# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 14, 2021

1, <u>Meeting called to order</u> at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Joe Turman, Board Room, County Administration Building.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Before we get started, I just wanted to say that Dr. Millsaps mother passed way earlier this morning or sometime last night. So, to anyone who wants to work on prayers, should keep her in your thoughts and prayers. As always, we will start our meeting with the opening prayer, Mr. Coleman?

- 2. <u>Opening Prayer</u> led by Supervisor Coleman.
- 3. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u> led by Supervisor Yoder.
- 4. <u>Roll Call and Determination of Quorum</u> Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo called the roll.

Supervisor Coleman – present Supervisor Kuchenbuch – present Supervisor Yoder – present Supervisor Boothe – present Supervisor Turman – present

It was determined that a quorum was present.

5. <u>Approval of the agenda</u> – Chairman Turman asked for approval of the agenda.

On a motion of Supervisor Coleman to approve the agenda as amended to include the additional closed session, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the December 14, 2021 agenda

Supervisor Yoder– yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

## 6. <u>Approval of Disbursements</u>

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe seconded by Supervisor Yoder, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the disbursements as presented in the packet.

Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

On a motion of Supervisor Yoder, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and carried, it was resolved to approve the second additional disbursements as presented in the meeting.

Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Boothe – abstain Supervisor Turman – yes

Supervisor Joe Turman - I received a couple of telephone calls and this pertains to me as much as it does anybody else. They said it was hard for them to hear us out on the live YouTube with social media because there's too much paper shuffling, which I'm guilty of. I've done it twice already since I sat down. Also, mics being moved around. They say it's interfering with what they are hearing. This mask is bad enough without a doubt. With that, I will move onto our Senator this morning. It's good to have you here this morning.

## 7a. <u>Senator David Sutterlein,- Legislative Discussion</u>

Senator David Sutterlein -It is wonderful to be here. I appreciated the morning invitation which is easier for my schedule. It also means I get to be in Floyd in the morning, which is probably the most beautiful time of day. So, it's going to be a very interesting session. I'm looking forward to hearing your comments. Mostly, that's the most valuable opportunity here today. But just to lay out sort of what I'll be walking into in Richmond is everyone knows about Governor elect Younkin, Llieutenant Governor elect Winsom Seers and the new Attorney General Jason Miyares, and the new house of delegates that will have a 52-48 majority. Floyd's new delegate Marie March will be part of the majority caucus. Todd Gilbert is presumed to be speaker. They actually have to vote on that the first day, but he's been making appointments. Some of those appointments have been very good for the western part of Virginia. Yesterday, the transportation chair was named Terry Austin. The Commerce Labor Committee, which has very broad jurisdiction, is Kathy Byron from Bedford. Terry Kilgore from Scott County will not have a committee chairmanship because he's the majority leader. But so far, we're in pretty good place where there's folks that live close to us in greater positions of

leadership in the House of Delegates. The Virginia Senate will be different than it was last session. The two biggest differences are Winsome Sears will now cast tie-breaking votes. She will likely cast them the way most Republicans vote. And it will be 21-19. Last year it was 21-18. Senator chief and passed away New Year's Day. And Governor Northam did not order an election until long after the session was over. That was different than what he had done for House of Delegates seats in Northern Virginia that were expected to return members of his party. I actually have legislation this year to prevent that from happening in the future if we're successful in getting it passed. special elections will be called sooner regardless of where they happen, so there can be less gamesmanship, but a consequence of not having Ben Shafer or his successor, Travis Hackworth there last year, was southwest Virginia was down state senator. Different people define southwest Virginia different ways. But in the broadest definition, most people were included to me, Senator pillions district did now sir Hackworth district I serve that we all live in maybe Sarah Edwards district and Sarah Stanley's district. But so that would be five on that broad definition, we were down to four, there were several major bills of consequence, they ended up tying, often it would, because member of the majority Democratic caucus would miss the vote. And we would not be able to prevail where we would have otherwise. And so that led to interesting things on marijuana policy, that will basically have to start at square one, again, which is to say that it's not going to be it's not going to be made illegal. You know, on day one. It's just the policy that was envisioned last year was done so in a very partisan way. Even though there were Republicans like myself who had voted for decriminalization a year before. So, we extended a hand, we were told your votes aren't necessary. We got a good plan on how to do it. And it was pointed out that maybe the next election might not go their way and turned out didn't go their way. And now we have a policy that's envisioned, that's not representative of government policy that was just elected. So that's going to be the sort of thing that will be a major discussion and will be changed drastically because you now have Senator Hackworth, you have lieutenant governor. Several folks in Floyd, have talked to me about trying to change some of the policies that passed the last two years. I mean, does it shock any of you who are also represent citizens of Floyd, they did not like several of the bills that were passed into law, especially some of those that are related to gun rights. One that I heard from a lot of folks in Floyd was about these local ordinances, they understand that you are highly unlikely to pass a local gun prohibition, but they worry about when they visit other jurisdictions nearby, the temporary nature of them, they don't want to get caught in Roanoke City. You know, one Saturday, they're there and they're fine. And then three Saturdays later, there's a temporary prohibition i I completely agree. I'm against it. We will see what we can do on that. The challenge is in the Senate, despite those changes on the floor, where we're, we're back at 19. And Lieutenant Governor, that might make it appear that if one Democratic senator were to agree with Republican senators, that the policy would change. But there's a committee system. And Democrats or honestly, Republicans aren't likely to buck their own committee system when their parties in majority. It would make things very challenging for a lot of things. And the Senate Education House committee that I serve on is a night six Democratic

majority. The Judiciary Committee, where they got legislation and lots of other important legislation goes as well, is a nine six Democratic majority. The Commerce and Labor Committee in the Senate is a 12 to three Democratic majority. And Senate Finance, which is where a lot of bills, especially those that come out in education and health, they're important, originate there and then have to go and finance. That committee will be 11 to five Democratic majority. So, you see, to sort of reverse something, you need to have substantial support. Which doesn't mean to say that we will not work to try to find ways where we so significantly disagree with the policy as as do the citizens of Floyd overwhelmingly have communicated that to me. It's just making sure folks understand it's not as easy as a terrain or Map to navigate, as I only need to pick up one democratic friend to join me. I need several and I've been successful and other things in the past doing that. Hello, I'm continue working to do that. But it's more difficult than if I appear on paper. So that will be the Senate will be walking into Governor Northam will be presenting a budget later this week. Legally he's required to present a budget. I I disagree with the format of having an outgoing governor do it doesn't matter. That's the way it is. But one of the things I'm more concerned about with Governor Northam doing it is based on what happened several years ago when Governor Kane was leaving office and Governor McDonald was coming in. Governor Kaine announced several new spending initiatives in the final two weeks before the budget was announced. And then when the budget was presented, and people are anticipating those great projects they were excited about. He then said, I want to plan to fund into this tax increase that Governor like McDonald had just said he would not do during the campaign. And there was no way he was going to reverse what he told the voters just a few weeks earlier. So, I hope that Governor Northam presents a budget. That does include bipartisan tax relief in there that there has been large agreement on especially raising the standard deduction. I think that we should double the standard deduction. Several of my Democratic colleagues have said that they also want to look at doing that we're able to do it. And I hope Governor Northam puts that into his budget. Also, we have good bipartisan support for providing grocery tax relief. And I'm hoping that that's put in the budget as well. I intend to carry a standard deduction bill actually introduced it earlier this week. And some of my other colleagues will be introducing the grocery tax relief. So, we're only a few hours, I guess, away from finding out what Governor Northam will do. And a little pessimistic on what I think he'll do based on the past, but we'll see. So, I look forward to your questions and comments.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder -First of all, I appreciate you being here. And appreciate all the service you've done for the community of Floyd. Over the years, you have always been accessible. If we had an issue, you've been there. And I know the districts are probably going to change at some point here. And you may or may not be our senator, but I did want to take the opportunity to thank you for representing us well over the last number of years.

Senator David Sutterlein - Thank you.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - A couple things that I've probably mentioned to Delegate Elect March, that we've talked about for several years that I think really help Floyd. The first one is the stormwater regulations. I'm sure that you've heard plenty about those but it's Floyd which isn't in the Chesapeake Bay watershed. And we get hit by a lot of the things that are part of the cleanup of the Chesapeake Bay. In small communities like ours, and probably across southwest Virginia and other areas that are in the Chesapeake watershed. You know, it's a damper on new business coming because of the regulations and some of the things that we have to do. So, anything that can be done to help us out on stormwater regulations, I think would go a long way to helping us have affordable, building. The next is Floyd's had so much trouble with truck traffic that back up at the lights in town. It's just been congestion on certain days. And we've talked for years about trying to improve truck access to our commerce port through the existing industrial park. Something that the Board may at some point ask for help on is working with VDOT to try to get better truck access. it's a couple of corners that we can straighten out and provide a good access point without the trucks coming through town when they come off the interstate. And the last thing that kind of everybody worked out here, Route 8 improvement between Riner and the county line. We continue to have bad accidents there. It's a major project and it's something that probably doesn't, rate on the scale for VDOT compared to other places, but it's a real issue. It's an economic issue because when people come off the interstate, drive down that, maybe three miles of crooked road, and then they get to a nice straight road and Floyd County. But they remember that little piece in Montgomery County. And they're not sure they want to build a business here. So, I think that along with the safety factor by residents drawn to it from Montgomery County, I think that's got at some point be fixed. And I don't know how to go about that. But maybe everybody gets their head together and eventually figures out a way to make that happen. Thank you for your time. Really appreciate it.

### Senator David Sutterlein -Thank you

Supervisor Joe Turman -To clarify. One that we were concerned about is from the county line to Camp Carysbrook. It's about two miles or something like this.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yeah, it's a matter of what is human life worth. And, you know, we have lost far too many in that stretch of highway. It's just something that we've got to do. I would like to hear how you felt about the redistricting from your point of view, how the supposed bipartisan committee couldn't come up with a solution and then it had to go to the court. And just to hear what you have to say about it, because as Lauren did say, if things pass, we will now be together with Franklin. So, I just like to hear your thoughts about that. Also, the unfunded state mandates that come to us unfunded that you know, there are so many pressures right now there will continue to be pressures on a small county like ours and you know, the states in some pretty good shape. All of you have worked together to manage it well, but you can't keep expecting smaller

counties like ours to have to come up with funds, we just don't have them, and it stresses our abilities to take care of our citizens in the way we would like to. Those are the two big things. Lauren has mentioned the others and I just want to thank you for your service and wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

#### Senator David Sutterlein - Thank you

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Sorry, I didn't say that. But thank you for coming. I'm going to go in all the transportation parts as usual, it is what I stick to mostly, but I will say this all now unfunded mandates, yes, pay attention to those but maybe even more importantly, the areas that we have the ratios and percentages. Frankly I know that your job is to run the state and it's our job to run this county. But when you shift those responsibilities down to where your percentage is less, that means ours goes up. On the transportation side. The parent systems is not working. We all know it, everybody in the room, you probably hear this from every rural county or area one of the problems, big problems, and I thought we fixed it through VACO. Richmond and Salem have taken the authority away from the residents, the likes of David Clarke, especially like on speed reductions, and other things. And we need to reestablish that back to that department. Now whether it's a JLARC study or whatever needs to be done, but we've got to get that power back to the residents. The local government and a resident could do the speed reductions but unfortunately, everybody forgot, there's eight of us that do not have zoning, eight counties without zone? Well, the way the wording of that speed reduction is it has it specifically to residential districts and business districts, which is wording rights, straight out of your major zoning ordinances. And it doesn't look like it's going to be able to apply to us here in areas where we need speed reductions. And the reason for that is, every time the state does, we put in a request for speed reduction on roads, they do a speed study, the cost of that speed study comes out of our maintenance money, which results in less maintenance money to maintain our roads. And the engineer used to be where David Clarke and people in his position, they could reduce the speed limit to 25 miles an hour without going through all those hoops. But somewhere along the line, it changed. VDOT has become reactionary instead of proactive. And I've said this to everybody, I'm going to hear the response that well, there hadn't been enough accidents, and hasn't been a death. Well, that's what we're trying to prevent. Maybe you can influence someone in Richmond, they're much more educated at NIH, and they can come up with better terminology, even if it means the same thing. The citizens are tired of hearing that we've got to get back to the proactive stance. And it's not like this board. I've sat on this board a long time. I haven't heard any supervisor bring up something that is serious problems that need addressing. And to hear that kind of response just, the only way it is going to change is with you, the governor, and it's going to have to change at the top. To bring up a second point, our roads are in the worst shape they've ever been. And, there are local crews, even Mr. Clark and company, they're doing the best they can with the funding they have. We got to get it back opened for more people or if somebody retires,

somebody quits, you got to let them fill the positions. I wish I was on this board when we went from three, three district offices to two, and we growled, better than we should have stood on our head because everything went bad. Yes, we get more money, but the cost of everything is more. So, in essence, we're not really getting more money, we don't have the same buying power with that money. And just remember when they're passing stuff, that we're not a zoning community in their seven other's lines. And it doesn't take much to change the wording. And thank you for what you do, sir.

## Senator David Sutterlein - Thank you.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Most of what I have heard is already echoed in here. By way of the Second Amendment, thank you for the cognitive way you already come in with an open mind and looking at ways to deal with those challenges and appreciate that. Personally speaking, I have also told Delegate Elect March, let's get back to some quality education. And really try to educate and have contributing members of society. This stuff has gotten way too ridiculous. And there needs to be some accountability with local school boards as well. So, keep those things in mind if you would. Also, a thing that's near to my heart is the mental health system is really broken, to say the least. We've heard a lot of comments here about burdens on localities. The current model has an extreme burden on local sheriff's offices, who are tasked with the responsibility of transportation, where they are the primary law enforcement agency in the community. There's got to be a better solution than having somebody who is in crisis and in need of service to have faster help than to say, ER facility for up to 24 hours, that is requiring backlog, a law enforcement officer to sit with him, therefore depriving the locality of its resources. And having one person out here working in these communities or two people covering a community of over 300 square miles by themselves. This is just very unfortunate that a group of people cannot come up with a better solution than that. And perhaps a solution may be with other models that other states are going to, by utilizing special divisions to handle that. A great place for that may be the Virginia State Police. And I want to be candid about this conversation with very, very much respect. This is not from my current capacity, actually, fortunate, blessed where I am, but also starting a new season after the first year. So publicly, I want to be clear about that. But with what I'm getting ready to say has wholeheartedly support law enforcement, coming from almost 15-year career in that field. But the circus that we witnessed last year, does not need to happen again. There's a lot of folks that have felt a lot of stress in the law enforcement community, what some of the bills that were changed some of the powers that were taken away. And it's unfortunate. And there's a lot of stress in the law enforcement community for such things. And accountability rests with those in Richmond. That's on everybody that was there that supported that. So, I encourage you to take a look at some of the things that were passed last year. And those things, in fact, impact our local community as well. What some of the things that law enforcement can do or cannot do any longer. But taking away things that can be proactive to protect the community but increasing the burdens by way of mental health that doesn't serve anyone so that entire area needs a close look as well. So

that's my soapbox and I appreciate your being here. Appreciate you listening. Just look at these things there are several things in here.

Supervisor Joe Turman - I echo what Mr. Coleman just said. I guess I'm just an old cop and always will be. I've reached out to Delegate Elect March about this and I've talked to Sherriff Craig. For example, I don't understand if the tags are expired or no inspection sticker no taillights, is profiling. I can't get there. It's in the code section you get him in who you can't stop the vehicle because then we have brake lights or drivers the decades working on that's ridiculous. But Miss March, said if I could get a bill that you know she would work with it's not one certain bill. They went through the whole code and changed primary offenses to secondary offenses. So, I don't know how you can fix it without going through it again is not only a safety issue. There was a lot of issues with drugs, people that were apprehended because they did not get a state registration inspection sticker and now, they have put them in danger with changing the code. Law enforcement's bad enough with the environment we live in without tying our hand or hands forever and I'm sure that some of these people have come up with those ideas. I echo what the rest of the board has said. We appreciate your representation and I appreciate you doing a good job for us.

Supervisor Justin Coleman -And one thing quick. Again, this will not benefit me in any way, because, again, it's actually the first of the year I'm going in a new direction. But there's a lot of comments out there a lot been circulating dependent upon what jurisdiction, perhaps what may happen with the pay raises to the law enforcement community, specifically in Virginia State Police oversight. Now we have a lot of very good friends there. But I would just like to add one thing, perhaps it's time to look at the requirements by code that local sheriffs are responsible for, versus police departments in the state police and see how that equals out. This is not equitable pay, and local agencies are struggling. And this board has been very proactive, to try to bridge that gap for our law enforcement community. And it's only going to get worse if the projections next year go forward with what is expected to happen with the state police and their abbreviate Academy under both and pay. There has got to be some pay equity for us, for the localities to keep quality local people serve in their communities. We have done all that I feel like that we can reasonably do. We need help, and help needs to come through Compensation Board to the sheriff's offices. And not just to one group in the law enforcement community respectful. Thank you.

Supervisor Joe Turman - And touching on what he just said, I actually had a trooper tell me one time that the Sherriff's departments really was better trained than they were because we enforce criminal traffic, civil, courtroom security, we get the whole ball of wax with a primary criminal and motor vehicle. So, I agree with Justin that there's got to be some pay coming down, you know, to be able to keep good qualified officers, especially in today's environment, with the enforcement.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - The mental health aspect. If that gets the attention it needs, deserves and more is warranted. That will have an effect on so many different areas that, if we really look at it from our state government level, and seriously tried to tackle some of those problems. It improves Child Protective Services, it reduces crime, it improves our schools, it helps with our foster care. And it should eventually lead to less criminal activity. I mean, we can't stop it completely. But the mental health aspect and like Justin said these teams of mental health professionals that work with our law enforcement that's really important. So yeah, I really appreciate it.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -Yes, I want to agree with Justin. The state spends money on tourism attract and tourism stuff business industry is time to look at these providers so that we have facilities here in the state of Virginia. We have situations and everybody sitting here knows that part of it is on criminal justice. It's not a large part but it does have an impact. The court system has a child in the juvenile system that needs services, but they have the violent part to a certain level that goes with it. They get shifted to the Child Protective Services and to social services. We have trouble finding a location for someone to take this child in. And many times, it ends up being a facility out of state whether you have the violent behavior or not, because we just don't have the facilities here. One step in that direction, is to ensure that our juvenile justice system has people trained to deal with these children. So that the judges have another alternative. They can keep them within the juvenile system, and they, the child, can still get the treatment they need. Now, and I'm sure there's ones that will argue against that, or whatever. You know, we're starting to go more to the proactive with the Family First program. So, let's get them in our justice system that we can begin treating. It used to be like that, when someone went to the justice system. We went through the years that we decided we wanted to build jails and be proactive, on the other hand, we went away from that for a minute. It's the same thing with the mental health we have to get them on the front end. And as Linda pointed out, it will impact every other agency. But please look at trying to reach out to these people and these companies and bring those facilities here. That way, we don't have to send someone to Florida or Washington. And I'm not going into detail that we have had people from here in Floyd to send to those types of facilities that far are away. Because that was the only ones, we could find. I'm sorry. My soapbox to put away.

Supervisor Joe Turman -I too agree with what Mr. Coleman was talking about. It means not only are officers piled up sitting with a mental health patient in a hospital where we can find a place available to treat the patient like Chesapeake or Northern Virginia somewhere. So, you got two more officers away. In a smaller county like this you got very few officers on the road to begin with. You get overtime because officers have to be called out. And I talked to Judge Long one time on this mental health thing, often there is young people sitting in Regional Jail that shouldn't be there. Because they are borderline where they don't fit into the mental health thing, but they're borderline enough that they really can't make an in intelligent decision. Yet they end up floating into a penal institution with hardened criminals. And then they get taught with and by them. And we

need some way or another to evaluate those people to divert away from the penal institutions and mental health for education. It's a big ball of wax for you to wrestle with. All the help you can give, appreciate it

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I'll be quick one thing I did not mentioned in the first but one of my big concerns in the next few years for Floyd is, you know, our population is slowly growing. But our school population is, is going the other direction. And we have aging schools, we've got we've done a lot of improvements. But one of my big fears is we've got these old big buildings, and if less and less children come to school, and the state potentially putting less and less money, we're going to be really pinched to not only educate them, but also keep our facilities up. And I think that's going to be a major challenge over the next five or 10 years. So, I think this board has been proactive about trying to think about things that we could do to kind of head that problem off a little bit. But it's going to be something and I suspect it's all across southwest Virginia, the same issue in the state. I hope we'll look at some type of funding that will if not hold harmless, you know, population loss, at least have some assistance there to maintain an educational level that that maybe localities can't, can't maintain because of the

Senator David Sutterlein -Well, thank you I appreciate each of your comments in the comments, and then think that in other thoughts in each other's minds, and I appreciate all that. I want to be mindful of your agenda and don't want to end up. Let's see, we're already past our allotted time. But I do want to make sure that I at least address some of those things. But the very fact they don't address it right now, does not mean I didn't hear or take note of it. the police enforcement. Those were very large bills. I think that was problematic in general. You're right about the legislative challenge in fixing it as a result. I don't think those bills were looked at that closely when they were coming through by the proponents of it. Sort of an awkward situation when you're critical of a bill is at what point do you raise the awareness of it. I mean, they passed the proponents and passed that bill and sent to the governor, where you were going to be able to drive with no headlights at all. And at that point, we pointed out to them, that they had done that. And the governor said, well, I'm going to amend it so that you can only have one headline out. And you know, that's the sort of thing. Pretty dangerous driving on Floyd, Floyd roads, lots of other roads of Virginia. With only one headlight not every place has streetlights. And so, I recognize that and several of my other colleagues, too. But that was the sort of thing that happened. And, you know, I'm not a big fan of the inspection law. But it's even worse to me when you tell me that it's important you get it done every year, but we're only going to enforce it. If you're 14 months out, and said, well, that's only important that I get it every 14 months is what you're telling the citizens. And, you know, I don't like I don't like encouraging people to break the law. I think it leads to less respect for the law and makes it a lot harder for officers that are charged with enforcing it, I think we should pass laws that we intend to be enforced. If it's 12 months. Now, I don't think we should have an inspection at all. That's a different topic that I want to go on about today. But regarding the transit, transportation, for folks that are in crisis by law enforcement, that is

something that is being discussed, jurisdiction after jurisdiction, I'm hopeful that we'll be able to pull some things on that one of the challenges is a lot of our mental health laws. And his emotional subject. And so, it's often difficult how we reform it in the way that we might want to, and maybe we might be able to agree to a calm moment. That's one of the great challenges in Richmond is the times they've been written often is because a crisis has occurred. And then it's written, and there's the best of intentions, but not always the wisest policy. So, we have the police compensation, it will be a is always a challenge when you have the different law enforcement entities. And you don't do them all at once. You, you basically set one of your agencies with more money to the auction, and next week, you send the next one. And there you're just often trading the same the same folks, especially your top-quality people that that are wanted by everyone. And unfortunately, the General Assembly had that's been the path the last decade, it's either been no increase in compensation or an increase here, and then later another one over here. And I can tell you, when a when one agency gets compensation increase, you hear immediately from the others, and vice versa. And I've expressed that previously. And unfortunately, the General Assembly has continued down that path of doing those at different times.

Sherriff Craig - Would it bother you to interject on that for just one more thing? We had this discussion in our dispatch here just this past week. My number two man, my chief deputy makes less than one of our just strictly patrol troopers. He's not a master Trooper anyway. So, my second highest paid person in my department makes less than just our average patrol trooper. That's the money issue that we look at, you know, when you have troopers making as much as me that are just run roads and run radar, compared to a sheriff, they don't deal with the stress. Those are the things that upset locality departments, sheriff's departments, when they look at, they're making \$34,000 or \$36,000, in the same trooper with the same amount of experience as in the 70s. That's where it bumps up and it gets crazy. And I will say I don't know, who knows Mr. Sutterlein or not, he has always been at least in my opinion, very pro law enforcement, takes my phone calls and has been very supportive any candidate?

Senator David Sutterlein -Well, I do appreciate those comments. And we'll work to continue to make that accurate. The one good thing, just to make you aware of on the subject, is there has been a new Association created in the last two years for law enforcement sheriffs, which has helped us in our discussions in Richmond. One of the challenges is the and I appreciate all our shares if I represent sheriffs that our courthouse and jail service is their primary responsibility. And law enforcement is done by police department. I appreciate what they do. That's important too. But one of the challenges in the General Assembly, you have so many legislators that only that is their experience, if you if you're a Fairfax County senator, or a Prince William County, Senator Barbara, Virginia Beach, Senator, her delegate, these are the situations and so it's a little harder for them to appreciate what's going on. So, I think that organization has been helpful. Regarding stormwater regulation, you know, I, I represent one very small community that is in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, it's in Roanoke County, and all the other wonderful

communities I represent aren't in there. And so, it's been very frustrating to me. My predecessor, Senator Smith, he had a great bill, to make it so that the Chesapeake policies would affect the Chesapeake localities. And we have made a lot of sense, unfortunately, General Assembly did not think so. And so, we continue to articulate points like that and try to mitigate those challenges. One of the challenges is there. There are some large jurisdictions who are not in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, who increasingly argue for stormwater policies that would run counter to what bias I think a lot of their constituents want, but definitely what your constituents would want as well. That creates a big challenge for us with that. Appreciate supervisor Coleman bringing the Second Amendment. I think I addressed that earlier. But CSA that it will continue to be a huge challenge. I carry legislation that was based on the recommendation of Jay Clark, and not really a better recommendation you can get than that, and the General Assembly, and it was one of those things where you could get the half loaf still, and that was it. I'll continue to advocating for CSA reform. I hear both from the parents that want it for their children and from the localities with the responsibilities to them. Unfortunately, there are some folks their interests that have financial benefit to these current policies. And they do important work. But the reality is, financial motivations, often stifle the best policies we would have for even if those folks that had the financial motivation are doing good work. It still gets us a little far afield from where we'd like to be for these families, where they especially would like to be themselves regarding the school attendance. Long term, I do not believe it will be possible to hold harmless. I think that it makes a lot of sense in, in general, that we should not hold localities harmless, which I know is not what you want to hear. But the reality is with that this funding is there to provide these children education. I understand it's incredible facility challenge. What I think this year, I don't know if it will be in the form of hold harmless or not. But I expect there to be a significant infusion, regardless of what it's called. I would prefer not be called harm hold harmless because I do not want to give a false representation to counties that this is something that's intended to continue, because I do not think it can. But given our current financial situation in Richmond, and the governor elects incoming campaign pledges, I believe, which is aligned with what I liked it, which is nice, I believe that we will be able to make significant investments in K 12. But with that money, it should be viewed like Joseph with the seven good years, need to be very careful with that. Because might not be seven good years. So, I would take a strong look at that, unfunded mandates. I bring up Floyd County a lot in discussions, in part because it's the county with the most modest population that I represent. And I have some colleagues that have great ideas. And one of them is there, there ought to be a nurse in every school, and it used to be an RN. Well, that's fantastic. But it's highly expensive. And I don't, and what the elementary school size in Virginia Beach, or Henrico, or even Spotsylvania is different than what it is in Floyd. And I tried to make that very clear to, to my colleagues, that what the what the cost would be to Floyd. And if they do that, what consequences there might be to larger public education. And I and I think the greater consequences would be worse, even though it would be great, you know, if we find a way to get an RN, and everyone in elementary schools, I just do not believe that it's financially prudent, given our size. So

those are the sort of mandates that I always try to push back on. I appreciate that you talk to delegate elect March about it as well. Something that well, you can help me, but you definitely have her. And this is the case for every new member, is she's going to have several colleagues from these much larger jurisdictions come to her with these wonderful ideas. And she's, she's a fiscal conservative. So, I think it'd be a little easier for her to say no, that is for some of the other new folks. But it will still be a significant pressure to say, won't you do this. And it's important that you all highlight, this is what the real cost of Floyd County is. And if you're able to send letters, when you see these things come out, and tell them, you know, when you hear delegate, at that point will be delegate March tells you this, please no, were the people to have to fund this budget. The only other and like I said, I took notes on all these things. But I recognize you have a busy agenda. So, the one issue that remains that I do plan to comment on is redistricting. It's not final, we don't know what will happen. But the only map that has come out in the last 10 years, it has Roanoke County where I live in Floyd County together in a senate district is actually the current one that we're operating. There hasn't been any proposal that has put us together or put my friends and Carol are with me. It's unclear. If I mean, I think from a purely compactness standpoint, it makes the most sense for the Roanoke Valley to be joined as much as possible. I don't think that, you know, when it should be split, which is where they're currently envisioning. I think If I had my way, and I got to draw the lines, I would love to represent Floyd. I think Floyd should be with Montgomery County, that would be where I would start a district. And then I would go from there. I'm disappointed that Floyd is not drawn in with Montgomery County. I mean, the issues that you address today on transportation specifically, were with Montgomery County, I can tell you the correspondence I received from constituents, your cohort of your constituents, the other cohort that most similarly registers, the same opinions wouldn't be regularly, our folks that live in Reiner and Auburn, they see things very similar to Floyd. And the other folks are folks in northern Carroll County, which, you know, should not shock you. So, I think it would make sense for those counties to be together which a long time ago, where I don't know if they'll see it. Senator Stanley, who would likely be presumed front runner to be here, Senator, I enjoyed working with him. I actually represent most of the citizens in his home county right now, Franklin, right. Most of them are in the district I serve. And he and I also served Carroll together. Regardless of what happens, I unless something unforeseen happens, I intend to finish this term. And I intend to serve Floyd throughout the whole time. And if I ever do have the opportunity to be in state government, again, it's not going to be as if I forgot about my experiences, and Floyd, and all the wonderful people who supported me. And that will be something that will continue on with me as well, just as in the same way, Carroll County and with county and some of these other kinds, I likely will not get the pleasure of continuing to serve. But I really enjoyed representing Floyd. I hope nothing unforeseen happens. I want to continue this. And I hope that I continue to getting the word for Floyd. Either way, and appreciate your all service. You all have been always very clear. And the chairman always talks about how we got off to a bad foot. I don't think he realizes he's such a gentle so I never even knew

Senator David Sutterlein -Well, thank you for that share. Appreciate all that you do for this county. I represent a lot of folks. And I always know you know, I don't think a difference of opinions getting off the run, but I appreciate it, appreciate your service and they're going up. And gratulations on your reelection, I enjoyed working with you as well, when it's been fun time. And supervisor Yoder, probably the first friends I ever had in Floyd County, in part because of his larger involvement, Republican party outside of Floyd. And so, geographically, he's pretty close to Roanoke County, there's some folks on the quarter road kind of think they ought to be in Floyd. Great communities and I love representing. I don't think we should be shifting the county lines. I appreciate your service as well, and wish you and your growing family all the best. I'm going to head out now. So, you all can get on to your business. But please do not hesitate to reach out to me during this General Assembly session. And you're always welcome to come. And that's also very helpful. Especially when we're talking about agricultural issues. I tell folks, that there are senators that don't represent a single farmer. And so, I support that the farmers I represent come there. So, I can, I can help articulate that. And I appreciate all that you've done for agriculture as well during this time, I hope you have a great Christmas.

## 7b. Dr. John Wheeler, Superintendent of Floyd County Public Schools

Dr. John Wheeler - Hello, I was at brunch with our senator not too long ago, and some of those issues have been long standing. And believe me, a lot of letters go out. And the biggest one so far, the support cap, which he's aware of that was put in during the Great Recession in 2008. And has never been removed, a large amount of money that is stagnated, just like the non-vision of law enforcement. That the revenues of the state and the vast organization of Virginia association of school superintendents, lobbying group. It's an over since 2008 95%, increase and state funds and less than 1% towards the support for public education. And as you all know, in the past, they don't fund every position. You've had to help that we've been fortunate to put that into our budget and do it. But there is no question that some of our resources we need people, and we need funding for these positions. We were up to two school psychologists which is amazing because you can't hire those. The SS can't hire them. So, we're in good shape there. And we'll continue to look at reallocate those. But the unfunded mandates are terrible. They're a killer. And it is one of those that is on every agenda to every senator, every delegate from state superintendent, so believe me, we're, getting the word out. And we have some really good people in Richmond that are lobbying for those causes, too. But on that note, and money enough, we don't talk about money here. But the reason I am a little dirty, we saved money, we had our first big truck load of furniture and supplies from the CCDC. Because you got to order them. If you don't order now the prices go up. And we've gotten threatened with the price increase, we said, bring them, that we were unloading those in our current F container. So that was a good thing. And we'll get you over there in January. But it's like you said it's going good. We'll be on budget, you know, it might be \$1 short, you know, below but there's no question on it. And we'll keep you up to date

and for now there is nothing major there. No issues and then the HVAC with our Cares money and with our extra money, and then the new money is a one-to-one match. So, we're working on that but it's been absorbed that's close to \$5 million that was removed from the HVAC is for 4.5 or lower that were able to put all that back so that progress is going well. You know, it's going to take some time for the whole makeup errs the whole systems. Most of the optimization is and so we're going to continue with that keep the clean air. So that's going good. You know, we're on track. And we'll say about the next Cares Act with the buildings that we have two roofs that we're keeping an eye on and have been set. Hopefully, we can pull some of that. But there is a large infrastructure, the small rural school's coalition and other lobbying group for us deployed as a part of our board passed that I think three years ago, the resolution, they are a large lobbying group, I'll be happy if you Hall have anything, I can take it to them. And the biggest key that we're doing there is infrastructure. The other one, which we don't need, because the citizens is the connectivity, yeah, we're in a good place here. But the infrastructure of schools in this state are really short sighted, we're probably in better shape than most. But when the delegates come in state superintendents come, I show him the plaques from the 1930s. And we hit those, and we show them and so we're, you know, we're making that very, very aware. So anytime with that lobbying group with small rural schools, we hit that apart. Other than that, we're making it through the pandemic. There's no question we've been fortunate for this semester. Unfortunately, we haven't had snow. So, it's good to have snow day, but fortunate that we have been in person whole time. We work directly with the health department, I'd say biweekly, I do a weekly call with him, but trying to keep everybody healthy. And we'll get through to get through to Thursday and have a have a good break. And then we'll see what the new year brings. But all that's going well. And as you all are doing, we'll do, I'll probably work on the outgoing governor's budget, and then see what changes are and see what influx and like we always done will be extremely efficient with it. But you got to find all the things you're asking us to do and you're not doing. But other than that, I think we're in good shape with all those. And I think there's a couple supplemental requests that we have, they're the one with the bus, we don't go out and vote for these buses, we're a year and a half away from the cycle, the two things we did was cycle a large amount of money within our budget, and finance that at 0%. So, when that cycle comes up, we'll see what that amount is and try to buy new buses. This was a six-year cycle, this is only thing we could afford. And it's the best way to do it instead of coming to another source. So, the \$5,500 bus is one. And I said we got a great one for you. There is some warranty on it. So, I think it's second one, we bought Dell, we stretch to the six years over, we just need to buy new ones. And we may not be able to get 11 because the prices may have gone up. But whatever we can get with the same amount of monthly payment that's already in our budget, we'll do that one and then the other one as we continue to go through and via do it pretty fiscally responsible, change these security systems as they go out the old one's Indian valleys ready to get onto the citizens system. So that's the other thing we have there. Once they break, we're not going to repair for twice as much money as we can put a better one in. Those are those supplemental requests.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Any questions or comments?

Dr. John Wheeler -Yes. And thank you, Mr. Coleman. And Mr. Yoder, it truly has been a pleasure. And there's no question you've been involved. You've done it the right way, first and foremost, as gentlemen, as good human beings and sincerity. And you do that and yes, that's when things get done. And fortunately, you had the knowledge and the ability to listen to make sure progress happen for everybody. We're all in this together. So y'all are always welcome anywhere you know that now. I'll put The tab in the schools for you all to get a free meal every

Supervisor Justin Coleman -Thank you very much for being easy to work with and appreciate all you've done for us holders and they're nice try and come and hang out the family. Oh, Merry Christmas.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder -I'll echo Mr. Coleman's comments, really appreciate the ability to work with the school board and with the superintendent that knows me a lot in the community. There are so many times that things go off the rails and then the whole community suffers really deeply appreciate that and the whole community appreciates that and, in a few years, hopefully I'm back in a different capacity bringing the kids I look forward to those days.

#### 7c. Mr. David Clark, Resident Engineer, Virginia Department of Transportation

David Clark - I will cause you to get a copy for the update this month it's just a couple of routine maintenance things. You know, this time of year, we're dealing with smaller crews because this is our end of the year holidays and vacations like that. So still trying to get a lot done. Maintenance part is just listing gravel roads. And kind of normal stuff like that pipe cleaning on Franklin pike. We have a couple of nice days, we were able to do some patching on Daniels's run, there's a request to get some of those on the park drive when it goes up to the ball fields. Got that. So also, on Firehouse as well. And some shoulder work on Franklin Pike just a little bit kind of here and there. Ditching on Daniels run. So that's been our kind of our focus is catching up kind of a little bit all over the place on some things. As I've said before, we're done with the construction project this year, which is Roger. And we're looking at the next year, and working on kind of a two-pronged constructions. And we got two were the ones that we have that our contract that we have to put out the contract to fairly large projects, and that would be firehouse, and we're working on the right of way and working on that. But I think we can and it probably will go to have this coming year, we'd still like to get one of the gravel roads done this year. And that will be one that we can do with our guys, our state force crews.

And that will be depending on how we get the right of way Ponderosa would be next. We're still trying to figure out what we're going to do. And I think we can work on that. Not to do that. But the next one in line would be Silverleaf. So, we'll get one of those two. Next year. Those are two fairly easy routes most once we get everything ironed out. So, we'll be working on that in the next couple of months and then we'll have the quarter of the six-year plan public hearing. Probably I think you've done it in March or April before maybe April. So, we'll look at that in a couple of months we'll move off the plan Probably we'll add one or two. We have ordered the signs for the limit parking in front of milestones. And we are working on ramps, we're putting new ADA ramps in on 221 for the push button, the flashing part there by the Moose Lodge. So, we're going to do that the same time that we fixed the sidewalk and in our box. We're going to do that at the same time, we got to get a concrete crew in to do the ATA ramps, and we're going to do that probably next month at the same time we do the one off home.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -Okay, so the next month, we will see the ramps go in?

David Clark -ramps at least yeah. We want to get those ramps in because that's in the ground. And then those the signposts and all that like what to fit around that. So, we want to get that in before we make any decision on size down type of signs. That's all I have. For you over

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I really don't have anything. Oh, Franklin Pike, this really? I don't think it's been done yet. But when they put the new lines on the road where the paving was done, if they could get white lines on the edge as well. Some people out there that are really concerned that maybe there'll be a wetland.

David Clark - Yeah, I have it on my list actually, some of the things that they were planning on getting? Well, no, that was that is they said there were there were some lines painted.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder -I haven't been out there recently, I just had people talk to me about it.

David Clark - They have the intersection 640 and 681 on my list here, but I'll see.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder -It's just out there. And that's the parkway, it's hard to see. And last time the lines were painted, they only did center lines. So, they were sometimes when people were coming towards you in the bog, you can't really see the centerline very well. Yeah. And the white line really helps. Instead of the people that were really hoping that it would be done, I haven't liked it. I haven't been out there in about a week. So, they might have been done. But I felt because there was some paving done there, it would be a good time to get all the different crew was out there. Like, that's really

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Starbucks gravel part is a mess. So, if you get out there with a grater, I mean, you could probably lose a small subcompact car in a couple of the ditches that are now and then sort of the work right away if the road, not just the ditch, and then not to complain about our fiber being laid by various construction companies. However, on 615, in particular Christiansburg pike north of more road, there are some rather large rocks that have been unearthed. And I can see these as being a safety hazard, especially in those curves that occurred before you get to the Little River Bridge heading northbound. And I, I could just see a major accident happening where a car is pushed off or has to veer into the shoulder, they create created some real gullies now, and so I don't know what you can do, but I thought they were going to take care of them, but they just kind of let them. I mean, there's some big, big, large boulders. So, if you could check on that, and other than that, not too much else. It's sort of quiet. This must be your Christmas.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - I just want to say thank you to Mr. Clark for continuing to work on these naming projects. Thankful to hear that our other projects successfully passed last week as well. Okay. Count one transportation safety board there. So just thank you for that. I don't have any needs at the moment. So appreciate you being here, Merry Christmas. Thank you.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Did you say you were still working on the signs.

David Clark -Yes, we have this ordered visit, just the no parking from times but one of our loadings and unloading.

David Clark - two signs on first Okay. All right, they're green and white.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -Yeah thank you for replacing and fixing the 35 mile an hour sign on 221 that got knocked down, but we still need to put the one on Woods gap up from where Baker intersects

David Clark -I checked I'm not sure exactly for that size.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - I just want to thank all the crews for all the work you're doing I know they've been doing some brush clearing and like you said ditching and trying to get around work on gravel roads I know it's hard. No more rain than we've had recently it's hard to machine the roads you know that if you do it's just going to blow away and just thank you and everyone for what you do and hope you have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and we will gear back up I'm sure first of all

Supervisor Joe Turman - Just appreciate the good work you're done. Merry Christmas. Happy New Year.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -I just kept on saying Jerry you were mentioning the thing about coming down Baker Street now. There is an app coming out of the road coming out of the new building. It appears that they're putting a whole Lane in there.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -I'm waving reserving my comment.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -When you leave you might want to go over there. Look at it please. I just saw it yesterday and was like and so yeah,

David Clark -yeah, I'll swing through I'll talk with Jesse coordinating okay,

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Okay. Thank you

Supervisor Lauren Yoder -Jerry just released at some point

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -I didn't bring it up because I wasn't exactly sure what they were doing. Gordon the man that was here earlier everything's going just find.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -Made me look twice three times. Four or five times.

## 8. Public Comments

Will Griffin- not here on a quest, I'm just here basically to say thanks to a few people you know with what we're leaving there. I'll start with you since you've been on the board at least since you've been Sheriff you've been nothing but supportive law enforcement, we've been very fortunate. I've been here even with Casey clinger and but as far back as I go, this board has always been, in my opinion, very supportive of the safety of this community. And, you know, I want to thank you, Lauren. Me, for one have always been very supportive just like everybody else. I truly appreciate your time on the board your friendship. Going to miss you. I'm excited for you on your new endeavors. Sleep now I can on many aspects of what you've got going on. But, you know, you've run with us, you've kind of seen what, what we've done and, and, but thank you so much for being a part of our team. And I truly appreciate it. And there's no doubt our departments been blessed having you on board. So, thank you.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - You have been really good to work with, but you in particular have. It's just been a real pleasure to have someone that's willing to work with the school board is so important to advance a common goal. So, thank you enough. And our community really appreciates everything that shows up, continue to support you, whatever

Sheriff Brian Craig - Justin. I will tell you this, as head of this department, y'all want to let y'all know there's Justin has done an outstanding job, sometimes to the point that that is upsetting to me, but how in the world he can remove himself from the aspect of a supervisor. And then when he comes to work, that my department, he's a deputy sheriff. Never in the world, you know, never did I think that he would be able to separate the two like he has. And even one, you know, with 20 years of interrogation, even when I would try the back door and try to figure out something he'd be like, Well, sure. That's a different hat. Right down, I better stop. Because he knew where I was trying to run. But I can tell you, he did an outstanding job of separating the two. And I want to thank you for that. And it seems like from what I've seen with you appear, you were able to always separate your heads when you became a board member. Not trying to crack on anybody here but to be as young as you were to step up, to try to do the board and to do the job that I had you do. It's just incredible to me, from what I've seen what you don't board, these folks may say absolutely not. From the board side, and also as being captain of my department. I can't thank you enough, you did outstanding job in both aspects of what you've done, you will be sorely missed. From my department, there may be some that are glad you called but I know from my standpoint you know, I really will miss you. You know, I don't want to get too deep into it. But thank you for everything you've done. I think you've been great to this county, this community as a board supervisor, we'll talk about that. And you know, your support for law enforcement, your support for first responders and your support for just the county in general. Also, give ride with us a timer to also you know, that's all I want to do is come here and one say thank you to everybody. But you know, to see both y'all all in your new endeavors. I will say that as of the 15th, I will be fully I will have all the employees for 15 days until just now as my first six years of Sheriff I maybe up to three or four months been fully, fully staffed. Justin's going to give me a whopping 15 days. With that, but no, thank you all very much.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - I appreciate the sheriff. You know, this will be impossible without your generosity and willingness to support me sitting here and I appreciate every opportunity that you've given this county. Thank you.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Thank you. Y'all have a wonderful day.

Supervisor Joe Turman -this statement here is the intent to doubt persons attended meeting of the Board regardless of handicapping conditions shall have an opportunity to participate. Any person present requires any special assistance. Please let the board know in order that arrangements can be made simpler, fairer or open.

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Will Griffin -Good morning, guys. Will Griffin courthouse district, I am here today actually representing the town council service the mayor. And I really just well first start

off with condolences to Dr. Millsap loss her mom. But I wanted to come out today to acknowledge Justin and Lauren for the service they've done. And, you know, words to describe you guys' community service comes right up top, which, as you all know, in today's political environment, if you can be called a community server, that's really, really good. And you guys are always that first. The county has been blessed to have you in row you've been in just enough. You always treated me with respect, we've always been able to talk, I'm glad that you're going to continue on the sheriff's department won't lose you completely, hopefully. And Lauren, you and our friends before either one of us started doing what we're doing. And this life, you know, I like to use one of my very best friends. And I'm so excited for you. And the job you're getting ready to take on being a parent. It's the most rewarding thing, it's the best job in the world, even tell us are going to do great. But just it's just it's been really refreshing and heartwarming to know that if you need anything as the role that I'm in on call anymore, the fact that you guys know you're going to answer my call and you're going to treat it with respect. I know we're going to try to work to a solution may not be out there but I know you're going to give it your all I'm going to give them all got a couple of gifts for you guys from the panel. Once again just want to say thank you for what you've done and you're definitely going to be missed. And just good job to bring something up. We had this picture commissioned a few years ago when Lance Turpin he retired as a little black and white little downtown area. Little thank you note. Appreciate you, Justin. Pretty awesome.

Supervisor Justin Coleman -Thank you, brother.

Will Griffin -Appreciate you, man. Yeah, thank you guys for giving me a little bit of time y'all have a Merry Christmas.

Supervisor Joe Turman - anyone else wish to speak.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder -just in response to Well, I just really want to thank you, Mr. Mayor, and all the town council, one of the first things that I did when I got elected was go to town council meeting, introduce myself, and the town has always been so good to work with. I've never, I've never had anyone there that it's really as you said, wouldn't talk, talk to an issue. And that's really the key to making all this work. And you can disagree. But if you can just work through this issue, not an option of time, you can find some type of solution. It might not be exactly what we all wanted. But it's a solution rather than decidable. It's really appreciated the way the talents worked with the county and you in particular, there's been a lot of issues. I didn't know what to do, and you're the first people I call it. And your experience and wisdom has helped me so much over the years. And I can't thank you enough.

Supervisor Justin Coleman -Also like to say thank you, Mr. Mayor, to the town council as well, thanks for coming in this morning. There's a slight few people here make a few different comments from time to time, but I'm reminded and just wanted trachea

articulated for a minute, the first bridge that we were able to build and that's in fact what it was with this board and the town council since I've been sitting here on a there's been many previous but the task that we dove into with the rec authority and maidens. A lot of people don't know what goes into that. And it's unfortunate that those uninformed comments are made periodically. And how will that we can come together and work together and there's never been a doubt in my mind from this board that account. Council under various leadership that there was one goal that was fully County and I appreciate that with town council with your leadership and thank you thank you

Supervisor Joe Turman -Anyone else? I guess we could go down there with Mr. Wickam

## 7d. Scott Wickam, Robinson, Farmer, Cox and associates

Scott Wicham -Passing out now some presentations and so draft reports for you. Alright, again, my name is Scott with him, I'm partner in charge of the county's audit. Thanks for coming today to discuss the audit results. First, I do want to mention you probably notice right off the bat that the bigger report says draft on it still. The numbers are final. The manifestos and analysis are still being developed. So, expect in the next few days to have a final version. But as you'll see, there's a version in here is how they edited the yellow. That's last year's information as we're waiting on the current information. So that's still an item we're still waiting on to wrap up. But this is still a draft report. Yeah, so I'll go through that audit report, pick a few high points and then move to the presentation. So, I'll start with a thicker one. On page two, you have the independent auditor's report. And this is the opinion on the financial statements. Again, the county received an unmodified opinion, which is the best doesn't even get it. And that means the financial statements are materially accurate. They're presented here. There are a few additional paragraphs here. The county implemented Gatsby 84 to share activities, the larger impact of that was pulling the flexibility funds into the school board financial statements. So, each school has their own bank account that's monitored by the principal. And that's been audited previously, cash basis and are separate before new standards require that to be included in this one. So that audit report is referred to in this one and added in there. So now those numbers are now included in the school board financials. And I had not been previously, but also changing a little bit of verbiage, a little bit of other requirements. But that was the biggest part of that change. But again, this is a good clean opinion. Just a few additional paragraphs. And then the management discussion analysis was still in progress, as I mentioned. But the numbers are finalized. So, on page 15, exhibit one just kind of give you an idea of how these work a little bit, isn't it one two are these political financial statements. So, this includes everything, all of the county assets plus all the county debt for the net position. So, the net position across the bottom is essentially the net worth of the county. As you can see, Asako part of those amounts are tied up in capital assets, which are going to be the buildings, you have less they're related debt. Record the lottery is unrestricted. The county has about 6.3 million of ownership that net assets measured from the school board has negative 19 million. It's my job. But the

school board is allocated a part of the Teacher Retirement Plan from VRS, which is more than that amount. And that's what causes that amount. They also can't keep large cash balances at the school board. As in they have reverts back to accounting. So, in the operating anyway. So, there's not a lot to offset that Seibel attention that they have liability out there as I have allocated by the state, which again has nothing that they've done wrong. They paid with the state told him to pay. It's just an allocation of that liability. On Page 17, exhibit three. This is a little bit more focused in on the county. And this is the modified accrual basis. So, this is it three on page 17 is the balance sheet on the shorter term. So, this is going to be your cash, plus your short-term receivables, less your short term payables for fund balance, fund balance, who's a little more detailed picture of what you've all used the budget with, essentially, you know, quite a bit of debt during 2021. And as you can see, we're still using it there. So kind of towards the bottom third, you'll see on unspent bond proceeds about \$20 million would significantly increase your fund balance overall. But when you're looking at the measurement of how healthy the county is, I want you to have for voters, you really want to be honest on fund balance to see what you'd have to use there. The total government funds overall about \$5.7 million in unassigned fund balance. And in my other handout, you can kind of see what that means. But again, isn't the five on page 19. This is the income statement on that same modified accrual basis accounting, return on cash activity plus short-term receivables less short-term payables. So, you can see this significant increase in bond balance, they're almost \$8.9 million for the county, for the general fund. But almost all Bad's related to the issuance of the debt, which is it goes into your fund balance, but it's not available for do some of the songs. Alright, and then with that, I'm going to jump all the way to the back of the report here. On page 139. This is the gas opinion. And this is the opinion on internal controls and compliance. We do several are quite few tests, as required by the APA, our public accounts. And with all that, there's only one item notice. One finding that was reported last year as well as that when we review the financial statements, we were required to provide material entries to get the books accurate for mostly accruals entries. So we had the books, Cindy, pull them out your cash basis system and then adjusted them quite a bit for rules. But we found a few other items during our review. So that finding is still in there. Similar to past years, the standards have gotten more and more and more complicated and more specialized. I had a meeting with Dr. Millsaps. And, and we talked about maybe hiring a consultant. Some counties do hire a consultant for that service to do a pre audit type activity, something to consider to help get those books ready for us in that process. That's a pretty common thing. And you all had a CPA in that role for quite a while. So that helps, but you still didn't have the filing for documents. So, what that out to nothing is a finding, but it's not a little concerning. It's just that we're not allowed to be the one to catch everything. We're supposed to say everything's good to go. So, we had a few adjustments to the rules, but nothing I was concerned about. On the Uniform Guidance opinion on page 141. This is the opinion on the federal funds. Obviously, this year we did quite a bit of testing on the COVID funds. So, we did a lot the Coronavirus money they also had, as we refer to it the S word money, which was a different pot of money that went to the schools. Both those programs were

reviewed. This is a clean opinion. So, all the testing came back materially accurate. We had a few minor things in the recommendations that I'll show you. But overall, this was a good clean opinion on that federal test. And I'll on page 143 and 144. You can see what's been the were included in that review quite a lot there anything that doesn't no COVID-19 in front of it is linked to COVID-19. I mentioned that finding for adjustments and that is detailed on page 146. If you haven't heard it's very similar to the prior year. Just we found a few of the letters we need. Overall, the audit went really well. The process is very challenging, trying to maintain the safety protocols. And I know we were here and staff here were having challenges and we were having challenges and we did implement some electronic box Dropbox type items and those helped and I appreciate the staff helping a lot uploading these files to us that did help to get the audit done in an unusual environment. But the staff was very helpful. So, I appreciate that. And now move to the presentation handout. is thicker than normal. There's a quite a few standards last year with other COVID-19, they delayed a lot of the Gatsby implementations by a year. So we do have some of the building up and there's some more detailed information in there. On page two, we have a five-year trend there for you. Kind of give you an idea of where things were. And as I mentioned already across the bottom, usually once that fund balance increase, and it does quite a bit, but that's a lot of it influenced by the bond proceeds at the end of the year. A couple other items on the you've got the meals tax increase there and other local taxes. So that's just about 100% per year, but that's very heavily recently on the news tax. You're intergovernmental revenues of 17.3%. But all that is the Coronavirus, money you kind of received. General Government includes a lot of your IT recovery, you'll invest quite a bit of money in it as a result of positions you've had in the prior here. Public safety is up as well when to give rise purchase for COVID-19. Relief. And then in committee development is up because of the business grants offered to small businesses as well as broadband improvements. But those are grant funded. So, a few items that you're seeing the increase, they're all very explainable, a lot of them went into COVID-19 results. On page three, over, this kind of gives you an idea what I'm talking about where you're standing across the bottom, you have unassigned fund balance. And that's really what you have available to us at the end of June. And you can see across the bottom in purple, the percent of operating expenditures, that is GF away recommends you'd have about two months, or 16.667%, of unassigned fund balance. So, you're just below that. Now, you were just above that. Now, just a little below that, but didn't have the tax increase. And that tax increase only went for half of a year in this. So, I think for the full year, it will help build that back up. But it's almost a monitor. And as we've watched her again, that way recommendation is a very, very generic. They don't know the details of 14 counties, and a lot of counties have a different kind of tax base and different unique sets of circumstances. But it's something to monitor just to repeat as a baseline. And then on the next page, you can see I've had a little bit of tax birth considering this on the assessments themselves. So, looks pretty good considering. On page five summary, I first want to point out that this summary of debt includes all financial debt. So, this is more than just your bonded debt. This is more than you're going to make payments for this includes financial liabilities like that allocated net

pension liability, the vigorous has given, it also includes the accrued sick time and vacation time with employees at the end of the year. And other items like that, including your post closure liability with the landfill and, and those items, so all of your financial debt. I do that because it's comparable to how the APA reports their amount to give you an apples-to-apples comparison, you're very similar to that for a capital amount that they had. I do want to note that that number they give us is based on what 2020 calls comparative report. So that APA number is a year behind. So, we would likely to be a little bit higher this year as well. A lot of boys have been issued debt for projects going on currently. So something to monitor there you are right there at the state average. And usually that said I was a little bit higher because it is influenced by the North Virginia counties book. But you all issued a whole bunch just recently so that was impacted. Basics, a visual that same five-year trend data you can see the increase increases there. As discussed, page seven kind of gives you a pie chart of the current year revenues and expenditures kind of gives you an idea of the percentages of where the money comes from and where it goes. Then you can see on the next page, the cash flow investments increase and fund balance in person as well. Page nine, in summary this number didn't have quite as much impact from COVID. The biggest impact of jump out is the increase in federal funds. They did have some CRS Bonnie they did have some as hard money as I mentioned from COVID-19. The charges for services decline there Not having the charges for school meals. Since most of those were free based on state guidance. But 2% increase per year in education costs, it's pretty fair. All right on page 11, we're going to have a little bit of a capita data to kind of track per capita cost. Looking at per capita amounts from 1.1 calls compared to before, a lot of these are in line and you're below the state average on most of those as you should be. I think I had \$133 for general government, and their \$81 for judicial administration, four and \$67 for public safety. Public Works was \$139. So right on that one, health welfare was for \$11. So, you're well below most of these right-out public works. But looking pretty good on the average cost per capita per capita. Pays 12. Each year, we give you this presentation to kind of show you how sensitive of an estimate that net pension liability is from BRS. It's very significant. The dollar amounts are significant that give you as I mentioned, the \$18 million there for the school board that they allocate to you all. But you can see how significant it is based on the investment rate. So, during the 2020 measurement period, the earnings did not do as well as they hoped. So, the number went up this year, quite a bit. I was about a million dollars for the county, about 3 million for school board, I think in Greece there. Now that said, during 2021, I was told they had a 30% return on investments. So, they arrested very well. So, and that will be impacted the last couple of years they'll start coming down a little bit. But so, you can see how significant it is based on one person. Well, they got 30% was a quite a bit more. So, it's hard to tell the impacts of all that going forward. And I just want to point out a software snippet estimate. In the past, shown in Alberta for the OPA, which is the group life and other items provided by VRS, as that amount was \$300,000, Lake County, I didn't show the whole schedule, but there is another similar schedule for that in the audit course, with a smaller number. And then starting on page 13. So, these information on the upcoming Gatsby mutations during

FY 22 Is the leases. So, you want to make sure that any additional field leases you all have that the administration staff and the school boards down start compiling a list of those to evaluate for the next year audit. Because you would need to include a right to use if you were renting a building, you would have a right to use that building asset on your financial statements offset by an operating lease liability. Now some new changes, FASB has put these into place several years ago now Gatsby is joining along as well. Gatsby 91 For conduit debt, that could impact some no disclosures for you on. But I don't think about too much on financial impact. There's a few more coming down the line as well and a lot more information there for you to read. PAGE 23 and 24. This is a report that we do for the APA. They require certain things to salaries and higher days birthdays, because they use that information that's in the VRS system to calculate those liabilities, they give that to the actuaries. And they do all their actual URLs and come up with the liabilities. But they want to make sure that they they're using is accurate. So, they require us testing. We've done the testing before as well, because we want to make sure people's retirements right. But this is a good clean report, our testing for the county and school board was so boring, right? Yeah. And then on page 25, and 26, we did have a few recommendations. These are items that are best practices or not material on the appliance kind of items. And this year that the management did write a response to those so you'll see our recommendation and then right below that you'll see in those top entails The response. And the corrective action plan has been put in place. Not sure if you're familiar or not. But a part of the state's requirements with the COVID CRF funding was that quarterly was submitting a spreadsheet with your expenditures by category to the state. So, they take those compiles them and sell them to the federal government. We had a small variance something was 39,000-36,000, on what you all had in total, as reported versus what you actually hit pay span. So, there was a variance there. And then there's a lot of ambiguity and the different buckets that you put it in as far as was it for public health? Or was it for different items? You all had one or the other. And I just think the state would want it to be in a public health or a different category. But there wasn't really great guidance. So that's kind of where that comment is coming from. As I kind of explained, if it would put it in public health, they'll be harder for me to say it wasn't. But being another, I felt like it could have least been in public health, probably.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -We can record them differently.

Scott Wicham - I have a whole list of exactly who the vendors are and everything. It's just a matter of the different categories of state reporting.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -Now, so many categories that it did fit in and just fit under others is what I'm gathering. As we move forward, if we can move it into the categories, we need to do so?

Scott Wicham - That's exactly right. It's just, it's not like it was happening before. So, there wasn't a let's follow this because this worked last time this was brand new, and then

the state sent it out. And they didn't allow you to make changes. So, if you made an error, they didn't let you fix it. So, it was a challenging process. You're not the only one that had a recommendation and led to this so few other items there. Make sure that we're doing those competent forms. We'll be getting all those boxes checked. I know. It's almost always one page. The top of the thing says if you're completing this local gov employee don't answer question one and two. Well, there's a third question on that page. Just make sure that already was but there is a third question on that page. So just make sure you do answer all the questions on there, if you want to know it was there Few services. But again a few times, the satellite management has taken the plan of action to get those fixed. The last few days was here, there was a lot of information, kind of a summary of the audit process. As I mentioned, you all did implement Gatsby 84, the biggest change was including activity bonds, which was on the 27th. I didn't go there. But you can go look at that as well to the antis. Those funds were already previously as well as that's not a change and then being audited now. But it's just a change and then be included in this. A few other items, the standard estimates that are included, all pretty standard, I didn't point out the net pension liability provided by the IRS and their actuarial COVID. So, the material to the audit. But overall, the audit process went really well. The county is still in pretty good financial shape. I mentioned the define and available fund balance. But you all are watching that and with the increase in taxes that probably kind of expect that a little bit with all the projects you've had going on. So. But I appreciate all the staffs have to get everything ready. And through all the challenges. It's been a very challenging audit here with all the things that we're funding, but I appreciate that you are really helping me out. So that was a lot of information. There's got to be some questions

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -When will you make this a final draft?

Scott Wicham - Couple days whenever you will have the final numbers

Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo -Yeah, that was part of the life challenges with Dr. Millsap. So, either I will have them done, hopefully by the beginning of next week, independently or together, we'll complete it by that this week.

Scott Wicham - It will, we will send electronic copy without the draft and more copies that don't have that as well. But I want to bring these so you have something to go through today.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - I would just convey you know, you've got the Gaspe stuff in here, and I hadn't read it completely. You anticipate any problems meeting any of that.

Scott Wicham - There's no worry

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - All right so not from what I've seen and what I've captured. Because they've come up with some doozies in the past.

Scott Wicham- you know guys, we are 68? Well, let's get to 34 was a huge change, Gatsby 68. But putting the pension in the first side of us was a shock to the system. For everybody knows, you'd open that it was a negative \$19 million school board. And that's scary. But it doesn't need to be. But that's what it is. And that's how that standard went into play then, and then 75 to 75. You've added the OCA portion, which for some places is very significant. You all are mostly just have the group life plans through VRS that are considered open. So, you'd have less of those plans than other entities. So, it wasn't a significant for you all. And then Gatsby 84. The guidance was challenging for that. And some places had the jails were very complicated to implement that on that heavy fund did get merged in on a modified accrual basis. So those were cash basis financial statements in the past, and they were put on the modified accrual. So that was a change this year in this amount of work. So, you have all those standards, you guys are adding releases could be a little bit challenging. So that's why I recommend try and make sure you get a list of at least these together. We kind of evaluate those in the spring and make sure we're all on the same page on how those work.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -I want to thank you.

Scott Wicham - Absolutely.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -Do you fail when you don't meet their requirement.

Scott Wicham -Yes. That's a Yes.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -So I want to just thank you, I know this was challenging for your company too. And I want to thank you for being as understanding with our challenges over the last seven to 10 days. Overall, do you feel like our transition into a new county? Administrative staff has been relatively seamless from your perspective? I don't mean to put you on the spot. Yeah.

Scott Wicham -To be honest, most of what we needed was wrapped up with Cindy, most of what we do now is probably a little bit challenging for you all, to review a lot of the information as being new, coming from the information that Cindy knew a lot about. So, she was very, very involved and provide a lot of information through I think it was October, she was right here. And we had finished most of the work by that point out, it's about to wrap up. But the new staff have been great to work with so far.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I think it's important that you know, because it has been a challenge, and especially with all of the extra monies that have come in. Yes, I know, we've really tried to work hard this year to document and make sure that we got, you know, that kind of counting that is for our audits for next year.

Scott Wicham - Yeah, we will have some more reporting requirements for the ARPA money, right. But I think a lot of places and based on our discussions are going to have to improve processes now, because you've done that. Right. But that one you didn't know; nobody knew on that one. So that was a challenge. And I think that most places will have a little bit better put a plan in place. And that was our discussion as well. So, I think we're heading the right way. And, you know, we're wrapping up a lot of things to the end of this month, but then I'm available in the spring to me, and if we have questions or anything, I'll transition, we'll be happy to help with

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -Any other areas of concerns?

Scott Wicham -It really was pretty good. I was pretty happy with most of it. The number of projects is lot right now. Right? It was a lot not code. John, you have a lot with all the construction projects and all that that would be a focus, I would think, and maybe try to get some grant reimbursements and timely. I know the EDA has a lot of grants going on and we want to make sure that you're requesting those funds as soon as they're available to get them back in. That might be an area I will look at, but I didn't have an issue with it.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Yeah, that's what I mean, you know, any little dispersion on any areas like you would get called that and then watch that. Yeah,

Scott Wicham -Well, when you incur expenditures, right, normally, you would request them next month, or at least in the next couple months or two, right? Now that you all do have some expenditures that had not quite been requested. And some of them may not be eligible, because you've had some projects, they're kind of in flux. Alright, so that's all just making sure when you'd have that many projects going on. And I know Dan is working on trying to monitor what is an eligible costs program, which is not, it can be challenging. So that's a scenario I'll focus on

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -As soon as that becomes eligible, please forward, Okay?

Supervisor Lauren Yoder -Thank you for all your hard work.

Scott Wicham -Yeah. Thank you for having us. I know that was a lot of information. Yeah, we skipped probably 100 pages. So, when you all read every one of those pages, if you have questions, my contacts on the front of this.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - You have a Merry Christmas.

## 9. Old Business

a. Supervisor Joe Turman -All right, we're back into session we'll continue on down with our old business Floyd County Sherriff's office request for pay raise.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - If I may, with that my statements and being inserted into the minutes and articulating my ability to vote and have discussion regarding this matter. And based on the code, Virginia's role two or three or more, did not affect fully me.

Supervisor Joe Turman -That will be true in January. I'll open the floor for whatever discussion y'all want to have.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -Well, I'll just crank it up, we have been proactive when it comes our first responders, and we've tried to make sure they've had equipment to do things that we need, and we've had a supplement to the salaries for years. For my part and looking at it. No, we don't know for sure what the governor is going to do. But it's pretty good indication he's going to put something into a budget for purchases. And especially for first year officers, I think, also was going to be FSA, if I am wrong, please correct me. You've probably looked at it. Looking through our financial situation, we have wanted for years to add at the local level, and we really hadn't been in the place to do it. But I think it is just time. And given what we don't know what the governor is going to do. I'm looking at the summary column starting in January which is the \$22,000. Now, we have to keep in mind as we go into our budget for next year, that number doubles. That's where I'm at right now. If we're going to do this on the list, let's go ahead and do the \$22,000. I know it'll have to come out of contingency but at least I think that'll show our willingness to continue to try and work with some of the stuff coming down to the State. And maybe just maybe that will help keep our officers here. Well, I think we have one of the best group of officers and dispatchers around.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I mean, honestly, I'm supportive of your ideas. But I really am looking to three of y'all because y'all are the ones that are going to have to budget it in upcoming budget year. So, the last thing I want to do is put on your shoulders \$45,000 and then walk away and say you're going to do it to the General Assembly, so I'll just pass it off. I mean, I want to hear what y'all have to say, because I'm very supportive of it if you're willing to push the numbers in the budget.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - I'm always hesitant to even discuss this but even in my current situation, I feel a little more liberty now. In addition, just to be completely clear, clear, it's my understanding through counsel that Once again, able to accurately and fairly, not only discuss but vote on this matter, but I feel like my thought is knowing what's coming. This is going to help. I agree Mr. Yoder, I'm concerned about the budget. It is a little bit burdensome. To think about what we may do here today, or what we will do here today, I believe, and wonder how I deal with that. Knowing what's been laid out

there. And what Mr. Boothe's comment about the entry level positions and trying to keep people knowing what's potentially going to happen if my members, right, I believe some of this may take place on July one. Obviously, the Next Academy class in October with the state police as it gets passed. But what that probably really might be prior to discussion to the to the upper tier, the column, if that's a concern in division, but then your verification on the budget. And that's a reality, from what I hear from everybody off the record, is that's expected to pass, to where that abbreviate Academy will be a tremendous job for certified law enforcement officers. But you know, we're here and it's hard to make decisions off of what's expected or alleged to pass or what the problems might be. It's, it's hard to know,

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -But without the state police?

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Right, the sheriff would be the best one to speak to this. But you know, we've, this board has experienced some loss to that previously, when there have been other localities experienced loss, and then they start recruiting, it's just a trickle effect.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Locality is not too far from here, is proposing they're starting salaries of over \$44,000. During June, July one and I don't know that we can compete with that.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - If I understand your position, what you said in the past, Mr. Boothe is that what you're hoping to do is to have a starting point today or starting point January 1, and then during the budget negotiations maybe add to that, right? I thought that was your position was and I want to be clear.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - And then by that time, we'll know more of what the proposal of Governor Younkin is and what his position is and based on that make more decisions. You know, I don't see Governor Younkin, reducing too much on what the law enforcement was giving. But then again, he may be in one of those positions where he may have to reduce what's been proposed. I don't know, too, we will see for sure what Governor Northam puts out, and then what position he takes on that, then you got to get both sides of the General Assembly on it.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - And one of the things that I mean, I've said this before, but this board will have to discuss salaries across the board with minimum wage going to \$11. And we need to worry about that, we're going to have people that are making quite a bit more than minimum wage percentage wise and another now they'll be right on the right on the threshold. So, it's going to have to be in the budget cycle, it's going to have to be wages in general have to be a major part of the discussion.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - So, in a part of this, I hope that we're able in the budget, not just go to that next level. Depending on when we get our numbers, we may be able to position ourselves where we're in a little better than just the minimum. In other words, spread that out over time.

Supervisor Joe Turman - We just use as a starting point to get I don't want to get political But Governor had four years to do something. Nobody knows what's going to happen. And so, it gives us a starting point in within members agree with me. Ever since we've been on the board every year, we managed, to get to the budget this year is going to be hard and is really factual that we're going to have a struggle to get the budget passed.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Absolutely. You're going to have to sharpen that pencil.

Supervisor Joe Turman - It's short, we don't even have a pencil. Yeah, it's going to hurt. It's going to hurt every department. And that's one good thing we have department heads that work with us? But I'm like, Jerry, I think we need to start off little, build to it. You know, and just show them that we do have their best interest in mind.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Yeah, having trained officers is very important.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - And dispatchers

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - and dispatchers. Yes.

Supervisor Joe Turman - For years, I've watched an officer train an officer, and then somebody or some agency snatch him up because they get \$20,000 more a year than what they're making?

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I believe that, you know, your thought process about starting out with the 11,000. Is that what you said? Did I understand that correct? I mean, I think that positions us a little bit. Like you said it kind of allows us to have that in there. It's well deserved. A law enforcement and first responders' dispatchers. We just can't keep doing what we've been doing. And I know we've got a really good crop that want to stay here in Floyd. So yeah, I'm, I'm in favor of that.

Supervisor Joe Turman - I talked to the officers they're here because they love the County. They love being here. They don't want to go anywhere else. But it may come to a point where that they don't have a choice. And so, anything we can do to help them you know, I try not to be prejudiced. It's, it's hard not to be like we need to do everything. We can help them out.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -How do you need the motion worded if there's a motion?

Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo - With regards to the starting of the fund in January of 2022, for six months and reevaluation at that time?

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - The amount of \$22,988.10

Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo -That's correct.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -I'll make that motion.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I'll second.

Supervisor Joe Turman -motion second in your discussion. Call the roll.

On a motion by Supervisor Boothe and seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the request of the Floyd County Sheriff's Office for a pay raise beginning January 2022, with funds for six months in the amount of \$22,988.10.

Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

## 9b. Redistricting – Vote of Approval

Steve Durbin - Mr. Chairman, as you pointed out the next item on the agenda is the vote to approve the county's redistricting ordinance. You held a public hearing on this last Tuesday. The ordinance provides as this sort of a catch 22 in the Code of Virginia right now, because on the one hand, your redistricting ordinance is supposed to be adopted in a year end in one and supposed to take effect immediately. However, Virginia has recently adopted the equivalent of the voting rights act at the Federal Voting Rights Act as a state level. And your submission for preclearance is pending or certification from the Attorney General's office have no objection tantamount to preclearance. I think when we used to submit to the Department of Justice back in the Federal Voting Rights Act, regime that provides that you're not to you're not to enforce the taking the action to enforce the redistricting ordinance for 30 days. So, while we're, we're asking for you to adopt it. Now, in 2021, the ordinance also applies that it will not the county and staff will not take any steps to enforce it, until after 30 days from this vote have passed. And what that will do is allow the timeline for the attorney general's office to raise an objection to pass. So

by the time you're looking to actually start administering the redistricting, you'll either have feedback from the Ag office, and you'll be able to address that with an amended ordinance or what have you, or you'll be outside of the time frame for any objection, and you'll be able to move forward either way. I don't expect any objects from the Attorney General's office this does not affect minority voting in any appreciable way. So, I think you're fine. You've got a good ordinance here that does what it needs to for the county.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - This and I don't know if you will be able to answer it or not. So, you're saying we take his vote today, 30 days from now, then that starts the new district lands.

Steve Durbin - The ordinance is effective immediately upon adoption, but it will not be administered

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - until 30 days Yes? So, if special elections ordered for any reason, after those 30 days, it will be based on the new lines. Not the old lines.

Steve Durbin - absolutely correct.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - But if something happened, who knows what will happen but then within the 30-day period, it would remain the same way. Outside of that 30 day, you would be all the new lines.

Steve Durbin - What you say is completely accurate. As a practical matter if there's no way we can, there's no way a special election could be ordered.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -I understand what you're saying I just wanted to clear for the public. After these 30 days, everything's by the new way.

Steve Durbin -That's correct.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - And that would be January 13.

Steve Durbin - right. And the only caveat the 14th. But 14 The only caveat, I guess, to all of this is if the state redistricting is adopted in a way and we have preliminary proposals, but nothing's been finalized by the Supreme Court. So, they're there is a chance that it could affect our district boundaries in some way and we'd have to reconsider.

Steve Durbin - So we're away with the understanding that we might have to make some changes, but I don't think so. It'd be my recommendation to adopt the ordinance as advertised and as when I'm for public hearing

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - In the map as well?

Steve Durbin -It already provides that in the ordinance. Yes. So, there's a simple motion to adopt the ordinance and that would accomplish all I need from you today.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I'd like to make the motion to adopt our new redistricting ordinance.

Steve Durbin - Yes.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Motion is second. End your discussion.

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, Seconded by Supervisor Turman, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the redistricting and adopting the ordinance as advertised.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I just want to put into the record that I appreciate how seamlessly all of us worked to make this one of the most equitable redistricting I just really appreciate all for doing that.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe -I don't know in the past, but I think we can definitely say in this one politics did not enter into it at any level.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yep, for sure. Absolutely.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yeah, very proud. With all of us.

## 10. New Business

a) Supervisor Joe Turman - Alright, we'll move on down to the Floyd County School Board's request for \$13,567.95 to be appropriated from the capital of improvement to the FY 2022 school budget \$5,500 appropriated transportation to be used for 77 passenger bus plus \$8067. 95 to technology category.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - so moved

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - second.

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, Seconded by Supervisor Yoder, and unanimously carried, the request of the Floyd County School Board of \$13,567.95 to be appropriated from the capital of improvement to the FY 2022 school budget \$5,500 appropriated transportation to be used for 77 passenger bus plus \$8067. 95 to technology category has been approved.

Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

b) Supervisor Joe Turman - the next one is Floyd County School Board to request approval of revenue and expenditure supplemental appropriation. For \$140,927.05. With revenue source we have federal ESSER II. Funds for a new HVAC Controls and Convector Valves at Check, Willis, and Indian Valley schools.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - So moved.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder – Second

On a motion of Supervisor Coleman, Seconded by Supervisor Yoder and unanimously carried the request of the Floyd County School Board to request approval of revenue and expenditure supplemental appropriation. For \$140,927.05. With revenue source we have federal ESSER II. funds for a new HVAC Controls and Convector Valves at Check, Willis, and Indian Valley schools.

Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

c) Supervisor Joe Turman - Move down to the Floyd County Emergency Management Department a request of approval of naming. Shared draft consists of three award wells. Tax map number 065-69B, 065-69E and 066-5A. All shared property agreed and completed form and agreeance of proposed name of "Poor House Road SW"

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - Are we naming private drives, roads now? What we've done in the past I always thought we've named them lane or drives.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Should be lane or drive. Not road.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I mean, I thought that was our practice, but I might be wrong about that. Normally I just know from the emergency side, if I hit road, I never think private drive

Supervisor Joe Turman - Poor House Drive SW or Poor House Lane SW

Supervisor Justin Coleman - I guess that will need to be amended portion taken up by the applicant.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - That would have been my suggestion, but I mean, I don't want to throw wrench in it. But on the other hand, don't look like that. Then the putting a road on a private drive.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - And I don't feel like doing it without having the owner know this.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - They need to choose

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Drive, lane, whatever.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - So we'll kick it on back and contact the owners.

d) Supervisor Joe Turman – Next, Floyd County Emergency Management Department a request of approval of naming. Shared draft consists of three dwellings. Tax map number 40-140, 40-141, 40-141A & 41-76F. All shared property completed form and agreeance of proposed name of "Blue Deer Run"

Supervisor Jerry Boothe – I make a motion

Supervisor Justin Coleman – Second

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, Seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and unanimously carried, of approval of naming, Tax map number 40-140, 40-141, 40-141A & 41-76F, "Blue Deer Run".

Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman - yes e) Supervisor Joe Turman - Next request approval, name request of Growth Center. Dr. West which was approved by our board of supervisors on December 8th, 2020. Meeting EDA wanted to submit a request in the formal manner for resent information,

Linda Kuchenbuch – I'll make the motion that we name the request Growth Center Drive, that was presented to this Board by the EDA.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe – I'll second.

On motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, Seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried of the approval of request of EDA of the naming of Growth Center Drive.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Turman - yes

f) Supervisor Joe Turman – Next is the request from Floyd County Emergency Management Department for the approval of naming shared drive, consisting of three dwells along Map number 056-148A, 056-148H & 056-148J. Two of the three property owners submitted forms but not in agreeance on a name. Request to allow the Horne Property to name road "Victory Lane", due to longest property owner of shared drive.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - I haven't run into one of these while we've been here, when we've been here through this previously, there had to be an agreeance. I'm not going to jump in the middle of the neighborhood's fight.

Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo - And two out of the three properties if I may, have completed the form so you don't have three of the property owners that completed the necessary forms.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - I thought when we took this thing, we looked for agreement and, in all parties,

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I'm not going to be here to make that decision but if it was me then I would say is if they don't come to an agreement or we'll make something totally different

g) Discussion of process and time for appointment of Interim Supervisor of the Locust Grove District.

Supervisor Joe Turman - now you all had every opportunity, and you'll speak now or forever hold your peace. We'll put that one back for discussion and process time. Next is for the appointment of an interim supervisor, Mr. Durbin, I'm going to turn this over to you.

Steve Durbin – I would be happy to answer any questions. Then once the resignation of supervisor Yoder becomes effective, I will be submitting a writ request to the circuit court to order special elections will be held at the general election in November,

Steve Durbin - In the meantime, this board does have the ability to make an interim appointment for a supervisor to serve until the special election can be held. And if there are any questions on your steps or your process, it's not required to solicit expressions of interest, you could just make an appointment as the court was a secondary of its own motion. But you've already decided to take the alternative process of accepting expressions of interest. And I believe you're having some informal interviews to be held this week. That is, I think that's scheduled for Thursday. And after you've gone through that process, you know at any time you could convene, either in your next regular meeting, special meeting, however, you choose to do it to vote to make that appointment

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Yes, we could make it Thursday night after the interviews if we chose to.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -You would have to come out of closed session right. Absolutely.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - And they are still receiving them until 12 o'clock today

Supervisor Joe Turman - Yes, they have 23 minutes. Now that we discussed I think it is us three and Dr. Millsap. You know, we need a time limit for the interview. And we found out that 15 minutes while back work quite right. So, we were thinking about half hour. And we want to get a few afterwards. Because you would help us come up with a full list of questions. This way, we won't be over the board asking questions.

Steve Durbin - I'll be able to send some proposed uniform questions.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -Just to make sure we don't stray.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - I'm not comfortable asking too many questions that voters need to be making come November. So, from opposition, I think the question should be limited. And just a little bit about each candidate. And, you know, I think we've got a

good vision of what the Locust Grove district has looked for and liked and the candidate, our service triggers continue to sit here. So, with that in mind, Mr. Chairman, I would just like our questions that be very general, very brief, they need to be many are very intrusive, and more or less as to hear about each candidate may tell a little bit about themselves and maybe a brief vision of Floyd County and that should be about all, I don't want to take the place of an election, I'm not qualified to do that.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I think Steve probably has a good read on who we are as a board.

Steve Durbin - I understood my assignment to be it to create some sort of some general background questions that you can ask uniformly so that you're treating everyone the same?

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Correct.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I think Mr. Coleman points out that I would suggest is that I think it's important that you also somehow flesh out to a small degree, I mean what drives that person to be interested. So, you know, and their level of knowledge about Floyd County. That's one thing that I feel like one of the reasons I originally got elected was because I was passionate about serving this office, and I had the time, the commitment, the energy, the desire to kind of get into the business of government, rather than just showing up at a meeting. So, and it's really one of the reasons that I'm leaving, one of the main reasons, I don't feel like I can serve in the capacity that the voters really deserve. And so, I would, hate to have someone appointed that then would view it as a two day a month job and nothing else, you know, somehow flesh that out a little bit, maybe it would be good, and it's a full-time job and a lot of ways. And that's kind of why I'm leaving, and I was just kind of talking to the wife last night, and I said, you know, hopefully they can find someone that's willing to put the work in the district deserves.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - I agree with you on that. And I have a suggestion that you may not like, would you be willing to be here, that you be the person asking the questions? If you're available?

Steve Durbin - I'm scheduled for court hearings on Thursday, okay.

Supervisor Joe Turman - I'm sure the judge will allow you to have a cell phone.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - thought that would give you an opportunity to meet each candidate as well.

Steve Durbin - And I do appreciate that.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Which court? Floyd?

Supervisor Joe Turman - So we will schedule the interviews, hopefully you can show up.

Steve Durbin - Fair enough. Will do my level best. Happy to be here it's just a scheduling thing.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Yeah, we worked pretty hard here.

Steve Durbin - Always glad to help but so with that, I don't know if there's anything else that you all need to address. Got your plan in place. The only thing I think that Mr. Chairman, you're already aware of this but I think that at the end of today you do not want to adjourn the meeting but rather recess and you reconvene on Thursday?

Supervisor Joe Turman -I've got notes

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch -on Thursday

Supervisor Joe Turman - I have it written on my thing here, but I guess with that we can go into closed session and we will be doing in closed session on this 2.2 3711 A1, A3 and A5.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe – I'll make a motion to go into closed session

Supervisor Justin Coleman – I'll second.

#### 11. Closed Session under § 2.2-3711 A.1., under §2.2-3711 A.3., and under §2.2-3711 A5.

On a motion made by Supervisor Boothe, and seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to go into closed session under § 2.2-3711 A.1. for discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment and/or appointment to boards and commissions; under §2.2-3711 A.3. for acquisition of real property for public purpose or the disposition of publicly held real property where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the position or negotiating strategy of the public body and in this case, it is the disposition of publicly held real property and under §2.2-3711 A.5 for the potential expansion or location of a business.

Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to come out of closed session.

Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Yoder, and carried, it was resolved to adopt the following certification resolution:

## CERTIFICATION RESOLUTION CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS this Board convened in a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote on the motion to close the meeting to discuss under § 2.2-3711 A.1. for discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment and/or appointment to boards and commissions; under §2.2-3711 A.3. for acquisition of real property for public purpose or the disposition of publicly held real property where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the position or negotiating strategy of the public body and in this case, it is the disposition of publicly held real property and under §2.2-3711 A.5 for the potential expansion or location of a business.

where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the position or negotiating strategy of the public body and in this case, it is the disposition of publicly held real property.

WHEREAS Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting to which this certification applies; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting to which this certification applies.

Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

This certification resolution was adopted.

#### 12. Old/New Business

a. Supervisor Joe Turman - for motion to approve approval of VDACS grant request.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - So move

Supervisor Justin Coleman - second.

On a motion by Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Coleman and unanimously carried, approved the request of VDACS matching of funds of \$10,000.00.

Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

b. Supervisor Joe Turman – for the motion to appoint Floyd County Uniform Statewide Building Code Local Board of Appeals.

Linda Kuchenbuch – so moved

Supervisor Justin Coleman – second

On a motion by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, it was unanimously carried to reappoint Mr. Mauyer Gallimore and Mr. Benny Harris to the Floyd County Uniform Statewide Building Code Local Board of Appeals for each a four-year term.

c. Supervisor Jerry Boothe – I make a motion we approve the lease with Legacy and authorize appropriate officials to sign all documentation.

Lauren Yoder – second

Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Turman - yes On a motion by Supervisor Boothe, Seconded by Supervisor Yoder, it was unanimously carried to approve the lease with Legacy and allow authorized appropriate officials to sign all documentation as necessary.

Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

Lydeanna Martin - Can I share one thing before you move on. Thank you all very, very much. Both of those also just going to publicly share about \$1.3 million telecommunications grant that was awarded to Floyd yesterday, which will allow citizens to expand the last 3% of roads in the county. So that fiber will be around the entire county. It also includes connecting some people with very long driveways that are eligible for relief, over 700 households will benefit from this from this grant. So, thank you all for putting in \$100,000 ARPA funds match and for applications.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I just have to say citizens Telephone Cooperative has gone above and beyond we are a leader in the state of Virginia. And really, it's just amazing how much they've done.

Lydeanna Martin - Right, other communities and regions had to ask for tens of millions of dollars. And so, this to try to get to where citizens already have us. Personally, I just wanted to thank Mr. Yoder and Mr. Coleman, it's been an honor to work with you. And you know, you're both such principal people and kind and you really have the best interest of the heart. So, thank you all. Very much.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - And this one, I had to bet on citizens and maybe this board should do an appreciation to them.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Yeah. Resolution.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Yeah, maybe a resolution.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Next, the County Administrator report.

#### 13. <u>County Administrator Report</u>

a. Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo – thank you Mr. Chair. The first you see in your packet is at the top it says abstract of votes. This is just for your acceptance of

the abstract is it's done every election annual for you to review. It's governor, lieutenant governor, Attorney General member house and so on.

Supervisor Joe Turman - About this district seat.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - request we do this in two separate votes

Supervisor Joe Turman - Okay. You can

Supervisor Jerry Boothe – Do them all except this District C circuit.

Supervisor Joe Turman - I'd move approval of all of them except for supervisor's district C.

Supervisor Justin Coleman – second

On motion by Supervisor Turman, seconded by Mr. Coleman, and unanimously carried the board of supervisors acknowledged and accepted the of Abstract for the 2021 November General Election held on November 2, 2021, for: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Member House of Delegates, District 07, Member Board of Supervisors District E, member School Board, District E, Mayor District Floyd, Member Town Council, District Floyd.

Supervisor Turman – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes.

On a motion by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Yoder and unanimously carried, the board of Supervisors acknowledged and accepted the Abstract for the 2021 November General Election held on November 2, 2021 for District C Member of Board of Supervisors, District Floyd.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Boothe – abstain Supervisor Turman – yes

b. & c. Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo - The next two-line items, B and C, I'm going to defer. I think that Linda, would be better represented to explain and have her here to discuss those things. If that's okay.

d. Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo - The next one is the Floyd County infectious disease plan. If you look, there's a sheet of paper that has some red line on it. And this is directly related to the last conversation we had here with input from the board, especially with regards to the six feet and with that verbiage with health district approval. So, I just made a copy of that because that was the only one in question. It does start close contact means contact that is indoors unmasked, and within six feet and then you read, so the cross outs will come out and then the clear read would go in. So, we need your review and approve it.

Lauren Yoder – I'll make a motion

Linda Kuchenbuch - I'll second

On a motion by Supervisor Yoder, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and unanimously carried to approve the Infectious Disease Covid- 19 Preparedness and Response Plan with the proposed December 21, 2021 amended correction.

Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo – One other correspondence Dr. Millsaps had was an update and communication that the lease is up for drug court and is due for the first of the month.

On a motion by Supervisor Yoder, seconded by Supervisor Boothe and unanimously carried to approve the lease for the drug court to begin January 2022 with the increase in rent and approval of all appropriate signatures.

Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor – Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

#### 15. Board Time

Supervisor Joe Turman – I told Jerry and even told the Sheriff one time, you know when you have a chair and co-chair, or when you have a sheriff and chief deputy that each one of them needs to know what is always going on. They need to know the when's and

where's in the event something was to happen. That the next in line can go right into that position. Dr. Millsaps did a great job, you did a great job an excellent job at that.

Assistant County Administrator Kim Chiddo – Thank you so much and thank you for being gentle.

Supervisor Joe Turman - I take a motion to recess till December 16th, at 3pm.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I've been thinking about this. And I wanted to ask you all, I haven't completed my paperwork to be on the selective Service Board. Do y'all want me to continue that? Or did you want me to step aside from that? I think that's only because the Situation's changed. I want to bring that up.

Supervisor Joe Turman - You know, you may never get out for us. So, you know,

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I'm happy to serve I just wanted to ask before because I'm not going to be on board. I didn't know if y'all want me to be on?

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - My part is, if you're willing to continue on it didn't necessarily put you on here because just because you were a board.

Supervisor Lauren Yoder - I just wanted to clarify that because I know I'll be given up a lot of other spots. If I can take this time, I know we'll be back on Thursday, but then I would like to just take the time to thank you all for bearing with me, Joe for 10 years. So, we offer last but not at times. probably wasn't the easiest board member to deal with and had ideas. The majority voted against budgets that were approved, I know at least twice. But I really care about the county and the district in particular. And that's really the reason that I'm leaving is because I don't feel like I have the time to dedicate to this position that I should. I believe we come here and not to be a warm body in a seat for two meetings a month. But I wouldn't be doing the job behind the scenes. I really want to thank those people in the past like Dan Campbell and Terry Morris really has helped me considerably over the years. I think I probably just about drew Dan Campbell crazy. I had the level of energy that I had to especially budget. I would read budgets all night and then come in here with about two hours' worth of discussion that he had to sift through and half of it was uninformed. So, you know there were great and then what's current staff I really appreciate each one y'all couldn't ask for a better group of people to work with y'all put up with a lot over the years and have done it with grace and really thank each one of you from the citizens the county. And I want to thank my wife because she's put up with a tremendous amount. She still thinks I was crazy to be here to begin with. It's crazy now for doing this. She thought I was in my first year. And lastly, I want to thank Mr. Ingram who preceded me because you know, I ran against him in the primary. He treated me with respect and I can say I'm better friends with him today than when I was, you know,

before. He's given me the best advice in the world over the years. He's never steered me wrong on anything. And I hope I'm half the former supervisor that he is.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Mr. Gardner done that with me. But when the one you replace comes to you and says, I think you're doing a good job, great job, makes you feel good that they know.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Briefly, I guess maybe the last time we're all collectively together in a formal meeting. So, that's been a good three or four years. I appreciate everyone's patience. That everybody taking time and staff. Then the staff now to be so compassionate. And even to know we've said a few times in the past couple of meetings, that there's a lot of things that most folks don't realize what happens, and just the level of respect, and even all that we've already mentioned, the past few meetings has been paramount to me. And it's very humbling. And I appreciate it so much the charisma from each one of you, the willingness to listen, even when we agreed to move forward. And it's been my prayer, when I've had the privilege to open these meetings with prayer that we move forward. And we've done that through our agreements, disagreements and difficulties. And I'm just honored to have a small part of that. And I have the utmost respect for Mr. Gerald and his family. And It's my prayer that he has been honored with at least some positive things that's happened. And sitting here and again, I want to say thank you to the citizens of Indian valley, to my family, my wife who's been a godsend, being a single parent many times through not only these two meetings a month but other commitments and other committees are going through in the past four years. Just humbled to be here. And I'm going to miss each one of you all and again, thank you all the staff for being so gracious to me. I look forward to the future. Look forward to seeing very things come to Floyd County. So, thank you, each one of you.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Anyone else? now, motion to recess to the 16th at 3pm.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I so move

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - second

#### 16. Recess

Supervisor Joe Turman – Okay so it is set, if nothing else I vote to recess.

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, unanimously and carried, it was resolved to recess the meeting to December 16, 2021.

Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Yoder – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman - yes

Linda S. Millsaps, County Administrator

Joe D. Turman, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING December 16, 2021

- 1, <u>Meeting called to order</u> at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Joe Turman, Board Room, County Administration Building.
- 2. Opening Prayer led by Supervisor Coleman.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Yoder.
- 4. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum Dr. Millsaps called the roll.

Supervisor Coleman – present Supervisor Kuchenbuch – present Supervisor Boothe – present Supervisor Yoder - present Supervisor Turman – present

It was determined that a quorum was present.

Supervisor Joe Turman - I'll take a motion that we go into closed session other §2.2-3711 A.1. discuss these considerations and interviews of prospective candidates for employment, assignment, appointment promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of Pacific public officers, appointees or employees of any public body and elevation performance evaluation before.

5. <u>Closed Session:</u> under §2.2-3711 A.1 for discussion, considerations are interviews of prospective candidates for employment, assignment, appointment promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of Pacific public officers, appointees or employees of any public body and elevation performance evaluation before.

Supervisor Loren Yoder - I'll make a motion to go into closed session.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Second

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Right so on the motion to go into closed session under §2.2-3711 A.1. Discussion consideration reviews are prospective candidates for employment assignment, appointment promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific public officer's appointees, or employees of any public body and evaluation of performance. Mr. Yoder?

Supervisor Loren Yoder - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Coleman

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Ms. Kuchenbuch.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yes

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Mr. Boothe.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Yes,

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Mr. Chairman.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Yes.

On a motion made by Supervisor Yoder, to enter into closed session under §2.2-3711 A.1 for discussion, consideration, and interviews of prospective candidates for appointment to boards and commissions, and seconded by Supervisor Coleman, unanimously and carried, it was resolved to go into closed session.

Supervisor Yoder - yes Supervisor Boothe - yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch - yes Supervisor Coleman - yes Supervisor Turman - yes

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Okay so in the motion to come out of closed session, Mr. Yoder

Supervisor Loren Yoder - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Mr. Boothe?

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Ms. Kuchenbuch

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Mr. Coleman.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Mr. Chairman.

Supervisor Joe Turman - yes

On a motion of Supervisor Yoder, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to come out of closed session.

Supervisor Yoder Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman -yes

Supervisor Joe Turman - I'll take a certification motion stating we only discussed those things we went into closed session for.

Supervisor Loren Yoder - Mr. Chairman, I'd like to make that motion. I move we certify that we only discuss those things that would close session for

Supervisor Justin Coleman - second.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - All right on certification, Mr. Yoder?

Supervisor Loren Yoder - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Coleman?

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Ms Kuchenbuch.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Boothe.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Yes,

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Chairman.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Yes,

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - you have certified just as a recap you've just come out of closed session and certified for closed session

# CERTIFICATION RESOLUTION CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, this Board convened in a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote on the motion to close the meeting to discuss under §2.2-3711 A.1 for discussion, consideration, and interviews of prospective candidates for appointment to boards and commissions.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting to which this certification applies; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting to which this certification applies.

On a motion of Supervisor Yoder, Seconded by Supervisor Coleman, unanimously and carried it was resolved that only discussed those things we went into closed session for.

Supervisor Yoder - yes Supervisor Boothe - yes Supervisor Coleman - yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch - yes Supervisor Turman - yes

Supervisor Joe Turman - And so it looks like we're done before.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - And you're still on the board for just a few seconds. I've said it before, it's been a pleasure. I meant what I said. I know, we may have argued, but I never questioned where your heart was at with everything.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - I'll echo that and I know I've said it to you. You don't want to beat a dead horse. Thank you. And I wish you and your wife the best.

Supervisor Loren Yoder - It's been an honor to serve here with y'all and then to serve the folks in Locust Grove. Really one of the biggest honors of my life. So, thank you. Thank you to all the people that voted for me to let me do this. Alright, the public comment period coming?

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Mr. Chairman is the floor open for a motion? I'll Make a motion that we go back into closed session, the code §2.2-3711 A.1for discussion and consideration your use of prospective candidates for employment.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Second

Supervisor Joe Turman - motion second.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Okay. On the motion to go back into closed session. Mr. Coleman?

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Mr. Boothe?

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Ms. Kuchenbuch?

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yes,

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Mr. Chairman,

Supervisor Joe Turman - yes.

On a motion of Supervisor Coleman, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to go into of closed session.

Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman - yes On a motion of Supervisor Coleman, Seconded by Supervisor Boothe, unanimously and carried it was resolved that only discussed those things we went into closed session for.

Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to adopt the following certification resolution:

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Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman – yes Supervisor Justin Coleman - Mr. Chairman, I'd like to make a motion. We like to make a motion that we appoint Levy Cox to fill the remaining term of Mr. Yoder's Locust Grove supervisor's seat.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Second, All right. I like a little discussion on that. I just want to thank all the people that came forward, and I'm sure Mr. Yoder appreciates the people coming forward from their district. And it was not an easy decision. And I just felt like I needed to say that.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I also would like to say that I was very gratified to see as many people want to serve this county in this way and give up themselves to serve the citizens of Locust Grove and the general citizenry of Floyd County. That speaks a lot to the involvement of people and wanting to help this county in any way possible.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - And the candidates were well qualified for the positions.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Everyone.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - I'd like to add, I mean just how humbling it is. There are many bright days ahead for Floyd County by the number of qualified applicants, many bright days ahead. And I would encourage them to continue to try to look for ways to be a part and also want to thank each member of the board for the thoughtful discussion to try to continue to move Floyd forward.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - All right, so on the motion to appoint Mr. Levi Cox to the interim position for the board of supervisors from Locust Grove, Mr. Coleman.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Boothe,

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - yes

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- Miss Kuchenbuch

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I would like to go on record that although extremely qualified, I'm voting no.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps- and Mr. Chairman,

Supervisor Joe Turman - yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - By vote of three to one. Mr. Chair, Mr. Levi Cox's been selected by the board to fill the interim seat left for Locust Grove with left with the departure of Loren Yoder.

On a motion by Supervisor Coleman, seconded by Supervisor Boothe and carried, it was resolved to appoint Mr. Levi Cox to fill the interim seat left for the Locust Grove District.

Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – no Supervisor Turman – yes

Supervisor Joe Turman - Could you check Mr. Durbin and see how soon; he can be sworn in so we can get him to the board. We will have some actions coming up that we will need really five members. Okay.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - And also, make sure that the Mr. Cox and our newest member has at least the last two month's board packets? Minus some of the closed session stuff. Of course. It has to be but. I just think it would be good. And that'll include minutes from the November meeting.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Yes.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Okay. Well, I just want to make sure.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Thank you. We will since you have them. We'll make sure that Mr. Cox gets them as well. Yes. And we'll double check with Mr. Durbin. I have some thoughts, but I will confirm them before I share them how's that. I think we can probably go ahead and get him sworn in. It's just when they would actually take the position so you can swear in sooner than they actually become effective. That we'll get a final note in from Mr. Durbin to y'all.

Supervisor Joe Turman - yet one more thing

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - I think they have to Joe.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps -Oh, yes, Mr. Chair, I do have one more thing that we needed to add that has come to our attention. Since you all were here last, I believe, which is that we need you to take up an ordinance prohibiting open burning on public property and prohibiting open burning on private property during declared drought emergencies or other emergencies creating heightened fire risk. And I can see I guess I probably should read through the whole thing for you all, and then we'll make it available. Whereas pursuant to 15.2-9 to 2.1 of the Code of Virginia 1950. As amended

the county of Floyd is empowered to regulate or prohibit the making of fires in streets, alleys and other public places and when he declared emergency exists pursuant to 44 -1406-21 of the code regulate the making of fires on private property and whereas the entire territory of the county of Floyd has recently experienced and continues to experience abnormally dry and or moderate drought conditions which risk which create a high risk of wildfires and whereas in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the people and businesses of the county of Floyd, the Board of Supervisors of Floyd County has determined that it is necessary to adopt the following emergency ordinance. Now therefore, be it ordained by the Board of Supervisors of Floyd County, Virginia that it shall be unlawful for any person to light or maintain any fire in the open air on any land public or private, located within the county of Floyd during an emergency declared in accordance with 44 -146. 21 of the Code of Virginia. This prohibition shall include the burning of any wood brush logs, leaves grass debris or other inflammable material, but shall not be deemed to include the use of propane or natural gas outdoor grills and similar gas fired cooking equipment or the proper use of emergency road flares or for the destruction of any combustible liquid or gaseous material by burning in a flare or flare stack violation is or shall constitute a class one misdemeanor. This emergency ordinance is adopted on the 17th day of December 2021 pursuant to 15.2 -140 Excuse me dash 1427 F of the Code of Virginia 1950 As amended and shall be effective for a period of 60 days hereafter unless repealed amended or re adopted in conformity with the provisions of such section. This ordinance shall be effective immediately Do you want me to make a copy?

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- What did it say. Did you say adopted?

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - adopted this day? And it is? Excuse me? The emergency ordinance is adopted this the 17th day of December 2021

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- Today's the sixteenth day and it will take effect the 17<sup>th</sup>?

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Well, effective immediately

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- or immediately. Should be the 16th because today is the sixteenth.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yeah. Just a question did this come over from our emergency service coordinator, fire chief. or a collective of all?

Supervisor Joe Turman - You and Kevin. and he has been talking about this and we've been in contact with the fire chiefs, President of the fire department and this was last night's recommendation.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch – So, we are not in a drought emergency though yet? But I mean, the state hasn't put us in one. And we're not saying that people can't burn wood in their homes for heat, right? Or on an outdoor stove, just making sure outdoor burning right open outdoor burning?

Supervisor Joe Turman - Carrol County declared their ban last night or yesterday.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I mean, I'm worried we've had a couple of fires.

Supervisor Joe Turman – We had a fire today. We need about three good days of soaking rain.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - We've been winging it. Okay.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - So Kim went to make copies. So, you all could read it before you pass it, because I'd like you to see it and have it in your hand before you vote on it. You can.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- The one thing. And this is a good reason. We just discussed it. We set our organizational meeting for the morning of our regular meeting.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Well, no. Yeah. Oh, wait. Sorry, no.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - Motion or by consensus?

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - consensus for the emergency management or for the first day of reorganization? I think that was by consensus.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- By motion. I wouldn't even make a motion to rescind. But it was by consensus.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Consensus, both of us, Kevin and I think it was by consensus. That wasn't a formal motion.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- I would recommend by consensus that we do as the first business day after the New Year holiday,

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - it is January 4.

Supervisor Joe Turman - January 3, Monday.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- Well, they'll be open for the holidays. Right? Yep. We'll be off on Monday instead of Friday, right?

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch – Saturday, so you'll get the Monday off is that correct?

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - I don't think so.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - They didn't give you the Monday off?

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps -So for Christmas we have off 23rd and 24th Because Christmas is falls on a Saturday.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe - So it would be the same thing for New Year.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - they haven't deemed that right now all that that has been verified downstairs and verified in another department the day off prior to New Year, New Year's Eve is the only day off not two days that's correct.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - So it's New Year's Eve is off and New Year's Day or Saturday correct.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- So the Monday will be open for business

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - what it appears yes or

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- I don't care what time of day but whatever works.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - I'd like it at one if that's possible.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Sure may I make a suggestion you kind of have this open on the floor. Can we finish that and then if we might Mr. Boothe and Mr. Chair go back, thank you for allowing me to do that. So, the ordinances is before you

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- We haven't made a motion yet.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Well I've read it in, I don't know if that makes a difference

Supervisor Justin Coleman - It's a matter of discussion until there is a motion.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- until there's a motion it's just matters

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Chairman I would like to make a motion if that's all right with you. I'd like to make motion that the Floyd County Board of Supervisors put into effect in an ordinance prohibiting open burning on public property and prohibiting open burning on private property during the declared drought emergencies or other emergencies creating heightened fire risk and this has to go into effect immediately

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- That is including to the appropriate amendments to the date

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - that's correct and whatever signatures have to be

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- and the amendment, remove Mr. Yoders name from the last page. He is on the board No longer Sorry; I'd love to keep you around.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yep. I amend my motion to remove Mr. Yoders name

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Second open air to be clear, Right would not include any appliances or outdoor heating devices. Strictly

Supervisor Joe Turman - if it's an open air out close to the field or any fact yet.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - when you would brush logs, leaves, grass debris or other inflammable material. Some include natural gas outdoor grills are similar to gas fire cooking.

Supervisor Joe Turman - it says similar cooking equipment, correct.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - All right, on the motion to adopt an ordinance prohibiting open burning on public property, and prohibiting open burning on private property during declared drought emergencies or other emergencies creating heightened fire risk, as amended. Miss Kuchenbuch?

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Coleman?

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Boothe.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Chairman?

Supervisor Joe Turman - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - All right. So, your ordinances passed as amended.

On a motion by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Coleman and unanimously carried it was approved to adopt an ordinance prohibiting open burning on public property, and prohibiting open burning on private property during declared drought emergencies or other emergencies creating heightened fire risk, as amended.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

Supervisor Joe Turman - Now we will take care of consensus. January the third?

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - that one and on Mondays or I could do all day Tuesday.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - one o'clock? Absolutely. I could be here by one.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- Or by later.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Oh, I could do later in the afternoon too

Supervisor Justin Coleman – to be appropriate to consult the new member who's been informed and to make sure it's right.

Kalinda Bechtold - Earlier in the afternoon, works, but mornings are better.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Okay, so let me clarify. So we're rescheduling a meeting on Monday, January 3 at 6pm. And that's going to be your organizational meeting. Right.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Okay. The only stuff we didn't track? Yeah.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- Maybe we'll you know, quick and easy. election, the chairman vice chair and the setting of meetings and should we also say, if there has to be inclement weather then do it. The fourth.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yeah. And inclement weather day. Yeah, that's probably a good idea. Talk to Steve about all that.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Okay. All right. So, do we want to do a vote or is that a consensus y'all comfortable with that is consensus? Alright, January 3, 2022 6pm. With the inclement weather fallback date of January 4, also at 6pm.

Supervisor Joe Turman - And you may notify new board member?

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- Are you okay with the next day at six

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch – as our inclement weather day.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - chair might relate to that. Real quick, is, first of all, thank you all for all the kind words and thoughts that everyone has shared. relating to the passing on mother. I really appreciate it. Everyone's been very, very kind in the staff and y'all and other folks. So, thank you. And, but on the other side of that I have scheduled to be out of town. I've shared this with the chair. I'm planning to be out of town the 29th through Well, first, I guess. Yeah. So, we'll be back first or second. So, I will be reachable by phone. But I will be going to North Carolina to see my grandbaby. I just want to make sure y'all know if there's an emergency, I'll be available, but otherwise I will not be in the building. We'll come back I guess Sunday. That's Sunday.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- When are you leaving?

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - I'm going to take off the 28<sup>th</sup> after work. Yes sir I'll be not taking any other extra time during the holiday.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- I have to ask you a question after the meeting

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Chair that's I think all this staff has

Supervisor Joe Turman - Anybody else?

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- I'll say what I have to say to you because it's probably not only last meeting.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - That like coal in my stocking or something?

Supervisor Joe Turman - So I guess with that, this time I get to adjourn, I make a motion to adjourn

Supervisor Justin Coleman - So Moved

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- second.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - All right, Mr Coleman.

Supervisor Justin Coleman - Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Boothe.

Supervisor Jerry Boothe- Yes.

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Miss Kuchenbuch.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Yes,

County Administrator Dr. Linda Millsaps - Mr. Chairman.

Supervisor Joe Turman - Yes.

Supervisor Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch - Merry Christmas, everybody.

### 12. Adjournment

On a motion of Supervisor Coleman, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, unanimously and carried, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting.

Supervisor Coleman – yes Supervisor Boothe – yes Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes Supervisor Turman – yes

Linda S. Millsaps, County Administrator
Joe D. Turman, Chairman, Board of Supervisors