

**AGENDA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

1. Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Joe Turman, Board Room, County Administration Building.
2. Opening Prayer – led by Supervisor Coleman.
3. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Chairman Turman.
4. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum – Dr. Millsaps called the roll.
 - Supervisor Coleman – present
 - Supervisor Kuchenbuch – present
 - Supervisor Yoder – absent
 - Supervisor Boothe – present
 - Supervisor Turman – present

It was determined that a quorum was present.

5. Approval of the agenda

On a motion of Supervisor Coleman, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and carried, it was resolved to approve the agenda as presented.

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

6. Approval of minutes – August 24, 2021

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to approve the August 24, 2021, minutes as presented.

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

7. Approval of disbursements

Vice Chairman Boothe – I was told that some of our Recreation programs had to be abandoned or stopped. Did we go ahead with the soccer program?

Dr. Millsaps – Yes. We went ahead with the soccer program. All the programs are continuing, but particularly for football, we have had to collapse a couple of teams because illness or quarantine made the numbers too low.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Did they combine teams?

Dr. Millsaps – Yes. Everyone who wants to can still play. I believe we have closed registration for soccer.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Do we have enough to have a soccer league this time?

Dr. Millsaps – Yes, it looks that way right now.

Vice Chairman Boothe – The \$40,000 to New River Valley Resource hauling, is that for one month?

Ms. Ryan – Yes.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Do you know how much we are averaging on daily loads?

Ms. Ryan – I don't know.

Dr. Millsaps – I am not sure, but I will ask Mr. Thompson at a meeting we have scheduled. I am working with the Treasurer about getting an insert put into the next tax bills about recycling and what can be taken to the Transfer Station.

Vice Chairman Boothe – We need to relay to the hauling company about staying out of certain people's yard on State Route 710. One of the drivers is taking the curve too short. It can be done if they slow down the speed. The owner has had topsoil put in and is re-seeding the spot.

Chairman Turman – Will you please remind the drivers when they leave at 4:00 a.m. and are running empty, there is no reason to use the jack brake when they come off the hills. People have complained when they are sleeping the sound of the jack brake jars them out of bed. With an empty truck I can't see the need for using the jack brake.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – Was the payment to All Pest for the treatment of yellow jackets?

Dr. Millsaps – We had a bee infestation in a couple of the green boxes so that is probably what it is for.

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Boothe, and carried, it was resolved to approve the monthly bills and additional bills as presented.

Supervisor Coleman – yes

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes

Supervisor Yoder – absent

Supervisor Boothe – yes
Supervisor Turman – yes

8.a. Mr. John McEnhill, Chairman of Board of New River Community Action (NRCA) to request proclamation of retirement

Mr. McEnhill – I am here today as a New River Community Action board member. I have been appointed by this Board to the agency every two years since 2002. I am here to request that this Board approve a Proclamation of Retirement for Ms. Terry Smusz who retired at the end of June after 32 years of service to NRCA and Floyd County. Floyd County has benefitted tremendously from Ms. Smusz' legacy. Head Start was expanded, CHIP (Children's Health Improvement Partnership) program was brought to the New River Valley, the Homeless Intervention Program was started, and the Floyd Family Resource Center was started back in the early 1990s. In the early 2000s, NRCA started: the VA CARES program to help ex-offenders transition back into the communities, the VITA program to provide tax assistance for people with low incomes, To Our House thermal shelter, and the Swift Start employment program. Ms. Smusz was an invaluable partner to a group of Floyd residents to successfully fund raise hundreds of thousands of dollars to repair and renovate the NRCA Floyd Area Office. She was a strong partner in developing the Floyd Backpack program. Because of Ms. Smusz, NRCA is one of six of Virginia's Community Action Agencies participating in the Virginia Two-Generation Whole Family Pilot Projects which serves the needs of whole families to break the cycle of poverty. NRCA also provides a 24/7 Homeless Hotline for the New River Valley. NRCA is also a partner in the Floyd Initiative for Safe Housing. NRCA was also the administrator for thousands of dollars in mortgage relief before the State took over administering those funds itself. I am asking you to approve a Proclamation to honor Ms. Smusz' services and commitment to Floyd County. Having served with Ms. Smusz for 19 years, ten as Board Chair, I would like to emphasize that I consider her service and her legacy to be a gold standard in non-profit leadership. NRCA has consistently nailed compliance at all levels – federal, state, and regional. We hope to present this proclamation along with ones from the General Assembly and other localities at her retirement celebration on September 24 at 3:00 p.m. at Randolph Park. I would love it if one of you could be present to present it to her.

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to approve the Proclamation of Retirement for Ms. Terry Smusz who served as the Chief Executive Officer of New River Community Action (Document File Number 1199).

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

9.g. County Administrator's Report

➤ Update on School construction projects

Dr. Millsaps – I have been involved in construction project meetings at the high school and afterward several of us met about the continuing HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) and boilers project. Generally, the high school project appears to be going well. It is a little bit behind right now because they are struggling to get enough brickmasons. The irony of us not having enough tradespeople to finish the trades building did not escape any of us. There is also a delay in getting the metal garage doors. Those doors have to be in before they close the space and start finishing things off. They are hopeful that in November the doors will be in. Right now, it looks like that part of the project will be finished in January. Because of the delay they have moved forward with doing some of the renovation work in the existing building as long as it does not displace any students. Most of the materials are on site. Our contractor and architectural firm did a really good job in ordering things early which turned out to be really important.

The HVAC/boilers project is not going quite as well. There is air conditioning available in all of the buildings. There are a couple of items related to the boiler and some of the original design had the hot boiler for the kitchen and bathroom also connected to the overall boiler. This meant in the summertime in order to have enough heat to cook in the kitchen or be sanitary in the kitchen and bathrooms, you had to turn on the big boiler. They have to do some work on those items, but that won't be done until Christmas because they need the students to not be in the buildings. There are some other punch list items, but they are close to being done. The last discussion was where to set the heat on/off toggle point.

➤ Results from employee survey

Dr. Millsaps – I prepared the survey and sent it to the leadership team, but I have not distributed it to the rest of the staff yet. Hopefully I will have it for you at the next meeting. The responses can be anonymous or not. It is always good for employee engagement to understand those things, especially given our labor market situation. I have been looking at our personnel policy and I want to build in and encourage those things that we can and maybe change the tone of it a little bit.

➤ Staffing for Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

Dr. Millsaps – Mr. Sowers, Mr. Belcher, and I have been looking at our staffing situation, particularly because of COVID, but also because of people who work outside the County. We have really struggled with having the part-time and volunteer people we need to make the schedule work. Some of the part-time employees who have been very loyal, their primary employers have told them they can no longer run our EMS part time because of the potential COVID risk. It is not that the part-time employees all of a sudden decided not to work. There are complicating factors that make it difficult for them to help us out right now. Because of it we are struggling to make sure there are two manned trucks 24/7, 365 days. Candidly there have been times we have not met that goal. That is very problematic and concerning in general

and especially when we have all of these other issues in the community. We will probably ask you about calling a meeting of the EMS Board before your next meeting to go into this in more detail and get your thoughts. We might need to add as many as three full-time employees.

➤ Update on Department of Environmental Quality

Dr. Millsaps – Draper Aden Associates submitted a report on our behalf regarding the corrective action status evaluation for the landfill. An engineer from Draper Aden will be at your next meeting to discuss it. Generally, the report says nothing seems to be getting worse and some things are getting better, but some things are not getting better at the rate the State would like to see.

Vice Chairman Boothe – They need to stop moving the target. When we closed it, we were told 20 years of monitoring and that would be it. We got very close, but they keep changing the requirements.

Dr. Millsaps – We are working on secondary things to work on this. We have a bid in the newspaper to start moving some of the vehicles out from there. Dr. Wheeler agreed to get the 7 school buses moved. I got the paperwork back from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) regarding what the requirements would be for other uses on top of the landfill. I will follow up with you and the people who made those requests. There is a way to do that. We can't mess with any of the monitoring, and we can't puncture anything on top and we must collect everything and not leave it behind.

8.b. Public Comment Period

Chairman Turman read the handicapped statement, explained the rules for speaking, and called for the Public Comment Period.

Hearing no comments from the audience, the Chairman declared the Public Comment Period closed.

9.g. County Administrator's Report continued

➤ Update on County staffing

Dr. Millsaps – We've had staff out with a variety of illnesses. We have been without our maintenance worker for several weeks now. We are hopeful that he will be back at work on September 20. If there are urgent concerns please reach out to Ms. Ellis, Mr. Sowers, Mr. Bolt, or me. Depending on what it is, Finn and Fenwick will get it addressed. We have posted 3 separate positions advertised in the newspaper. The two professional positions are also on Indeed. One of those positions is for an information technology (IT) staff member. I currently have 10 applications in hand for that one. I have asked Mr. Sowers to go through those with me. Ms. Ryan and I will be interviewing 4 people tomorrow to potentially fill her position. Several of

them are very well qualified and some of them are from the area or at least the region. We are hopeful about that. None of them are certified public accountants, but that was not a requirement, but a preference. Some of the current responsibilities of the Assistant County Administrator will be moved to others on our staff. Exactly how that division of duties will work out will depend on the qualifications of the person we hire. There was also a posting for a part-time concessions person. I created a new employment application for the County. We have been using the State application which is hard to find and impossible to fill out electronically.

➤ Update on Rail

Dr. Millsaps – We are continuing discussion about a rail station in the Blacksburg/Christiansburg area. We have not been asked to make a commitment. The idea is to create a Rail Authority that would be responsible for a new location. The big financial contributors would be Montgomery County, Towns of Christiansburg and Blacksburg, and the two universities. The preliminary numbers would have Floyd contributing \$8,000 each year. Some of the other jurisdictions are moving forward with starting that authority. They only need 3 or 4 to start, but then others can join. They will be happy to come talk to you once they know more. We would be welcome to be a part of it

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – Would you please also attend the preliminary Rail Board meetings?

Dr. Millsaps – I can do that if you would like.

➤ Selective Service Board

Dr. Millsaps – We have received two letters of interest for the remaining position on the Selective Service Board. If you would like, we will schedule interviews with those two people at your next Board meeting.

By consensus the Board agreed to include interviews on the agenda for the next Board of Supervisors meeting with the two citizens who expressed interest in serving on the Selective Service Board.

➤ Need applicants for position on Tourism Development Council

Dr. Millsaps – Now that we have the Tourism Director hired, we need to focus on the at-large appointments for the Tourism Development Council. I have only received 1 application which went both to myself and to the Town. You have two appointments to make. The Chamber has forwarded their recommendation for the position to be appointed by both the Town and the County. If you know people who you feel would be interested in serving on this Council, please reach out to them or refer them to me so I can reach out to them.

Ms. Ryan – These appointments have already been advertised so it probably would not be worth advertising them again.

➤ Appointment to Burks Fork seat on Planning Commission will expire soon

Dr. Millsaps – The Burks Fork appointment to the Floyd County Planning Commission will expire at the end of October. Please let me know if you want to re-appoint the person or if you want us to advertise the position.

By consensus the Board directed that the incumbent be notified that the position would soon expire and would be advertised. The incumbent and anyone else interested in the position would need to submit a letter of interest.

➤ Health Department

Dr. Millsaps – In recent weeks the Health Department, and especially the Business Continuity Team (BCT), have been very helpful. For some reason we were not engaged with them for a while, but they have become a very good partner for us. We have been getting a lot more information and sitting on the weekly task force calls now with the updates from the hospitals and the universities. The focus is primarily on COVID but also on hepatitis. Hopefully in the New River Valley we are at peak and the situation will soon improve. The State Department of Labor and Industries has put out some new guidance which is requirements for employers. I will need to re-write our Infectious Disease Plan within the next couple of weeks and bring back to you for consideration. The money you provided to the Task Force purchased a lot of personal protective equipment. A lot was distributed at Replenish Festival and at Yoga Jam. They used our temperature monitors. The Department of Health handed out home COVID tests. We have used those for our staff as well as flare ups occur. As of yesterday, Finn and Fenwick have been added to the BCT list of approved vendors. When we have to do a COVID deep clean, BCT will pay for it one time for every building if needed.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – Could you explain to everybody about the Business Continuity Team? I want everybody to understand who the folks are and what is going on.

Dr. Millsaps – This started with the New River Valley Regional Commission, of which Floyd County is a member. A couple of our Board members serve on that Commission as well. The Commission is charged with dealing with issues of greater than local significance. The Business Continuity Team was established to work in partnership with the Health Department and has 1 full-time staff person and other folks. She is in the regional office and is very accessible. She talks to Dr. Noelle Bissell, our regional Health Director, multiple times each day. It has made a big difference in understanding the state of affairs of what is available to us and the best guidance from the Health Department.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – As a member of the Regional Commission, I wanted to make sure everybody in our audience and those at home understand that a regional approach to this pandemic has been absolutely spot-on with mitigating certain developments as they come about. It also helps local businesses. If a business has a flare-up, the BCT can go in and assist.

Dr. Millsaps – There have been a couple of businesses in our County who have taken advantage of this assistance with developing policies or getting a cleaning.

9.a. Floyd County School Board requests a budget supplement in the FY22 budget in the amount of \$388,099.01

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to approve the request from the Floyd County School Board for a budget supplement in the FY22 budget in the amount of \$388,099.01 with the revenue source being federal ESSER I funds and the expenditures being the Operation & Maintenance category for controls and connector valve replacement at Floyd Elementary School, an HVAC rooftop unit replacement at Floyd Elementary School Kindergarten building, and cleaning and sanitizing supplies for the school division.

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

Chairman Turman declared a 10-minute break at 9:20 a.m.

8.c. Public Hearing on American Rescue Plan Act funds in the amount of \$1,529,529.50 received

Dr. Millsaps read the call for the Public Hearing and noted that it was published in the September 2, 2021, and September 9, 2021, editions of The Floyd Press.

Chairman Turman opened the Public Hearing for comments.

Mr. Bruce Turner, Courthouse District, Chairman of Floyd-Floyd County Public Service Authority (PSA) – The PSA deals with the water for the Town and parts of the County. Thank you for the opportunity to come before you and request funding. My part of this is to tell you how we got to where we are at. Mike Maslaney will discuss the details of our application. Will Griffin will do the wrap up. PSA was formed several years ago by the County of Floyd and Town of Floyd to oversee the water service. Over the years things have been done to repair and replace things. But we don't have too many customers, so it has been difficult. We have raised rates several times, with the last increase being last year. We are looking at another rate increase within a year, I am sure. There is a lot that needs to be done. We don't have the funds that we would like to have to do all that needs to be done. We have an antiquated system so there is a lot to be done. We are looking at grants from federal, state, local, and any that we can apply for. Mr.

Maslaney will explain what we are requesting. Thank you for the opportunity to come before you. We appreciate your consideration when you make the awards. Being on Town Council I know everybody wants money. We are not asking for all of it, just 99.99% of it. I know every organization in here is very important and a vital part of the Town and County. Thank you again for the opportunity.

Mr. Mike Maslaney, member of PSA – As you can see from the application before you, the PSA has two budgets – the expense budget which covers the operations of the business, and then we have the capital improvements or capital repair budget as I refer to it. Over the years we've had 6 projects in the capital repair budget, and they have been waiting for funding from anywhere from 1 to 5 years. These are all projects that are essential to having our system working correctly and smoothly. We consider them all public safety and health issues. Of these 6 projects, we split them into 2 and 4 because there will be 2 rounds of funding for the grant. We took the 2 most urgent requests and put them into the initial funding application that you have before you, which is called the urgent grant application. We put the other 4 projects in the second-round application, not that they are any less urgent, but we need to get moving on the 2 right away. Some of them are long-term projects of 1 to 2 years. The longer we wait the greater the risk to our community. With the urgent grant application, the 2 projects are well 6 improvements, and the sewer lining issues with the main pump station on Barberry. Well 6 is the biggest producing well in our system and it produces 2.5 times as much water as any other well in our system. We have 5 wells, only 3 of which are working right now. Well 6 produces most of that. It has a problem with sulphur, iron, and manganese infiltration, so we can only run it a minimal amount of time. Improvements it needs are going to be extensive. We have to put in a green filter, and we have to expand the building in order to accommodate it as well as put a lot of pipes in the ground and a lot of other plumbing, which is why the cost is high. We need to get started on it right away. This pump is really the main pump in our whole system. We are running "skinny" if you will. Typically, our capacity for pumping water has been about 271,000 gallons a day. We are now down to 115,000 gallons a day and our typical usage in 100,000 gallons a day. You can see that if we have a major break somewhere there is the possibility of water shortages, or we could run our tanks down. If we run the tanks down, everyone is going to be out of water, not for a couple of hours, but for a couple of days because we have to re-chlorinate the system. We are a very tightly controlled utility. Everything has consequences. If you don't really pay attention to what is going on, it will cost a lot more to fix later on rather than fix things right now. As far as the sewer lining goes, on Main Street we have just spent \$1.5 million on the new pump station on Barberry a couple of years ago as well as lining the line from the stoplight all the way down to our processing plant. It has been working well, except once we got that done, we found out that every time it rains it was filling up our brand-new pump station. And in some cases, overflowing it, which is a major issue not only for us but for the County and everybody else as a liability issue. We did a smoke test on the main line. Some of you may remember that was last fall. We found out that there is a lot of smoke coming out of the storm drains right along Rt. 221 because the sewer line runs right under it. We ran a camera up there and found that the pipe is cracked at several locations so whenever we get a big downpour the water comes down from the stoplight, runs into the drop inlets, comes over and goes into our sewer and comes all the way down to the gas station, where

it cuts over into the back of the trailer park and into the main pumping station, which is a big, big “no, no.” It jumps our processing water from what is typically 150,000 gallons a day to as much as 900,000 gallons in a big downpour. As you can see, we are really in a precarious situation with respect to that. Now we did have an issue with the elementary school, but luckily, we found out what that was by doing several smoke tests there. The school system was excellent at attacking the problem. We got the roof drains, which were running directly into our system, re-routed, and now they are going to a different location, and we are already seeing some of the effects of that, but we are still worried about what is going to happen on Rt. 221. The good news about the Rt. 221 lining is that we can piggyback off of a contract that Roanoke has for a lining company. They will be doing a lot of lining down there within the next year and there is a cooperative agreement set up with respect to them, so we won’t have to go out for a bidding process. We can leverage their purchasing power as well as work between the schedule to get that done. Those are the 2 essential projects. They are both really a matter of public health and safety. We need to address them rapidly. Sorry it is so much money. I say every time we dig a hole in this Town or County for the PSA it seems to cost \$100,000 at least. It is getting more expensive for all of the parts. It is getting more expensive for labor. You are digging up somebody’s yard or the street or something else. It is something we have to live with. We have a very old system that was put in place. It is about 70 years old, and it is getting older every day. These are the immediate projects we have right now. But it will not be the last of what we need moving forward. We would appreciate your help and consideration on these. I will talk to you about the second round when we get there. If you have any questions don’t hesitate to contact me. Thank you very much.

Mr. Will Griffin, Mayor of Town of Floyd, and Vice Chairman of PSA – Thank you for the opportunity to come before you and ask for some funds. It is too bad we have to come here for a handout. What we found out from the Regional Commission and other water authorities is that you need a customer base of about 3,000 customers to be able to operate a PSA efficiently. We are at 550, so it is really hard for us to make up ground through rate increases when we are dealing with something like what we have in front of us now. That is what has brought us here to this point to ask for the funding. Mike (Maslaney) knows this stuff. It is so good to have an engineer on a Board like this. We are also blessed that we have Trent Cox. He does this exact same job in Roanoke. The Board is very knowledgeable. I don’t have any knowledge about it, and I don’t know if Linda (Supervisor Kuchenbuch and member of PSA) and Jerry (Vice Chairman Boothe and member of PSA) can claim to. We depend on them a lot. They are fantastic. From the Town’s perspective our share of the ARPA funds is about \$452,000. We just received a round of \$226,000. The goal of the Council is to put as much money as we can into the PSA to help with overruns on this project that maybe you can’t cover. I know it is a joint thing and if the Town could do more, we would do more. Our funding is fairly tight. Again, I appreciate everything that you do and the consideration you will give to this request is greatly appreciated and very much needed. I’ve got some letters of support. Each member of the Board has signed that. Thanks for your time.

Ms. Nikki King, Clerk of the Combined Court – Thank you for your time today. Each of you should have been provided with a folder of information for today’s meeting. I just brought an additional sheet. As you know the pandemic has, and still is taking a toll on

everyone in their own way. You recognized this in 2020 when you issued a local Declaration of Emergency. As you read in your packet the Supreme Court has issued 27 orders that have changed multiple things that the court handles. Just to name a few: there are modified court dates, halted cases, changes in civil filings that are allowed, cases that were still held were for emergency situations that were to protect the children and victims of Floyd County, but also to give due justice to whomever the allegations were against. Although this may seem to have been less work, it is actually more work to set things over on a day-to-day basis as these orders were changed and extended. It caused more work to find agreeable dates for multiple parties and we were also making sure to adapt to changes in the orders. The first grant would be the one asking the County to supplement our salaries with these funds as hazard duty pay. We were essential workers throughout this whole entire process and still are. On attachment 1 I have a table that calculates the hours worked times \$4 to get the total that would be requested. The second request is for repairs to the office. I feel that the County could use the grant funds to complete these repairs from the infection control aspect which in turn would save the County money. The pictures are in the back of your packet. In closing it may seem like I am asking for a lot, but I would encourage each of you to come by when court is in session to further understand the need for this that we are asking for today. Thank you again for your time and I will be happy to answer any questions you might have and come back to other meetings if needed. Thank you.

Mr. Leon Moore, Burks Fork District – Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you today. The comments I have this morning come from several different people in the County that I know and representative of every person who serves on this Board. I talk to a lot of people. They have asked me to come today because they either can't or are afraid to. I have talked to individuals in every one of your districts. The first thing I would like to do is to say, Mr. Coleman, I'm certainly sorry to see you leave the Board. I appreciate your help and I appreciate your time. I know it is a dedicated person to serve in law enforcement and the Board of Supervisors also. Of course, most of you know me because I have been here on quite a few occasions. But the comments I have this morning are from the heart and from the heart of a lot of people in the County. I've come this morning because of a disturbing article I saw in The Floyd Press and The Roanoke Times. That is the fact that our law enforcement and emergency people are underpaid. They are not being adequately compensated for the time and effort that they put in and the risk they take every day. This did not come from any of those people. This comes from Leon Moore and other people in Floyd County. I understand that because I have relatives who are in law enforcement and have been for years. I understand where they come from. I have relatives who are in the healthcare industry. I understand when they talk about COVID. I understand when they talk about going out and picking up somebody on the highway who has had an accident and they know the person isn't going to make it, but they do the best they can for them anyway. I don't come to you this morning with an amount. I'm coming to you asking our Chairman to appoint a committee or appoint groups of the Board to sit down and look at providing bonuses out of these funds, which you can because other counties have, for law enforcement, our 911 operators, our rescue people, and any other individual who puts their life on the line every day. I know they do. There are a lot of worthwhile projects people are going to ask for. But the one thing that the President of the United States and the Chairman of the

Board of Supervisors is tasked with is providing safety, security of all members of their district of the United States of America and their counties. By having a well-compensated emergency staff and police force that is one of the prime things that this Board and the County Administrator is responsible for. I have been in this County now since 1988. I have seen a lot of changes. I want to assure you from people I have talked to in Washington, Richmond, and the Town, things in Floyd County are going to change. We are going to need the people like that gentleman sitting there and our Sheriff. None of them has asked me to be here today. I come for Leon Moore and other residents of the County. I want you to look at this thing and be very aware of what these people do and provide some compensation for them so we can keep them on the job and helping the people of this County. That is basically what I have to say this morning. I thank each of you for being here and the time that you spend. It is a very thankless job for the amount of money you make. Thank you very much.

Chairman Turman – I tuned into the School Board meeting for a little bit. I think it is a disgrace that some sat there and called the deputies who were there “mask nazis.” People come in here and want us to fund these people when they get called names. I have been there; I know. I think it is a disgrace for citizens to do that. I really do. Well, I will shut up before I really get started.

Ms. Nancy Tome, Executive Director of Plenty! – Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you today regarding the local County grant program from the American Rescue Plan. We all know the impacts of COVID-19 on operations and our patrons. Our proposal outlines 3 initiatives that fall within the area of responding to public health needs and economic damage from the pandemic, specifically responding to economic harm to workers, families, and nonprofits. Plenty! is a reliable ongoing source of food for people experiencing food insecurity in Floyd County. We grow, purchase, and receive donations on an average of 5,000 pounds per week. This is a high labor-intensive process to gather, sort, inspect, store, and pack food to be delivered door-to-door and also through our drive-through pantry at our facility. We also support the needs of other community nonprofits as our inventory allows. Plenty! is unique in that we can grow and receive large amounts of fresh produce and other perishables. This is largely possible due to previous support from the County via the CARES Act. It significantly increased Plenty’s! cold storage capabilities in 2020. The perishable needs and temperature control needs of our food require a high degree of training and responsiveness to our operations. Our focus on fresh foods and vegetables makes Plenty! a meaningful contributor to improving the health of Floyd County residents. Volunteers donate thousands of work hours annually, which is responsible for most of the work needed to gather, process, repackage, pack, deliver, and serve with the drive-through pantry. During 2020 and 2021, 60 volunteers a week served 1,450 individuals each week, including 370 children. This represents 9% of Floyd County residents. Volunteer work hours have dropped 18% year-to-date in 2021 compared to the same period in 2020. Interruptions in daily lives to Floyd County residents are impacting their food security and their ability to volunteer. The loss of volunteer hours and ongoing demand for services has the effect of doubling the impact of COVID-19 for Plenty! On one hand we must continue to operate and on the other hand the availability of staffing continues to be a big challenge. At the start of the pandemic, we adopted recommended COVID19 safety protocols and re-engineered

pantry services from a choice shopping experience to a drive-through pre-packaged driving experience, largely outdoors. We anticipated this change would be temporary in nature. However, nearly 2 years later, our staff and volunteers are understanding that the situation is ongoing and will last into the foreseeable future. We have requested funding under ARPA for the implementation of 3 key initiatives that will ensure service despite the ongoing COVID-19 impacts and disruptions. The goals of the 3 initiatives are to backfill the volunteer work hours gap, to streamline operations to increase our ability to distribute more resources to community partners, and to adapt our facility for the outdoor operation of our drive-through pantry, which is made necessary by COVID-19. I thank you for consideration of our proposal and we are available to answer questions as they arise as you evaluate all of these proposals.

Mr. Bob Smith, Indian Valley District – I am speaking in two capacities today, first as an individual. I cannot come anywhere near to approaching the eloquence of Mr. Moore. I am also here on behalf of the Electoral Board. One of the other basic functions of government is to ensure that the voting process is handled efficiently and fairly in all aspects. We have been mandated from Richmond to make lots and lots of changes including improvements to our cybersecurity systems. We appreciate your consideration of that as well.

Ms. Kathleen Legg, Tourism Director – Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you today. I want to ask that you keep in mind ShopFloydVA for a request for funds. I haven't submitted a request to you yet, but I plan to have it to you by the end of this week. ShopFloydVA is an ecommerce-based website. It is the sister website to VisitFloydVA that is for visitors and tourism. It was created last fall right before the holiday season with the mindset of helping businesses through the hardship of COVID. Funds from CARES were actually used to create the website as well as marketing through the holiday season and IT support for businesses. Businesses on the website are allowed to list photos of their products, information about their business, as well as links to their sites where people can go buy things. As a result of your investment, businesses had over \$100,000 in revenue just for that holiday season. This request will be for more IT support. I reached out to a lot of businesses to get their feedback on how we can help improve the ShopFloydVA website and increase that revenue again during this holiday season. The IT support will go toward updating the website and help other businesses become part of the website. At that time, we had about 80 businesses, which include retail, farms, artisans, and restaurants, to help them with their curbside service. The request will include funds for marketing support. We hope to have the marketing go throughout the holiday season and into the next year, hopefully through Valentine's Day. We hope to generate more revenue than the \$100,000 received last year. Please keep in mind ShopFloydVA and that request will be to you by the end of this week. Thank you.

Mr. Rick Parrish, resident of Town of Floyd and member of PSA – Thank you for this opportunity to speak. I am here today as a citizen, but one with an extra little bit of knowledge afforded to me by sitting on the PSA. As stated before, parts of the system are over 70 years old. Most of you are well aware that we have had multiple failures attributable to that problem. I wasn't here for all of Mr. Turner's presentation, but I do know as a result of sitting on the Board, that there are individuals and developers waiting

with millions of dollars of investment to make in this County once they hear if PSA has capacity to handle their needs. Just like good law enforcement and good schools, we need a good infrastructure to attract businesses and housing developers. All of these companies will be looking at those things, including our ability to provide the water and sewer that they need without interruptions. It is worth saying that these projects proposed modestly by the PSA, although the numbers are large, are the epitome of what these funds are allegedly designed to be used for. I would hope that you would give this careful consideration as it affects the future of our County, all of our residents, all of our government, non-government, and non-profit agencies. All of the other organizations that need some of these funds would definitely be affected by PSA's ability to provide those services and as they reach out into the edges beyond the Town, that is critical to development and keeping it close into the population center. We don't want development spreading willy-nilly across the County and I know most of you feel the same way about that. Please give careful consideration to the needs of our County and the PSA. Thank you very much.

Ms. Kamala Bauer, Little River District sent an email which was read into the record by Supervisor Kuchenbuch – My husband and I also own several business properties in and around the town of Floyd. I can attest to the need for repair, upgrade, and expansion of the PSA. Creating a property suitable for an important new business in Floyd was close to impossible and ultimately very expensive for us, due to the limitations of the current PSA system. The presence of a fully operational public water and sewer system is foundational to business development. I request that the Board of Supervisors invest in the PSA now with the available funds from the American Rescue Plan, and most important – create a plan for the PSA that includes location and inspection of the current system. This plan should look to potential future business and residential development. Additional infrastructure funds are likely to be coming soon with the passage of the Congressional infrastructure plan. It would serve Floyd well to be prepared for these funds with the creation of a “shovel ready” plan. As you know, plans like these are expensive as they require extensive design and engineering work. There is no way that a community the size of Floyd can make the necessary upgrades to our PSA without state and federal funds in addition to local support. An important role of our local government representatives is to plan and advocate for the basic needs of the community. It will also be important to make known and request help of our state and federal representatives. Again, I request that the Board of Supervisors look to the future of Floyd and spend a large portion of the American Rescue Plan that the County has received on a long-term investment that will serve us now and for future generations – the PSA. Thank you for all you do for the Floyd community.

Ms. Lydeana Martin, Community and Economic Development Director – Floyd County is served by Citizens Telephone Cooperative for fiberoptic infrastructure. Currently they have been able to extend fiber to about 60% of the County, but there will be areas they are not able to reach by themselves because of how spread out the houses are and how expensive it is to extend the fiber. We have been working with them on a grant application to the State for their Virginia Telecom Initiative fund. We have prepared an application to them for just over \$1.3 million. Citizens would match that by just over \$1 million. The grant requirement says there needs to be local ARPA funds to

make it be competitive. This is potentially over a \$2 million project to extend fiber to the last 3% of the public roads in Floyd County. It would also help people on long driveways. There are certain income eligibilities in the grant requirements (for long driveways). In total it would help 722 households if the grant is fully funded. That connection to fiber has become a lifeline – not quite on the order of water – of economy, access to health care, an opportunity to start or grow a business, for education and training. It has really become the modern telephone and electricity utility for our times. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Hearing from no further speakers, Chairman Turman closed the Public Hearing.

8.d. Mr. David Clarke, Resident Engineer, Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)

Mr. Clarke provided construction and maintenance updates:

One the construction side – The Six Year Road project for this year was Roger Road and that is now complete. The next project on the list is Ponderosa Road and after that Firehouse Road. We are still working through some right-of-way donations on each of those. Hopefully we will have one of those ready for construction next year. I have the updated allocations for this year FY22 and the next six years. The estimates get shakier as you get to the last two years, and I wouldn't put too much stock in those numbers. Right now, it is showing \$597,000 in allocations for FY22, most of that has to go to unpaved roads with about \$48,000 for other types of construction. Generally, we just lump it in with the unpaved roads as it is never enough to do much.

We are closing Rt. 769, Lee Lane, for about 3 weeks between Merifield Road and Firehouse Road for a low water bridge replacement. Hopefully we will be done by October 1 because that is a hard date, and we can't work in streams.

On the maintenance side –

Doing some cleaning from storm debris	
Pothole patching	Bethlehem Church Road, Gallimore Lane, and Christiansburg Pike
Shoulder work	Route 8, Shooting Creek Road, Franklin Pike
Mowing and brush cutter	Daniels Run Road, Kings Store Road, Cannadays School Road
Pipe replacement	Lick Ridge Road
Overlay schedule	Finished in Floyd
Working on 4-way stop	Franklin Pike and Shooting Creek Road. It is more than putting up stop signs. It is public information outreach so people will know they have to stop.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – I sit sometimes and watch the intersection of Franklin Pike and Shooting Creek Road and some people blow right through the stop sign. I would like to see a very assertive campaign to make sure people understand that there is a 4-way stop, whether it be lighted signs, or anything to bring attention to it. It has also been brought to our attention that coming from Rt. 221 down towards the Parkway there is a rise. Could we cut that rise somehow without creating too much work?

Mr. Clarke – It would be easier to move the road.

Vice Chairman Boothe – How about rumble strips or bump strips or continuous flashing lights?

Mr. Clarke – Snowplows tear up the strips.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Then how about flashing lights?

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – Any way we can start the process of slowing people down before they get to the stop sign would help. The issue is there are a lot of tractor-trailers in there. The 4-way stop sign will be very, very important. But whatever you have in your bag of tools to bring this to the forefront will save someone's life. A gentleman contacted me about a large maple that is dying at 2012 Stonewall Road, and it will fall soon right into the road. It is in the VDOT right of way. Thank you for all the work that everybody is doing on the roadways and for the mowing. I appreciate that very much.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Thank you for fixing the potholes on Gallimore Lane. I have been told there are terrible potholes on Rt. 719, Laurel Branch Road, on the end by Slaughters. Citizens appreciate the machining on roads, but a couple have asked that you go back and ditch the roads when you are finished. You mentioned that you were working on shoulders on Rt. 8 and that is good. You told me whenever they gave you a number on the safety money you would have some idea of a schedule for the crosswalk in Town. Have you received that number yet?

Mr. Clarke – I am expecting to get that this month.

Vice Chairman Boothe – That means next month I can start telling people when it will be scheduled. I appreciate all the work the workers are doing. Please put any pressure you can bring on Richmond to let you have more workers or hire replacements. If we can help with that, please let us know if we need to draft a letter.

Chairman Turman – We need to draft a letter.

Vice Chairman Boothe – It is hard to maintain something when you don't have the bodies to do it. It is bad enough when you don't have the money, but when you don't have the bodies, it is near impossible. Back in the 1930s when the State took over all these roads, they entered into an oral agreement with localities to maintain the roads to a certain standard. Richmond is not keeping their word on that. We have the authority to take some of the money from the Six Year Plan and put it on the existing roads. At some

point in time this Board needs to do that to get our secondary roads back to where they need to be.

Supervisor Coleman – The things I requested have already been patched and fixed. We need to have a conversation about sign placement. I appreciate all the work that has been done.

Chairman Turman – I appreciate all the work you are doing with the limited amount of funds. On Laurel Branch Road where you come down to the west fork, the road is falling apart by the bridge. A lot of roads in my district are washboards. The last hard rain ditched Reece Road really bad. Where they put the surface treatment on Sugar Tree Road, it now has washboards. A hole keeps showing up on Buffalo Mountain Road and it is getting bigger. You have patched it, but the culvert is probably decaying under the road. The new bridge over by Gardner Road is very bumpy. Someone pointed out to me that as you come down the hill above Food Lion, you are in 25 mph and then it goes to 35 mph and then in 50' it goes to 45 mph. He asked why that short section of 35 mph.

Vice Chairman Boothe – That was done years ago specifically to slow traffic coming into Town. It is the same in both directions. I have no problem with backing it up and making the 35 mph a little longer. I think the Town of Floyd is interested in extending the 25 mph at least to the town limits out at the post office and then have it 35 mph to the 45 mph zone.

Mr. Clarke – We used to do that a lot to step it down, now we just drop it down.

Chairman Turman – Sometime when you are over here and have an hour, give me a call so you and I can stop and talk to one of the residents who gave us the petition for Deharts Store Road.

Mr. Clarke – Sure, I will get in touch with you.

Vice Chairman Boothe – On Rt. 221 I noticed VDOT trucks were pumping curbing drains out. Did they do that on Rt. 8 too? Could we get them back to do the part from the stoplight toward Christiansburg? There are some people down there who are having water problems. I think some of their problem is where the drains need to be cleaned out.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – They are having some issues between Penn Road and Little River Road. I believe it is because there is a spring there. I am concerned that if it is not properly fixed by this winter, we are going to have some very dangerous situations. Right now, it is great looking dirt.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Prior to them putting the fiber line in there I know 2 different people who had vehicle problems and pulled over onto the shoulder and they ended up being towed out. That side of the road has been a problem. This is a prime time to fix it.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – With this step down do you have to go through all the bureaucracy to tweak things if they are already there?

Mr. Clarke – Probably not. My traffic engineer will tell me. I would think since the study has been done for a step down, they could adjust that as they see fit.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – I don't mind the step down, but I think they can be extended a little bit. Floyd has gotten a lot busier than when they were first put in on all four inlets into the Town.

Supervisor Coleman – The same crew that marred up the brand-new asphalt on White Rock Road and Copper Valley Road, when they came back and sloped it and seeded it, they have sloped it so that it runs out into the road. They put too much back and it is not even. Anytime there is any moisture it comes right into the road. The dirt is right against the line. Maybe they could fix that and smooth out the road too.

Chairman Turman – Just below C.W. Harmans since they paved the road a lady went off the road into the ditch and flipped her car. I don't know what the fix is because every time there is a big rain it washes the ditch out.

8.e. Dr. John Wheeler, Superintendent, Floyd County Public Schools

Dr. Wheeler updated the Board on issues and events at Floyd County Public Schools:

- 1) We are doing well with keeping kids in school and the number of cases;
- 2) I talk once a week formally and 3 or 4 times a week with the Health District and they have our 5 school districts and they do so much for us;
- 3) Most school divisions are looking at hiring outside firms to do contact tracing; our 5 school nurses are exceptional, and the Health District follows behind;
- 4) They are keeping this community as healthy as possible;
- 5) We have a very good attendance rate, and we are not having to close;
- 6) The biggest bump was getting the parking lot finished;
- 7) The LED lights are up and are very inexpensive to run;
- 8) We will have the field dedication ceremony this Friday at 5:30 p.m. for Coach Beale;
- 9) We are behind on the CCDC but we are not displaced;
- 10) We are behind on phase 1 but it does not have a huge impact on us school wise;
- 11) The negative impact will be to the company who will lose money if they don't finish on time;
- 12) The 2nd phase is next January;
- 13) We have the materials, but they can't keep workers continuously;
- 14) From the reports we get from Thompson & Litton our project is going the smoothest and best because Erica Sunshine stays on top of it;
- 15) The HVAC project is rolling too;
- 16) Our Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) funds will predominantly be used for the other HVAC elements taken out;
- 17) These other elements are old and 2 of them have already broken; controls that had to be replaced at Willis Elementary and Floyd Elementary;
- 18) We will look at other long-term projects if we get any other infrastructure money.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – Apart from the HVAC upgrades with the ESSER funds, did they have a clause in their contract if they didn't finish by a certain time?

Dr. Wheeler – That would be a Dan Berenato question, but I don't think they did. Part of it is they worked when they could to not disrupt the education. It was hard to put one in like you could with a freestanding CCDC area. The things that were taken out of the HVAC project affected the engineering. We have 14 rooms that are corner rooms and the units they put in; the coils were not big enough. That was for the heating. We are paying for the upgrade on those 14 rooms. Once we get the controls in all the schools, the teachers will have a 4-degree control. There is also no coal dust in there. We have to keep kids in school and serve them. We have to follow the law. We have no choice. We will be sending you more ESSER budget supplements to do work. Next spring, we will talk about the road and the best thing we need to do with VDOT.

8.f. Constitutional Officers' Report

No Constitutional Officers were present.

Chairman Turman declared a 5-minute break.

9.b. Floyd County budget supplement to accept revenue from Office of Emergency Medical Service for grant for ambulance and Stryker Power-Load System

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to approve a revenue budget supplement to the FY22 budget in the amount of \$111,500.00 received from the Office of Emergency Medical Service grant for an ambulance and Stryker Power-Load System.

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

9.c. Tech Squared contract

Dr. Millsaps – As you know we have been using Tech Squared from long before me, starting with the IT problems we had about 1½ years ago or so. They did a really good job of pulling us out of a challenging ditch. But as we discussed during the budget process, we are to the point where you and the staff would like to have an IT person, which is why that position is posted. To do that we would terminate our IT support contract with Tech Squared. We recognize that we would have to come up with some other cybersecurity. We hope to have some overlap and have our new IT person help us with that.

Supervisor Kuchenbuch – Have we received everything from Tech Squared that we need?

Dr. Millsaps – I believe that we have. There is still a little piece of the network map that isn't done, but that is because it is not done yet and they are working on it. All the other pieces have been delivered.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Are you sure that we are going to have someone out of the applicants who is capable?

Dr. Millsaps – That is a very good question. We could hold off on this, but I wanted to alert you that it is a 90-day notice.

Vice Chairman Boothe – I know we might be doing dual payment for a short period. When is the deadline for applications being in?

Dr. Millsaps – We did not put a final date on it. We have 10 applications, but I have not had a chance to look at them. I have been more focused on the Assistant/Deputy position. We could hold off on this if you would like.

By consensus the Board asked that this item be tabled and put on the agenda in October.

9.d. Request for proposals on telephone service

Dr. Millsaps – I would like to have a brief conversation with you about allowing me to put together a request for proposals for telephone service. This is an area that appears that we might be able to save some money and get some new technology. I think we will get responses to a proposal that will result in cost savings for ourselves and the Constitutional Officers who want to participate. The telephone system we have functions fine, but it doesn't have the newer bells and whistles. Some of the things we are hopeful that we will be able to do is load in different sets of phone books. Then it could automatically place phone calls or send texts. If a ball game got cancelled maybe, we could do that. Mr. Sowers and I have been working on this and we will be mindful to keep our cybersecurity focus. There is a possibility that if some equipment purchases are needed, we would be able to use some existing grant funding we have to buy that equipment. I specifically have some items in the draft that related to Dispatch and the Sheriff's Office like fingerprinting.

By consensus the Board agreed that a request for proposals for a new telephone system be prepared and brought back for their review.

9.e. Appointment of Ms. Kathleen Legg to The Crooked Road Board of Directors

On a motion of Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and carried, it was resolved to appoint Ms. Kathleen Legg to The Crooked Road Board of Directors.

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

8.g. Closed Session under § 2.2-3711 A.29. for contract negotiations with manufacturing companies regarding County owned property

On a motion made by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to go into closed session under § 2.2-3711 A.29. for contract negotiations with manufacturing companies regarding County owned property.

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

Chairman Turman had to leave the meeting during the Closed Session, so Vice Chairman Boothe chaired the remainder of the meeting.

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

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

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, 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 § 2.2-3711 A.29. for contract negotiations with manufacturing companies regarding County owned 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 Coleman – yes
- Supervisor Kuchenbuch – yes

Supervisor Yoder – absent
Supervisor Boothe – yes
Supervisor Turman – absent, Supervisor Turman will provide a written certification for the record that for the part of the closed session in which he was in attendance, only those items identified in the motion were heard, discussed, or considered

This certification resolution was adopted.

9.f. Planning grant for New River/Mt. Rogers Workforce Development Board

Ms. Lydeana Martin – I would like to reiterate for the record that we have been asked to consider being the applicant for a planning grant for the Workforce Investment Board. We are working closely with them on the Youthbuild Project that will provide opportunities locally. A locality has to be the applicant for this program. The idea would be to get planning money to look closely at employers' needs and how to get training more quickly, more efficiently, and easier for both current workers and people who need to be connected to the workforce. It is for study, help, and then there would be an application for federal funds to implement ~~and improve~~ an innovative training program to serve the whole workforce region. But we would be the applicant and part of the process to make sure our employers get considered and that the CCDC and the workforce-related things we are doing gets considered. I would like to ask for your consideration that we be the applicant.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Would this be handled like many of the other grants where since we are the applying authority, that ultimately, we are financially responsible if funding is not spent as it should be?

Ms. Martin – Yes. The way we handle that is the same time you sign an agreement with the funder, you would sign an agreement with the Workforce Development Board that says that they are responsible for everything that is laid out that has to be done.

Vice Chairman Boothe – I know in the past when this has been done, we have had a committee to oversee it. To your understanding will we have something similar with this one?

Ms. Martin – Yes, there would be a group like that. If you want to have a certain number to serve on that, I anticipate that either Dr. Millsaps or myself will participate. Ms. Marty Holliday, who is from Floyd, is a leader and the director of the organization.

Vice Chairman Boothe – Today you are asking for us to apply, but later we still have the opportunity to approve the agreements or is this a one-shot deal?

Ms. Martin – Today we are asking for authorization to apply. It is usually a multi-step process. They give you a little bit of money to do analysis and come back to them with information. Then they decide if they will grant the rest of the money. The documents in your packet lay out the general scope of work but it will likely need to be refined.

On a motion of Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by Supervisor Coleman, and carried, it was resolved to authorize the County Administrator to apply for a planning grant for the New River/Mt. Rogers Workforce Development Board (Document File Number 1200).

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

10. Board Member Time

Dr. Millsaps – Sheriff Craig came by the other day and offered for those of you who would like to go to the Training Center and experience some of the equipment, he would love to be able to take you. He extended the offer to me as well. About a month ago I talked to you about applying for a Forestry grant for a Floyd County outdoor classroom that would be held on Dodds Creek Trail. We were just notified that has been awarded. It is \$9,200. It pulls together our resources of the Library, the Partnership for Floyd, and Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners.

Board members gave consensus for the purchase of a double frame for the proclamation retirement for Ms. Smusz. Ms. Kuchenbuch will represent Floyd County at the event.

On a motion of Supervisor Coleman, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and carried, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting to 2:00 p.m. for a groundbreaking ceremony for Floyd Growth Center and Building 1 at Floyd Regional Commerce Center.

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

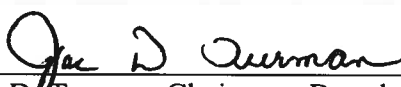
8.g. Board members met for the Groundbreaking Ceremony for Floyd Growth Center and Building 1 at the Floyd Regional Commerce Center at 2:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment

By consensus the Board adjourned the meeting to September 28, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.



Linda S. Millsaps, County Administrator



Joe D. Turman, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

