

VIRGINIA: County of Lee, to-wit:

At the Recessed Meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors in the Conference Room of the Lee County Courthouse on October 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. thereof.

MEMBERS PRESENT: D. D. Leonard, Chairman
Sidney Kolb
Charles Slemp, Jr.
Robert Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Larry Mosley

OTHERS PRESENT: Dane Poe, County Administrator

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Leonard, to enter Closed Session pursuant to Code Section 2.2-3711 A.1., Discussion, consideration or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific public officers, appointees or employees of any public body, 2.23711 A.6., The investing of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, and 2.23711 A.29., Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

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

Mr. Mosley entered the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Kolb, to exit Closed Session.
Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

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

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, the Lee County Board of Supervisors has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a Certification by this Lee County Board of Supervisors that such Closed Meeting was conducted within Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lee County Board of Supervisors hereby certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from Closed Meeting in which this Certification Resolution applies and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion convening the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Lee County Board of Supervisors.

Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

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

ARPA FUNDING

Mr. Mosley stated that he does not have a problem with the Health Wagon and Southwest Virginia Workforce requests.

Mr. Kolb asked if Southwest Virginia Workforce is short on funding because of COVID.

Mr. Mosley stated that with the programs in the request, it is not necessarily a shortfall, but how the State changed the ways the funding could be used. Only 20% of the funding can be spent to help people that have already graduated high school.

Mr. Kolb asked what the money goes toward.

Mr. Mosley stated it goes toward books and tuition.

Mr. Leonard asked why the funding would be changed.

Mr. Mosley stated that it was because of changes made by the State.

The Chairman called a 5 minute recess.

The Chairman called the meeting back to order.

Mr. Slemp stated that the Sticklebyville Community Center is asking for \$92,780.00 and that is a lot of money.

Mr. Leonard stated that he had spoken with Keokee Community Center and told them not to put in a request because he is part of the center and because the County has already provided funding to the local centers.

Mr. Slemp stated that he could agree with giving \$5,000.00 again.

Mr. Smith stated that all centers would need to be given the same amount.

Mr. Mosley stated he would not have a problem giving all three centers \$5,000.00.

Mr. Leonard stated that a decision did not need to be made now; there is plenty of time to spend the money.

Mr. Mosley stated that he did not think Sticklelyville Fire Department would need to purchase turnout gear for every member.

Mr. Poe stated it might be better to look at fire and rescue comprehensively instead of department by department.

Mr. Kolb stated everybody that is going to get money needs to submit a proposal, because it is strange to give money to people that are not asking for it and turn down some that have asked for funding.

Mr. Leonard stated that Brian Skidmore is probably the person to talk to about the Fire Departments.

Mr. Kolb stated that Jonesville Rescue has submitted a request and he thinks if it is going to be opened back up on the Community Centers it needs to be opened back up for all of the rescue squads.

Mr. Mosley stated he is not sure about giving Cedar Hill Country Club funds when they charge people to be members.

Mr. Smith stated he believes the County would get into hot water over doing that.

Mr. Kolb stated that the Country Club's request seems inconsistent; it states that there is an increase of play and income but the long term outlook is facing serious consequences.

Mr. Poe stated that some of this request was for prior costs, and the guidelines state funding cannot go back to expenses that would have been covered under the CARES Act funding.

Mr. Kolb stated that he would like to do something for the long term.

Mr. Leonard stated that one of the investments made out of the last funding was having Scott County Telephone installing internet.

Mr. Poe stated that was a local priority with the CARES Funds, and there could be an opportunity to do some additional work.

Mr. Kolb stated that he would rather help with water project that is short \$100,000.00 or so than to put air conditioners in a Community Center.

Mr. Smith stated that the Giles Hollow Water Project was estimated to cost \$1,500,000.00 and the cheapest bid came in at \$2,400,000.00.

Mr. Kolb asked for an update on the Western Lee sewer project.

Mr. Poe stated that this project works differently than other projects because it is funded by the Army Corp of Engineers. Normally, all that is needed is an easement; but now rights of entry have to be obtained. The meeting at Wilderness Road helped in

getting the community more involved, but there are still rights of entries needed to move forward.

Mr. Kolb stated that he would not mind using some of the funding for this project.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD

Mr. Slempp stated that there is an old cemetery near Olinger Church that is maintained by an individual. There is a flag pole at the location but no flag and they are asking that the County put a flag there.

Mr. Leonard stated that the Senators or Congressmen could send one.

ACID WASH AND MORTAR JOINT

It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Leonard, to accept the proposal from Thompson and Litton for their services for the acid washing and mortar joint repairs for the Courthouse. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

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

SOUND SYSTEM

It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to advertise for proposals for a new sound system for the District Courtroom. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

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

PROCUREMENT POLICY

It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to advertise for a public hearing to amend or change the County procurement ordinance for goods and services to \$25,000.00. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

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

PARKING LOT BID AWARD

It was moved by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Kolb, to form a committee with Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith and Mr. Poe and to authorize the committee to award the contract for the parking lot behind the Courthouse. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

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

It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Leonard, to advertise for proposals utilizing the design / build procurement method for the parking lot behind the Courthouse. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

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

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

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

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