V I R G I N I A:

At a recessed meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, August 28, 2001, at 5:00 p.m., at the County Administration Building in Abingdon, Virginia, the following were present:

PRESENT:

Joe W. Derting, Chairman
Bobby D. Ingle
Phillip B. McCall
Anthony S. Rector
Jack 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

ABSENT:
John B. Roberts, Sr., Vice Chairman
Dulcie M. Mumpower

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1 **Call Recessed Meeting to Order**

Chairman Derting called the recess meeting to order. He announced that Supervisors Mumpower and Roberts are absent from the meeting.

2 **Purpose of Public Information Meeting**

Chairman Derting announced the purpose of the public information meeting is to solicit public input and comment on needed improvements to secondary roads prior to preparation and adoption of the 2002-03 to 2006-07 Secondary Roads Plan for Washington County. He explained persons wishing to provide input and comment should speak with representatives of the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) in attendance at this meeting.

Mr. Derting stated the public information meeting will adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Further, he stated immediately following adjournment, the Board of Supervisors will convene in regular session, during which a Public Hearing will be conducted before the Board of Supervisors for formal public comment on needed improvements to secondary roads prior to preparation and adoption of the 2002-03 to 2006-07 Secondary Roads Plan.

Mr. Steve Buston, Resident Engineer, Abingdon District appeared before the Board of Supervisors. He stated the intent of the Department of Transportation is to take projects off the current Six Year Plan that are completed and add new projects that will receive funding during the next six year frame. Further, he stated the projects would be brought to the Board of Supervisors in November for final review and approval.

Mr. Buston and officials from Virginia Department of Transportation met with citizens in the audience.

3. **Convene Public Information Meeting**

During the public information meeting, the Supervisors were available to speak to citizens concerning their road concerns. At the conclusion of the public information meeting, and the Supervisors returned to the meeting Agenda.

4. **Adjourn Public Information Meeting**

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

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

V I R G I N I A:

At a regular meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, August 28, 2001, at 7:00 p.m., at the County Administration Building in Abingdon, Virginia, the following were present:

PRESENT:

Joe W. Derting, Chairman
Bobby D. Ingle
Phillip B. McCall
Anthony S. Rector
Jack H. Barker

Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator
Lucy E. Phillips Bright, County Attorney
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ABSENT:
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1 **Call to Order**

Chairman Derting called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

2 **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Bobby Ingle**

Supervisor Bobby D. Ingle gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3 **Approval of Agenda**

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to approve the agenda with the following changes:

Items 16 a/b: Consent Agenda Items that were inadvertently omitted from listing on the Agenda. Consent Agenda material concerning these Items was provided for the Board of Supervisor Agenda books.

Item 19: Mr. Reeter reported that at the August meeting of the Planning Commission, members could not commit to a quorum being present on September 4, 2001 for a joint work session with the Board of Supervisors. Item 19 was moved to County Administrator's Comments for discussion.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

4 **Approval of Minutes of August 14, 2001**

On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of August 14, 2001, with the following correction:

Page 10227, Agenda Item 23, Closed Meeting …

Paragraph 3: "… The Board went into closed meeting and later returned to the public meeting room."

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

5 **Public Hearing on Proposed 2001-02 to 2005-06 Secondary Roads Plan (Steve Buston, VDOT Abingdon Resident Engineer)**

Mr. Steve Buston addressed the Supervisors restating the Virginia Department of Transportation's process for removing completed projects from the Six Year Plan and considering projects to be added to the Six Year Plan. He stated there were 31 citizens who signed the roster and filled out comment sheets during the public information meeting.

Mr. Buston stated that VDOT officials and the Transportation Advisory Board will review the project recommendations coming out of the public information meeting. He stated after studying these projects, the Transportation Advisory Board will present their recommendations to the Board of Supervisors in the fall of 2001.

Mr. Reeter inquired about the SR 616 Nordyke slide project. Mr. Buston advised that the deficit was paid off July 1, 2001 and Washington County's secondary road project funding allocation has been increased by about $500,000 as a result.

Mr. Derting opened the public hearing and invited comments on needed improvements to secondary roads prior to preparation and adoption of the 2002-03 to 2006-07 Secondary Roads Plan for Washington County.

The following persons addressed the Board of Supervisors:

Edward C. Hobbs, representing citizens on State Route 614, Smith Creek Road. He stated there is a section of road, approximately 3.5 miles in length, that needs paving. Mr. Hobbs explained that there are tractor and trailers that use the road and raise the dust level to the point of being unhealthy. He stated the road is narrow, and it is unsafe for children. Mr. Hobbs explained that his neighbors have been promised help with the road over the years, but nothing has ever come about. Additionally, he explained years ago, many of the neighbors stated they would give a right of way to VDOT in order to have the road

repaired. He stated he has presented petitions to previous Boards requesting the road be paved and placed on the Six Year Plan. Mr. Hobbs challenged VDOT's position that the traffic count on Smith Creek Road is insufficient and therefore, the road does not qualify for upgrading.

Patrick Mannix challenged the public notice of the hearing stating there is no time listed in the advertisement. He suggested that money being spent on the Mendota Trail by the City of Bristol, Virginia could be directed by VDOT to Smith Creek Road upgrade.

Mr. Blair Keller, speaking on State Route 829, described his road stating there are two hills that have many ridges in them. He requested the road be paved.

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

6 **Presentation of Certificates of Commendation, John S. Battle High School Trojan Baseball Team**

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisors Ingle and Barker presented Certificates of Commendation to the following students and athletic staff at John S. Battle High School Trojan Baseball Team for their successful 2001 season and winning the State Championship for the second year running.

Brad Barker	Blake Brooks	Adam Buckles
Ryan Calhoun	Keith Davis	BrianFitzgerald
Kenny Garrett	Scotty Gilmer	Dustin Grizzle
Ricky Harless	Jeremy Humphrey	David Minor
Brian Rasnake	Jeremy Rodefer	Daniel Rutter
Josh Smith		Alex Sneed

Jimmy King, Head Coach
Bryan Hughes, Jim Gobble, David Lambert, Asst. Coaches
Brad Bussey, Trainer
David Cullop, Statistician
Ralph Booher, Jimmy Marshall, Managers

Hogoheegee District Champions 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001
Region C Champions 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001
Group A State Champions 2000, 2001

7 **Consideration of Request for Authorization for Road Closure, State Route 712, North of the Intersection of Routes 712 and 711, for Road Repairs**

Mr. Robert Hurt, Virginia Department of Transportation, addressed the Board requesting consideration in closing State Route 712 and 711 for the time required to build the truss bridge.

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Rector, it was resolved to adopt the following Resolution No. 2001-21:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington County, Virginia Board of Supervisors that it hereby authorizes the Virginia Department of Transportation to close State Route 712,

North of the intersection of Routes 712 and 711, for a length of time necessary to complete repairs.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

8 **Consideration of Addition of Mt. Rogers Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc. and the Town of Damascus to Surplus Vehicle List**

Mr. Frank Canter addressed the Supervisors concerning pending surplus vehicles.

On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Rector, it was resolved to make a surplus vehicle to the Southwest Virginia Second Harvest Food Bank.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to add Mount Rogers Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc. and the Town of Damascus to the list of pending surplus vehicle requests.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

Discussion ensued relative to changing the Board's procedure of first taking action to place an agency on the pending surplus vehicle list, and following up with a separate action to release a surplus vehicle to an agency. There was consensus agreement to modify the current procedure to require Board action to place an agency on the surplus vehicle list, and authorize the Department of General Services to release surplus vehicles based on their order on the list without additional Board action. If there is something unusual about a request, then General Services is to bring it before the Board of Supervisors.

9 **Commissioner of Revenue Request for Refund, Fleet Business Credit Corporation, $2,911.68**

On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to authorize the treasurer to issue a refund to Fleet Business Credit Corporation in the amount of $2,911.68.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

It is noted for the record that the refund issued to Fleet Business Credit Corporation represents a duplicate tax which occurred for the tax years 1998 and 1999.

10 **Recess** There was no recess.

11 **Consideration of Acceptance of $25,000 Appalachian Regional Commission Grant on behalf of the Bristol-Washington County Children's Advocacy Center**

Mr. Reeter advised that the Children's Advocacy Center has obtained an ARC grant primarily for the purpose of paving the parking area of their new location and explained the funds will be processed through Washington County, with the County acting as the grantee.

On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. Ingle, it was resolved to approve supplemental appropriation in the amount of $25,000 from Appalachian Regional Commission Grant on behalf of the Bristol-Washington County Children's Advocacy Center.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

12 **Consideration of Youth Services Citizen Board Reappointment:**

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to approve the following reappointments to the Youth Services Citizen Board effective July 1, 2001:

a. Jenna Roark, Student-John Battle High School, for a term to expire June 30, 2002;
b. Ashley Gilliam, Student-Patrick Henry High School, for a term to expire June 30, 2002;
c. Kevin Downs, for a term to expire June 30, 2004;
d. Margaret Little, for a term to expire June 30, 2004.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

13 **Consideration for transfer of funds to the Washington County Industrial Development Authority**

On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Rector, it was resolved to approve supplemental appropriation in the amount of $250,000 to the Washington County Industrial Development Authority for economic development projects from unbudgeted revenues originating from FY 2000-01 and previous fiscal years.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

14 **County Administrator Comments**

a. **Review of Washington County Comprehensive Plan Survey (Fred Crowell, County Planner)**

Mr. Fred Crowell, County Planner, addressed the Board of Supervisors reporting he will be sending the Comprehensive Plan Survey to 250 citizens from each district very soon. He explained that the Survey was reviewed by the Steering Committee.

b. **Recess to September 4, 2001, 7:00 PM Work session Meeting for Presentation of washcova.com County Website and Update on Status of GIS Development, or Adjourn to September 11, 2001 Regular Meeting**

Mr. Reeter reported that the Planning Commission was unable to confirm scheduling a joint work session with the Board of Supervisors proposed for September 4, 2001. discussion ensued. There was consensus agreement among the Supervisors to contact the Planning Commission and propose a joint work session for one of the following dates in October for a presentation on the County Website and update on the status of GIS Development: October 2, 4, or 16, 2001.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

15 **County Attorney Comments**

There were no reports.

17 **Board Member Reports**

Mr. Ingle reported that a contract has been awarded on the Brumley Gap Waterline Project and that construction will begin soon. He requested the County Administrator contact the Washington County Service Authority General Manager to discuss a date for a ground breaking ceremony for the Brumley Gap Water Project.

16 **Consent Agenda**

On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to approve the following consent agenda Items:

a. Supplemental Appropriation, Federal Asset Seizure Program, $801.85 (FD#2, Dept. 31810);

b. Transfer from Reserves for Contingency, General Services, $9,700 to Line Item 8234 (Improvement-Other)

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

17 **Board Member Reports (Continued)**

Mr. Rector reported that there are several houses on Hangar Lane that have contaminated water, and stated he has spoken to Dr. Dawson concerning this matter.

Mr. Barker reported that the Insurance Committee met and there was agreement to begin discussions with consultants relative to health insurance plans and options. Mr. Reeter advised Mr. Barker that monies were included in the FY 2001-02 budget for consulting services, and that the committee can begin the procurement process when they are ready to move forward.

Mr. McCall reported for informational purposes that the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee met and is considering bringing in some additional committee members with specific areas of expertise.

Mr. Derting announced the Southwest Virginia Technology Council will meet on September 5, 2001, 5:00 p.m. at Natural Tunnel. He invited all Supervisors to attend.

Mr. Reeter reported that Bristol Virginia Utilities Board is requesting a traffic signal be installed at their new operations center on Lee Highway, east of John Battle High School. He stated he has received signed petitions from residents in the area and has forwarded them to the Virginia Department of Transportation on behalf of Supervisor Mumpower. Discussion ensued relative to this traffic light slowing down vehicle traffic on Lee Highway in the neighborhood of John Battle High School where there have been safety concerns.

Mr. Barker requested consideration to ask Steven Richardson to represent him and Washington County as an alternate on the Farmers Market Board, and Fred Crowell to represent him and Washington County as an alternate on the Bristol Metropolitan Planning Organization MPO Board. There was consensus agreement among the Supervisors.

18 **Citizen Comments**

Chairman Derting announced the time for citizen comments, and invited comments from citizens on items that do not appear on the Agenda.

Messrs. Lacy Love and Patrick Mannix addressed the Board of Supervisors

19 **Recess to September 4, 2001, 7:00 PM Work session Meeting for Presentation of washcova.com County Website and Update on Status of GIS Development, or Adjourn to September 11, 2001 Regular Meeting**

On motion of Mr. Ingle, seconded by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. McCall***	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***
Mr.Rector	***Aye***	***Mr. Barker***	***Aye***		

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Joe W. Derting, Chairman