Hogston to explain. Mr. Hogston stated that he has three homes on this property, two are rentals and the other is his residence and also four mobile home spaces. Should any of the mobile homes be removed from these spaces, Mr. Hogston stated he had been advised by the Planning & Zoning Department that he would have a ninety (90) day period in which to locate a new mobile home on the same site. He was also informed that he could not make any major improvements to the existing residential uses. Mr. Hogston stated he has no objections to these rules.

There being no opposition and no further comments, Mr. Derting declared the public hearing closed.

***On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to follow the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve request by Bobby & Beverly Hogston to rezone approximately 6.026 acres of property located on the south side of State Route 11 near the intersection of State Route 91/11 from A-2 (Agricultural, General) to B-2 (Business, General), Monroe Magisterial District.***

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

<b><i>Mr. Derting</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. Roberts</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. McCall</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>
<b><i>Mr. Ingle</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. Rector</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mrs. Mumpower</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>
<b><i>Mr. Barker</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>				

5 b. **Planning & Zoning Public Hearings**

**Request for Special Use Permit:**

Robert L. Robinette: Request for a Special Use Permit to construct and operate a small business in general, more specifically, a automobile repair, rebuilding and restoration business as well as small truck repair on property located on the north side of State Route 645 near the intersection of State Route 611/645 in an A-2 (Agricultural, General) zone, Harrison Magisterial District.

Mr. Derting opened the public hearing and invited comments both in support of and in opposition to application by Robert L. Robinette.

Mr. Robert L. Robinette addressed the Board of Supervisors stating his reasons for requesting a special use permit were to construct a garage to store and to do restoration work on his personal collection of antique cars. He stated he does not live on this property but intends to build a home there next year.

Mr. McCall asked Mr. Robinette if anyone lived there now. He stated that his daughter lives in a mobile home on the property.

Mr. Ingle stated it was his understanding, after previously speaking with Mr. Robinette by phone, that the proposed garage was for his own personal use. He asked why a special use permit was needed for personal use. Mr. Roberts stated that is was his understanding that in order for Mr. Robinette to build a storage garage, he had the choice of either first residing on the property and constructing the garage as an accessory use or if the garage would not be accessory to his residence, then he could apply for a special use permit for a commercial garage. He explained that he intends to construct his residence on the property sometime in the future, but he has an immediate need for a garage. Therefore, he chose to apply for the special use permit for a commercial garage so that he could have the garage first and, at some later point, the residence. County Zoning & Subdivision Official Cathie Freeman addressed the Board on this matter. She made reference to the agenda packet materials containing copies of the proposed building and permit requests and stated that at the time of Mr. Robinette's application, he stated that he would be collecting and restoring antique cars and would possibly do some light truck repairs in the future. She then advised Mr. Robinette that this would be classified as a commercial garage and would require a special use permit. In response to questions about the fact that a mobile home is currently on the property, Mr. Reeter added that a structure built as an "accessory use" to the residence cannot exceed the residence in square footage (i.e.the mobile home being the primary residence on the property). The garage proposed by Mr. Robinette would be larger than the mobile home on the property. If the garage structure is larger than the residence, it would be considered the "primary use."

Mrs. Laurel Flaccavento of 18157 Wyndale Rd., Abingdon, Virginia, addressed the Board of Supervisors in opposition to Mr. Robinette's request. She stated that her property, which is adjacent to Mr. Robinette's property, was purchased about two years ago in hopes that it would remain a business free, rural, residential area. She stated the Planning Commission's recommendation to Mr. Robinette was to first build a home, then a garage for personal use. She stated her concern that if a special use permit is granted to Mr. Robinette, he may use the garage solely for his personal use but later on, if he were to sell the property, the new owners may use it truly for commercial purposes, as would be allowed by the special use permit. Mrs. Flaccavento went on to say she and her husband have a certified organic farm as part of their income and are concerned about the possible effects that chemicals and/or heavy metals relating to auto body shop work could have on their crops. Also they are concerned with the noise and increase in traffic which they feel would come with a business of this type and asked the Board of Supervisors to deny Mr. Robinette's request.

Mr. Harold "Harvey" Stanley, addressed the Board, in opposition to Mr. Robinette's request. He recently purchased property on Providence Road and plans to build a home there. He stated loss of property value was his biggest concern with a business being allowed in this rural, residential area, as well as the increase in noise, traffic and a potential for crime. He restated the concern of possible future businesses locating there, should Mr. Robinette sell the property. He asked the Board to deny Mr. Robinette's request.

Mr. Banion Allen, of 17411 Providence Rd., Abingdon, Va., addressed the Board in opposition to Mr. Robinette's request stating he has personal knowledge of spray paint, primer and thinner associated with auto body work and feels these chemicals can spread through the air and cover a large area which could be a potential hazard to crops and animals in the area. He asked the Board to deny Mr. Robinette's request.

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

***On motion of Mr. McCall, second by Mrs. Mumpower, it was resolved to follow the recommendation of the Washington County Planning Commission and deny Mr. Robert***

*Robinette's request for a special use permit to construct and operate a small business in general, more specifically, a automobile repair, rebuilding and restoration business as well as small truck repair on property located on the north side of State Route 645 near the intersection of State Route 611/645 in an A-2 (Agricultural, General) zone, Harrison Magisterial District.*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

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5 c. **Request for Special Use Permit:**

Goodson Kinderhook Volunteer Fire Department: Request for a Special Use Permit to construct an addition to house fire trucks and ambulance equipment on property located on the north side of State Route 640 near the intersection of State Route 640/633 in an A-2 (Agricultural, General) zone, Tyler Magisterial District.

This item was delayed at this time due to absence of a Fire Department representative.

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6 **Update on Upper Tennessee Roundtable (Neal Kilgore)**

Mr. Neal Kilgore of the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation addressed the Board stating his Department works with farmers and landowners to protect water quality. The last meeting of the Upper Tennessee Roundtable was held on April 27, 2000 at the Southwest Virginia 4-H Center. There are twenty-six (26) positions on the Executive Board, with seventeen (17) positions currently filled. He asked the Board to appoint a representative from Washington County for this Board. He stressed the importance of water quality and quantity issues such as TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Loads) levels in the water supply. Mr. Kilgore presented a brochure on an upcoming Watershed Management Conference in Williamsburg, Va. and urged anyone interested to attend. It was the consensus of the Board to make a recommendation for appointment to the Upper Tennessee Roundtable Executive Board the next Board meeting of September 26, 2000. The Board thanked Mr. Kilgore for the update.

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7 **Consideration of Resolution Honoring Ernest Borgnine, Barter Theatre**

*On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Roberts, it was resolved to approve the request by the Barter Theatre to adopt following Resolution and Plaque honoring Mr. Ernest Borgnine.*

**RESOLUTION HONORING ERNEST BORGNINE**

*WHEREAS, Mr. Ernest Borgnine was faithful repertory company member at Barter Theatre from 1946 through 1950; acting in Three Men On a Horse, Virginia Overture, Hasty Heart, Twelfth Night, Harvey, Payment Deferred, The Month is March, The Glass Menagerie, Papa Is All, Pursuit of Happiness, Cain's Keep, Hamlet, Angel Street, The Show Off, Count Your Blessings, Thunder Rock, and The Torch Bearers.*

*WHEREAS, prior to Mr. Borgnine's career in acting, he served as a dedicated member of our country's armed forces in the United States Navy from 1935 through 1945.*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Borgnine became a successful and famous theater, movie, and television actor with a career spanning more than five decades; thereby, enhancing the national reputation of Barter Theatre, Abingdon, and our entire Southwest Virginia region.*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Borgnine began his Broadway career in 1950 with a bit part in Harvey and continued his successful acting career with his first role in Hollywood in the powerful movie From Here To Eternity.*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Borgnine has acted in more than one hundred movies including his Oscar winning lead role in Marty.*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Borgnine starred and participated in many successful television series, including McHale's Navy and Airwolf.*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Borgnine continues to act in movies and television and use his fame and talent to assist philanthropic organizations and to benefit their causes.*

*Mr. Borgnine, through his acting skill, genuine talent and personal magnetism, greatly improved the quality of Barter productions during his period of residence.*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Borgnine became an intimate part of our community during his residence at Barter Theatre, made many friends, and promoted the welfare of Abingdon and County of Washington, Virginia.*

*THEREFORE, be it resolved, that on behalf of the County of Washington, Virginia, the Board of Supervisors and all of our citizens, we thank and honor Mr. Ernest Borgnine for his artistic and humanitarian contributions to our region and our home. We celebrate his career and his life.*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

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**Recess**

It was the consensus of the Board to skip recess at this time.

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**Request for Unappropriated 1999-2000 Funds For Senior Services Inc. Building Fund (May Joe Craig)**

Ms. May Joe Craig addressed the Board of Supervisors requesting funds for assistance with the construction completion of the new Senior Citizen Center, siting the need for a permanent facility for the organization.

Mr. Ingle asked how much had been contributed by Town of Abingdon. Ms. Polly Wirt, Executive Director of Senior Center addressed the Board and gave a financial report, siting the Town Of

Abingdon's contribution as 21 -22% of total cost, which is what they are requesting from Washington County. They currently owe about \$120,000. There is enough money in the bank now for ten (10) months of operation. Apple butter making, a yearly fundraiser project for the building fund is set for September 15, 2000. Ms. Wirt stated the senior population is growing and a permanent facility is greatly needed to eliminate the present need to move meetings and events to different locations each month.

Mr. John Mahaffey addressed the Board of Supervisors on the need for the new Senior Center.

Ms. Millie Trent addressed the Board of Supervisors and expressed her hopes for having the Senior Center completed soon so that the Square Dancing group she is a member of will have a permanent place to meet.

There was consensus agreement of the Board of Supervisors to request the County Administrator review the issue of funding with the Accounting Department and make a recommendation at the next regular Board meeting of September 26, 2000. Mr. L. B. Atkins made the request that this issue be placed towards the end of the agenda, so he may appear at the meeting.

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8                    **Recess**

*On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Roberts, it was resolved to take a ten minute recess.*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

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10                    **Personnel Committee Recommendation Concerning County Planner Position**

*On motion of Mr. Roberts, second by Mrs. Mumpower, it was resolved to approve the Personnel Committee's recommendations concerning the County Planner Position (a.,b.,c.)*

*As follows:*

*a.            Consideration of County Planner Position Description*

*Pursuant to Section 2.3 of the Board's Personnel Manual, Board review and approval of the Position Description for County Planner, as included in the agenda packet materials, along with Board authorization to advertise the County Planner position with an initial starting salary range between \$40,000 and \$50,000.*

*b.            Consideration of Operating Budget for New County Department of Planning*

*The proposed operating budget of \$100,000 for the new "County Department of Planning" be transferred from Line-Item 81120-3160, "Washington County Planning Commission & Board of Zoning Appeals-Professional Services" (current unencumbered balance: \$100,000) to new Budgetary Department 81050, "Department of Planning" and distributed among line-items as indicated. The existing County Department of Planning & Zoning to be renamed "County Department of Zoning Administration".*

c. ***Consideration of Revisions to County Zoning & Subdivision Position Description***

***Pursuant to Section 2.3 of the Personnel Manual, Board review and approval of the revised Position Description for County Zoning & Subdivision Official, as included in the agenda packet materials.***

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

<b><i>Mr. Derting</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. Roberts</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. McCall</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>
<b><i>Mr. Ingle</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. Rector</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mrs. Mumpower</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>
<b><i>Mr. Barker</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>				

***On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Rector, it was resolved to appoint Mr. Phillip McCall to serve on the Interview/Selection Committee for the County Planner position.***

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

<b><i>Mr. Derting</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. Roberts</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. McCall</i></b>	<b><i>Abstain</i></b>
<b><i>Mr. Ingle</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mr. Rector</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>	<b><i>Mrs. Mumpower</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>
<b><i>Mr. Barker</i></b>	<b><i>Aye</i></b>				

5 c. **Request for Special Use Permit: Postponed earlier**

**Goodson-Kinderhook Volunteer Fire Department:** Request for a Special Use Permit to construct an addition to house fire trucks and ambulance equipment on property located on the north side of State Route 640 near the intersection of State Route 640/633 in an A-2 (Agricultural, General) zone, Tyler Magisterial District.

Mr. Steven Rachel, of 9414 Patrick Lane, Bristol, VA., Chief of the Goodson-Kinderhook Volunteer Fire Department addressed the Board of Supervisors and apologized for his late arrival. He expressed the need for additional storage space to their main station located on Benhams Road.

Mr. Ingle commended Mr. Rachel on the fine work he does as Chief of this Fire Department.

Mr. Barker commended Mr. Rachel for his dedication and work on behalf of the Fire Department and the community. He complimented Mr. Rachel for his foresight in bringing the plans before the community to get their input before coming to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.

Having no opposition and no further comments, Mr. Derting declared the public hearing closed.

***On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Ingle, it was resolved to follow the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve request by the Goodson-Kinderhook Fire Department for a Special Use Permit to construct an addition to house fire trucks and ambulance equipment on property located on the north side of State Route 640 near the intersection of State Route 640/633 in an A-2 (Agricultural, General) zone, Tyler Magisterial District.***

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

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11                    **Sheriff's Department Request to Purchase Vehicles**

a.            **Request to Reject Bids For Two 4WD Compact Sport Utility vehicles**

*On motion of Mrs. Mumpower, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to reject bids for two (2) 4WD Compact Sport Utility vehicles submitted by Tri-Cities Nissan and Pioneer Chevrolet.*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

b.            **Request to Purchase (2) 4WD Jeep Cherokee vehicles for Sheriff's Department**

*On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Rector, it was resolved to approve the request by the Sheriff's Department to purchase two (2) 4WD Jeep Cherokee vehicles from FY 1999-2000 state contract, and further it was resolved to authorize budget transfer of \$1,213.92 from line item #6011 (uniforms) to line item #8205 (motor vehicles)*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

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12                    **Consideration of Annual Performance Contract between Virginia Department of Health/Mental Retardation/Substance Abuse and Highlands Community Services Board (Cathy Simpson)**

Ms. Cathy Simpson, Director of Administrative Services for Highlands Community Services addressed the Board of Supervisors and asked for approval of contract.

*On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mrs. Mumpower, it was resolved to approve contract between Virginia Department of Health/Mental Retardation/Substance Abuse and The Highlands Community Services Board.*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

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13 **Consideration of Appointments to Youth Services Citizen Board:**

*On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Roberts, it was resolved to approve the following nominations to the Youth Services Citizen Board:*

- a. *Kimberly Testerman, August 15, 2000 to June 30, 2001*
- b. *Gary Jones, August 15, 2000 to June 30, 2003*

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

14 **County Administrator Comments**

Mr. Reeter reported that the Joint Meeting between Washington County Board of Supervisors and the Damascus Town Council scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 14, 2000 at Rock School in Damascus, Virginia has been postponed at the request of the Town Council for reason of a potential lack of quorum on the part of the Town Council. The meeting may be rescheduled in October.

15 **County Attorney Comments**

Ms. Bright called the Board's attention to a memo in the agenda packet on the Consumer Utility Tax Provisions and stated that a public hearing will be held on this item at the next regular Board meeting on September 26, 2000.

Also in the packet is a copy of the Court Order that calls the Referendum on the question of whether a meals tax shall be levied in Washington County and a copy of the notice that will be placed in the newspaper prior to that election. Ms. Bright made a clarification on the Meals tax, stating it has been referred to in the media as a "food and lodging tax" but, in fact, it is a tax only on foods and beverages sold at restaurants and delicatessens and not on lodging. Ms Bright pointed out that Washington County already levies the "transient occupancy" tax, which may commonly be referred to as the lodging tax. She also explained that the meals tax would be levied only in areas of the county outside of the incorporated town limits of Abingdon, Glade Spring, and Damascus because those towns already levy a meals tax.

Discussion ensued.

16 **Consent Agenda**

*On motion of Mr. McCall, second by Mr. Roberts, it was resolved to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:*

- a. **Payment of Bills, September 2000**
- b. **Refund, Summer Day Camp, \$35.00, Janice Casey**
- c. **Cancelled Check No. 110620, Dominion Office Products, \$597.50**
- d. **Transfer from Reserve For Contingencies**
- e. **Request for Release of Funds in the amount of \$232,500 for purchase of Simmons property by Virginia Highlands Airport Commission**

f. **Drawdown request of \$246,925 by Smyth-Washington Regional Industrial Facilities Authority to purchase Robinson Property for Glade-Highlands Regional Industrial Park**

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

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

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17 **Board Member Reports**

Mrs. Mumpower had no report and left at approximately 8:30.

Mr. Ingle reported that Dr. David Dawson, General Manager of the Washington County Service Authority will attend the next Board meeting on September 26, 2000 to address funding of the Poor Valley Water Project. Mr. Ingle requested time be set aside on the agenda for discussion of this project. Mr. Ingle left the meeting at approximately 8:45.

Mr. Barker commented on the hiring of additional Building Inspector/Department staff, which he says has tripled since approximately 1994. Mr. Barker made the suggestion that the new staff member have the responsibility of locating possible violations of businesses operating without permits. Mr. McCall commented that this will be a difficult process. Mr. Reeter stated that the County's GIS mapping system will have the potential in the future to help with this problem.

Mr. Rector, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Derting and Mr. McCall had no reports.

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18 **Citizen Comments**

Mr. Derting invited comments from Citizens on items that do not appear on the Agenda.

Patrick Mannix addressed the Supervisors on topics pertaining to Citizen Comments, Water Projects, Sheriff's Department, and on a called meeting of the Washington County Service Authority. He also commented on attending the first meeting of the Smyth-Washington Regional Industrial Facilities Authority (SWIFA) and suggested that they are meeting in a non handicapped-accessible facility.

Mr. Lacy Love addressed the Board on derelict buildings located near Bobby's Market.

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19 **Adjournment**

*On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting.*

*The vote on this motion was as follows: (5-0)*

<i>Mr. Derting</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. Roberts</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Ingle</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Mr. Barker</i>	<i>Aye</i>				

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Joe W. Derting, Chairman