

VIRGINIA: At an Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Accomack held in the Board Chambers in Accomac on the 28th day of February, A.D., 2011.

Members Present: Donald L. Hart, Jr., Chair
Laura Belle Gordy, Vice Chair
Wanda J. Thornton
Ron S. Wolff
Grayson Chesser
Sandra Hart Mears
John Charles "Jack" Gray
Robert Crockett

Members Absent: E. Philip McCaleb

Others Present: Steven B. Miner, County Administrator
Yvonne N. Pennell, Administrative Assistant
Mark B. Taylor, County Attorney

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and with a prayer by Mr. Gray, after which the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

Budget Deliberations

County Administrator Steven Miner updated the Board concerning General Assembly funding proposals for FY-2012.

Finance Director Michael Mason provided a PowerPoint presentation of departmental budgets.

A general discussion took place with Mr. Mason and Mr. Miner responding to questions.

Following a brief discussion the Board took the following actions:

Johnson's Wharf

By consensus, the Board added the repair of Johnson's Wharf to the FY-2012 Budget.

By consensus, the Board declined designating the Quinby Harbor Redevelopment Project reimbursement funds to specific projects until the funds have been received.

Star Transit Funding

Mrs. Thornton made a motion that the Board designate \$5,500 in the FY-2012 Budget as a match for a grant awarded to Star Transit for re-establishing routes in the northern areas of the county for a one-year trial. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion passed unanimously with Mr. McCaleb absent.

Fire and Rescue Personnel

Director of Public Safety Jason Loftus provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining the funding options for the requested Fire and Rescue Personnel.

No action was taken.

Proposed Capital Fund Expenditures

Mr. Crockett made a motion that the Board strike the funding for the following items from the Proposed Capital Fund Expenditures in the FY-2012 Budget. Electronic Board Packet and Information System: \$45,000; Board Strategic and Community Survey: \$35,000; and Sheriff's Office Addition/Renovation: \$287,000. Mr. Chesser seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

Mrs. Gordy called for the question. The motion passed unanimously with Mr. McCaleb absent.

Proposed Operating Fund Expenditures

Mr. Crockett made a motion that the Board remove Human Resource Director Position, and strike the funding of \$95,000 from the Proposed Operating Fund Expenditures in the FY-2012 Budget. Mr. Chesser seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Mr. McCaleb absent.

Health Insurance

Mrs. Thornton made a motion that the Board change the Health Insurance Coverage and Contribution to match that of County Employees, thereby reducing the County Contribution to Board Members' Health Insurance by \$30,000. Mrs. Gordy seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion passed with the following vote. Aye: Mr. Hart; Mrs. Gordy; Mrs. Thornton; Mr. Wolff; Mr. Chesser; Mrs. Mears; and Mr. Crockett. Abstain: Mr. Gray. Absent: Mr. McCaleb.

Mrs. Mears made a motion that the Board redirect the \$30,000 from the Board Members' Health Insurance to the Employees' Health Insurance, to offset the six-percent increase in cost to employees. Mrs. Thornton seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion passed unanimously with Mr. McCaleb absent.

Employee Performance-Based Salary Increases

Mr. Chesser made a motion that the Board require that the proposed Employee Performance-Based Salary Increase, of up to three percent, be properly documented by Department Heads on an appropriate evaluation instrument, to ensure the increase is warranted for each employee. Mr. Crockett seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion passed unanimously with Mr. McCaleb absent.

Fire and Rescue Personnel Funding

Mr. Wolff made a motion that the Board fund Option 1 for Fire and Rescue Personnel, as presented by the Director of Public Safety, and to increase Real Estate Tax Rates by three cents to fund the proposal. Mr. Gray seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion failed with the following vote. Aye: Mr. Wolff and Mr. Gray. Nay: Mr. Hart; Mrs. Gordy; Mr. Chesser; Mrs. Mears; and Mr. Crockett. Abstain: Mrs. Thornton. Absent: Mr. McCaleb.

Advertisement of FY-2012 Budget

Mrs. Thornton made a motion to have a complete budget prepared and to advertise for Public Hearing. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion.

Discussion continued.

The motion passed with the following vote. Aye: Mr. Hart; Mrs. Thornton; Mr. Wolff; Mr. Chesser; Mrs. Mears; Mr. Gray; and Mr. Crockett. Nay: Mrs. Gordy. Absent: Mr. McCaleb.

Recess

By consensus of the Board, the Chair called a five-minute recess.

Closed Meeting

Mr. Wolff made a motion that the Board go into closed meeting for the following purpose pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended. Mrs. Thornton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Mr. McCaleb absent.

1. Pursuant to Subsection (A) (1) for 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.

Open Session

The Chair declared the meeting open to the public.

Certification of Closed Meeting

Mr. Wolff made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Thornton, to reconvene in Open Meeting and to Certify by roll call vote, pursuant to Section 2.2-3712 (D) of the Code of Virginia, that to the best of each member's knowledge the only matters heard, discussed, or considered during the Closed Meeting were (i) public business matters lawfully exempted from Open Meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened.

Ayes: Mrs. Thornton	Mr. Gray	Mrs. Gordy	Nays: None
Mr. Wolff	Mr. Crockett	Mr. Hart	Absent: Mr. McCaleb
Mr. Chesser	Mrs. Mears		

Adjournment

Mr. Wolff made a motion to adjourn to March 3, 2011, at 5:00 PM in the District Court Room to receive comment by or on behalf of any person who has filed a statement of interest to the vacant position of County Supervisor from Election District 9. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.

Chair