

**VIRGINIA:** County of Lee, to-wit:

At the Regular Meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors in the Conference Room of the Lee County Courthouse on December 17, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. thereof.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl Bailey  
Larry Mosley  
Tina Rowe, Vice Chair  
Charles Slemp, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jason Crabtree, Chairman

OTHERS PRESENT: Dane Poe, County Administrator  
Jeny Hughes, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS ABSENT: C.M. Callahan, Jr. County Attorney

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**INVOCATION**

Dane Poe, County Administrator, led in the invocation.

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**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Dane Poe led the Pledge to the Flag.

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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:25 p.m.

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**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Michael James, Community Development Director, reported that the closing of the hospital has been a big loss to the County, bringing the County's unemployment rate to 9%. The IDA has been working closely with the Board of Supervisors, Town of Pennington Gap officials, as well as state and national elected officials to consider all possible health care scenarios. He reported that the Erosion and Sediment Control plan and the Stormwater Management plan for the Stone Mountain Health Systems have been approved and groundbreaking is planned for January. He stated the IDA hosted a job fair for an automotive dealership prospect last month and approximately 40 job seekers attended. The project is still on track with the hopes of finalizing the project towards the end of the first quarter. He stated that the Constitutional Oaks cell tower began transmission on November 26. He reported that the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to solicit input on adoption of the updated Zoning Ordinance, and upon adoption of the Ordinance, the Commission will be reviewing the Zoning maps for possible revisions.

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**TOURISM**

Joan Minor, Tourism Director, reported that she has been posting updates to the State website, and to the Tourism blog. She stated that Kingsport Times News had provided free publicity for Lee County on upcoming events. She reported that she has continued research on the proposed facility at Constitutional Oaks.

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Mr. Mosley questioned the relevance of the information on Tourism.

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Ms. Minor stated that the firm in question received a violation notice from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Mr. Mosley stated that the issue is not related to Tourism.

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Ms. Minor presented her remaining report in written form.

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Ms. Rowe asked if the Tourism By-laws also needed to be adopted by the Tourism Committee, and if so, could Ms. Minor mail a copy of the by-laws, as adopted by the Board of Supervisors, to each committee member so they know the importance of attending the meetings.

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## **CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's Report for the month of November 2013 was submitted as follows:

Revenues	\$ 6,980,975.29
Expenditures	\$ 4,541,795.18
General Fund	\$ 11,632,176.99
Total Assets and Liabilities	\$ 16,996,832.70

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### **PUBLIC EXPRESSION**

The Chairman opened the floor for public comment and advised that each speaker would be limited to a three minute time period for individuals, five minutes for a group.

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Larry Gullion, Keokee Alumni Association, stated that there have been some functions held at the Keokee gym, and there was some cleaning that needed to be done and repairs that need to be made. He asked the Board's permission to get some of the work completed. He also advised that the group hoped to obtain grant funds for the repairs.

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Mr. Poe stated anything not allowed to be dumped at a convenience center needs to be taken to the Transfer Station.

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Mr. Bailey stated he does not see a problem with Mr. Gullion getting estimates for repairs.

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There was no further public comment.

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The Chairman closed the floor for public comment.

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Mr. Callahan entered the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Rowe requested page 2 be corrected to read, Ms. Rowe stated a lot people had told her it was a burden to drive to the convenience center and find it closed. She stated that some people have said they threw their trash over the fence and wondered if this was as issue.

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It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2013 Regular Meeting with the stated changes. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**APPROVAL OF REFUNDS**

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to approve the following requests for refunds. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

Appalachia Community Action and Development Agency	\$1,499.91
Powell Valley National Bank	\$ 539.00

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**PAYROLL**

The County Administrator reports that payroll warrants have been issued.

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**APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS**

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to approve the disbursements for the month of December in the amount of \$225,825.79. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**DELEGATIONS**

**MOUNTAIN EMPIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
DR. SCOTT HAMILTON  
PRESIDENT**

Dr. Scott Hamilton, President, stated that the percentage of financial aid received by Mountain Empire students had increase to 96%, the AIMS students had increase to 148 students, and that Lee County had 259 students attending with 196 in the dual enrollment courses. He stated that Mountain Empire has implemented a new program to help retain students, and that enrollment is only down 12 students from this time last year. He added that Dalton-Cantrell Hall reopened in October and Mountain Empire is one of two schools in the state that had an Advanced Manufacturing Facility.

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Mr. Mosley asked how many AIMS students Lee County had.

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Dr. Hamilton stated that he did not have the exact figure, but there was a slight increase this year for Lee County.

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Mr. Crabtree entered the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

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**DANIEL BOONE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT UPDATE  
ROGER ELKINS  
BOARD MEMBER**

Mr. Elkins was unable to attend the meeting.

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**REQUEST FOR OPERATING AUTHORITY  
CLINT PHILBRICK  
ABINGDON AMBULANCE SERVICE**

Mr. Philbrick asked that this matter be postponed.

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**FINANCE**

**MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY APPROPRIATIONS**

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to adopt the following Resolution. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**RESOLUTION**

**MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY APPROPRIATIONS  
13-043**

**WHEREAS**, the Lee County Board of Supervisors has approved the Headstart Budget, Lee County Public School Budget and Virginia Public Assistance Budget for FY2013-14; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to appropriate sufficient funds for the contemplated expenditures as they are contained in the Headstart, Lee County Public School and Virginia Public Assistance Budgets;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following activities, 25% of the amount shown is appropriated for a 3-month period ending March 31, 2014

**HEADSTART**

Federal Funds	\$ <u>1,283,218</u>
TOTAL HEADSTART	\$ 1,283,218

**WHEREAS**, the Lee County Board of Supervisors has approved the Lee County Public School Budget and Virginia Public Assistance Budget for FY2013-14; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to appropriate sufficient funds for the contemplated expenditures as they are contained in the Lee County Public School and Virginia Public Assistance Budgets;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following activities 1/12 of the amount shown is appropriated for a 1-month period ending January 31, 2014;

**VIRGINIA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

Federal/State Funds	\$ 5,978,599
Local Funds	<u>1,077,062</u>
TOTAL VIRGINIA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	\$ 7,055,661

**LEE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Categorical Appropriation:

Instruction	\$ 23,912,714
Administration, Attendance and Health	1,721,521
Pupil Transportation	1,937,730
Operation and Maintenance	3,307,797
School Food Services	1,558,843
Facilities	460,218
Technology	712,278
Partially Self-Funded Insurance Fund	<u>3,990,000</u>
TOTAL	\$37,601,101

Source of Revenue:

Federal Funds	\$ 4,066,300
State Funds	24,206,669
Other Funds	71,600
Self Insured Health Fund	3,990,000
Local Funds	4,561,621
Textbook Carryover Funds	<u>704,911</u>

TOTAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

\$ 37,601,101

1. The Lee County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to transfer sums as needed to meet expenses already incurred. The transfer will be from the General Fund to the Headstart, Public School and Virginia Public Assistance funds and will not exceed the foregoing one and three months appropriations.

The Lee County Treasurer is also directed to revert all unexpended balances of the Headstart, Public School and Virginia Public Assistance Funds to the General Fund as of the beginning and ending of Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

**ANTIQUUE VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES**

Mr. Poe reported that the Commissioner of the Revenue determined there are currently 97 antique vehicles registered in the County. It cannot be determined from the DMV query whether all these vehicles are registered for occasional use only or if some are driven on a regular basis. Based on current registrations and licensing fees, the maximum amount of revenue that could be lost annually by exempting antique vehicles from the local license fee is \$2,910.

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Mr. Slemp asked if there was an advantage of being registered and not having antique tags.

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Mr. Poe stated an antique vehicle with regular plates have no driving restrictions, however, if it is changed to antique plates, then by law it can no longer be used for regular everyday use.

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Mr. Mosley stated if the vehicle does have antique tags, it also has limited use, and most people that have a true antique are not going to be driving it every day.

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Mr. Poe stated it would require a public hearing to change the Ordinance.

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Ms. Rowe stated that she did not see why if they do not have to pay a yearly registration fee at DMV every year, they should have to pay a decal fee every year.

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Mr. Crabtree stated he would like to hear what the public has to say.

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**PLUMBING CONTRACT**

Mr. Poe asked that this be addressed in closed session.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to re-appoint Clyde Scott, Jr. to a five-year term on the Board of Zoning Appeals. Mr. Scott's term will expire on July 31, 2018. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slempp

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**LONESOME PINE OFFICES ON YOUTH**

It was the consensus of the Board to table this appointment until next month.

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**COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD**

It was the consensus of the Board to table this appointment until next month.

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**DISABILITY SERVICES BOARD**

It was moved by Mr. Slempp, seconded by Ms. Rowe, to appoint Dottie Tankersley Blanken to a three-year term on the Disability Services Board. Ms. Blanken's term will expire on November 30, 2016. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slempp

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**DISABILITY SERVICE BOARD**

It was the consensus of the Board to table this appointment until next month.

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**DRYDEN WATER AUTHORITY**

It was moved by Mr. Slempp, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to re-appoint Chris Barney to a four-year term on the Dryden Water Authority. Mr. Barney's term will expire on December 31, 2017. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slempp

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**DRYDEN WATER AUTHORITY**

It was moved by Mr. Slempp, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to re-appoint Ron Bailey Jr. to a four-year term on the Dryden Water Authority. Mr. Bailey's term will expire on December 31, 2017. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slempp

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**LEE COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY**

It was the consensus of the Board to table these appointments until next month.

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**REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY**

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to re-appoint Reba Nelson to a four-year term on the Redevelopment and Housing Authority. Ms. Nelson's term will expire on December 31, 2017. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to re-appoint Noel Hall to a four-year term on the Department Of Social Services Board. Mr. Hall's term will expire on December 31, 2017. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to re-appoint Joanne Eldridge to a four-year term on the Department Of Social Services Board. Ms. Eldridge's term will expire on December 31, 2017. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA EMS COUNCIL**

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to re-appoint Freda Ayers to a one-year term on the Southwest Virginia EMS Council. Ms. Ayers' term will expire on December 31, 2014. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD**

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Ms. Rowe, to re-appoint Larry Mosley to a one-year term on the Southwest Virginia Workforce Investment Board. Mr. Mosley's term will expire on December 31, 2014. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slempp

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### **THE CROOKED ROAD**

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to appoint Wayne Bonham to an un-expired term on the Crooked Road. Mr. Bonham's term will expire on March 31, 2014. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slempp

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Mr. Crabtree left the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

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### **ANNUAL GAS AND GROUND MONITORING REPORTS**

Mr. Poe reported that Lane Engineering has submitted proposed Task Orders 13-02 and 13-03 for the annual Landfill Gas and Groundwater Monitoring reports. The proposed estimated fee for the gas report is \$5,500, which is an increase of \$300 from last year. The proposed estimated fee for the groundwater report is \$11,250, which is an increase of \$950 from last year. These reports are mandatory requirements of the Department of Environmental Quality.

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It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to approve Task Order 13-02 in the amount \$5,500 and 13-03 in the amount of \$11,250 from Lane Engineering. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slempp

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### **BILLS WITH LOCAL FISCAL IMPACTS**

Mr. Poe reported that the Governor's Task Force for Local Government Mandate Review has examined mandates on local governments and the means through which they are enacted. The resolution is asking that bills that have fiscal impacts on local governments be filed no later than the first day of session with the General Assembly.

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It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Slempp, to adopt Resolution 13-044. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slempp

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### **RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE**

**FIRST DAY INTRODUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR BILLS WITH LOCAL  
FISCAL IMPACTS  
13-044**

**WHEREAS**, many local governing bodies in Virginia have an ever-growing concern about the impact on localities of state mandates and cost shifting; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 30-19.03 of the Code of Virginia states that the Commission on Local Government shall prepare and publish a statement of fiscal impact for "any bill requiring a net additional expenditure by any county, city, or town, or... any bill requiring a net reduction of revenues by any county, city, or town, is filed during any session of the General Assembly"; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous bills fitting this criteria have been submitted and gone through the legislative process without review for local fiscal impacts due to limited time and resources to review these bills during the General Assembly session; and

**WHEREAS**, it is also recognized that a need exists for additional time and resources to provide such information during the tight procedural confines of the current legislative process; and

**WHEREAS**, we believe it is critical that lawmakers have better and timelier information on the fiscal impact to localities when they consider bills and budget items; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Lee County Board of Supervisors hereby requests that the General Assembly support measures that require its members to file bills with local fiscal impacts as early as possible and no later than the first day of session.

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**SCHOOL RESOURCES OFFICE EXPENSES**

Mr. Poe reported that the Sheriff has recently hired two School Resource Officers under the Byrne Justice Grant that was awarded in July of this year. DCJS has advised that this grant covers personnel and fringe benefits only. There will be expenses for uniforms, weapons and academy training totaling approximately \$7,300 per officer, a supplemental appropriation will be needed in order to fund the associated costs of employing these officers.

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It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Ms. Rowe, to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$7,300 to the Sheriff's Department for the School Resource Officer. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**GRAPPLE TRUCK FINANCING PROPOSALS**

Mr. Poe reported that financing proposals for the new grapple loader truck were solicited from all the local banks with Powell Valley National Bank being the only bank responding. Their proposal provides for a 25% down payment, and for 3 annual payments of \$31,639.33 with the final payment in 2017.

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It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to accept the financing offer from Powell Valley National Bank of three annual payments of \$31,639.33. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**E-911 RECORDER**

Mr. Poe reported that the E-911 Director has advised that the current 911-recorder unit has reached its end of life sales date and will no longer be eligible for manufacturer's patches or updates after January 31, 2014. The current vendor has provided quotes for the purchase or rental of a new unit; however, due to the cost, it is advisable to take competitive bids. He added that he had been notified by VITA that if the purchase could be postponed for about a year and a half, there may be possible grants available.

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It was the consensus of the Board to postpone the purchase of a new 911 recorder.

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**IDA REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION  
PROSPECTIVE NEW BUSINESS AND INVESTING OF PUBLIC FUNDS**

Mr. Poe requested this matter be discussed in closed session.

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**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY**

None.

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**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**ADDITIONAL HOLIDAY**

Mr. Poe reported that the Governor had declared an additional Holiday on December 23.

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**ENGINEERING DESIGN PROPOSALS**

Mr. Poe reported that the engineers are ready to move forward with the bid process and are waiting on direction from the Board.

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It was the consensus of the Board to hold a recessed meeting on January 7, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. to look at the design plans.

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**CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Ms. Rowe, to enter Closed Session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 A.1. Employment, Personnel 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, 2.2-3711 A. 3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, Section 2.2-3711 A.5. Discussion Of Prospective Business Discussion

concerning a 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, and Section 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. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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Mr. Bailey left the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

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Mr. Crabtree returned to the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to come out of Closed Session. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED SESSION**

It was unanimously agreed as follows.

**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.

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#### **PLUMBING CONTRACT**

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to reject the Plumbing Contract Bids and re-advertise. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND REQUEST**

It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to supplementally appropriate \$20,000 from the Economic Development Fund for a project being developed by the IDA. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD**

### **SEMINARY VOTING BUILDING**

Mr. Slemp stated that the voting building in Seminary was not completed, there is a window that still needs to be installed and sheet rock that needs to be finished. He would like this to be added in the budget for completion for next year.

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### **GOVERNOR ELECT TRANSITION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Mosley stated that he attended the Governor elect transition committee meeting in Richmond and will give the board a copy of the summary from the meeting when he receives it.

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### **COURTHOUSE SECURITY CAMERAS**

Mr. Crabtree stated that the Board had previously discussed security cameras, and asked about getting some installed for the entrances.

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Mr. Poe stated that the ones that are at the Sheriff's Office feed into dispatch and the Major's office, there would need to be a lot of cable ran to place cameras on the front of the courthouse. He added that he would check with the Sheriff about having the feed going into dispatch.

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### **ELECTION OF THE CHAIR FOR 2014**

It was moved by Mr. Crabtree, seconded by Ms. Rowe, to appoint Charles Slemp as chair for 2014. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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### **ELECTION OF THE VICE CHAIR FOR 2014**

It was moved by Mr. Crabtree, seconded by Mr. Slemp, to appoint Tina Rowe as vice chair for 2014. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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### **DCR GRANTS**

Ms. Rowe asked about the DCR grants.

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Mr. Poe stated that it will be opening soon and he is gathering additional information.

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Ms. Rowe stated that she was thinking that the County and the School Board could do a joint application.

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It was moved by Ms. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Crabtree, to proceed with applying for a DCR Recreation grant in a joint application with the School Board. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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**STEPS AT THOMAS WALKER POOL**

Mr. Crabtree asked if the steps at Thomas Walker pool had been installed yet.

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Mr. Poe stated that they would be installed this spring.

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**COPS GRANT**

Ms. Rowe asked if the COPS grant could be used for a cell tower.

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Mr. Poe stated that the grant is for emergency communications and he did not believe it could be, but he would check into it.

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Mr. Crabtree asked if the remaining funds could be used in the Western end for improving the repeaters.

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Mr. Poe stated that has been the backup plan all along.

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**EMS CLASSES**

Ms. Rowe asked if any EMS Classes had been scheduled.

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Mr. Poe stated that Alan Bailey had told him that the rescue squads are interested in EMT and EVOC classes. He added that he had spoken with Dr. Cantrell with the Health Department about this matter. He also advised that Pennington Gap Rescue Squad had been working with Mountain States to get additional training scheduled.

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**LENOWISCO BOARD**

Ms. Rowe stated that due to personal conflicts that have prevented her from attending the meetings she is resigning from the LENOWISCO board.

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It was moved by Mr. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Mosley, to appoint Jason Crabtree to an un-expired term on the LENOWISCO board. Mr. Crabtree's term will expire on December 31, 2015. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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It was moved by Mr. Crabtree seconded by Mr. Mosley, to recess to January 7, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Mosley, Ms. Rowe, Mr. Slemp

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