

**VIRGINIA:**

At a regular meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, May 8, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., at the County Administration Building in Abingdon, Virginia the following were present:

**PRESENT:**

Kenneth O. Reynolds, Chairman  
Jack R. McCrady, Jr., Vice Chairman  
Phillip B. McCall  
Dulcie M. Mumpower  
Odell Owens  
Paul O. Price  
Anthony S. Rector

Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator  
Lucy E. Phillips, County Attorney  
Mark W. Seamon, Accounting Manager  
Naoma A. Mullins, Recording Clerk

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Kenneth Reynolds, Chairman of the Board, who welcomed everyone in attendance.

**2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Supervisor Paul Price gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

*On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. Owens, it was resolved to approve the agenda with the following amendments:*

**New Item 5.a**

*Presentation by Abingdon Veteran's Memorial*

**New Item 6.c.**

*Presentation by Virginia Intermont College*

**New Item 6.d**

*Presentation by Intermont Rescue*

*New Item 9.*

*Closed Meeting*

- a. Request for Closed Meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(5) for discussion concerning prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community; specifically a prospective industry proposed for location on privately-owned property within Washington County*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**4. Approval of Minutes**

*On motion of Mr. Owens, second by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2007, regular meeting as presented.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**5. Presentation of In Memoriam Certificate to the Family of Geraldine Henderson**

Mr. Price presented an In Memoriam Certificate to the family of Geraldine Henderson recognizing her 36 years of service to Washington County as an election official. Mr. Price explained that this recognition is on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, the Registrar's Office and all candidates that have ran for office in the County.

Ms. Henderson's family thanked the Board for the recognition.

**5.a. Presentation by Abingdon Veteran’s Memorial Committee**

Mr. McCrady on behalf of the Abingdon Veteran’s Memorial Committee presented the Board and citizens of Washington County with a picture of the Spirit of 1776. He stated that the Committee has asked that this picture be displayed in the Board Meeting Room.

Chairman Reynolds thanked the Abingdon Veteran’s Memorial Committee for the picture, and stated that the Board is proud to a part of this organization.

**6. Public Hearings:**

**a. Request for Special Exception Permit**

(1). Carol K. Minetree on behalf of Russell Minetree, Property Tax Map #067A3-A-36: Request for a Special Exception Permit to operate a small business in general, more specifically an independent used car dealership on property located at 13162 Town Square, Meadowview (on the west side of State Route 805) in a V (Village) zone, Monroe Magisterial District

County Zoning and Subdivision Official Cathie Freeman appeared before the Board to provide introductory remarks for the special exception permit application.

Mrs. Freeman explained that Russell Minetree appeared before the Washington County Planning Commission explaining that he would like to operate a wholesale business on the property in question. She further explained that Mr. Minetree purchases vehicles at auctions. He brings to the vehicles to the property for cleaning and refurbishing and then, re-sales them at auto auctions. Mr. Minetree has a shop located on this property in which the vehicles are stored and where the work is completed. Mrs. Freeman said that Mr. Minetree has indicated that he would have only three to four cars at one time at this location.

At this time discussion ensued among the Board.

Mr. Reynolds opened the public hearing to receive comments both in support of and in opposition to the request for a special exception permit.

Mr. Russell Minetree addressed the Board explaining that his wife, Carolyn Minetree, owns the property in question, and that he owns the business. Mr. Minetree explained that he currently pays to lease space to operate his wholesale business because he is required by his license from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to have office space and be on-site at least 20 hours per week. Instead of paying rent, he would like to invest his money into the business being discussed tonight. Mr. Minetree stated that this business would not have an impact to Meadowview or to the Meadowview Town Square. He explained that there will not be any retail sales made from this site, and further there will not be any vehicles stored outside of the garage unless it is his personal vehicle.

Discussion ensued among the Board.

Responding to inquiries from the Board, Mr. Minetree said he purchases vehicles from other dealers before the dealer sends them to auction. Additionally, he purchases vehicles at two northern Virginia auctions and at an auction in Statesville, NC. He explained that after the vehicles are cleaned and/or

refurbished then he re-sales them at an auction in Tennessee. He further explained that he could keep up to five vehicles in his garage at one time.

Further discussions ensued among the Board.

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

Mr. Rector addressed the Board explaining that the proposed business was located in his district. He stated that in making a decision on the request for a Special Exception Permit, he wants to be fair to Mr. Minetree and to the citizens of Meadowview. Mr. Rector explained that a renovation of the Meadowview Town Square is underway. Therefore, he proposes that the following stipulations be placed on the Special Exception Permit, if approved:

1. A limit of five vehicles stored inside of the garage at all times unless Mr. Minetree is transferring a vehicle to or from the auctions.
2. A six month review of the Special Exception Permit will be required to determine if there have been any problems or complaints.

Mr. Minetree stated that he had no objections to the proposed stipulations.

Mr. Reeter recommended the Board schedule the review of the Special Exception Permit, if approved, for October 9, 2007.

Discussions ensued concerning the proposed stipulations.

Mrs. Freeman addressed the Board concerning the proposed stipulations. She explained that the DMV will not allow restrictions to be placed on their licenses. Mr. Minetree would be licensed by the DMV for the display of up to 20 vehicles, and he must be on-site for 20 hours per week.

Discussion ensued between Ms. Phillips and Mrs. Freeman concerning the DMV licenses. After their discussions, it was determined that restrictions could be placed on the Special Exception Permit issued by the County.

Ms. Phillips advised the Board that she had no problems with the proposed restrictions.

The following action was taken by the Board:

***On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. Owens, the Board acted to follow the recommendation of the Washington County Planning Commission and approve the request of Carol K. Minetree on behalf of Russell Minetree for a Special Exception Permit to operate a small business in general, more specifically an independent used car dealership on property located at 13162 Town Square, Meadowview (on the west side of State Route 805) in a V (Village) zone, Monroe Magisterial District with the following stipulations:***

- 1. A limit of five vehicles stored inside of the garage at all times unless Mr. Minetree is transferring a vehicle to or from the auctions.***

- 2. *A six month review of the Special Exception Permit will be required to determine if there have been any problems or complaints. The review will be held at the October 9, 2007 Board of Supervisors meeting.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**b. Public Hearing and Consideration of Request to Authorize Special Assessment of Owners of land Abutting Loudon Drive for Costs of Improvement to Allow Loudon Drive to be incorporated into State System of Secondary Highways for Maintenance by Virginia Department of Transportation**

Ms. Phillips provided the Board with introductory remarks. She gave a brief history of the Loudon Drive project explaining that this project first came before the Board in 2005 and was at that time approved as a Rural Additions Project. However, between the time the project was approved by the Board and the date that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) could begin work on the project, construction costs increased substantially. Also, additional review by VDOT indicated construction issues that had not been incorporated into VDOT’s prior estimate of expense. These factors resulted in the project being abandoned.

Ms. Phillips explained that the owners of lots that abut Loudon Drive have been persistent with this project and more than seventy-five percent of the owners have agreed to pay proportionate shares of half of the cost to improve Loudon Drive to meet standards acceptable to VDOT for acceptance into the state system of secondary highways for purposes of maintenance, construction, and reconstruction. She further explained that under the Rural Additions Program offered by the Commonwealth, VDOT would pay the other half of the expense. When at least seventy-five percent of the landowners of properties abutting the road agree to the assessment, Virginia Code section 33.1-72.1 allows the Board of Supervisors, after a public hearing on the proposal, to pay to VDOT the landowners share of the road construction expense and impose a special assessment upon all properties that abut a road to be improved pursuant to the Rural Addition program for recovery of the expense over a period of time up to ten years.

Ms. Phillips reviewed the proposed Resolution to request VDOT to improve Loudon Drive, as well as the Resolution to authorize special assessment of owners of property. She explained that in addition to the adoption of the Resolutions, the Board is being asked to approve recordation of the Omnibus Deed. Ms. Phillips further explained that a survey of the property indicated that the actual location of the road does not match its platted location. Rather than move the road, the owners of abutting properties signed a deed to acknowledge their agreement that the road may stay where it is currently located.

Mr. Reynolds opened the public hearing and invited comments both in support of and in opposition to the proposed Resolutions.

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

Mr. Owens addressed the Board explaining that Loudon Drive was located in the Tyler District. He thanked General Services Manager Stephen Richardson, County Attorney Lucy Phillips and VDOT officials for being patient with this project and working with the residents of Loudon Drive. Mr. Owens stated that this project has been a tremendous task due to the problems that came about. He further stated that the Loudon Drive residents really need the new road.

Discussions ensued among the Board.

Mr. Rector inquired if the funds for this project would come from the current fiscal year’s budget. Mr. Seamon explained that the funds for this project are included in the current fiscal year. Mr. Owens inquired if the project would get underway during this fiscal year. Ms. Phillips explained if the Board adopts the Resolutions; the County is required to send a check to VDOT for the landowners’ proportionate share of the project costs.

The following action was taken by the Board.

*On motion of Mr. Owens, second by Mr. Price, the Board took the following action:*

*1. Adopt two Resolutions as follows:*

**RESOLUTION 2007-14  
REQUESTING THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVE LOUDON DRIVE IN THE  
TYLER MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE  
OF ACCEPTANCE INTO THE  
STATE SYSTEM OF SECONDARY HIGHWAYS**

*WHEREAS, the street described below (“Project Street”) was established before July 1, 1990, and currently serves at least three (3) families per mile, and*

*WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation (“Department”) has deemed that this county’s current subdivision ordinance meets all necessary requirements to qualify this county to recommend additions to the secondary system of state highways, pursuant to section 33.1-72.1, Code of Virginia, and*

*WHEREAS, after examining ownership of all property abutting Project Street, this Board finds that no property owners hold speculative interests as such is defined in Virginia Code section 33.1-72.1(C), and*

*WHEREAS, by correspondence dated July 28, 2006, the Department provided to Washington County an estimated expense of no more than two hundred twenty one thousand dollars (\$221,000.00) to improve Project Street to a standard acceptable for acceptance into the state system of secondary highways.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Washington, Virginia that it hereby requests that the Department undertake construction to improve Project Street as herein described to the prescribed minimum standards that will allow it to be added to the secondary system of state highways, pursuant to section 33.1-72.1 (C), Code of Virginia:

<b>Name of Project Street:</b>	<b>Loudon Drive</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>Nordyke Road (S.R. 622)</b>
<b>To:</b>	<b>Border with Parcel 119C-1-49</b>
<b>Length:</b>	<b>Approx. 1735 feet (based on County G.I.S.)</b>
<b>Guaranteed Right-of-Way Width:</b>	<b>40 feet</b>
<b>Plat Date:</b>	<b>August 30, 1963 (Plat Book 10, Page 39)</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this Board guarantees a clear and unrestricted right-of-way, as described, and any necessary easements for cuts, fills and drainage, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this Board shall fund fifty percent of the cost of said improvements by special assessment of the landowners of parcels abutting the Project Street with the understanding that the Department will fund the remaining fifty percent of expense, as allowed by section 33.1-72 (C), Code of Virginia, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County shall record proper documentation to establish special assessments as stated herein and shall remit to the Resident Engineer of the Department (1.) a certified copy of this resolution to request initiation of construction of said improvements and (2.) payment in the amount of one hundred ten thousand, five hundred dollars (\$110,500.00), based on the Department’s estimated cost of two hundred twenty one thousand dollars (\$221,000.00), for construction, with the understanding that the Department will reimburse to the County one half the difference between actual cost and estimated cost in the event the actual expense is less than two hundred twenty one thousand dollars (\$221,000.00).

Done this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.

**RESOLUTION 2007-15**  
**REGARDING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT OF OWNERS OF PARCELS**  
**ABUTTING LOUDON DRIVE IN THE TYLER MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT**  
**FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROAD IMPROVEMENT PURSUANT TO VIRGINIA**  
**CODE SECTION 33.1-2.1**

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution adopted by this Board of Supervisors on May 8, 2007, this Board resolved to request the Virginia Department of Transportation (“Department”) to improve Loudon Drive, as more specifically described below (“Project Street”) to standards sufficient for acceptance into the secondary system of state highways pursuant to Virginia Code section 33.1-72.1(C) to be funded by special assessment of the owners of parcels abutting Project Street, and

**WHEREAS**, based on the Department’s July 28, 2006, cost estimate of Two Hundred Twenty One Thousand Dollars (\$221,000.00) for improvement of Project Street, this Board has determined, as prescribed by Virginia Code Section 33.1-72.1(E), that the total cost to be borne by adjoining

landowners is no more than One Hundred Ten Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$110,500.00) to be shared proportionately; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of Virginia Code Section 15.2-2409, each owner of property abutting Project Street was provided notice of the proposed special assessment and of the public hearing that was held on May 8, 2007, and

WHEREAS, it appears to the Board that the owners of more than seventy-five percent (75%) of the parcels of land abutting Project Street desire to have it improved and brought into the secondary system of state highways by the Department and that to do so would be in the best interests of all owners of the parcels of land abutting Project Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Washington, Virginia:

1. Pursuant to Code of Virginia Section 33.1-72.1 (C), improvement for the purpose of rural addition of the street identified below as Project Street shall be funded, as described in this resolution, by special assessment of the owners of parcels that abut said street:

Name of Project Street:	Loudon Drive
From:	Nordyke Road (S.R. 622)
To:	Border with Parcel 119C-1-49
Length:	Approx. 1735 feet (based on G.I.S.)
Guaranteed Right-of-Way Width:	40 feet
Plat Date:	August 30, 1963 (Plat Book 10, Page 39 )

3. The amount to be paid by special assessment against the properties abutting Project Street shall be determined upon completion of the road improvement project but shall not exceed the estimated amount stated herein. After final determination of the assessment, the County Attorney shall cause to be recorded in the deed books and land records of the Circuit Court of Washington County an amendment of the estimated amount shown herein to show the amount finally assessed or apportioned, if such amount differs from the estimated amount.
4. The County Attorney shall report to the Treasurer of Washington County the amount assessed against each landowner, or for which the landowner is liable by agreement, as soon as practicable, and the Treasurer shall enter the same as provided for other taxes.
5. The Board agrees to the special assessment of the landowners on Project Street listed below. Each parcel shall be assessed equally in an amount not to exceed \$4,604.00 per parcel.

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Parcel</u>
JOHNSON STELLA M	119C-1-38
CLIFTON STELLA M & MAYNARD R	119C-1-39
CLIFTON STELLA M	119C-1-39A
BOOHER SCOTTY L	119C-1-41
BOOHER SCOTTY L	119C-1-42
BOOHER SCOTTY L	119C-1-43
SCARDO BRIAN E & SARAHENA WILKINSON	119C-1-44, 45 (combined)
NECESSARY EUGENE RICHARD II	119C-1-46
NECESSARY EUGENE RICHARD II	119C-1-47
MARTIN PAUL ANTHONY	119C-1-48
MARTIN PAUL ANTHONY	119C-1-49
BELCHER WALLACE E & VIVIAN G	119C-1-59
BELCHER WALLACE E & VIVIAN G	119C-1-60
BELCHER WALLACE E & VIVIAN	119C-1-61
FIELDS HARRY & TAMMY	119C-1-62
FIELDS HARRY & TAMMY	119C-1-63
BROOKS MICHAEL W & MARTHA	119C-1-64
BROOKS MICHAEL W & MARTHA	119C-1-65
MARTIN GEORGE R & JANICE M	119C-1-66
MARTIN GEORGE R & JANICE M	119C-1-67
MARTIN GEORGE R & JANICE C	119C-1-68
CLARK COY LEE & LINDA FAYE	119C-1-69
KISER RANDY & WANDA	119C-1-73
MOORE, JAMES FRED	119-A-96

6. *Upon the Department's acceptance of this project, the County shall remit to the Department the landowner's share of the costs of road improvements in the amount of One Hundred Ten Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$110,500.00). Upon project completion if the project cost is less than the estimated cost of Two Hundred Twenty One Thousand Dollars (\$221,000.00), the Department shall reimburse to the County one half the difference between actual cost and estimated cost.*
  
7. *In accordance with Virginia Code Section 15.2-2413, each owner listed above may pay the amount finally assessed or apportioned or fixed by agreement in ten (10) annual installments, bearing annual interest at the rate of one-year United States Treasury Bills on May 8, 2007 (4.73 percent). The Treasurer will begin billing each landowner after the work for improvement is completed, and payment shall be due at the time real estate taxes on the property are due and payable. Should the landowner not pay the entire amount finally assessed or apportioned or fixed by agreement when the first payment is due and payable, interest shall begin to accrue on the remaining balance at that time at the above-stated rate.*

- 8. *The amount finally assessed against or apportioned to each landowner, or fixed by agreement, as docketed in the land records of the clerk’s office shall be a lien enforceable in equity from the time when the work of improvement is completed. Upon payment in full of the amount due, including interest if applicable, the lien shall be released by noting the release in the land records. The Treasurer of Washington County or his designee is authorized to request the release of the lien upon payment in full of the total amount due pursuant to this resolution. No notation of the release need be made to this document.*
- 9. *The County Attorney is directed to have this Resolution recorded in the deed books of the Clerk’s Office of the Circuit Court of Washington County and indexed in the grantor’s index of said office in the names of the above-referenced property owners. Furthermore, the County Attorney is directed to cause liens to be recorded in the land records of said office showing the ownership and location of the property to be affected by the proposed improvement and the estimated amount that will be assessed against or apportioned to each landowner or fixed by agreement and the same shall be indexed in the name of the owner of the property.*
- 10. *This Resolution shall supersede Board Resolution 2005-30 adopted September 13, 2005, for the improvement of Loudon Road at a lesser expense, which project had to be abandoned due to escalation of expense, and the County Attorney is directed to take appropriate measures to ensure that the only lien against the properties identified herein for purposes of funding the road improvement project described herein shall be the lien for funding as stated in this Resolution adopted on May 8, 2007.*

*Done this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.*

- 2. *Authorize disbursement to the Virginia Department of Transportation \$110,500.00 from the Road Improvement fund specifically for the Loudon Drive project.*
- 3. *Direct the County to record the Omnibus Deed.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**6.c. Presentation by Virginia Intermont College**

Mr. Michael Puglisi, President, Virginia Intermont College (VI) and Mr. Charles Paschal, Financial Consultant to VI presented the Board with an update on the College.

Mr. Puglisi provided an overview of a letter provided to the Board of Supervisors which outlines quick facts about VI, the current financial situation, recent events, and VI’s present needs and plan. He explained that one donor has made a challenge for the College to raise \$5,000,000.00 and the donor

would give \$1,000,000.00. The College presently has \$1,500,000.00 in pledges toward the \$5,000,000.00 goal. Mr. Puglisi asked the Board to consider a financial contribution in the amount of \$10,000.00 to assist VI with meeting their financial challenges.

Mr. Paschal thanked Board for opportunity to make this presentation. He explained that about three weeks ago there was not a lot of hope concerning the financial situation at VI. Today, the outlook is different. There is now much momentum in the community. Mr. Paschal stated that the community realizes how much of an asset that VI is to Bristol and the surrounding counties. He further stated that VI has been in existence for 122 years and asked the Board to think about the lives that VI has touched. He stated that he believes the Board would want to continue to touch lives in the community.

Discussion ensued among the Board.

Chairman Reynolds thanked Mr. Puglisi and Mr. Paschal for their presentations, and commended VI for their efforts in turning their financial situation around. He stated that the Board would consider VI's request during the upcoming budget process.

*Scrivener's Note: The Letter referenced above is included as Minutes Exhibits Item 2007-05-08-A.*

#### **6.d. Presentation by Intermont Rescue**

Mr. Dennis Ely and Ms. Kathy Grace representing Intermont Search and Rescue made a presentation to the Board.

Ms. Grace explained that the Intermont Search and Rescue Team was an all volunteer team based in Damascus, VA. They are a member of the Black Diamond Search and Rescue Council, and are sanctioned and trained by the Commonwealth of Virginia. She further explained that they are trained in mountain, urban and wilderness search and rescue. They are trained to search for plane crashes, lost children, hikers, hunters and anyone else who may be in need of their assistance. Also, they are first responders for any natural or manmade disaster. The primary area where they work is Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina and Kentucky, but would go any where needed. Ms. Grace reviewed the training that all members are required to take, which includes learning basic search and rescue skills, tracking skills, leadership rolls and search management.

Ms. Grace explained that the members of the Intermont Search and Rescue are paying for their own expenses at this time. They would like to purchase six radios that are crucial for the work that they do. She stated that they are asking the Board for \$2,000.00 to assist with purchasing the radios.

Discussion ensued among the Board. Mr. McCrady asked that the Board consider granting this request.

Further discussions ensued.

***On motion of Mr. McCrady, second by Mrs. Mumpower, the Board acted to appropriate \$2000.00 from reserve for contingencies to the Intermont Search and Rescue to assist with purchasing radios.***

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

***Mr. McCall                      Aye***

<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**7. Presentation Concerning Proposed Abingdon/Washington County Sports Complex Project**

Mr. Reeter addressed the Board explaining that the purpose of this presentation is to bring the Board up-to-date on the Sports Complex Project to prepare them for the June 5 joint meeting with the Abingdon Town Council.

County Recreation Manager Keith Owens made a presentation to the Board concerning the proposed Abingdon/Washington County Sports Complex. Mr. Owens explained that there is a high level of participation in sports County-wide. There are not enough fields available to support the number of kids currently playing sports. There are 16 fields to support about 103 teams from various sports (baseball, softball, soccer, football). The County Joint Parks and Recreation Committee has searched for suitable property for the proposed sports complex and have narrowed the list to four sites. He reviewed the four sites with the Board. They are as follows:

- Site #1 – located on Route 80 & Route 11 near Exit 24
- Site #2 – located near Exit 14
- Site #3 – located on Wyndale Road
- Site #4 – located near the Virginia Highlands Airport

At this time substantial discussion ensued among the Board.

**8. Consideration of Appointments to Various Boards, Authorities and Commissions Expiring June 30, 2007**

Highlands Community Services Board

*On motion of Mr. Owens, second by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to reappoint Carolyn Hale to represent Washington County on the Highlands Community Services Board for a three year term beginning July 1, 2007, and expiring on June 30, 2010.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Washington County Park Authority

*On motion of Mr. Owens, second by Mrs. Mumpower, it was resolved to reappoint Wiley H. Helton to represent the Tyler Election District on the Washington County Park Authority for a four year term beginning July 1, 2007, and expiring June 30, 2011.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. Owens, it was resolved to reappoint James F. Hutton to represent the Monroe Election District on the Washington County Park Authority for a four year term beginning July 1, 2007 and expiring June 30, 2011.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Virginia Highlands Airport Authority

*On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. Owens, it was resolved to reappoint William M. "Mark" Nelson to represent the Monroe Election District on the Virginia Highlands Airport Authority for a four year term beginning July 1, 2007, and expiring June 30, 2011.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Washington County Planning Commission

*On motion of Mrs. Mumpower, second by Mr. McCall, it was resolved to reappoint Bill S. Canter, Jr. to represent the Wilson Election District on the Washington County Planning Commission for a four year term beginning July 1, 2007, expiring June 30, 2011.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Bristol Virginia Utilities

*On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. Owens, it was resolved recommend the reappointment of Dulcie Mumpower as Washington County’s representative on the Bristol Virginia Utilities Board of Directors for a one year term beginning July 1, 2007, and expiring on June 30, 2008.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Abstained</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**9. Recess**

There was no recess taken by the Board at this time.

**10. County Administrator Reports**

**a. National Association of Counties Annual Conference, July 13-17, Richmond**

Mr. Reeter advised the Board that rooms have been reserved for the National Association of Counties (NACo) Annual Conference in Richmond, VA for July 13-16, if any Board member is interested in attending. He stated that he encourages Board members to attend this conference. This is probably the only time that NACo will hold their annual conference in Virginia. Mr. Reeter explained one of the events of which Washington County has tentatively agreed to sponsor is a bus trip from Richmond to Jamestown on Sunday, July 15. This bus trip will provide an opportunity for representatives of Washington County to make a brief presentation about Washington County to the conference participants.

He further explained that at least two representatives from Washington County will need to attend the NACo Conference and participate in the bus trip.

**11. County Attorney Reports**

No report.

**12. Board Information**

Mr. Reeter reviewed the following Board information:

- Memorandum from Mount Rogers Planning District Commission dated April 18, 2007, regarding Regional Procurement of Appraisal Services
- Virginia Association of Counties 2007 Legislative Summary

Mr. Price discussed the letter from the Washington County Planning Commission concerning the Gary Kelly Special Exception Permit.

**13. Consent Agenda**

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

- a. Payment of Bills, April 2007*
- b. Revenue Refunds – Animal Sterilization Fees*
- c. Supplemental Appropriation – Washington County Sheriff’s office*
- d. Supplemental Appropriation – Washington County Sheriff’s and Commonwealth’s Attorney’s offices*
- e. Revenue Refund – Building Permit Fee*
- f. Canceled Checks – General Fund*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Mr. Reynolds Aye

**14. Board Member Reports**

No Board Reports

**9. a. Closed Meeting**

Request for Closed Meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(5) for discussion concerning prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community; specifically for prospective industry proposed for location on privately-owned property within Washington County

*On motion of Mr. Price, second by Mr. Rector, the Board acted to convene in Closed Meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(5) for discussion concerning prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community; specifically for a prospective industry proposed for location on privately-owned property within Washington County. It was further resolved to include County Administrator Mark Reeter, County Attorney Lucy Phillips, Assistant County Administrator Christy Parker, Smyth-Washington Industrial Facilities Authority (SWIFA) Chairman Russell Owens, Charlie Clark, Chairman, Smyth County Board of Supervisors, Con Smith, Smyth County Board of Supervisors and representing SWIFA, and Smyth County Economic Development Director Sally Morgan.*

*The Board took a five minute recess prior to beginning the closed meeting.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*After returning to the meeting, the Chairperson noted that upon motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. McCall, and favorable vote, the Board of Supervisors reconvened in open meeting. The Chairperson called for any participant in the closed meeting(s) who believed that there was a departure from the requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act during the closed meeting(s), to state the substance of the departure that they believed took place. No members of the Board responded to the Chairperson's call for statements.*

*On motion of Mr. McCrady, second by Mr. Rector, the members of the Board certified the closed meeting(s) in accordance with the requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. By vote in favor of this motion, each member certified that the closed meeting were conducted in conformity*

*with Virginia law, and that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed meeting were convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the closed meeting.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Mr. Reeter reminded the Board that the Washington County Industrial Development Authority and the Washington County Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Existing Industry Appreciation barbeque on Tuesday, May 15 at 6:00 PM at the Glenrochie Country Club. The dress is casual, no ties.

**15. Recess to 7:00 PM May 10 for Public Hearing on Proposed & Recommended County Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008**

*On motion of Mr. Rector, second by Mr. McCall it was resolved to recess to 7:00 PM, may 10 for a Public Hearing on the Proposed & Recommended County Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.*

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

<i>Mr. McCall</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. McCrady</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mrs. Mumpower</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Owens</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Price</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Rector</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mr. Reynolds</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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**Prepared by:**

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Naoma A. Mullins, Recording Clerk

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**Approved by the Washington County Board of Supervisors:**

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Kenneth O. Reynolds, Chairman