

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY
VIRGINIA, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
150 SOUTH MAIN STREET LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA,
ON MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016, AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: CHAIRMAN J.M.HIGGINS
MEMBERS: R.R.CAMPBELL, A.W.LEWIS, JR.
ABSENT: D.W.HINTY, JR.
LATE: R.S.FORD (arrived at 5:31 p.m.)
CLERK TO BOARD: SPENCER H. SUTER
COUNTY ATTORNEY: VICKIE L. HUFFMAN

Call to Order

Chairman Higgins called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Supervisor Campbell delivered the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognitions/Presentations

EMS Week

County Administrator Spencer Suter explained that each year in May EMS providers are recognized for keeping the community safe. He extolled their sacrifice, citing the many hours of training and responses at all hours of the day and night, helping both friends and neighbors in their hour of greatest need.

Supervisor Lewis read aloud the following Proclamation:

**PROCLAMATION EXPRESSING THE APPRECIATION OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY TO
LOCAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE (EMS) AGENCIES AND PROVIDERS**

WHEREAS, The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15th – 21st as National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week; and,

WHEREAS, the men and women of the EMS agencies serving Rockbridge County, the City of Lexington, and the City of Buena Vista provide a vital public service by responding to the EMS needs of our residents and visitors; and,

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their local EMS providers; and,

WHEREAS, safety of our citizens is a primary goal of local, state, and national government; and,

WHEREAS, EMS providers are often among the first to arrive upon the scene of emergencies and disasters, be they medical, natural or manmade, to provide immediate and often life-saving assistance while fulfilling their mission to provide the best pre-hospital care; and

WHEREAS, EMS providers participate in numerous hours of rigorous training and continuing education in order to enhance their life-saving skills and thereby dramatically improve the survival and recovery rate of their patients; and

WHEREAS, EMS providers and agencies demonstrate a high level of commitment and dedication to their communities and fellow citizens by providing training, health screenings and other life-safety awareness programs in their respective localities;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Rockbridge County Board of Supervisors, call upon all citizens of Rockbridge County to observe the week of May 15th – 21st, 2016, as Emergency Medical Services week, during which all of our residents may join in celebrating the dedication of our local EMS Providers, past and present, and their families, whose support allows them to serve our community.

Adopted this 9th day of May, 2016.

Supervisor Lewis moved to approve the Proclamation. Supervisor Campbell provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Lewis, Campbell, Ford, Higgins
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Hinty

The Board of Supervisors presented the Proclamation to the RERG President and Chief of the Fairfield Volunteer Rescue Squad, Steve Reese, and posed for a group photo.

Recognition of Kitty Brown with RARA

Mr. Suter introduced Mary "Kitty" Brown on the occasion of her retirement as Executive Director of the Rockbridge Area Relief Association, noting that since 1989, her service has provided a tremendous positive impact on the community.

Supervisor Ford read aloud the following Proclamation:

A PROCLAMATION EXPRESSING THE APPRECIATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY TO MARY "KITTY" BROWN ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT ON MAY 18, 2016

WHEREAS, Mary ("Kitty") Brown arrived in Lexington, Virginia in 1989, intending to stay only one year, but chose to remain in the new community she found to be friendly and different; and,

WHEREAS, Kitty changed career paths 21 years ago from a systems analyst to working for the Rockbridge Area Relief Association (RARA), initially as Secretary Treasurer, then one year later as Executive Director, and whose name has essentially become synonymous with RARA, an agency serving clients from Lexington, Buena Vista, and Rockbridge County, in need of assistance with life's most basic needs of food, warmth, and safe shelter; and,

WHEREAS, Kitty, initially embracing the mentorship of two key volunteers, who taught her the value of serving individuals in an empathetic and non-judgmental manner from a holistic point of view, has subsequently trained hundreds of volunteers, all the while recognizing her responsibility of operating as a wise steward of the community's financial donations and astutely coordinating with church outreach workers and other private and public resources; and,

WHEREAS, Kitty has overseen RARA's growth in clientele and positive changes in services and locations, with the addition of the refrigerated Food Pantry truck in 2008 allowing for an expansion of healthy food choices to offer clients, followed by the 2011 moves of the HelpLine office -- initially located in the basement of 15 South Main Street -- and the Food Pantry -- having moved from Randolph Street to the "Boy's Club" -- to the current combined location in the Piovano building on Spotswood Drive, enabling efficiency in managing staff and volunteer resources, and allowing Food Pantry clients to experience a grocery store

environment rather than being handed a pre-packed box and standing outside to register, along with recent upgrades to the computer systems; and,

WHEREAS, Kitty Brown has decided it is time to retire from an agency serving about 700 clients a month to a quieter life in Midlothian, Virginia where she will enjoy shopping with her daughter, visiting with her son in Roanoke, travelling to Wisconsin to visit her granddaughter, and becoming a community volunteer, most likely at the local library!

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Rockbridge County Board of Supervisors, does hereby proclaim that Kitty Brown be recognized in honor of her many years of dedicated service to the citizens of Rockbridge County , and offers sincere congratulations and best wishes for a happy and rewarding retirement.

Adopted this 9th day of May, 2016.

Supervisor Ford moved to approve the Proclamation. Supervisor Campbell provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Ford, Campbell, Lewis, Higgins
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Hinty

The Board of Supervisors presented the Proclamation to Kitty Brown and posed for group photo.

Citizens Comments

Denise Neas of the Buffalo Magisterial District provided the Board with a handout including a graphic image showing viewshed impact of the proposed Rocky Forge wind turbines and information on noise that would be generated by the turbines. The information on noise, she advised, was most likely not public information at the time of consideration of the project. She stated that the noise generated from the turbines will be detectable 5

or 6 miles away; and therefore, many citizens living within the 5 or 6 mile radius will be forced to leave their homes. She asked the Board to do what they could to protect the citizens living in that area including herself, stating that although she lives just outside the 5 or 6 mile range, she may still be forced to leave because of the noise.

Steve Neas of the Buffalo Magisterial District stated that he is a licensed engineer who felt the Board has been misled. He stated that, as an engineer, part of his business is to develop work in the power industry, leading him to attend many conferences related to wind energy. He advised that the "industrial wind" in the U.S. Blows from North Dakota down to west Texas - making it suitable for wind farms there - but not here. He showed the Board a diagram depicting what APEX has presented regarding the energy that could be generated by the Rocky Forge wind farm. In the diagram, he showed that it is being proposed that energy could be generated for up to 20,000 homes; however, only 8,000 homes could be served because a 10.1 megawatt line will serve the facility. He added that the 8,000 home projection is attainable only if the wind were to blow continuously. Additionally, for about a quarter of the year the turbines would be shut off to protect bats. Lastly, he noted that this project would not reduce or eliminate emissions put out by electric companies because they will continue to run their natural gas and coal plants.

Jeff Scott of the Walkers Creek Magisterial District and representing "Virginians for Responsible Energy," provided the Board with a handout that included his comments. He then read the following:

"Now that the proposed Rocky Forge Wind project has entered the public comment period, it is the last opportunity to prevent this 'good idea, wrong place' from wreaking destruction on the environment of North Mountain, destroying many wonderful scenic vistas in Rockbridge County, and potentially damaging the health and well-being of people and animals living within 5 miles of the site. If this project is approved, it will prove once again that money buys influence for large corporations and that state agencies which should be helping to protect the environment and citizens of Virginia do nothing or actively promote this destruction. One of these agencies is the Virginia Outdoors Foundation (VOF). The VOF has actively campaigned for property owners in Rockbridge County to place their land into conservation easements. As a result, Rockbridge County is in the top five counties in Virginia in total acreage in conservation easements. The VOF was created by the Code of Virginia, which reads in part: 'The Virginia Outdoors Foundation is established to promote the preservation of open-space lands and to encourage private gifts of money, securities, land, or other property to preserve the natural, scenic, historic, scientific, open- space and recreational areas of the Commonwealth.' Yet the VOF does not really seem very concerned about the impact that Rocky Forge Wind will have on any of the items stated in the law, nor in protecting property owners who have surrendered some of their property rights to help further the mission of the VOF. If the VOF does not make a significant effort to prevent Rocky Forge, it will be the second time in recent years that the VOF has failed in its legal duty to help preserve the natural, scenic, historic, scientific, open-space and

recreational areas of the Commonwealth. The first time occurred just over a year ago when Dominion Power rebuilt the Doods-Lexington transmission line; the results of that failure can easily be seen in many parts of the county, with gleaming towers marching like alien insects across the land. The only reason that there is a chance of their impact being mitigated is due to the hard work of private citizens. The VOF completely failed to participate in the regulatory process that might have prevented this disastrous project from occurring. This would be a great opportunity for the VOF to step up and redeem itself by proactively protecting the conservation values which the legislature of Virginia empowered it to do. I urge the Board to write to the VOF and express to them how important it is that they take all necessary steps to stop another faceless corporate giant from destroying the environment, the beauty, and the lives of Rockbridge County citizens in the name of profit, and I urge you and the citizens of Rockbridge to attend the public meeting on Wednesday, May 25th from 5-7 p.m. at the Eagle Rock Library to voice your concerns to the representatives of APEX Clean Energy who must report them to DEQ."

Kris Baumann of the Walkers Creek Magisterial District thanked the Board for sending a letter previously to Botetourt County asking them to delay approval of this project. Since then, he advised, it has become known that the project has been misrepresented related to the output of energy. He echoed previous speakers' statements that this project will damage residents, tourism, and property values - even making some properties uninhabitable. He asked the Board to request that the analysis be redone, and if the new analysis shows the same as the one before and

the County is helpless, then the Board should take this problem to the State. He concluded by stating the State must do something to stop a potential "war between the counties". He thanked the Board for their efforts in the past.

Sandra Stuart of the Kerrs Creek Magisterial District shared that she has become concerned about possible water quality problems related to the wind farm. She stated that there was no record showing that any thought had been given to the impact of blasting on the geology and hydrology in that area. She advised that, over the past two days, she had talked with two (2) geologists and hydrologists about what potential impacts a subsequent geologic shift might have on the Moore's Creek reservoir and dam. Ms. Stuart stated that APEX has not given this problem any consideration nor have they given the County time to look into it. She asked that, at the very least, the Board request an extension so that these matters can be looked into.

Lee Merrill, member of the Rockbridge Area Conservation Council (RACC), advised that RACC had sent a letter to APEX asking for a 30 day extension. He was then asked by Chairman Higgins to read aloud RACC's letter to APEX. It read:
"Dear Charlie, DEQ Review Manager Beth Major has informed us that DEQ is not responsible for conducting the public comment period, nor responsible for determining when, where, or how long the comment period will last - with the exception of the 30-day minimum stipulated in the regulation. The actual length of the comment period - provided it meets the minimum timeframe as stipulated in the regulation - is determined by the

applicant. Any requests for additional time should be forwarded to APEX wind. RACC requests that APEX Wind extend the Rocky Forge Project PBR public comment period by 30 days. The timing of the initial 30 day comment period (5/5 thru 6/6) coincides with our local university's Spring Term, a 6 week session from April 25 thru June 6 when many interested faculty are out of town or out of the country teaching field courses. Many RACC members, and other interested Rockbridge citizens, are faculty there. RACC would like all its members to have an adequate opportunity to participate in this important (first of its kind in Virginia) review and comment process. Not granting the extension would exclude many of our members from having an opportunity to comment. As you remember, RACC's earlier request for access to the application materials prior to the Spring Term or in electronic format that could be transmitted to those in other locations has been denied by APEX. That denial has also made it more difficult for RACC members to review the application documents in the 30 day comment period, so granting an extension would be a demonstration that, as you state on the Rocky Forge website, "We work to become community partners and establish long-term relationships in the areas where we work."

Robert Kindle of the Natural Bridge Magisterial District first shared that his dog was killed by a neighbor's pit bulls; in a subsequent court hearing, the judge stated that Mr. Kindle did not have enough information to prove his complaint. He shared that he then went to the Commonwealth's Attorney's office and spoke with Chris Billias, who stated it was a civil matter. He shared his dissatisfaction about the outcome and how the government has disconnected itself from taxpayers. He declared that the

Board of Supervisors is supposed to stand up and represent its citizens; however, the Board is "befogged by the overreach of the federal government". He shared that he is not against America, in fact loves everyone, but he is about ready to become an anarchist by choosing to take the law into his own hands. He ended his comment by stating that our system of government is in serious trouble, and the only hope for the future is through the efforts local of government.

Tenney Mudge of the Buffalo Magisterial District read a statement asking that the Board truly consider what is at stake with the Rocky Forge wind farm, noting that the buffer zone, shadow flicker, and sound propagation maps all included the Natural Bridge Wildlife Corridor within Rockbridge County. She then read aloud the following statement:

"What's the point of these facts? What's the point in creating a designated Natural Bridge Wildlife Corridor special project area and defined bio-diversity hotspot in Rockbridge County? What's the point in establishing the Moore's Creek State Forest in Rockbridge County? What's the point in designating Virginia Byways and Blueways in Rockbridge County? In designating tier 1 and tier 2 species of greatest conservation needs and state endangered species in Rockbridge County? In designating globally important bird areas in Rockbridge County? In defining karst topography and vital watershed integrity in Rockbridge County? In designating Virginia managed trout streams? In designating protected riparian easements on trout streams? In hosting a dark sky summit to protect and promote the remaining dark skies of our region? In obtaining grants to promote tourism and showcase outdoor activities and the natural

beauty of Rockbridge County? In citizens investing in thousands of acres and millions of dollars in property to preserve for today and for tomorrow's generations in Rockbridge County? What's the point in donating land value to the VOF for a commitment to preservation of natural resources and scenic beauty? What's the point of this list if a company -APEX - and a government - Botetourt County - and one landowner can spin 17 ordinances and a special exception permit to destroy an environment and quality of life for an entire region for the sake of a dollar, for 25 large footprint - tallest available 550 foot ridgetop industrial power plant with blasting at each turbine site that are proven underperformers, not to mention that the CO2 emissions and manufacturing and construction of the turbines and the project can never be offset by any power produced in the life of this project." She stated that she is an optimist who looks for the "bright side" - but that there is no bright side of this project.

Supervisor Campbell shared his support for writing a letter to APEX supporting RACC's letter requesting a 30 day extension, per request of the citizens of the County. Supervisor Ford seconded, and Supervisors Lewis and Higgins agreed.

Chairman Higgins asked Mr. Suter to draft such a letter on behalf of himself.

Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m.

VDOT 6 Year Road Improvement Plan

Mr. Suter introduced Susan Hammond of VDOT, noting changes in the Plan from what was presented at the last meeting: replace Rt. 631 with Rt. 606, and add Rt. 644 Bird Forest Rd.

Ms. Hammond reviewed the revised Plan that was handed out at the beginning of the meeting. While reviewing, Ms. Hammond noticed one error in the Plan: that the Route 606/Exit 205 project had somehow not been included; therefore she would make an amendment to the Plan to include the project. Ms. Hammond introduced Mike Branscome of VDOT.

Chairman Higgins opened the public hearing at 6:28 p.m.

Lynn Wells of the Kerrs Creek Magisterial District shared his dissatisfaction and confusion as to why Waterloo Drive had yet been completely paved. He stated that he had visited the Board of Supervisors meeting around 10 years ago, at which time he was promised it would be completed. He stated that, last year, Ms. Hammond told him he would not need to make an appeal again and that it would be finished in April, 2016. Mr. Wells stated that the work had not begun yet, and April 2016 has passed. Mr. Wells then noted that more money has been spent on Waterloo Drive upkeep than it would have cost to just go ahead and complete the paving years ago.

Ms. Hammond confirmed that the last piece of the project for Waterloo Drive was included in the Plan. She noted that the project, very recently, was moved up one (1) year on the Plan.

Chairman Higgins closed the public hearing at 6:40 p.m.

Supervisor Campbell moved to approve an amended 6 Year Road Improvement Plan, to include Route 606 and Route 644. Supervisor Ford provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote by the Board:

AYES:	Campbell, Ford, Lewis, Higgins
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Hinty

Items to be added to the Agenda

Chairman Higgins called for items to be added to the Agenda. There were none.

Approval of Minutes for March 31, 2016; April 4, 2016; April 13, 2016; April 20, 2016; and April 25, 2016

Supervisor Ford moved to approve all sets of Minutes and thanked Finance Director Steve Bolster for his hard work on the Budget Meeting Minutes this year. Supervisor Campbell provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Ford, Campbell, Lewis, Higgins
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NAYES: None
ABSENT: Hinty

County Financial Package/Approval of Appropriation Resolution

Finance Director Steve Bolster began by thanking H.R. Director Heidi Conner and Accounts Payable Clerk Amy Milliner for their assistance with the Budget Meeting Minutes this year. He then reviewed his Monthly Memorandum:

Section I - Commissioner of the Revenue

Activities for Month:

1. Prepared and presented the Land Book to the Treasurer.
2. Completed another busy state income tax season.
3. Working on DMV report for April, 2016.
4. Preparing late notices for business license renewals.
5. Auditing Schedule C's against business license files.
6. Preparing report of property values for the Dept. of Taxation.
7. Continue working with Assessors.

Section II - Treasurer

Activities for Month:

1. Continue to collect State income & Estimated State taxes.
2. New 2016 Real Estate tax bills - all due June 6, 2016.
(June 5th is Sunday).

3. Debt-Set-Off collections remain high volume --- \$20,948.38 associated with 158 filings.

4. Enhanced ".net" Treasurer component of the BAI software is now available for the public, making it possible to pay taxes online.

During Mr. Bolster's review of the Commissioner of Revenues activities, Supervisor Lewis asked how the assessors are coming along with the County's reassessments.

Mr. Suter replied that they are progressing on schedule.

Supervisor Ford shared that he had met with them, and that it seems that the County is getting its money's worth, as they are doing a great job.

While reviewing the Treasurer's activities, Mr. Bolster stated that Ms. Trovato wished to emphasize number 4 of her activities regarding .net, the Treasurer's component of the BAI software, sharing that it is an exciting feature for lawyers and title search companies who can access information 24/7. He shared that some of the program's features include paid or not paid taxes, assessments, 1st and 2nd half real-estate amounts, and delinquencies. He further shared that customers can view their bill online before entering their credit card information for payment.

Chairman Higgins advised that there is known to be a turn-around time between making the payment online and the Treasurer's Department system making the update.

Mr. Suter recommended that a Press Release be sent out advising citizens of the opportunities and conveniences of this new program.

Mr. Bolster then provided a procurement update:

1. RFP for third party review of Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Plans. The RFP was issued April 20, 2016 and proposals are due May 17, 2016 by 2:00 p.m.
2. IFB for Fleet Services Facility for repair/replacement of asphalt parking lot and constructing a concrete pad at the bay door entry. The IFB was issued April 27, 2016, and bids are due May 19, 2016 by 2:00 p.m.
3. RFP for design/engineering services for modification/development of Solid Waste and recycling collection centers. The RFP was issued April 27, 2016, and proposals are due May 26, 2016 by 2:00 p.m.
4. IFB for delivery of petroleum products including vehicle fuels, lubricants, and L.P. gas for FY 2016-17. The IFB was issued May 6, 2016, and bids are due May 26, 2016 by 2:00 p.m.
5. Staff has reviewed the Courthouse HVAC and Elevator maintenance agreements and determined that the agreements continue to be at a contract price and term that is satisfactory and advantageous to the County; therefore, staff is moving ahead with renewal terms for both services.
6. Staff is collaborating with Department Heads on a handful of other competitive procurement documents.
7. The VRA bond sale is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11, 2016, for the Courthouse refunding and Lined Landfill financing.

Mr. Bolster reviewed the Revenues versus Expenditures Chart, and then

the County's Appropriation Resolution, noting one change: the miscoding of the Greenhouse Village Grant, changing it to line item 4-11-81090-3007.

Supervisor Ford moved to approve the amended Appropriation Resolution. Supervisor Campbell provided the second. Supervisor Lewis abstained from voting due to a potential conflict of interest. The resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Ford, Campbell, Higgins
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: Lewis
ABSENT: Hinty

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY,
VIRGINIA, HELD AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING,
150 SOUTH MAIN STREET, LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA,
ON MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016, AT 5:30 P.M.

On motion by Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, the Board, by record vote, adopted the following appropriation resolutions and payment of bills for the month as follows:

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED: By the Board of Supervisors of Rockbridge County, Virginia, that the following appropriations are, and the same hereby is made, for the period ending **June 30, 2016**, from the UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS of the **GENERAL FUND** and expended as follows:

4-11-34015-3002 Contracted Services.....	\$2,074.00
4-11-81090-3007 GHV-Infrastructure Grant.....	\$8,230.00
4-11-99010-6192 Transfer to Lined Landfill.....	\$40,605.00

Total General Fund Appropriations	\$50,909.00
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Current County

11 - General Fund	\$439,862.66
94 - Central Stores	<u>\$3,380.58</u>
Total County Bills	\$443,243.24

Current Fiscal Agent

80 - Regional Jail	\$56,761.05
87 - Comm Atty Forfeitures	\$3,256.77
92 - Drug Fund	\$1,178.78

Total Fiscal Agent **\$61,196.60**

TOTAL ALL BILLS **\$504,439.84**

Convene Solid Waste Authority (SWA)

Chairman Higgins convened the SWA at 6:50 p.m.

Solid Waste Authority Financial Package/Approval of Appropriation Resolution

Mr. Bolster presented the Solid Waste Appropriation Resolution.

Supervisor Campbell moved to approve the Solid Waste Apparition Resolution. Supervisor Ford provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Campbell, Ford, Lewis, Higgins
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Hinty

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, HELD AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 150 SOUTH MAIN STREET, LEXINGTON, VIRIGNIA, ON MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016 AT 5:30 P. M.

On motion of Supervisor Campbell, with second by Supervisor Ford, the Authority, by record vote, adopted the following appropriation resolution and payment of bills for the month as follows:

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED: By the Rockbridge County Solid Waste Authority, that the following appropriations are, and the same hereby is made, for the

period ending **June 30, 2016**, from the UNAPPROPROATED SURPLUS of the **SWA-LANDFILL FUND** and expended as follows:

4-19-19050-3006 Seeding/Mowing/Erosion Control..... \$104.00
4-19-19070-3001 Engineering Services..... \$40,605.00

Total SWA-Landfill Fund Appropriations **\$40,709.00**

Current SWA

19 - SWA-Landfill \$87,116.51
20 - SWA-Recycling \$13,374.46

TOTAL SWA BILLS **\$100,490.97**

Consideration of IFB for aggregate stone

Director of Solid Waste Jeremy Garrett briefly reviewed the Agenda Item: "Staff has worked to prepare the provided IFB for Drainage Stone and Hauling related to the leachate system needs, as identified in the design and construction documents for the Cell 1 Landfill Expansion. The document as provided is in draft form with minor clarifications (dates, IFB#, contacts, etc.) pending the Board's approval to proceed with advertisement. This procurement is directly associated with the "Cell 1 Construction", but it was determined to be beneficial to the project to procure these goods and services separately due to their specification requirements." The proposed recommendation was to authorize staff to proceed with minor amendments as needed and proceed with advertisement on or before May 15, 2016.

Supervisor Campbell moved to authorize staff to proceed with minor amendments as needed and proceed with advertisement on or before May 15,

2016. Supervisor Ford provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Campbell, Ford, Lewis, Higgins
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Hinty

Consideration of IFB for Landfill Expansion Construction

Mr. Garrett briefly reviewed the Agenda Item: "Draper Aden Associates and staff have worked to prepare the provided IFB for Cell 1 Construction related to the Permit 075 Landfill Expansion Project. All documents provided are in draft form, with minor clarifications (dates, IFB#, contacts, etc.) pending the Board's approval to proceed with advertisement. All designs / drawings have received full technical review and have been reviewed by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. Additionally, the Rockbridge County Erosion and Sediment Control Administrator has completed the necessary review, comment, and approval process. This procurement includes all major processes related to the Cell 1 Construction, with the exception of the installation of new scales, new scale house, drainage stone and drainage stone hauling. The construction / installation of the new scales and scale house will be directly managed by staff." The proposed recommendation was to authorize staff to proceed with minor amendments as needed and proceed with advertisement on or before May 15, 2016.

Supervisor Campbell moved to authorize staff to proceed with minor amendments as needed and proceed with advertisement on or before May 15,

2016. Supervisor Ford provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Campbell, Ford, Lewis, Higgins
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Hinty

Chairman Higgins closed the Solid Waste Authority at 6:57 p.m. and reconvened the Board of Supervisors meeting.

Solid Waste Update

Mr. Garrett briefly reviewed the Agenda Item: "At its last regular board meeting on April 25th, the Board received a solid waste planning update by staff as part of an ongoing series of updates. This update will continue to focus on action items related to each of the four (4) major areas of Solid Waste (Collections, Recycling, Transportation, and Disposal). Current updates are as follows:

Collections:

- Zollman's Unstaffed Collection Center (Plank Road) was closed on April 28, 2016, as directed by the Board of Supervisors. Staff has been working directly with CSD and Mr. Zollman to ensure that his lands are protected and placed back into a natural condition, and all fencing is replaced to his standard. Mr. Zollman, County staff and the Sheriff's Office are conducting patrols and have had no issues of abuse or illegal dumping as of now.

- Staff is currently working to relocate the office building and associated electrical service at the Goshen Staffed Collection Center to allow for the addition of a "Bulky Items" container to be installed.
- Interviews were provided by Jeremy Garrett and Jake Adams to WDBJ7 News for a story that ran on April 29th regarding the Strategic Plan and the pending actions associated with the collection centers.

Recycling:

- No updates or additional information at this time.

Transportation (Hauling):

- The County continues to work with CSD Inc. under the new hauling agreement. No additional information at this time.

Disposal (Landfill Expansion):

- The Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) is being evaluated with the intent to submit a minor amendment to VA DEQ, which includes Buena Vista at this time. The addition would include Buena Vista as a customer (non-member) with no special rates or other use agreements.
- Key Dates:

	Date	Description
Past	4/11/16	DAA submitted the last round of responses, and DEQ has confirmed receipt.
	4/18/16	County Legal review of cell 1 construction procurement documents been completed and provided to DAA

Due	5/1/16	Advertise DEQ draft permit (DEQ will provide the advertisement; we must submit and pay for all advertising). Staff has been working with DEQ to urge a quick response.
*	5/9/16	Present cell 1 and aggregate procurement documents to the Board for authorization to advertise
Upcoming	5/15/16	Advertise construction of cell 1 and aggregate stone IFB
	5/25/16	VRA loan closing
	6/1/16	VDEQ public hearing (needs to be shifted based on DEQ Ad)
	6/15/16	Bid opening
	6/15/16	Close VDEQ public comment period (needs to be shifted based on DEQ Ad)
	6/27/16	Award at Board Meeting
	6/28/16 - 7/31/16	Final contract/bonding/preconstruction meeting
	7/1/16	Final VDEQ permit issued
	8/1/16	Construction Start Date (no later than)
	4/1/17	Construction Substantial Completion issued

. * Please note that all items that require direct VA DEQ involvement or action are designated by red text

Staff will continue to work with multiple outside resources and agencies in hopes of engaging the Solid Waste Committee and ultimately the full Board with additional information."

Authorize to Schedule a Public Hearing to transfer Rockbridge Middle School property to the County EDA for Centra Health

Director of Community Development Sam Crickenberger briefly reviewed the Agenda Item: "Centra Health has completed their due diligence related to the former Rockbridge Middle School and is ready to accept the property per the approved Performance Agreement. In order to expedite the transfer so they can begin renovations, we are planning to schedule a joint public hearing at your May 23rd meeting with both you, the Planning Commission and the County EDA. The Chairs of each of these groups have agreed to this process. Two public hearings will be scheduled. The first will be with the Planning Commission to review their application for a special exception permit to operate a private school in the A-2 district, per Section 603.03-20 of the Land Development Regulations. The second public hearing will be with the County EDA to transfer the property from you to the County EDA to Centra Health. We have advertised the public hearing for the special exception permit per direction from the Planning Commission Chair and are seeking your approval to schedule the public hearing for the transfer of the property."

Mr. Crickenberger then advised that the he had spoken with the individual from Texas who would soon be visiting the property to look at the mobile classrooms; he noted that the classrooms would be used in Texas as shelters in for those who have been displaced by disasters.

Supervisor Lewis moved to authorize staff to advertise for a public hearing on May 23, 2016. Supervisor Ford provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lewis, Ford, Campbell, Higgins
NAYES: None

ABSENT: Hinty

Mr. Crickenberger advised the Board of an interview by WDBJ7 in which his Administrative Assistant Brandy Flint was interviewed, along with Scott Sayre, regarding illegal dumping at a site on River Road that Ms. Flint and her family had cleaned up on Cleanup Rockbridge Day.

Rockbridge Regional Fair- Board Discussion

Mr. Suter briefly reviewed the Agenda Item: "In March, the Board determined to poll the public via newspaper advertisement to see if there would be interest in assisting with future regional fair efforts. I subsequently placed the following advertisement in the April 20 and April 27 editions of the News Gazette and in the May edition of the Rockbridge Advocate:

The Rockbridge County Board of Supervisors is seeking residents who may be interested in participating in efforts to coordinate a Regional Fair during the summer of 2017 and beyond. Any citizens who may be willing to serve in an advisory or participatory role are asked to contact the County Administrator's office at (540) 463-1460, or in person at the County Administration building - 150 S. Main Street, Lexington. If sufficient interest is received, those residents will be invited to a meeting to further discuss options and share ideas.

To date, we have received only three expressions of interest. One was an offer to assist in the area of arts and crafts, and the other two were

general offers to help. Of course, there may be others interested who have not contacted us, but based on the low number of responses, it does not appear that there is overwhelming interest.

If the Board desires, I could set a meeting date and re-advertise. It is possible that more residents will choose to come forward if a meeting date is set. In addition or alternatively, we could expand the public poll to include radio advertisements." Mr. Suter introduced Tom Stanley, Extension Agent for Virginia Tech.

Supervisor Lewis shared his hope to continue with the idea of soliciting public input. He advised that County resident John "Booper" Bare had shared with him his interest in the fair and had very good ideas.

Supervisor Lewis recommended getting a group together - whether it be a committee or not - to continue the idea of a fair and what form it should take. He suggested that each member of the Board of Supervisors find a member in his district who would be willing to come together for a meeting.

Chairman Higgins agreed with Supervisor Lewis. He noted that he is very involved and active with the fair each year. He added that he and Supervisor Campbell had met at least twice at the local Farm Bureau with a group of citizens who were very interested in the fair.

Supervisor Lewis stated that the original group who were running the fair got very discouraged and very frustrated and he feels they would likely not want to participate again. Supervisor Ford agreed with that

assessment and added that the leaders of the 4-H livestock activities have always expressed their commitment to participate.

Mr. Suter suggested working together to find a meeting date, time, and location that would work for everyone - and also to try gathering some names of more individuals who might be interested.

Chairman Higgins suggested trying to retrieve some of the names of the individuals who attended the meetings at the Farm Bureau and writing them a letter inviting them to the meeting once the date, time, and location had been decided on.

Chairman Higgins asked Tom Stanley for the dates of the fair this year.

Mr. Stanley replied that the dates are July 27-30.

Mr. Suter stated it is very advantageous to continue now with the planning of next year's fair. He clarified that he would work with the Board and Mr. Stanley in trying to find a meeting date and location and to try to set an agenda for the proposed meeting.

Regional 911 Center Update

Mr. Suter briefly reviewed the Agenda Item: "As you are aware, the past several months have brought forth extensive and at times passionate discussion on the ultimate destination of the regional emergency communications center. Over the past several weeks, I and the Lexington and Buena Vista City Managers have engaged in further discussion at the

staff level, resulting in a potential compromise which would allow the center to be moved to the Lomax facility, which the County recently purchased for that express purpose. I have kept you updated through individual discussions, to ensure that I was adhering to the Board's will during this final negotiation. The result is a proposed amendment to the 2014 Regional Emergency Communications Board / 911 Center Agreement which would relocate the Center to the Lomax site in conjunction with implementation of the new regional radio communications system. The sole change would be to replace section 3 of the original agreement with some new language intended to memorialize the new terms associated with a move of the center. Key points would be:

- The County would fund a higher percentage of the base portion of the new Computer Aided Dispatch System (CAD)
- Costs associated with necessary upgrades of the Lomax building would be shared at the current operational funding percentage, based on population.
- The County would pay cash for the upgrade and finance the Cities' portions over 20 years at 1% interest. Annual payments would begin in July, 2016. Annual costs to the Cities would be capped at \$18,934 per year for Buena Vista and \$20,581 per year for Lexington, unless specifically agreed in writing by the Jurisdictions.
- Additional expenditures, such as renovation to the east side of the building (i.e. for a regional EOC) would need to be approved by the localities. (However, this would not prohibit the County from making

improvements or utilizing the property as it deems appropriate, at its own cost).

- A Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) would be established and maintained, to cooperatively plan for any future upgrades which are necessary.
- An emergency Capital Fund of \$15,000 per year would be established and funded by the localities at the standard operation funding percentage, based on population.
- One additional commonwealth compensatory board position would be transferred from the Sheriff's Office to the new center, to handle regional records management.

"While nearly complete, the final draft of the proposed amendments to the agreement is still under legal review as of May 5, 2016. Per the Code of Virginia, an amendment to the agreement will require approval of an ordinance by all three localities. The Cities of Lexington and Buena Vista are expected to discuss the key points of the agreement at their regular, May 5 meetings. It is anticipated that a final draft of the amendment to the agreement will be presented to the three governing bodies at their 2nd May meetings, to schedule public hearing to consider an ordinance approving the amendment. In the meantime, staff has asked Moseley Architects to move ahead with design services and has solicited quotes for asbestos abatement design services, which are required to do the actual asbestos removal."

Supervisor Campbell recommended that the asbestos abatement be completed on the entire building and not just half.

Mr. Suter responded that three (3) asbestos abatement design quotes had been received, and one (1) would be award for the design alone. After that, he advised, a bid would go out for a contractor to perform the contracting work. He noted that staff would be asking for a quote for phase one and phase two but have also asked for a quote on the whole building.

Staff Reports

Supervisor Lewis moved to accept the Staff Reports. Supervisor Ford provided the second, and the motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Lewis, Ford, Campbell, Higgins
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Hinty

Adjourn

The meeting was scheduled to continue; however, the Continued Meeting had to be rescheduled; therefore Supervisor Lewis moved to adjourn this meeting. A second was provided by Supervisor Ford, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote by the Board Members present at 7:25 p.m.

