

VIRGINIA: County of Lee, to-wit:

At the Recessed Meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors in the General District Courtroom of the Lee County Courthouse on May 11, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. thereof.

MEMBERS PRESENT: D. D. Leonard, Chairman
Larry Mosley, Vice Chairman
Sidney Kolb
Charles Slemm, Jr.
Robert Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dane Poe, County Administrator

OTHERS ABSENT: Stacy Estep Munsey, County Attorney
Jeny Hughes, Administrative Assistant

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m.

BUDGET WORK SESSION

Chris Jones, Commissioner of the Revenue, and David Bradshaw conducted a presentation on updating the mapping system in his office.

Mr. Poe presented the Board with a budget printout and he has made his initial recommendations. As far as salaries, the Compensation Board did not include any pay raises for Constitutional Officers and employees, but did include a 2% one-time bonus that was to be paid December 1, 2020. Although this was approved, it was not allocated with the budget and with budget re-forecasting, Mr. Poe doubts the bonuses will remain in the state budget. He left all salaries at their current amount and did not include raises. As the budget is presented tonight there is a deficit of a little over \$1,800,000.00.

Mr. Kolb asked what the deficit was last fiscal year.

Mr. Poe stated it was \$2,400,000.00.

Mr. Kolb asked how many years the County can budget a \$1,000,000.00 deficit.

Mr. Poe stated that if it were done this year, the County would not have cash on hand.

Mr. Kolb asked when a tax increase could go into effect.

Mr. Poe stated it would be effective January 1 of this year.

Mr. Mosley stated that one thing that hurts the County is the use of the Farm tags.

Mr. Poe stated that if the homemade Farm Use tags were made illegal, it would force people to buy a DMV farm tag and that vehicle would have to be registered.

Mr. Kolb asked if the County could adopt an Ordinance that would mirror the State Code.

Mr. Poe stated that if the State has an exemption for that, the County cannot override the State.

It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Slemp, to have the County Attorney look into the County adopting an Ordinance that mirrors State Law on Farm Use Tags. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Kolb, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Slemp, Mr. Smith

There was discussion on line items that were in question by the Board.

TRASH PICK UP PROGRAM

Mr. Leonard stated that he had spoken with Mr. Collingsworth and suggested that the Solid Waste Department be given a little more time than the 24-hour period given to pick up the trash bags for the program.

Mr. Kolb stated that he thought the motion made last month was for the day that the Administrator's Office is notified or the next business day.

It was the consensus of the Board to pick up trash within two days of call in, if not able to get it in 24 hours.

COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE REQUEST

There was discussion about the presentation earlier in the meeting.

It was the consensus of the Board to budget \$21,900.00 for the new program.

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Slemph, to adjourn. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Kolb, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Slemph, Mr. Smith

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