V I R G I N I A:

At a recessed meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Wednesday, May 26, 1993, 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, CPS

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1. Call to Order

The recessed meeting was called to order by Mr. Joe W. Derting, Chairman of the Board.

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2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance - Joe Derting

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

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3. Advertise for Public Hearing to consider appointment of one member to the Washington County School Board to be appointed from the F-91 (Tyler) District

Discussion ensued about receiving nominations for appointment to the Washington County School Board from the Tyler District.

It was determined that a proper advertisement for public hearing would include the name of the nomination. Further, Mr. Walsh pointed out that the appointment could not be made for seven days after the public hearing was held. Mr. Barker stated he preferred to wait to submit his nomination.

There was no action taken on this matter.

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4. Budget Work Session - FY 1993-1994 County Budget

Mr. Litton called attention to members of the audience who were present from the Hayter's Gap Community to address the Board of Supervisors.

Chairman Derting invited comments from the audience.

Christine Eldreth stated citizens from the Hayter's Gap Community have formed a Committee and elected a Board to govern the Hayter's Gap Community Center. She explained the Community Center would include the areas of Route 19 to Tumbling Creek at the Smyth County Line, and Rich Valley. Mrs. Eldreth presented a proposed budget for the Community Center which included a request for funds for youth programs and recreation, and for heat and electricity for the school building. She stated the Community Center Board is asking for a branch library to be located in the building.

Leslie Hindle apologized for her absence from the May 25, 1993 Board of Supervisors meeting, explaining the confusion that occurred. Mrs. Hindle requested the Supervisors consider including funds in the FY 1993-94 County Budget for a waterline. She explained that the water conditions in the Tumbling Creek Community are bad.

Pat Mannix addressed the Supervisors concerning a newpaper article covering the May 25, 1993 Board of Supervisor meeting which reported Mr. Bentley stated he and Mr. Whittaker caused the County to spend money on the transfer station. He claimed he did not ask the County to spend any money, that the remarks were slanderous and asked that a retraction be printed in the Bristol Herald Courier.

On motion of Mr. Mathews, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 8104, Department of Economic Development, in the amount of $30,000.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 8105, Industrial Development, in the amount of $110,515.

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. Litton, with no second, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 8106, Planning and Zoning, in the amount of $71,813.

During discussion, Mr. Mathews commented Mrs. Freeman's salary was set at $17,000 in 1990 with the understanding she would return to her salary classification when a County Planner was employed. He stated her salary is now $25,000. He asked Mr. Bentley to provide him with a reason for the salary increase.

Mr. Bentley commented that Mrs. Freeman was hired as a full time Planner in 1991 with an increase in salary.

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

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

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 8107, Mount Rogers Planning District Commission, in the amount of $23,861.

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. Mathews, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 8108, District 3 Governmental Cooperative, in the amount of $11,665.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 8203, Soil & Water Conservation District, in the amount of $10,300.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 8301, VPI Cooperative Extension Program, in the amount of $58,620.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 2108, Washington County Law Library, in the amount of $6,000.

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. Mathews, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 4101, Upgrading Subdivision Roads, in the amount of $85,250.

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				

Discussion of Department 4102, Maintenance, Highways, Streets, Bridges & Sidewalk, resulted in a motion by Mr. Osborne, second by Mr. Litton to include $50,000 as Washington County's share of the cost for Route 80 railroad crossing.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 4206, County Landfill, in the amount of $1,113,000.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 4403, Sewer Projects, in the amount of $100,000.

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. Mathews, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 8105, Industrial Development, in the amount of $71,400.

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				

Discussion ensued about Department 4402, Water Projects. Mr. Seamon commented there may be excess funds in the budget from water projects, and suggested that the Board appropriate these funds for other water projects.

On motion of Mr. Osborne, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 3507, E911 Personnel Budget, in the amount of $179,961.

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. Parris, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 3508, in the amount of $405,039.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 7301, Library Administration Local, in the amount of $319,301.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 7302, Library Administration State and Federal Aid, in the amount of $106,146.

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. Parris, second by Mr. Litton, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 7303, Branch Library Local-Damascus, in the amount of $15,583.

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. Litton, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 7304, Branch Library Local-Mendota, in the amount of $15,963.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Litton, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 7305, Branch Library Local - Glade Spring in the amount of $15,583.

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

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

On motion of Mr. Litton, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 7306, Branch Library Local - Hayter's Gap, in the amount of $20,000.

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. Mathews, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 5301, Welfare Administration, in the amount of $1,528,200.

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. Mathews, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 5302, Public Assistance and SS Programs, in the amount of $1,084,145.

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. Osborne, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 61100, Fund No. 315, Textbook Fund, in the amount of $425,228; Department 6600, Fund No. 316, School Construction Fund, in the amount of $106,500; Department 1000, Fund No. 317, School Cafeteria Fund, in the amount of $2,165,816.

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				

Mr. Barker filed a statement disclosing he has a personal interest in certain aspects of the Washington County Budget related to appropriations to the Washington County School Board; that he is an employee of the Washington County School Board and appropriations to the Board could indirectly affect his position, salary, employment benefits, etc.; that he is a member of a group of employees which are affected by the amount of the appropriation to the Washington County School Board; that he can participate in this transaction fairly, objectively and in the public interest.

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Litton, it was resolved by a vote of 7-0 to increase the tentatively approved FY 1993-94 Washington County School Board Budget by $300,000, to a total of $36,048,919, which includes $10,800,000 of local funds, and to request the Washington County School Board to strongly consider increasing the salary of support personnel by an additional 3%.

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				

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On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to ask the Washington County School Board to consider increasing the General Obligation Bonds to cover the cost of constructing a baseball field for John Battle High School.

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. Litton, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to tentatively approve $53,000 in the FY 1993-94 County Budget for Hayter's Gap Community Center.

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. Parris, second by Mr. Litton, it was resolved to tentatively approve the FY 1993-94 recommended budget for Department 7109, Account 9800, Taylor's Valley Community Center, in the amount of $3,500.

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				

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5. Recess to June 2, 1993 to continue work session on FY 1993-94 County Budget

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Osborne, it was resolved to recess the meeting to Wednesday, June 2, 1993, 7:00 p.m. to continue the FY 1993-94 budget work session.

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				

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Joe W. Derting, Chairman