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The Wythe County Board of Supervisors held its regularly scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 26, 2019. The location of the meeting was in the Boardroom of the County Administration Building, 340 South Sixth Street, Wytheville, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair
 Joe F. Hale, Vice Chair
 B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
 Ryan M. Lawson

Charlie G. Lester
 Coy L. McRoberts
 Brian W. Vaught

STAFF PRESENT:

Stephen D. Bear, County Administrator
 Scot Farthing, County Attorney
 Martha Collins, Administrative Assistant/Clerk
 Bill Vaughan, County Engineer

OTHERS PRESENT:

Larry Bradfield
 Randy Edwards
 Charles Foster
 Lori Guynn
 Dr. Scott Jefferies

Linda Meyer
 Steve Terry
 Mary Thomas
 and three others

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Reeves determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Bear provided the invocation and Chair Reeves led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS' TIME

Chairman Reeves inquired if anyone present wished to address the Board.

1. Speedwell Landfill – Ms. Linda Meyer said that where she previously lived, there is a landfill which is now being leased to a solar company for 25 years. They are responsible for monitoring of the landfill and they pay the municipality nearly \$20k a year. Ms. Meyer asked if something like this could be an option for the Speedwell landfill.

Chairman Reeves responded that they previously looked into it. However, he said the Speedwell landfill does not have to be monitored any longer. The Chairman added that he believes a 138k line is necessary where they can tap into the line, so he's not sure that's feasible.

Mr. Bear added that it is on the radar.

Ms. Meyer also inquired about the feedlot and if there were any updates.

Mr. Bear replied that Mr. Vaughan had followed-up with DEQ requesting any test results and the response was they had no additional information at this time. The County will, however, continue to follow-up.

Ms. Meyer also requested permission to pose a question to Mr. Bradfield when he gives his Gypsy Moth presentation.

2. Two-Way Radio – Mr. Randy Edwards of Two-Way Radio introduced himself and the company, and the products and services they provide. He said Two-Way Radio is a local communications company serving this area since 1954. Their focus is on communication as well as emergency notification systems. Mr. Edward provided an overview of the Centurion Elite emergency notification system. He said this system is often marketed to schools as a safety measure, but it is also good for all other businesses.

3. Wythe County Schools – Dr. Jefferies wanted to thank the Board, on behalf of the school system, for their continued support. He said there are a lot of successful things going on. Earlier this month they celebrated school board appreciation month at their board meeting. Dr. Jefferies added that in conjunction with their Tech Center, they made a really nice gift for the school board members. They also wanted to extend that generosity to the Board of Supervisors. On behalf of the wonderful teachers and students, nameplates for each of the supervisors were made as a token of their appreciation.

Chairman Reeves said we greatly appreciate the work of the School Board on so many different projects, and it's been a real pleasure working together.

Supervisor Horney was asked by a citizen what the schools do with the cafeteria's leftover food and whether the excess food can be donated rather than throwing it away.

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Dr. Jefferies responded that this subject has been raised several times. Unfortunately, there is so much red tape associated with food donation and certain regulations that must be adhered to (USDA). But he understands the concerns and said he will try and revisit the issue.

Supervisor Vaught expressed his appreciation of the new nameplates and stated that it shows what great work the kids are doing at the Tech Center (CTE). He said they have come a long way and seem to take a lot of pride in what they do.

Dr. Jefferies invited the Board to visit and see the renovation progress. He also noted that the project is still on track in spite of inclement weather.

With no one else wishing to address the Board, Chairman Reeves closed Citizens' Time.

PAYMENT OF COUNTY INVOICES

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion to pay the invoices for approval on February 26, 2019, for the various departments of County government. The invoices were paid on General Warrants 30102947-30102950 and 30103026-30103144 as follows:

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS February 26, 2019

| CHECK # | ISSUE DATE | VENDOR | AMOUNT |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 30102947 | 02/19/2019 | APPALACHIAN POWER | 17,862.76 |
| 30102948 | 02/19/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 59.47 |
| 30102949 | 02/19/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 284.95 |
| 30102950 | 02/19/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 420.14 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES 02/19/2019 | | | \$18,627.32 |
| 30103026 | 02/26/2019 | ALLRED, SANDRA F. | 60.00 |
| 30103027 | 02/26/2019 | APPALACHIAN POWER | 2,617.50 |
| 30103028 | 02/26/2019 | ARC3 GASES | 438.00 |
| 30103029 | 02/26/2019 | ATWELL, ESTLE E. | 60.00 |
| 30103030 | 02/26/2019 | AXON ENTERPRISE INC | 7,503.00 |
| 30103031 | 02/26/2019 | AYERS & SONS SEPTIC LLC | 375.00 |
| 30103032 | 02/26/2019 | BAILEY, CHRISTOPHER C | 30.00 |
| 30103033 | 02/26/2019 | BLEVINS, KAREN M. | 30.00 |
| 30103034 | 02/26/2019 | BOXLEY | 1,095.00 |

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| 30103035 | 02/26/2019 | BROOK, TRAVIS L. | 30.00 |
| 30103036 | 02/26/2019 | BSN SPORTS INC | 20.00 |
| 30103037 | 02/26/2019 | BUTLER, JAMES A. | 30.00 |
| 30103038 | 02/26/2019 | C.R. HENDERSON COMPANY | 7,600.00 |
| 30103039 | 02/26/2019 | CANIPE, GREGORY A. | 30.00 |
| 30103040 | 02/26/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 39.98 |
| 30103041 | 02/26/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 45.34 |
| 30103042 | 02/26/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 114.75 |
| 30103043 | 02/26/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 115.14 |
| 30103044 | 02/26/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 120.52 |
| 30103045 | 02/26/2019 | CENTURYLINK | 4,374.30 |
| 30103046 | 02/26/2019 | CHERRY, DIANE P. | 60.00 |
| 30103047 | 02/26/2019 | CLECO CORPORATION | 14,973.67 |
| 30103048 | 02/26/2019 | COMM OF REV ASSOC OF VA | 300.00 |
| 30103049 | 02/26/2019 | COMPTON, PATRICIA W. | 30.00 |
| 30103050 | 02/26/2019 | COMSONICS | 474.00 |
| 30103051 | 02/26/2019 | COPLEY, MARTHA | 30.00 |
| 30103052 | 02/26/2019 | CORE&MAIN LP | 154.28 |
| 30103053 | 02/26/2019 | CORVIN, TIMOTHY A. | 60.00 |
| 30103054 | 02/26/2019 | COVERT, JINJER A | 2,499.00 |
| 30103055 | 02/26/2019 | CRIPPLE CREEK AG SOLUTION | 1,980.00 |
| 30103056 | 02/26/2019 | CSG SYSTEMS, INC | 1,626.17 |
| 30103057 | 02/26/2019 | DAVIDSON, MASON L. | 60.00 |
| 30103058 | 02/26/2019 | TREASURER OF VIRGINIA | 650.00 |
| 30103059 | 02/26/2019 | DEPT OF MOTOR VEHICLES | 130.00 |
| 30103060 | 02/26/2019 | DISTRICT THREE | 3,890.00 |
| 30103061 | 02/26/2019 | DOOLEY, JON K. | 30.00 |
| 30103062 | 02/26/2019 | DUNAGAN, KEITH | 430.33 |
| 30103063 | 02/26/2019 | ENTERPRISE FM TRUST | 11,286.39 |
| 30103064 | 02/26/2019 | ESTEP, STEPHANIE L. | 60.00 |
| 30103065 | 02/26/2019 | FARTHING, SCOT S | 2,105.00 |
| 30103066 | 02/26/2019 | FERGUSON ENTERPRISES #5 | 136.92 |
| 30103067 | 02/26/2019 | FN WHOLESALE LIGHTING & S | 101.77 |
| 30103068 | 02/26/2019 | GLOBAL EQUIPMENT COMPANY, | 922.48 |
| 30103069 | 02/26/2019 | GRANT, BRUCE M | 4,136.75 |
| 30103070 | 02/26/2019 | GRAY, MICHAEL S. | 60.00 |
| 30103071 | 02/26/2019 | GREENE, JASON T. | 30.00 |
| 30103072 | 02/26/2019 | HAGWOOD, KATHRYN K | 120.00 |
| 30103073 | 02/26/2019 | HALL OIL & PROPANE, INC | 4,979.99 |

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| 30103074 | 02/26/2019 | HALL, ANGELA V. | 30.00 |
| 30103075 | 02/26/2019 | HARRISON, CHARLES B. | 60.00 |
| 30103076 | 02/26/2019 | HASH, GREGORY T. | 60.00 |
| 30103077 | 02/26/2019 | HOWARD, MELINDA R. | 60.00 |
| 30103078 | 02/26/2019 | HUFF FORD | 72.64 |
| 30103079 | 02/26/2019 | HURST, WILLIAM J. | 60.00 |
| 30103080 | 02/26/2019 | HURT & PROFFITT INC | 3,430.00 |
| 30103081 | 02/26/2019 | JACKSON, CONNIE M. | 30.00 |
| 30103082 | 02/26/2019 | JCH ENTERPRISE LLC | 2,232.00 |
| 30103083 | 02/26/2019 | JMES PTO | 175.00 |
| 30103084 | 02/26/2019 | KEGLEY, GEORGE A JR | 30.00 |
| 30103085 | 02/26/2019 | KINCER, G JOSEPH | 105.28 |
| 30103086 | 02/26/2019 | KINCER, HARRY | 30.00 |
| 30103087 | 02/26/2019 | KING, BRANDON R. | 30.00 |
| 30103088 | 02/26/2019 | KING, ROBERT L. | 30.00 |
| 30103089 | 02/26/2019 | KUSTOM SIGNALS | 6,784.00 |
| 30103090 | 02/26/2019 | LEWIS, KEITH A. | 30.00 |
| 30103091 | 02/26/2019 | LEWIS, LEE ROY | 30.00 |
| 30103092 | 02/26/2019 | LYALL, SHERRY C. | 60.00 |
| 30103093 | 02/26/2019 | MABRY, CORY A. | 30.00 |
| 30103094 | 02/26/2019 | MANSFIELD OIL CO | 6,104.21 |
| 30103095 | 02/26/2019 | MCI COMM SERVICE | 32.87 |
| 30103096 | 02/26/2019 | MCI COMM SERVICE | 65.26 |
| 30103097 | 02/26/2019 | MCI COMM SERVICE | 639.95 |
| 30103098 | 02/26/2019 | MEADOWS, RHONDA K. | 30.00 |
| 30103099 | 02/26/2019 | MELVIN ENTERPRISES, INC | 235.00 |
| 30103100 | 02/26/2019 | MEREDITH, DUSTIN RYAN | 2,100.00 |
| 30103101 | 02/26/2019 | MILLER, CHARLES B. | 60.00 |
| 30103102 | 02/26/2019 | NATIONAL PEN CO LLC | 20.00 |
| 30103103 | 02/26/2019 | OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDIC | 20.00 |
| 30103104 | 02/26/2019 | PAPER CLIP | 149.96 |
| 30103105 | 02/26/2019 | PEED & BORTZ LLC | 10,150.00 |
| 30103106 | 02/26/2019 | POOLE, ROCKY D. | 30.00 |
| 30103107 | 02/26/2019 | R&R ENTERPRISES INC | 135.00 |
| 30103108 | 02/26/2019 | RAMBO, ANN O. | 60.00 |
| 30103109 | 02/26/2019 | RENTAL HUB INC | 225.00 |
| 30103110 | 02/26/2019 | RGM ERECTORS INC | 211,845.69 |
| 30103111 | 02/26/2019 | ROBERSON, LIVIA E. | 60.00 |
| 30103112 | 02/26/2019 | S&S ENGINEERS INC | 1,800.00 |

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| 30103113 | 02/26/2019 | SALEM STONE | 601.09 |
| 30103114 | 02/26/2019 | SILVA, ROBYNNE V. | 60.00 |
| 30103115 | 02/26/2019 | SMG | 8,000.00 |
| 30103116 | 02/26/2019 | SMITH, KENDRA N. | 30.00 |
| 30103117 | 02/26/2019 | SOUTHWESTERN VA GAS SERVI | 2,231.56 |
| 30103118 | 02/26/2019 | SPRAKER, TAMMY R. | 30.00 |
| 30103119 | 02/26/2019 | STATE ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO | 41.67 |
| 30103120 | 02/26/2019 | STOWERS, PHYLLIS S. | 60.00 |
| 30103121 | 02/26/2019 | SUBURBAN PROPANE | 50.00 |
| 30103122 | 02/26/2019 | SUBURBAN PROPANE-1241 | 1,836.46 |
| 30103123 | 02/26/2019 | TERRY, DEBRA | 30.00 |
| 30103124 | 02/26/2019 | TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE | 26.50 |
| 30103125 | 02/26/2019 | TRI COUNTY GLASS INC | 313.14 |
| 30103126 | 02/26/2019 | TUCKER, MEGHAN C. | 60.00 |
| 30103127 | 02/26/2019 | TYLER BUSINESS FORMS | 4,200.00 |
| 30103128 | 02/26/2019 | UNDERWOOD, JACOB A. | 30.00 |
| 30103129 | 02/26/2019 | UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA | 20.00 |
| 30103130 | 02/26/2019 | US POSTAL SERVICE | 234.00 |
| 30103131 | 02/26/2019 | V&M RECYCLING | 69,813.55 |
| 30103132 | 02/26/2019 | VAUGHT, LISA A. | 60.00 |
| 30103133 | 02/26/2019 | VERIZON WIRELESS | 40.03 |
| 30103134 | 02/26/2019 | VIRGINIA BUSINESS SYST | 760.11 |
| 30103135 | 02/26/2019 | VIRGINIA ELECTRIC SUPPLY, | 1,866.85 |
| 30103136 | 02/26/2019 | VRPS | 168.00 |
| 30103137 | 02/26/2019 | WADE, PHYLLIS D | 60.00 |
| 30103138 | 02/26/2019 | WALKE, RODNEY M. | 30.00 |
| 30103139 | 02/26/2019 | WALTERS, LINDA G. | 30.00 |
| 30103140 | 02/26/2019 | WHALEN, CONNIE D. | 30.00 |
| 30103141 | 02/26/2019 | WYTHE ARTS COUNCIL LTD | 9,500.00 |
| 30103142 | 02/26/2019 | WYTHE TIRE AND MUFFLER | 490.96 |
| 30103143 | 02/26/2019 | WYTHEVILLE OFFICE SUPPLY | 26.99 |
| 30103144 | 02/26/2019 | XEROX | 330.52 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES 02/26/2019 | | | \$424,238.57 |

TOTAL EXPENDITURES APPROVED 02/26/2019 **\$442,865.89**

Supervisor Vaught seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Brian W. Vaught Coy L. McRoberts

Charlie G. Lester
Ryan M. Lawson
Joe F. Hale

B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.

NAYS: None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board was presented with the February 12, 2019 minutes for approval.

Supervisor Horney made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Lester, to approve the February 12, 2019 minutes as presented.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Brian W. Vaught
Charlie G. Lester
Ryan M. Lawson
Joe F. Hale

Coy L. McRoberts
B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.

NAYS: None

GYPSY MOTH TRAPPING SURVEY – MR. LARRY BRADFIELD

Mr. Bradfield provided the Board with handouts and explained how treatments are conducted. He also referenced the website www.gmsts.org for more information and interactive treatment maps. He did report that Wythe County is in a quarantined area but that they are monitoring the rate of spread. Mr. Bradfield spoke about the suppression project which is administered by the local county with VDACS providing technical support and cost-share funds. He did say that he is not aware of any suppression project done last year in any Virginia county.

Ms. Meyer asked what is going to happen this year?

Mr. Bradfield responded that planning typically starts in November/December for the following year.

Mr. Bear added that the spraying being done now is on the federal side and that no local government is involved just yet. He said that Wythe County being in a quarantined area is a relatively new development.

Ms. Meyer asked if the Farm Bureau is involved in this and Mr. Bradfield replied no.

Chairman Reeves said that we will look into suppression programs.

Ms. Meyer raised concern with beetles and loss of hemlocks and asked if anyone is addressing that.

Chairman Reeves encouraged Ms. Meyer to continue her discussion with Mr. Bradfield outside of this meeting so the Board of Supervisors can continue with their agenda.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Lori Guynn appeared before the Board and presented the Treasurer's Report as follows:

1. Revenue Statement – Ms. Guynn reported that the Consolidated Account was comprised of \$72,338,538 of which \$45,940,507 was in the General Fund Account at the end of January. Balances are higher due to tax payments coming in.
2. 2018 Tax Bills – Ms. Guynn reported that overall collections (real estate and personal property) is close to 93% of the total billed. In the past, she said, many people would use their income tax refund to pay their tax bill but, given the change in tax laws/tax refunds, a number of people are having to pay their tax bill in pieces. Ms. Guynn said the Treasurer's Office will work with anyone who can at least make some payment on a regular basis. Her office hopes to get the delinquent notices out by the middle of March.

Supervisor Vaught asked Ms. Guynn how well the drop box worked this year.

Ms. Guynn replied that not too many payments came in that way but it's still new and she hopes it will get used more after the decals are placed on it (couldn't do it in the wet weather). She mentioned that on a few days when the lines were long, the security personnel encouraged people to use the drop box rather than wait in line.

Ms. Guynn also reported that the admissions tax that is added to the ticket sales at the APEX Center, brought in to Wythe County \$3,476 for the one event in January. With more events scheduled in February, that amount will increase.

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APEX CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, as recommended by the APEX Construction Committee to accept Cleco's bid in the amount of \$156,983.75 for the APEX access road and east parking area project.

Mr. Bear explained the area is from the end of the existing asphalt road running down to the east parking area. The first part of this, he said, would be compacted gravel road with 2" of asphalt which is necessary when going down the hill. Mr. Bear said from the cul-de-sac all the way around the soccer field back to Flying J property line would be compacted gravel. This would provide a compacted gravel parking area which is sorely needed at the bottom of the hill.

Supervisor Hale asked about Cleco and what we know about them.

Mr. Bear responded that the County has worked with them before. They do a lot of rail work and repair. He said the work they did for the County before was done expeditiously.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

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| AYES: | Charlie G. Lester | B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr. |
| | Joe F. Hale | Timothy A. Reeves, Sr. |
| | Coy L. McRoberts | |
| NAYS: | Brian W. Vaught | |
| | Ryan M. Lawson | |

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Cellebrite Digital Intelligence Software – Supervisor Lester made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee, to approve a transfer of \$5,961.50 from the Commonwealth Attorney's Asset Forfeiture Fund to 2201-470015 and to amend and appropriate the same. These funds will be used to purchase Cellebrite Digital Intelligence software and the cost will be shared between the Sheriff and Commonwealth Attorney's office.

Mr. Bear clarified that this money is coming out of the Commonwealth Attorney's State Asset Forfeiture Fund, not their Federal Asset Forfeiture.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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| AYES: | Brian W. Vaught | Coy L. McRoberts |
| | Charlie G. Lester | B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr. |
| | Ryan M. Lawson | Timothy A. Reeves, Sr. |
| | Joe F. Hale | |

NAYS: None

2. LMRS Operations Truck – Insurance Claim – Supervisor Lester made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee, to amend and appropriate \$2,500 to 32031-470030. These funds are required to cover the deductible for an insurance claim to repair the light tower on the Lead Mines Rescue Squad operations truck.

Mr. Bear explained that in June or July, LMRS had a truck with the lights extended upward, and apparently the lights were not lowered when the vehicle was moved, causing approximately \$14,000-\$15,000 worth of damage. There is a deductible of \$2,500 which, typically, Mr. Bear said would be drawn from their allotted funds for the year. However, LMRS has currently received most of their allotted funds except that which will be needed for gas, fuel, utilities etc.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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| AYES: | Brian W. Vaught | Coy L. McRoberts |
| | Charlie G. Lester | B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr. |
| | Ryan M. Lawson | Timothy A. Reeves, Sr. |
| | Joe F. Hale | |

NAYS: None

3. Wytheville Visitor's Guide – Supervisor Lester made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee, to amend and appropriate \$3,000 to 7100-457055 as part of Wythe County's contribution to producing the Wytheville Visitor's Guide.

Supervisor Hale asked if the County has the opportunity to highlight the APEX Center in this publication.

Mr. Bear responded that Wytheville Convention & Visitors Bureau has saved space in the brochure for the APEX Authority to place an ad, and the Authority is

currently working on that piece. He said that this \$3,000 is not for the APEX ad, rather, it is our share of the entire publication which highlights many of the attractions throughout Wythe County.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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| AYES: | Brian W. Vaught | Coy L. McRoberts |
| | Charlie G. Lester | B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr. |
| | Ryan M. Lawson | Timothy A. Reeves, Sr. |
| | Joe F. Hale | |

NAYS: None

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator Stephen Bear appeared before the Board and reported the following:

1. Resolution 2019-02 – Commitment for Transportation Projects – Mr. Bear explained that VDOT sent the County, as well as other counties, information requesting a firm commitment to fund their locality share of projects under agreement with Virginia Department of Transportation. Currently, Wythe County has three projects out there, two of which have already been funded 100% by the County (Grouse Ridge Road project and Ready Mix Road project). Mr. Bear said the other project is the connector road project which is the future road from Nye Road over to the industrial park. The total project amount on that is around \$5.4MM. Mr. Bear believes VDOT wants to insure the counties are committed to their revenue sharing projects and will continue to fund. He, therefore, requests adoption of this resolution to confirm our commitment to the revenue sharing project.

Supervisor Horney made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Lawson, to adopt Resolution 2019-02 as follows:

**WYTHE COUNTY RESOLUTION 2019-02
AFFIRMING COMMITMENT TO FUND THE LOCALITY
SHARE OF PROJECTS UNDER AGREEMENT WITH THE
VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND PROVIDE SIGNATURE AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, Wythe County is a recipient of Virginia Department of Transportation funds under various grant programs for transportation-related projects; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation requires each locality, by resolution, to provide assurance of its commitment to funding its local share; and

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Wythe County Board of Supervisors hereby commits to fund its local share of preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction (as applicable) of the project(s) under agreement with the Virginia Department of Transportation in accordance with the project financial document(s); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator and/or his designees is authorized to execute all agreements and/or addendums for any approved projects with the Virginia Department of Transportation.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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| AYES: | Brian W. Vaught | Coy L. McRoberts |
| | Charlie G. Lester | B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr. |
| | Ryan M. Lawson | Timothy A. Reeves, Sr. |
| | Joe F. Hale | |

NAYS: None

Mr. Bear added that he had a very productive meeting last week with Randy Hamilton, District Administrator, and that they are working on developing very favorable proposals for us related to funding and the upcoming Smart Scale approval.

2. Surplus Vehicles – Mr. Bear reported that the Sheriff's Office has a vehicle that should be deemed surplus and then sold.

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Lester, to declare 2015 Ford Taurus (VIN7789) as surplus. This vehicle will be sold as part of the lease agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Brian W. Vaught Coy L. McRoberts
 Charlie G. Lester B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr.
 Ryan M. Lawson Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
 Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

3. Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan – Mr. Bear attended a meeting last week with Mount Rogers where they provided an update on hazard mitigation. According to Mr. Bear, it seems the County has had a grant held up due to a delay in approving the regional hazardous mitigation plan. The review time from the agency doing the plan has taken a tremendous amount of time, but it appears that everything is ready to go. Mount Rogers has worked diligently on developing this plan and has provided the resolution for Board approval.

Supervisor Lester made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney, to adopt Resolution 2019-03 Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan as follows:

**WYTHE COUNTY RESOLUTION 2019-03
PRE-DISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Commonwealth of Virginia's Department of Emergency Management, and the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission agree that a regional Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan shall be developed for the Mount Rogers Planning District; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission has completed the necessary tasks required by the agreement between the Virginia's Department of Emergency Management and the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan contains risk assessments and potential losses of each of the identified hazards, a mitigation strategy to reduce or eliminate the risk of damage from future incidents, and a process to update the plan every five (5) years, thereby making Wythe County, Virginia a jurisdiction of the Mount Rogers

Planning District, eligible for federal disaster relief and hazard mitigation grant assistance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wythe County Board of Supervisors adopts the Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Chairman Reeves added that Mount Rogers submitted everything to FEMA in a timely manner but that the review process (federal government) took quite a long time.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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| AYES: | Brian W. Vaught | Coy L. McRoberts |
| | Charlie G. Lester | B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr. |
| | Ryan M. Lawson | Timothy A. Reeves, Sr. |
| | Joe F. Hale | |

NAYS: None

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

1. Opioid Lawsuit – Mr. Farthing reported that he requested an update on the lawsuit but has not yet received any information back. He does expect an update shortly and will share that information as soon as it's received.
2. Noise Ordinance – As a result of comments made by citizens at the Public Hearing, the following is recommended language to be added to the ordinance ... use of firearms "unless engaged in lawful hunting." Mr. Farthing said adding this language does not warrant another public hearing since the language is not making the ordinance more restrictive.

Chairman Reeves said that they will add that verbiage to the Noise Ordinance and will consider it at the next Board of Supervisors' meeting.

SUPERVISORS' REPORTS

1. County Employees' Salaries – Supervisor Vaught handed out health insurance comparisons between what Wythe County provides and the regional jail (NRVRJ). He said we are the third largest contributor of the NRVRJ budget and it seems

they are taking better care of their employees than we are. We need to put our people first. Supervisor Vaught directed the Board's attention to the family plan comparisons and said that, based on what the jail is paying, it's nearly a \$5k difference per year. For someone who is only making \$25k per year, that is a big chunk out of their paycheck. Because it is now budget season, Supervisor Vaught would like the Board to seriously consider making changes.

2. Recreation Department – Supervisor Hale said they all received a letter this morning from concerned people about activities at the Recreation Department and he would like to set up a meeting with Mr. Bear to address this matter. He is uncertain how much of the letter is actual fact, but he said someone has put a lot of work into it and it warrants our attention. Supervisor Hale added that part of the problem could be that some of our departments are totally inflexible, especially when dealing with younger people.

Chairman Reeves said this will go to the Personnel Committee so they can meet and address this before our next Board meeting.

Supervisor Vaught has also had issues with the same department and forwarded those concerns to Mr. Bear. Supervisor Vaught is asking the Personnel Committee to contact him before they meet so he can provide them with more information.

3. Old School House on Route 100 – Supervisor McRoberts received a call on Saturday that the pipes at the old school house on Route 100 were stopped up. He relayed this information to Mr. Bear.

Mr. Bear said that he spoke with Jeff Russell who was sending a crew down to address the situation. But given all the rain we got on Saturday, and how busy the crews must have been, he's not sure how successful they were.

4. Speedwell Feedlot – Supervisor Horney reiterated the same issue with the feedlot and, with all the rain that fell on us, he said the manure was running off the feedlot and was likely all over the surrounding areas.

5. VDOT Ditch/Culvert Cleaning – Supervisor Horney has concerns with VDOT and is wondering if they still clean ditches and culverts because he said the water was running across the road in several spots on his bus route. It was cold enough that there were sheets of ice in some spots.

Mr. Bear said that he would pass those comments along.

6. Old Mountain Road - Supervisor Horney also asked that Mr. Bear check with VDOT about Old Mountain Road.
7. Truck Stop Debris – Chairman Reeves commented that the trash at Love’s Truck Stop on the Lee Highway side is awful around the parking area. He requested that Code Enforcement go out there.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Supervisor Horney made a motion to approve the consent calendar as presented for February 26, 2019, as follows:

1. PAYROLL – January 2018:

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| General County Fund | \$ 512,285.05 |
| Police Activity Fund | 67,909.66 |
| Courthouse Security Fund | 9,781.09 |
| Water Department Fund | 19,302.49 |
| Wythe County Wastewater Fund | 17,761.57 |
| TOTAL | \$ 627,039.86 |

Check Numbers: 20000410-20000431

Voucher Numbers: 6362-6712

2. STATUS REPORTS:

- A. Animal Control – Arlan Dunford
- B. Building Inspection – Tim Spraker
- C. Engineering – Bill Vaughan
- D. Finance – Bruce Grant
- E. Parks & Recreation – Kevin Williams
- F. Public Information Office – Blake Stowers
- G. Solid Waste – Billy Bowers
- H. Water & Wastewater – Don Crisp

3. PERSONNEL:

- A. Agee, James – Resigned, Full-time Deputy, Effective January 24, 2019

- B. Jones, Katherine – Resigned, Consolidated Dispatch, Effective February 1, 2019
- C. Partin, Katherine – Resigned, Sheriff’s Office Dispatch, Effective February 9, 2019

4. BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

- A. \$5,987.50 – 31021-444025 – Auto Claim 2014 Ford Taurus

Supervisor Lawson seconded the motion.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

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| AYES: | Brian W. Vaught | Coy L. McRoberts |
| | Charlie G. Lester | B. G. “Gene” Horney, Jr. |
| | Ryan M. Lawson | Timothy A. Reeves, Sr. |
| | Joe F. Hale | |

NAYS: None

NEW RIVER REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board reviewed New River Regional Water Authority Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2018.

Mr. Bear reported that the New River Regional Water Authority has accepted the Fiscal Year 18 Financial Statements.

SMYTH WYTHE AIRPORT FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board reviewed New River Valley Regional Jail Authority Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2018.

Mr. Bear reported that the New River Valley Regional Jail Authority has accepted the Fiscal Year 18 Financial Statements.

CLOSED MEETING – DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL MATTERS

Supervisor Vaught made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Lester, to enter into Closed Meeting under Section 2.2-3711.A.1 (Personnel) of the Code of Virginia.

The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Vaught made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Lawson, to return to open meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

Upon returning to open meeting, Supervisor Lester made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Lawson, to adopt the following Resolution certifying the business conducted in closed meeting as follows:

**RESOLUTION
CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

WHEREAS, the Wythe County Board of Supervisors has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and,

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Wythe County Board of Supervisors that such meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wythe County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to 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 Wythe County Board of Supervisors.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

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| AYES: | Brian W. Vaught | Coy L. McRoberts |
| | Charlie G. Lester | B. G. "Gene" Horney, Jr. |
| | Ryan M. Lawson | Timothy A. Reeves, Sr. |
| | Joe F. Hale | |

NAYS: None

APEX PARKING LOT

Chairman Reeves asked how the meeting went with DEQ regarding the upper parking lot at the APEX.

Mr. Vaughan reported that he had a face-to-face meeting with DEQ where several items were pointed out that need attention. Mr. Vaughan also found out that there was a design error relating to the dry swale (large area next to soccer field and road). He said the dry swale can only take so much flow and that's why we've been having water problems at the drop inlet; overflowing in one spot. Mr. Vaughan said that they may have to do a culvert or put another ditch in to divert the water that's going into the dry swale. He said it was not designed or routed that way but it's good that this error was discovered so we can correct it now.

Mr. Vaughan stated that they were worried that they might have to buy some phosphorous credits. However, DEQ suggested a dedicated conservation area and believes there may be enough acreage where phosphorous credits would not be necessary. DEQ said when we're ready to develop the softball field later down the road, they will review the permit, but this would help expedite the process without spending more money.

Mr. Vaughan gave a brief explanation of nutrient credits and their costs, which can be significant.

Chairman Reeves asked about timeline.

Mr. Vaughan responded that he needs a few more weeks to run through calculations, requiring more work/time due to the design flaw.

The Chairman stressed the importance of finishing that parking lot and said as we get bigger events in, we will need space to accommodate 3,000-4,000 people. This needs to get done, and done correctly, as quickly as possible.

Supervisor McRoberts was there for the Saturday event and it seemed to him that most everyone had a truck and/or trailer and were taking up a lot of room.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to come before the Board, Chair Reeves adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:00 a.m.

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair