



MINUTES

BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BEDFORD COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

NOVEMBER 12, 2014

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- 5:00 P.M. WORK SESSION – GROUND FLOOR TRAINING ROOM**
- a. Presentation by Wingate on the current Real Estate Assessment
 - b. Joint Work Session with the Agricultural Economic Development Advisory Board on the Region 2000 Agriculture and Forestry Strategic Plan
- 6:45 P.M. Dinner**

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- 7:30 P.M. WELCOME**
- a. Moment of Silence
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance
- (1) APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- (2) FIFTEEN MINUTE CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD**
- (3) APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**
- a. Consideration of a request from the Depart of Parks and Recreation to accept a \$500.00 grant from the Walmart Local Facility Giving Program, and to authorize of a Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of \$500.00. (*Resolution #R111214-01*)
 - b. Consideration of a request from the Department of Fire and Rescue to accept the Local Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$26,610.00, and to authorize a Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of \$13,305 to purchase radios. (*Resolution #R111214-02*)
 - c. Consideration of a request from the Department of Public Works to appropriate donated funds and issue an Invitation to Bid for Animal Shelter HVAC improvements. (*Resolution #R111214-03*)
- (4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 14, 2014**
- (5) PUBLIC HEARINGS / PUBLIC APPEARANCES**

- a. Public Appearance – Introduction of Gregg Zody, Director of Community Development
 - *Staff Presentation: Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator*

(6) ACTION ITEMS

- a. Consideration of Supplemental Appropriation for Purchase of Remaining Public Safety Radios - Regional Radio Project (*Resolution #R111214-04*)
 - *Staff Presentation: Jeff Johnson, 911 Communications Manager*
- b. Consideration of Authorization to Re-establish and Fill Position of Assistant County Administrator (*Resolution #R111214-05*)
 - *Staff Presentation: Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator*
- c. Consideration of the 2015 Virginia General Assembly Session Legislative Priorities (continued from the October 27, 2014 meeting). (*Resolution #R111214-06*)
 - *Staff Presentation: Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator*

(7) BOARD COMMENTS, COMMITTEE REPORTS, REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- a. Bedford Communications Report for October 1, 2014
- b. Tri-County Lakes Administrative Commission meeting minutes from August 12, 2014
- c. Social Services Board meeting minutes from September 18, 2014
- d. Bedford Regional Water Authority Board of Directors meeting minutes from September 16, 2014

(8) APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

- a. Reminder – An Appointment is needed for the Recreation Advisory Board for District 5.
- b. Appointments/Re-Appointments will be needed for two ‘At-Large’ representative on the Agricultural Economic Development Advisory Board. (*Daniel Layman does not wish to be reappointed; Ken Newman is willing to serve another term.*)
- c. Appointment to the Economic Development Authority for District 1 (*Application sent to the Board under separate cover*)

(9) COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS, REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

(10) COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORTS, REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- a. Draft 2015 Board Meeting Calendar for review

(11) PENDING MATTERS

(12) UPCOMING MEETINGS

- November 24th – Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- December 8th – Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m. (Work Session 5:00 – 6:45 P.M.)

5:00 P.M. – WORK SESSION (*Ground Floor Meeting Room*)

Board of Supervisors: John Sharp, Chairman – District 4; Tammy Parker, Vice-Chairman, District 7; Bill Thomasson, District 1; Curry Martin, District 2; Steve Wilkerson, District 3; Steve Arrington, District 5; and Annie Pollard, District 6

Agriculture Economic Development Authority: Jeff Powers, Sam Gardner, W. P. Johnson, Ken Palmer, Daniel Layman, Chuck Grove, and Ken Newman

Staff Present: Mark K. Reeter, Carl Boggess, Gregg Zody, Traci Blido, Susan Crawford, Scott Baker and Brigitte Lockett

Chairman John Sharp called the Board of Supervisors to order and turned the meeting over to County Administrator Mark Reeter. Mr. Reeter noted that this work session would include an update on the real estate reassessment and a joint work session with the Agriculture Economic Development Advisory Board (AEDAB).

Mr. Don Thomas, Wingate Appraisal, thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve Bedford County and then began his update on the status of the property reassessment. He said the market study is complete, and his team is currently refining the gathered data in order to equalize the assessments according to property value. Mr. Thomas noted that this year's assessment was a larger job due to the inclusion of the Town parcels due to reversion. He then gave a brief explanation of how the reassessment process works, and said they are close to completion. He said the assessment appeals will be handled during a two-week window in December. Mr. Thomas encouraged the Board to consider this a 'neutral reassessment', with no significant movement from the prior assessment.

In response to a question from Chairman Sharp, Attorney Carl Boggess said he will discuss appointments to the Board of Equalization under 'County Attorney's Reports' later in the regular meeting this evening.

The meeting was then turned over to AEDAB Chairman Jeff Powers, who noted the time and effort that Economic Development Director Traci Blido and Extension Agent Scott Baker have put into the Region 2000 Agriculture and Forestry Strategic Plan. Mr. Powers stated that there is nothing in the Plan that his Board takes issue with; they simply felt that it fell a bit short with regard to various types of farming, such as beef and swine production, which are already established in the County. He said the AEDAB has been assured the intention was not to leave anything out, and that they feel this Plan a good starting point. He then turned the meeting over to Mr. Scott Baker, Extension Agent, who gave a brief

overview of the development of the Plan. Mr. Baker noted that the Plan is flexible, can be modified as needed, and is intended to be utilized instead of just “sitting on a shelf”.

There followed a brief question and answer period between Mr. Baker, the AEDAB and the Board of Supervisors. The need for broadband service, an adequate water supply, stream fencing, etc., were mentioned, as well as plans for a County fair in the future. Chairman Sharp noted his displeasure with doubling the SNAP benefits at the farmers markets; he said it isn't fair that a person receiving taxpayer dollars for food benefits should receive twice as much as someone who is paying for their food on their own.

In response to a question from Supervisor Martin, Mr. Baker said that having such a plan in place gives local farming businesses more firepower when applying for grant funding.

It was the consensus of the Board of Supervisors to add a supportive resolution (with amended language) of this Plan to their regular meeting later this evening.

Chairman Powers invited the Board of Supervisors to the AEDAB's first meeting on December 3rd. Mr. Ken Newman touched briefly on the work being done to bring a County fair to Bedford, noting that any structure, if built, would actually end up being more of a multi-purpose facility.

Chairman Sharp thanked Mr. Dan Layman for his service on the AEDAB; Chairman Powers echoed Chairman Sharp's appreciation to Mr. Layman.

There being no further discussion, the Board recessed for dinner at 6:14 p.m.

7:30 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING

Board of Supervisors: John Sharp, Chairman – District 4; Tammy Parker, Vice-Chairman, District 7; Bill Thomasson, District 1; Curry Martin, District 2; Steve Wilkerson, District 3; Steve Arrington, District 5; and Annie Pollard, District 6

Staff Present: Mark K. Reeter, Carl Boggess, Jeff Johnson, Jack Jones, Tim Hayden and Brigitte Luckett

Chairman Sharp called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance; a moment of silence was held and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

(1) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

County Administrator Mark K. Reeter noted changes to the agenda as follows:

- A Proposed Proclamation for National Nurse Practitioners Week under Public Appearances #5b.
- A Resolution endorsing Strategic Plan for the Agriculture and Forestry Economy in Virginia's Region 2000 as Action Item #6d.
- An appointment to the Bedford Regional Water Authority has been added as Agenda Item #8b.
- A report item under County Administrator's Reports was added.

- Supervisors Martin and Pollard noted they would have comments under Board Comments.

Supervisor Wilkerson made a motion to approve the agenda as amended.

**Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington,
Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker**

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

(2) FIFTEEN MINUTE CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

- Jackie Davis, citizen from Thaxton, addressed the Board with a prayer.

(3) APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

County Administrator Mark Reeter read the consent agenda as follows:

- a. Consideration of a request from the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept a \$500.00 grant from the Walmart Local Facility Giving Program, and to authorize of a Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of \$500.00. (*Resolution #R111214-01*)
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- c. Consideration of a request from the Department of Public Works to appropriate donated funds and issue an Invitation to Bid for Animal Shelter HVAC improvements. (*Resolution #R111214-03*)

Supervisor Wilkerson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

**Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington,
Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker**

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

(4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Wilkerson made a motion to approve the minutes of October 14, 2014 as presented.

**Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington,
Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker**

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

(5) PUBLIC HEARINGS / PUBLIC APPEARANCES

(5a) County Administrator Mark K. Reeter introduced the new Director of Community Development, Gregg Zody, to the Board. Mr. Reeter gave a brief overview of Mr. Zody's work history and qualifications, noting that he was chosen from a field of very strong candidates.

Mr. Zody stated that he looked forward to serving the Board and the citizens of Bedford County.

(5b) County Administrator Mark K. Reeter read the following Proclamation:

NATIONAL NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are Masters or Doctorate prepared Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, with more than 8,000 of those NPs practicing in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and more than 192,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States.

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are licensed by Virginia, nationally-certified in a variety of specialties, and many have full prescriptive authority, and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners provide quality health care to the citizens of Bedford County and throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia by diagnosing and treating a full range of health problems and providing a unique approach that stresses health promotion, care and cure, and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners advocate for the improvement of health and access to care for all Virginians by practicing in private / community centers, hospitals, academic centers, long-term care facilities, VA and military hospitals, free clinics, and convenient or urgent care clinics, and more than 18 percent of NPs practice in rural settings with populations of less than 25,000; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are supported by the Virginia Council of Nurse Practitioners, an organization that facilitates the advancement and professional growth of NPs, and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners are charting a new course with the passage of House Bill 346, which was developed as a result of dialogue between the Virginia Council of Nurse Practitioners and The Medical Society of Virginia and creates collaborative relationships between physicians and nurse practitioners and encourages use of the newest collaborative technologies to improve access to care for all citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bedford County Board of Supervisors, hereby declare November 9 – 15, 2014 as National Nurse Practitioner Week in recognition of the many contributions that this dedicated group of health care professionals makes to the health and well-being of the people in the communities they serve in this great state and throughout the country.

Chairman Sharp called for a vote for approval of this Proclamation.

**Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington,
Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker**

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

Dr. Amy Johnson, a Nurse Practitioner, thanked the Board for their support of this proclamation. Dr. Johnson noted the work Nurse Practitioners perform in the community, and commented on their volunteer contributions as well.

(6) Action Items

(6a) Jeff Johnson, E911 Communications Manager, addressed the Board with a request for a supplemental appropriation to purchase the remaining Public Safety Radios for the ongoing Regional Radio upgrade. Mr. Johnson gave a brief overview of the history that led to the request before the Board this evening, which was followed by a question and answer session between Mr. Johnson, Chief Jack Jones and members of the Board. Chief Jones outlined the guidelines that have been put in place to qualify individuals and agencies for radios, tracking radios through inventory control, etc., and clarified how his department arrived at the final numbers for this funding request.

Supervisor Pollard made a motion to approve Resolution #R111214-04.

WHEREAS, Virginia's Region 2000 regional public safety radio communication system is undergoing an comprehensive upgrade under the auspices of Region 2000's Regional Radio Board, and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with this upgrade, Bedford County must purchase new mobile and portable radios and related equipment for County public safety and other key personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Bedford County Board of Supervisors (hereinafter the Board) acted pursuant to Resolution 052714-09 to initially appropriate \$1.5 million of an estimated \$2.5 million needed from Bedford County's fund balance reserves to the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) component of the County's Fiscal Year (FY) 2013-2014 Budget to fund initial purchases of radio equipment and related costs, and also appropriated various grants received toward the purchase of such equipment, the unexpended portion thereof having carried-over into the County's FY 2014-2015 Budget, and

WHEREAS, after nearly full utilization of this initially appropriated amount, an additional \$600,000 is now anticipated to be needed to fully fund all remaining radio purchases in order to complete the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bedford County Board of Supervisors that the Board does hereby authorize an additional appropriation of \$600,000 from the County's fund balance reserves to CIP Line-Item 33-9356, Radios, of the County's FY 2014-2015 Budget for the purchase of additional radio equipment and related costs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any remaining County matching funds needed for previously-appropriated grants may be taken from this additional appropriation.

Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington,
Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

(6b) Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator, addressed the Board for authorization to re-establish and fill the position of Assistant County Administrator. Mr. Reeter reviewed the salary history and recent adjustments he has made to the position description, and asked for the Board's approval to advertise this position.

Supervisor Thomasson made a motion to approve Resolution #R111214-05.

WHEREAS, the position of Deputy County Administrator for Bedford County was vacated as of September 30, 2014, and

WHEREAS, the Deputy's position was originally that of an Assistant County Administrator in title, prior to the position's appointment as Interim County Administrator and subsequent to its re-designation as Deputy County Administrator by action of the Board in February of 2013 upon the appointment of a new County Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Board has further considered the administrative needs of the County government and the Office of County Administrator in the context of § 15.2-1502 of the Code of Virginia and determined that the current position of Deputy County Administrator should be re-designated as an Assistant County Administrator;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bedford County Board of Supervisors that the Board does hereby re-designate the position of Deputy County Administrator as Assistant County Administrator and authorize the County Administrator to recruit and appoint such position as soon as practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the position of Assistant County Administrator be designated as a Pay Grade 32 position in accordance with the current Bedford County Position Classification and Pay Plan, with an initial starting salary range between \$86,721.93 and \$99,110.78, subject to negotiation and subject to County Personnel Committee pre-approval for any starting salary offer above \$95,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board also approves a monthly stipend of \$300.00 be paid to the Assistant County Administrator position for use of the position's personal vehicle for County business-related travel (in-County and in-region), reimbursement of relocation expenses for in-County residency up to \$3,500.00 and a starting balance of five (5) paid leave days.

**Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington,
Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker**

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

(6c) Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator, addressed the Board for approval of the 2015 Virginia General Assembly Session Legislative Priorities. Mr. Reeter stated that the resolution before the Board this evening contains their recommendations made at a prior meeting.

Supervisor Wilkerson made a motion to approve Resolution #R111214-06.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Bedford County, Virginia has identified a number of legislative issues of import to the Board and the citizens of Bedford County that it wishes to bring to the attention of the Governor of the Commonwealth, the Virginia General Assembly and others prior to the start of the 2015 Session of the Virginia General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Resolution to set forth and convey the Board's position on such matters and to call upon its recipients to consider same during the 2015 Session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bedford County Board of Supervisors that the Board sets forth the following Legislative Priorities (General Priorities and Specific Legislative Requests) for the 2015 Session of the Virginia General Assembly:

General Priorities

Intergovernmental Revenue and State Mandates

The Bedford County Board of Supervisors is keenly aware of the fiscal realities facing the Commonwealth over recent years due to the national economic slowdown. However, the Board wishes to remind the legislature that these conditions have also dramatically reduced the ability of the Commonwealth's local governments to absorb reductions in state funding across the board and continuing state mandates. The Board calls upon the General Assembly to stem the flow of drastic reductions in state aid to localities coupled with increasing state mandates that has been the hallmark of recent legislative sessions. The Board strongly objects to the return of "Aid to the Commonwealth" as a means of reducing or recovering state funding for local governments.

Machinery and Tools Taxation

In a period of diminishing revenues and increasing mandates and rising demand for services, the local machinery and tools tax represents a significant and reliable source of revenue for Bedford County and for all localities which are home to major manufacturers. Because several manufacturers have chosen Bedford County as a location for their facilities, eliminating or reducing the source would be crippling to Bedford County's revenue structure. Machinery and tools taxation generates more than \$2 million in reliable revenue, which would have to be raised elsewhere or result in reduced services. The Board calls upon the General Assembly to preserve and protect this source of vital local revenue.

Transportation

The 2013 General Assembly Session made great progress in enhancing funding for transportation, but many transportation issues remain unaddressed and uncertain, especially in view of the failure met certain revenue levels which triggered automatic reductions in state transportation funding. State funding for the Secondary Six-Year Plan Program, vital to rural localities in particular, remains inadequate. The Board respectfully asks that the legislature scrutinize the distribution of resources to ensure as much funding as is absolutely possible is directed to secondary and unpaved road maintenance and construction. While recognizing that significant progress was made in the 2013 Session, the Board strongly encourages

continued assessment and development of new and innovative funding strategies for transportation not tied to meeting certain revenue levels. The Board asks that the members of the Commonwealth Transportation Board, legislators and representatives from jurisdictions throughout Virginia continue to work toward thoughtful, measured and responsible approaches to providing adequate transportation funding that will meet the needs of both rural and urban localities now and into the future. In particular, the Board continues to be seriously opposed to the concept of "devolution", the gradual transfer of responsibility for secondary roads from the Commonwealth to its localities. Predominately rural Virginia localities are simply not financially or structurally able to fully assume all responsibility for their extensive secondary road systems, even if assisted financially by the state.

Rural Broadband

Broadband Internet connectivity has become as important to business success as any other utility. It is especially important to many home-based businesses and for telecommuters. Unfortunately, reliable high-speed broadband service is rarely available outside very urbanized areas, leaving suburbanizing and rural areas at a distinct disadvantage in the information marketplace. The Board has placed a high priority on this issue and has formed a Broadband Authority to independently research methods and means to foster the development of universal broadband coverage in Bedford County. These local efforts, while potentially productive, must compete for limited County resources resulting in slow implementation. The Board requests that the Commonwealth fast-track its efforts to develop ways to efficiently and economically provide "last mile" broadband coverage to suburban and rural areas of Virginia and support efforts to offer incentives for expansion of this service.

Specific Legislative Requests

Training/Certification Requirements for EMS Volunteers

The Board specifically endorses the statement within the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) 2015 Legislative Program "supporting practical and reasonable initial certification and ongoing continuing medical education (CME) requirements for County emergency medical service (EMS) and rescue squad volunteers". The Board feels that a major deterrent to volunteer service presently exists within the current, onerous training and certification/re-certification requirements imposed on EMS personnel by the state. The Board strongly supports a comprehensive re-evaluation of such requirements in an effort to both provide adequately-trained response personnel while at the same time reducing the hardship the current training/certification program imposes on career and especially volunteer personnel rural localities must rely upon for EMS response.

Conceal-Carry by Local School Personnel

The Board urges consideration by the General Assembly to allow, as an option of the local School Board, the carrying of concealed firearms on school property by specially-trained school personnel as a means of enhancing the safety and security of children and employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs this Resolution be distributed to Bedford County's representatives within the House of Delegates and Senate of the Virginia General Assembly and the Virginia Association of Counties.

Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington, Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

(6d) County Administrator Mark K. Reeter stated that the resolution before the Board is the result of the Board's consensus during this evening's earlier work session to endorse the Strategic Plan for the Agriculture and Forestry Economy in Virginia's Region 2000. Mr. Reeter confirmed that the resolution includes the amended language recommended at the work session as follows: "the Board confirms its support for, and recognition of the importance of, commodity type production systems not specifically focused upon in the plan including but not limited to dairy, beef cattle, row crops, forages, equine and forestry".

Supervisor Wilkerson made a motion to approve Resolution #R111214-07.

WHEREAS, the localities of Region 2000 are committed to thinking strategically about how they can better support and integrate agriculture and forestry-based industries into their community's overall economic development efforts, and

WHEREAS, the *Strategic Plan for the Agriculture and Forestry Economy in Virginia's Region 2000* (hereinafter the Plan) is the result of a collaboration between Region 2000 localities and represents collective input from their localities' staff and citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the Plan represents completion of the planning process funded in part by Virginia's Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services "Agriculture and Forestry Industries Development (AFID) grant program, and

WHEREAS, the Plan is regional in scope and provides immediate and long-term action items to facilitate support and integration of agriculture and forestry-based industries into the overall economic development efforts in Region 2000 communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bedford County Board of Supervisors that the Board does hereby endorse the *Strategic Plan for the Agriculture and Forestry Economy in Virginia's Region 2000*; and the Board confirms its support for, and recognition of the importance of, commodity type production systems not specifically focused upon in the plan including but not limited to dairy, beef cattle, row crops, forages, equine and forestry.

Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington, Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

(7) BOARD COMMENTS, COMMITTEE REPORTS, REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Supervisor Martin asked for, and received, consensus from the Board for the Smith Mountain Lake's 50th Anniversary Committee to decorate the County welcome signs by planting shrubbery, etc., around a few of the signs in his area of the County. Mr. Reeter said he would check with VDOT to be sure the proposed plants, etc., wouldn't be in VDOT's right-of-way. Supervisor Martin said he was certain they were not in the right-of-way, since they were the ones who installed the signs to begin with.

Supervisor Pollard stated she had distributed a copy of the State of Virginia's budget, noting that cuts are expected. Mrs. Pollard asked the Supervisors to read over this material carefully, and asked Mr. Reeter to set up a special meeting with the County's legislators to review these issues. Supervisor Thomasson concurred with Supervisor Pollard.

(7a) The Board was given a copy of the Bedford Communications Report for October 1, 2014 for review.

(7b) The Board was given a copy of the Tri-County Lakes Administrative Commission meeting minutes from August 12, 2014 for review.

(7c) The Board was given a copy of the Social Services Board meeting minutes from September 18, 2014 for review.

(7d) The Board was given a copy of the Bedford Regional Water Authority Board of Directors meeting minutes from September 16, 2014 for review.

(8) APPOINTMENTS TO BOARD, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Supervisor Martin made a motion to appoint Keith Tuck as an 'At-Large' representative to the Agriculture Economic Development Advisory Board.

Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington, Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

Supervisor Thomasson appointed Dennis Novitski as the District 1 representative to the Economic Development Authority to fill the remainder of Craig Coker's unexpired term.

Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington, Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

Supervisor Arrington made a motion to appoint Don Barlow to the Recreation Advisory Board.

Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington, Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

Supervisor Wilkerson reappointed Ken Newman as an ‘At-Large’ representative to the Agriculture Economic Development Advisory Board.

Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington, Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker

Voting no: None

Motion passed.

(9) COUNTY ATTORNEY’S REPORTS, REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

In response to a question Supervisor Martin raised at an earlier meeting, Attorney Carl Boggess stated that seven out of eight of the complaints received regarding rental properties at the Lake do have short-term rental permits. Attorney Boggess said the County will be following up on that one location did not have a permit.

Attorney Boggess stated that the Board will need to make recommendations to the Court for members for the Board of Equalization. He asked the Board to have their recommendations by their next regular meeting.

(10) COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORTS, REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Supervisor Thomasson and Mr. Reeter presented the Board with a brochure regarding the Wounded Warrior program, asking that \$1 be contributed for every person in Virginia. Supervisor Thomasson noted that 97% of the funds go to the program. Mr. Reeter clarified that the goal was to collect a dollar for each person in each locality, but not necessarily a dollar from each person individually (i.e., the locality would donate an amount equal to their population).

Chairman Sharp said if this is done as a fundraiser, then it voluntary; if the Board budgets this to give to the program, then they would be taking tax money. Supervisor Thomasson said it was just something for consideration.

(10a) Mr. Reeter requested that the Board review the draft meeting schedule for 2015 that was included in their agenda packet, and let him know if they had any changes.

Mr. Reeter stated that Horizon Behavioral Health is requesting a Supervisor from the Board to serve on Horizon's Board of Directors; they are also requesting the reappointment of Jim Sikkema as the citizen representative for Bedford. Mr. Reeter asked the Board to give this request consideration for their next meeting.

(11) PENDING MATTERS

There were no pending matters to discuss.

(12) UPCOMING MEETINGS

Chairman Sharp noted the Board's upcoming meetings as follows: November 24th – Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; December 8th – Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m. (Work Session at 5:00 p.m.); January 12th – Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Supervisor Thomasson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

**Voting yes: Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Arrington,
Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Parker**

Voting no: None

Motion passed.