

Minutes
Floyd County Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
August 8, 2023

- 1. Called to Order** – Chairman Turman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
- 2. Opening Prayer** – The opening prayer was offered by Supervisor Bechtold.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance** – Supervisor Boothe offered the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Quorum** – Dr. Millsaps called the roll. A quorum was found for all Supervisors.
- 5. Approval of Agenda** – On a motion by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Boothe and unanimously approved as amended to add § 2.2-3711 A.28 under closed session.
- 6. Approval of Disbursements** – On a motion by Supervisor Bechtold, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and unanimously approved.
- 7. Approval of minutes** – On a motion by Supervisor Cox, Seconded by Supervisor Bechtold and unanimously carried to approve the following minutes, 6/20/23 and 7/25/2023.
- 8. Presentations -**

a. Dr. Cromer- Floyd County School Superintendent

Dr. Cromer opened by stating she is looking forward to the open house today and the start of the new school year tomorrow. Dr. Cromer noted her thanks to Kevin Sowers and appreciated the communication with him regarding postponing yesterday's open house due to pending weather and safety. Dr. Cromer updated the Board sharing that the school board had a retreat, and it was very productive. Dr. Cromer stated that they continue to work with Parks and Recreation regarding field use and programs.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch asked about the staffing at this time. Dr. Cromer replied that they are staffed up and had a new teacher day this past week and excited about the energy.

Supervisor Boothe asked about enrollment numbers. Dr. Cromer stated that she will have a better gauge within a week or two. Supervisor Boothe asked Dr. Cromer to forward the enrollment numbers, when she knows, to Dr. Millsaps to share with the Board. Dr. Cromer stated she would.

Dr. Millsaps thanked Dr. Cromer for the great communication they have been having and appreciated it.

b. David Clarke, Virginia Department of Transportation

Mr. Clarke opened by stating the work on Oxford went well. Also noted, is the work being done on; Jerry Lane's preparation work, pipe replacement on Daniels Run, slope repair on Sowers Road as well as brush cutting throughout.

Supervisor Bechtold noted the need for brush clearing on Mill Road to the end of the road.

Supervisor Boothe inquired about extending the lights over to the new crosswalks. Mr. Clarke discussed the funding availability and will look into it and report back. Supervisor Boothe also requested to add some sort of asphalt/gravel to 730 and Route 8 to assist with the trucks and turning. Also, Supervisor Boothe noted that there is a lot of washout and ditching needed on Fearney Creek Road where the steep hill is. Lastly, Supervisor Boothe asked for VDOT to do a clean-out around most of the signs regarding the brush over them.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch discussed Route 8 to Ridgeview and asked for attention due to cracks at seams and edges. Also, Supervisor Kuchenbuch noted that on White Oak, slipping off in places and needs attention before it gets worse. As well, discussed Eanes Road and the need for work/gravel. Lastly, Supervisor Kuchenbuch noted the Maples and Ash Trees that have a fungus and are in our right of way and these are large trees, and concerned about the safety if one of these were to go down. Mr. Clarke stated he would add that and look into taking care of it by placing them on the schedule.

Supervisor Cox noted that Diamond Knob and Lick Ridge need attention. Also shared that on Daniels Run where the culvert was replaced, it has caused some extended bumpy wavy areas in the road.

Supervisor Turman shared that, he has mentioned this before, but Buffalo Mountain Road needs something to be done up there. Also, Supervisor Turman shared that

on Reese Road, the culvert is stopped up. Supervisor Turman, lastly noted that on Camp 5, and not sure if it was a contractor or not, but they were mowing probably over 2 inches high of grass and it was all out into the road which is a safety hazard, especially for bikers. Mr. Clarke stated that it is part of the contract they have to blow the street of grass and that he will look into it.

Throughout the discussion with Mr. Clarke, each Supervisor made a special note to thank VDOT for all the work that has been done within their respective districts.

9. Old Business

a. Solid Waste Ordinance review – Steve Durbin, Floyd County Attorney, discussed and read allowed the revisions that were made. (Note the draft of the County Solid Waste Ordinance placed in the Boards Correspondence folder) A detailed conversation ensued regarding open dumps definition, disposal, hazard waste, fines, and penalties for specific offenses.

b. Solid Waste Ordinance advertising –

On a motion by Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and unanimously carried to approve the advertisement of the solid waste ordinance to run the next two weeks with 7 days apart and to hold the Public Hearing on August 22nd at 7:00 p.m. with the intent to approve the ordinance.

10. Closed Session:

On a motion by Supervisor Bechtold, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and passed unanimously, the Board voted to move to closed session under § 2.2-3711 A.29 and § 2.2-3711 A.8.

§ 2.2-3711 A.29 - Discussion of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, and discussion of the terms of scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. Radio System

§ 2.2-3711 A.8 - Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by

such counsel. *Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.*

Supervisor Boothe – yes
Supervisor Bechtold – yes
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes
Supervisor Cox – yes
Supervisor Turman – yes

On a motion by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Bechtold, and unanimously carried, the Board voted to come out of closed session.

Supervisor Bechtold – yes
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes
Supervisor Boothe – yes
Supervisor Cox – yes
Supervisor Turman - yes

On a motion by Supervisor Boothe seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and unanimously carried, the Board certified that the Board only discussed the matters in closed session.

Supervisor Boothe – yes
Supervisor Cox – yes
Supervisor Bechtold – yes
Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes
Supervisor Turman – yes

11. Public Comments

No Public Comments

12. New Business

- a. FY24 Budget Communication update
 - i. Contribution letters – Contribution letters completed and emailed to all external departments that the Board approved FY24 monies to.
 - ii. Carryover requests – FY23 expenditure reports sent to internal departments along with carryover requests.

13. Board Time

Supervisor Kuchenbuch stated that both she and Mr. Cox have been invited to Mr. McSherry's home as a follow-up to his presentation and asked they visit tomorrow evening on 8/9/2023.

14. County Administrator's Report

- a. Bank Update – Officially closed on bank 8/7/2023.
- b. DSS – Communication as to the move upstairs.
- c. Extension – Utilizing old recreation space.
- d. Convenience Center/Green Box
- e. Transfer Station staff Appreciation
- f. Staff Retreat -September 6th, 2023
- g. Library Achievement Award
- h. Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund
- i. Copier and Scanner discussions – county bundle system
- j. 2 Bids for the animal control fence. One will be awarded and the funds that were collected by the public will cover the bid.

17. Correspondence –

No issues, concerns, or questions about correspondence.

18. Adjournment:

On a motion by Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting until the next scheduled meeting of 8/22/2023, 6:00 p.m., a special called meeting.



Dr. Linda Millsaps, County Administrator



Joe Turman, Chairman