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The Wythe County Board of Supervisors held its regularly scheduled meeting at 9 a.m., Tuesday, April 28, 2015. The location of the meeting was in the Boardroom of the County Administration Office, 340 South Sixth Street, Wytheville, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair	Joe F. Hale
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall, Vice Chair	Coy L. McRoberts
Gary M. Houseman	B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis	

STAFF PRESENT:

R. Cellell Dalton, County Administrator
Stephen D. Bear, Assistant County Administrator
Martha G. Collins, Administrative Assistant
Bill Vaughan, County Engineer

OTHERS PRESENT:

Rae Mullins	David Manley
Beth Merz	Mike Forrest
Sam Crockett	Angela Alley
Faye Barker	Elizabeth Thomas
Carolyn King	Allen Lee
G. W. Catron	Glenn Matthews
Robert Kegley	Linda Meyer
Nine other citizens	

CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Chair Reeves determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. Rae Mullins of the St. Paul United Methodist Church provided the invocation and Chair Reeves led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS' TIME

Chair Reeves welcomed the citizens present at the meeting and inquired if anyone wished to address the Board.

1. Flooding – Angela Alley of 228 Gilland Road in Max Meadows addressed the Board on behalf of her mother, Donna Umberger. Ms. Alley explained that two homes were recently constructed above her home, which are owned by Eddie Archer and Lala Archer-Lyons. She noted that there are no building permits, plans, or other information on file with the County for these two homes. Ms. Alley advised that timber was cut in the process of constructing these homes, which has disrupted the natural erosion and flow of water down the hill to the subdivision in which Ms. Umberger resides. She added that guttering pipes from the two homes on the hill empty out onto the properties below. Ms. Alley asked how individuals would be allowed to build these homes without

obtaining a building permit and addressing erosion and stormwater management issues.

Chair Reeves noted that they would investigate the issue.

Ms. Alley advised that a river of water now runs down the hillside from the two new homes directly onto her mother's property. She explained that the water has flooded her mother's backyard, cracked her foundation, caused holes to form in her basement floor, and pierced over 20 holes in the walls of her home, in which water is still pouring. Ms. Alley noted that her mother does not have flood insurance, as she is not in a flood plain, and the costs to repair the damage could total well over \$105,000. She added that her mother is not able to afford these repairs, would have to file bankruptcy, and would most likely lose her home.

Chair Reeves advised that the Board would investigate the issue, but he is not sure if there is anything they can do. He asked that Ms. Alley provide the information that she has obtained to Assistant County Administrator Bear.

Ms. Alley noted that the entire neighborhood has experienced flood issues since the construction of the two new homes.

Chair Reeves questioned when the new homes were constructed.

Ms. Alley stated that she believes that the homes were built around 2009.

Chair Reeves noted that they would contact Ms. Alley within a week to discuss their findings.

2. Budget – Linda Meyer of 1118 Dry Road in Speedwell addressed the Board. Ms. Meyer explained that in reviewing the budget she noticed that the Board members' health insurance has increased by \$10,000 over the previous year. She questioned this increase.
3. Donation – Ms. Meyer advised that she believes that the Board plans to donate approximately \$22,000 to the Southwest Virginia Alliance for Manufacturing. She noted that this organization spent over \$15,000 last year on dinners, banquets, and luncheons and asked that the Board re-examine funding this organization.
4. Public Lands – Ms. Meyer reported that there is a bill before Congress to return all public lands to the State. She noted that the Back Country Horsemen oppose this land transfer and asked that the Board also oppose the transfer.
5. Trail Closure – Ms. Meyer noted that approximately 150 individuals met on April 27 with Senator Carrico to discuss proposed trail closures. She explained that Carroll and Smyth Counties have prepared resolutions in opposition to the

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closures and requested that the Board consider the adoption of a similar resolution.

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

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Board was presented with the April 14, 2015, minutes for adoption.

Supervisor Hall made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Willis to approve the April 14, 2015, minutes as presented.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

PAYMENT OF COUNTY INVOICES

Supervisor McRoberts made a motion to pay the invoices for approval on April 28, 2015, for the various departments of County government. The invoices were paid on General Warrants 30091191, 30091202, 30091205-30091285, and 30091287-30091302 as follows:

**EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT
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CHECK #	ISSUE DATE	VENDOR	TOTAL
30091191	04/15/15	JOINT IDA OF WYTHE COUNTY	\$195,500.00
TOTAL CHECK 04/15/15			\$195,500.00

CHECK #	ISSUE DATE	VENDOR	TOTAL
30091202	04/28/15	ALSCO	\$121.23
30091205	04/28/15	APPALACHIAN POWER	\$36,082.50
30091206	04/28/15	APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECH	\$694.32
30091207	04/28/15	BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON	\$1,400.00
30091208	04/28/15	BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON	\$2,900.00
30091209	04/28/15	BARKER, FAYE	\$80.00
30091210	04/28/15	BIG WALKER SWCD	\$1,500.00
30091211	04/28/15	BKT UNIFORMS	\$696.33
30091212	04/28/15	BLACKBERRY MULCH	\$1,060.50
30091213	04/28/15	BLUE RIDGE AUTO PARTS INC	\$995.16
30091214	04/28/15	BROWN EXTERMINATING CO	\$40.00
30091215	04/28/15	BUSINESS CARD	\$4,844.83

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30091216	04/28/15	CARILION HEALTHCARE CORP	\$95.00
30091217	04/28/15	CARILION HEALTHCARE CORP	\$95.00
30091218	04/28/15	CARROLL COUNTY PSA	\$1,100.12
30091219	04/28/15	CDW GOVERNMENT INC	\$3,574.63
30091220	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$99.21
30091221	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$51.68
30091222	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$47.83
30091223	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$42.62
30091224	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$42.62
30091225	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$42.62
30091226	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$231.72
30091227	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$46.18
30091228	04/28/15	CENTURYLINK	\$343.12
30091229	04/28/15	COM TEC	\$800.00
30091230	04/28/15	COMM OF REV ASSOCIATION OF VA	\$125.00
30091231	04/28/15	COUNTY OF WYTHE	\$1,416.67
30091232	04/28/15	DELL MARKETING LP	\$6,024.16
30091233	04/28/15	DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	\$30.00
30091234	04/28/15	DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	\$1,280.00
30091235	04/28/15	DISTRICT THREE	\$11,984.00
30091236	04/28/15	DUKE'S PRINTING	\$45.00
30091237	04/28/15	EMPIRE SALVAGE AND RECYCLING INC	\$10,000.00
30091238	04/28/15	EMS INC	\$1,050.00
30091239	04/28/15	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES	\$103.97
30091240	04/28/15	FOOD COUNTRY	\$247.02
30091241	04/28/15	FOWLKES MACHINE CO INC	\$91.15
30091242	04/28/15	GALLS	\$89.95
30091243	04/28/15	GRAINGER	\$93.15
30091244	04/28/15	GRANT, BRUCE M	\$3,965.21
30091245	04/28/15	HARPO'S HARDWARE AND BLDG SUPPLY INC	\$26.88
30091246	04/28/15	INVENTORY TRADING CO	\$382.35
30091247	04/28/15	IVANHOE FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$1,276.40
30091248	04/28/15	JOINT IDA OF WYTHE COUNTY	\$16,875.00
30091249	04/28/15	JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY	\$107.12
30091250	04/28/15	KC AUTOMOTIVE	\$867.05
30091251	04/28/15	LACKEY, MEGHAN K	\$120.80
30091252	04/28/15	LEXISNEXIS	\$158.00
30091253	04/28/15	MANSFIELD OIL CO	\$6,601.68
30091254	04/28/15	MANSFIELD OIL CO	\$6,767.16
30091255	04/28/15	MCI COMM SERVICE	\$370.00
30091256	04/28/15	MEREDITH'S GARAGE	\$383.89
30091257	04/28/15	MOORE-GIST, JUDY	\$1,265.00
30091258	04/28/15	MOUNT ROGERS CSB	\$33,475.00
30091259	04/28/15	NATIONAL POOLS	\$2,937.01
30091260	04/28/15	NEW RIVER VALLEY JUVENILE DETENTION	\$2,055.35
30091261	04/28/15	NEW RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL JAIL	\$98,253.10

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30091262	04/28/15	OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER	\$40.00
30091263	04/28/15	PAPER CLIP	\$69.95
30091264	04/28/15	PIONEER COLLISION CENTER LLC	\$2,528.90
30091265	04/28/15	PRINTECH INC	\$3,273.25
30091266	04/28/15	R & R ENTERPRISES INC	\$135.00
30091267	04/28/15	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	\$2,282.00
30091268	04/28/15	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	\$2,514.00
30091269	04/28/15	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	\$11,572.00
30091270	04/28/15	SAFARI LAND LLC	\$167.99
30091271	04/28/15	SENTRY SERVICES	\$550.19
30091272	04/28/15	SHENTEL	\$55.21
30091273	04/28/15	SOUTHEASTERN SECURITY CONS INC	\$18.50
30091274	04/28/15	SPRAKER, TIMOTHY B	\$28.39
30091275	04/28/15	STEVE'S AUTO SALES AND REPAIR	\$197.02
30091276	04/28/15	TACS	\$3,223.80
30091277	04/28/15	THOMPSON TIRE	\$542.52
30091278	04/28/15	TOWN OF RURAL RETREAT	\$689.59
30091279	04/28/15	TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE	\$595.61
30091280	04/28/15	TOWN WYTHEVILLE	\$250.00
30091281	04/28/15	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$18.75
30091282	04/28/15	TRI CITIES/SW VA REGIONAL	\$51.45
30091283	04/28/15	TWO WAY RADIO	\$2,367.20
30091284	04/28/15	US CELLULAR	\$610.36
30091285	04/28/15	US CELLULAR	\$1,069.26
30091287	04/28/15	VACORP	\$17,295.00
30091288	04/28/15	VIRGINIA TECH	\$11,472.31
30091289	04/28/15	VITA	\$52.87
30091290	04/28/15	VUPS	\$92.40
30091291	04/28/15	WELLS FARGO BANK	\$375.00
30091292	04/28/15	WILLIAMS SUPPLY	\$348.00
30091293	04/28/15	WORDSPRINT	\$650.00
30091294	04/28/15	WYTHE CO GENERAL DISTRICT COURT	\$60.00
30091295	04/28/15	WYTHE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	\$723.39
30091296	04/28/15	WYTHE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	\$85,250.00
30091297	04/28/15	WYTHE CO WATER AND WASTEWATER	\$229.10
30091298	04/28/15	WYTHE TIRE AND MUFFLER	\$475.51
30091299	04/28/15	WYTHE-GRAYSON REGIONAL LIBRARY	\$72,687.50
30091300	04/28/15	WYTHEVILLE OFFICE SUPPLY	\$1,075.94
30091301	04/28/15	WYTHEVILLE-WYTHE-BLAND	\$210.00
30091302	04/28/15	XEROX	\$632.10
TOTAL CHECKS 04/28/15			\$489,974.35

TOTAL EXPENDITURES APPROVED 04/28/15 **\$685,474.35**

Supervisor Horney seconded the motion.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
 Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
 Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
 Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

HORSE TRAIL CLOSURE

Beth Merz, United States Forest Service Area Ranger, addressed the Board concerning proposed horse trail closures. Ms. Merz reported that the Forest Service is in the process of completing an East End Trail realignment within the Mount Rogers Recreation Area. She advised that this process is a continuation of a project they have been working toward for a number of years, to establish a world-class system of trails for equestrians, mountain bikers, and hikers. Ms. Merz noted that the trails are an important resource for local economies and for the enjoyment of residents and visitors, but the trails must be located, built, and maintained properly to protect the resources that the Forest Service is charged with under Federal laws and regulations. She reviewed with the Board and those present the proposed project, as well as the issues and reasons leading to their decision to take the action necessary in order to continue to provide a sustainable and attractive trail system. Ms. Merz added that a final decision has not been made at this point, and they welcome the participation of those concerned with the trails in this process.

Supervisor Hale questioned the cost of maintaining the trails and what is budgeted for trail maintenance.

Ms. Merz explained that she does not have those figures with her at this time, but their budget is level to what was received in the previous year. She noted that their budget is tied to the system of trails that they manage and does not include non-system trails.

Supervisor Hale inquired if the Forest Service could work with volunteers to obtain feedback related to issues along the trails.

Ms. Merz noted that they have relationships with a number of trail volunteer clubs who provide valuable information.

Supervisor Houseman asked if all of the trails are currently open.

Ms. Merz advised that their system of trails is open. She noted that the trails that they did not build or maintain are currently being used and will be, until the Forest Service determines which ones will be added to their system and which ones must be closed.

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Supervisor Houseman questioned if the closures would impact access to private horse camps.

Ms. Merz noted that that is not their intent. She explained that private horse camps are commercial businesses and must obtain a special use permit to operate. Ms. Merz added that they are in the process of working with camps to issue those permits.

Supervisor Houseman inquired if the non-system trails may be the easiest route to destinations.

Ms. Merz explained that they may be, but each trail must be evaluated individually. She noted that many of the trails are not suitable in terms of their location on the land.

Chair Reeves questioned if funds are available to bring the unauthorized trails up to Forest Service standards.

Ms. Merz noted that it would take time. She explained that that would depend on the willingness of additional volunteers and the commitment to ensure that the trails are properly maintained if they enter the system.

Supervisor Hall inquired who would make the determination as to the fate of the trails.

Ms. Merz stated that she would make that decision.

Supervisor Horney questioned if there is an approved trail in the Collins Cove area. Ms. Merz explained that the trail that leads out of the back of the campground is a Forest Service system trail.

Elizabeth Thomas addressed the Board on behalf of the 947 members of the Mount Rogers National Recreation Area Trail Advocates Coalition. Ms. Thomas presented a petition with over 2,600 signatures in opposition to the closure of horse trails, as well as resolutions passed by Grayson and Carroll Counties. She noted that their organization has documentation indicating that the Forest Service plans to close 200 miles of user created historic trails in the National Recreation Area. Ms. Thomas advised that the Forest Service intends to issue a Forest Supervisor Closure Order, which would authorize the issuance of tickets to individuals riding these trails. She added that closure of these trails would impact jobs, property values, local economies, the environment, and the health and wellness of citizens. Ms. Thomas requested that the Board adopt a resolution in support of retaining and preserving these trails.

Allen Lee, Mount Rogers National Recreation Area Trail Advocates Coalition vice president, addressed the Board. Mr. Lee explained that he had questioned if the Forest Service had or could obtain statistics outlining the number of individuals using the trails and the amount each spent in the impacted counties, but was informed that the Forest Service was not interested in this data. He advised that those riding a horse or bicycle off of the designated trails would receive a ticket while those on foot would not.

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Mr. Lee stated that he believes that this is an unjust discrimination against those with bicycles and horses, which is in violation of the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment. He noted that the Forest Service had previously stated that they would not consider the trails slated for closure for addition to the trail system, and is glad to hear that this position may have changed.

Glenn Matthews of 839 Patch Drive in Ivanhoe addressed the Board. Mr. Matthews read the following statement:

"I am Glenn Matthews of Ivanhoe Virginia. I have been coming to the Mount Rogers area since the late 1980s for one to three trips per year. In the summer of 2001, I discovered Collins Cove, which had unadvertised property for sale. I decided that the Collins Cove area would be a wonderful base to enjoy the trails revealed to me over the years. I bought undeveloped property in November 2001 and began building my new permanent residence, which increased the taxable value of the property. I left North Carolina and moved my taxable income to Virginia as well. I find the trail system to be in better condition today than when I arrived. I have been active with user groups to maintain, preserve, and clean up the trail system and make improvements in general. These groups have worked as closely and as often with the Forest Service as allowed. We have contributed monies for trail improvement and provided documented hours of service valued at thousands of dollars as attested to by the Forest Service. This is advance proof we are willing to participate with the preservation process. We as individuals and as groups have contributed greatly to the general improvement of the recreational experience enjoyed by the thousands of outdoor enthusiasts in the Mount Rogers region. These users bring a huge economic impact to the area spending on food, special clothing and equipment, property rentals, as well as jobs for professions serving the industry. We have heard the Forest Service state lack of funding for expansion on trails etcetera, but they would love to have a world class trail system. To have a world class trail system in the area would require enhancing what we now have through cooperative stewardship of all of our available resources. Where improvements are needed bring them to meet specified requirements for sustainable status. Volunteers are readily available to address inadequacies when properly identified and solutions are recommended and/or accepted. We want a user friendly system and relationship with all. The Forest Service wants to close a percentage of the system trails, I say let's fix them. Closure of any trails could have a devastating effect and snowball into a tragedy for the Mount Rogers region. I ask that you oppose these unwarranted closures by the Forest Service. Thank you for hearing us."

Chair Reeves explained that he understands that individuals want to ride and enjoy trails, but also understands that the Forest Service has limited resources for maintenance of these trails. He asked that everyone work together to come to a solution. Chair Reeves encouraged individuals to contact Senators Kaine and Warner and Congressman Griffith to discuss the issue. He noted that he and Supervisor Hale would meet with Senator Warner in a couple of weeks and would work to obtain additional funding for the Forest Service for trail maintenance. Chair Reeves added that the Board would consider a resolution for adoption concerning the issue.

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RECESS

The Board recessed for a short break at 10:24 a.m.

RECONVENE

The Board reconvened at 10:38 a.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Sam Crockett appeared before the Board and presented the Treasurer's Report as follows:

1. Revenue Statement – Mr. Crockett reported that the consolidated account is currently at \$55,595,000 with \$34,126,000 in the General Fund account. He noted that the Treasurer's Office has collected \$17,998,204 in 2014 taxes to date, which is approximately 99% of the total amount budgeted.
2. Delinquent Taxes – Mr. Crockett reviewed delinquent tax data with the Board. He noted that they have issued 386 Department of Motor Vehicle stops since the end of March.
3. Decals – Mr. Crockett requested that the Board reconsider the issuance of vehicle decals. He noted that he believes that the decals assisted with the collection of taxes. Mr. Crockett added that decals could assist with enforcement of the proposed trash disposal fee, if it is instituted.
4. Farm Use Tags – Supervisor Hale advised that many individuals with plastic farm use tags on their vehicles do not pay the license fee or personal property taxes for those vehicles. He inquired if the County's ordinance needs to be strengthened to assist with enforcement of this issue.

Commissioner of the Revenue, Faye Barker, explained that many of these vehicles are not on the Department of Motor Vehicles' list that her office uses to assess vehicles. She noted that the owner may have purchased the vehicle with cash or out of state.

Chair Reeves advised that Lee County had hoped to introduce a bill, which would require the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue a farm use tag for these vehicles. He noted that the vehicle would then be on the DMV's records.

5. Personal Property Taxes – Supervisor Hale reported that the personal property tax rate was increased, yet collections of personal property tax have decreased. He questioned this discrepancy.

Mr. Crockett stated that many individuals have not paid their taxes resulting in the decrease in collections.

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Murphyville Road – Supervisor Houseman made a motion, as recommended by the Water Committee to approve water service on Murphyville Road for tax parcel 50-43 as requested by Robert Hale.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Voting Machines – Supervisor Hall made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee to authorize a lease/purchase agreement with the Virginia Association of Counties/Virginia Municipal League for purchase of voting machines and to approve a grant for poll books.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

2. Solid Waste Ordinance – Supervisor Hall made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee to set the public hearing for Amendment no. 2 to Solid Waste Ordinance 99-2 for May 26, 2015, at 9:05 a.m.

The motion passed with the following vote:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Joe F. Hale
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.

NAYS: Coy L. McRoberts

3. Byrne Justice Assistance Grant – Supervisor Hall made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee to accept the Byrne Justice Assistance grant in the amount of \$1,677 and to amend and appropriate the same.

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The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

4. Commissioner of Revenue Computer – Supervisor Hall made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee to amend and appropriate \$1,500 to the Commissioner of Revenue's budget for purchase of a new computer and software.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

5. Live Healthy Program – Supervisor Hall made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee to endorse the National Association of Counties (NACo) Live Healthy Program for Wythe County residents.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Joe F. Hale

6. Integrated Software System – Supervisor Hall made a motion, as recommended by the Budget Committee to proceed with negotiations with Tyler-Munis for an integrated software system.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Gary M. Houseman	Coy L. McRoberts
	Arthur E. "Artie" Hall	B. G. "Gene" Horney
	Steven T. Willis	Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
	Joe F. Hale	
NAYS:	None	

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator, Cellell Dalton, appeared before the Board and reported the following:

1. Wytheville Redevelopment and Housing Authority – Mr. Dalton reviewed with the Board a letter from Randy Martin, Executive Director and CEO of the Wytheville Redevelopment and Housing Authority, requesting financial support for the construction of homes for disabled veterans. Mr. Dalton requested referral of the letter to the Budget Committee.

Chair Reeves referred the issue to the Budget Committee for further discussion.

2. Homestead May Day Living History Celebration – Mr. Dalton reviewed with the Board a letter from Debbie Moody, Town of Wytheville Museums Associate Director, detailing events planned for the upcoming annual Homestead May Day Living History Celebration. He asked that Board members planning to attend notify staff.
3. Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries – Mr. Dalton reviewed with the Board a letter from Thomas Hampton, Department of Game and Inland Fisheries Region Three Lands and Facilities Manager, concerning proposed kiosks to be placed at the Stephen F. Austin Birthplace Memorial. Mr. Dalton explained that the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries has approved placement of the kiosks at the Memorial. He added that permission has been granted for parking on the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries properties for visitors of the kiosks.

SUPERVISORS' REPORTS

1. National Day of Prayer – Supervisor Houseman reported that the first Thursday of May is recognized as the National Day of Prayer. He reminded those present of the event and encouraged everyone to participate.
2. Roads – Supervisor Hale advised that the extensive rain received in the last few days damaged many area roads. He noted that several roads are barely passable.

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- 3. Trash – Supervisor Hale reported that a large amount of trash was picked up over the previous weekend. He asked that staff contact the Virginia Department of Transportation to request collection of the orange trash bags from the roadways. Supervisor Hale noted that trash bags are on the Frontage Road, Route 121, Route 94, and Chapman Road.
- 4. Issues – Supervisor McRoberts noted that he had several issues, which he has passed along to Assistant County Administrator Bear.
- 5. Stroupe Mountain Road – Supervisor Horney reported that he was contacted by an individual concerning trash on Stroupe Mountain Road.
- 6. Shadow Lane – Chair Reeves advised that he received an e-mail from Gerald McPeak requesting speed limit signs on Shadow Lane.

Mr. Dalton explained that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) would not post speed limit signs on gravel roads. He noted that the speed limit on gravel roads, by law, is 35 miles per hour. Mr. Dalton recommended inviting Sheriff Dunagan to discuss the issue with the VDOT Residency Administrator at an upcoming meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Supervisor Hall made a motion to approve the consent calendar for April 28, 2015, as follows:

1. PAYROLL – March 2015:

Water Department	\$ 29,047.78
Wythe County Wastewater Fund	6,937.02
Police Activity Fund	53,668.85
Courthouse Security Fund	18,725.03
General County Fund	<u>486,599.32</u>
TOTAL	\$ 594,978.00

Check Numbers: 30090578-30090586; 30090739-30090747

Voucher Numbers: V503000-503154; V504000-504163

2. STATUS REPORTS:

- A. Animal Control – Arlan Dunford
- B. Building Inspection – Tim Spraker
- C. Parks and Recreation – Kevin Williams
- D. Water and Wastewater – Don Crisp

3. PERSONNEL:

- A. Williams, Natasha – Resigned, Full-time Communications Officer, Effective March 31, 2015

4. BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

- A. \$1,938 (2201-48202) – Transfer from State Asset Forfeiture Fund – Purchase of Computer Equipment
- B. \$3,537 (43042-48202) – Transfer from Courthouse Maintenance Fund – Purchase of Office Furniture for Judge Lee Harrell
- C. \$2,528.90 (31024-46009) – Auto Claim – 2001 Crown Victoria 0560
- D. \$1,315 (7109-46013) – Bob Ross Painting Class Fees

Supervisor Horney seconded the motion.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Gary M. Houseman	Coy L. McRoberts
	Arthur E. "Artie" Hall	B. G. "Gene" Horney
	Steven T. Willis	Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
	Joe F. Hale	

NAYS: None

WYTHE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES RESPONSE PLAN

The Board reviewed a Wythe County Emergency Medical Services Response Plan drafted to establish policies for designation of emergency medical services (EMS) agencies, set response areas and response time standards, and institute automatic mutual aid between approved EMS agencies.

Supervisor Houseman made a motion, seconded by Supervisor McRoberts to adopt the Wythe County Emergency Medical Services Response Plan as presented.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Gary M. Houseman	Coy L. McRoberts
	Arthur E. "Artie" Hall	B. G. "Gene" Horney
	Steven T. Willis	Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
	Joe F. Hale	

NAYS: None

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WALL OF HONOR

The Board reviewed a memorandum from Jacqueline King, Chairperson of the Wall of Honor Committee, recommending the Board's approval of nominees Richard "Dickie" Julian Boyles, Jill Hilton Green, and William "Bill" Jordan Grubb, Jr. for inclusion on the Sports Hall of Fame Monument.

Supervisor Hall made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Horney to accept the recommendation of nominees Richard "Dickie" Julian Boyles, Jill Hilton Green, and William "Bill" Jordan Grubb, Jr. for placement on the Sports Hall of Fame Monument.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PRIMARY SIX YEAR PLAN

The Board reviewed a letter from Randy Hamilton, Virginia Department of Transportation Bristol District Engineer, outlining public hearings scheduled for discussion of the fiscal year 2016-2021 Primary Road Six Year Improvement Program.

KITCHEN WILKINS NIXON ROAD WATER PROJECT LOAN RESOLUTION

The Board reviewed a loan resolution of public bodies for the issuance of a bond in the amount of \$684,000 for the Kitchen, Wilkins, and Nixon Roads water project.

Supervisor Horney made a motion, seconded by Supervisor McRoberts to adopt the resolution of governing bodies for issuance of a bond in the amount of \$684,000 for the Kitchen, Wilkins, and Nixon Roads water project, as amended.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Gary M. Houseman Coy L. McRoberts
Arthur E. "Artie" Hall B. G. "Gene" Horney
Steven T. Willis Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
Joe F. Hale

NAYS: None

BUDGET

Mr. Dalton reported that the Fiscal Year 16 Budget public hearings are scheduled for May 12 beginning at 7 p.m. He explained that he and Chair Reeves met with the School Board chairperson and superintendent of schools in the previous week to discuss the school system's budget. Mr. Dalton noted that the School Board has requested the

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carryover of funds from their current budget to next year's budget to begin the design phase of the Spiller Elementary School project. He stated that the design would be contingent upon the Board of Supervisors meeting with and agreeing with the School Board on how to proceed with the project. Mr. Dalton added that determining whether to demolish and rebuild a portion of Spiller Elementary School or renovating the current building would be necessary prior to proceeding with the design phase of the project.

Chair Reeves explained that renovations of the restrooms and improved security at Speedwell Elementary School are also planned. He added that the Speedwell project would be funded through school maintenance funds.

Supervisor Hale requested a tour of Spiller Elementary School to gain a better understanding of the project specifics.

Mr. Dalton recommended recessing and touring Spiller Elementary School following the public hearing. He noted that the Board could then modify the budget accordingly prior to adoption of the budget.

The Board agreed.

WYTHE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair Reeves advised that Mickey Bass has resigned from the Wythe County Rescue Squad Board of Directors. He recommended the appointment of previous nominee Roger Hudson, who is now a Wythe County resident.

Supervisor Houseman suggested first interviewing candidates, as they have for other Board of Director appointments prior to making a nomination.

Mr. Dalton noted that Mr. Hudson was originally appointed to the Board of Directors when the Board was established, but was disqualified from appointment due to residing outside of the County. He added that Mr. Hudson was interviewed at that time and does now live within Wythe County.

Supervisor Hall made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Hale to appoint Roger Hudson to the Wythe County Rescue Squad Board of Directors.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Gary M. Houseman	Coy L. McRoberts
	Arthur E. "Artie" Hall	B. G. "Gene" Horney
	Steven T. Willis	Timothy A. Reeves, Sr.
	Joe F. Hale	

NAYS: None

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ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to come before the Board, Chair Reeves adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:31 a.m.

Timothy A. Reeves, Sr., Chair