

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Bedford, Virginia, held at the Bedford County Administration Building on the 18th day of June 2001, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Board of Supervisors:

Lucille H. Boggess, Chair - Dist. 7, Kirby E. Richardson, Vice-Chair - Dist. 2, Dale C. Wheeler - Dist. 1, Roger W. Cheek - Dist. 3, E. Anthony Ware, II - Dist. 5 and Bobby G. Pollard - Dist. 6

: Absent :

Robert L. Bashore - Dist. 4

Staff present: William C. Rolfe, Kathleen D. Guzi, Philip Thompson and Bill Hoy

Chair Boggess called the meeting to order.

Chair Boggess asked the County Administrator if staff had any comments.

The County Administrator reported that based on recent discussions, the Board of Supervisors would like the County's Comprehensive Plan updated.

The County Administrator asked Philip Thompson, Director of Planning, to review the Draft Comprehensive Plan Process/Timetable.

Mr. Thompson reviewed the Draft Comprehensive Plan. Major points covered included:

- ?? Data Collection/Analysis of existing conditions/trends including what data to be collected, data collection methods and products
- ?? Hiring of Consultant(s)
- ?? Public Meetings at elementary schools
- ?? Meetings with organizations
- ?? Development of "The Plan"

There followed a discussion among members of the Board and Mr. Thompson.

Bill Hoy, Public Information Officer, briefed the Board on the outcome of the 2001 Legislative Priorities which were adopted by the Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting on November 27, 2000.

Mr. Hoy then presented the Virginia Association of Counties 2001 Legislative Summary; he indicated if any Board members wanted additional information on a specific bill, he would obtain a copy of the bill.

The County Administrator reviewed the following goals suggested by Chair Boggess:

- ?? Develop a timetable for implementing the Comprehensive Plan
- ?? Study ways to continue regional cooperation with jurisdictions on both sides of the County
- ?? Move forward on the City/County Visitor's Center
- ?? Continue the momentum of increased funding for education, especially for teachers salaries
- ?? Study ways to ease the parking situation for employees and residents that will arise after the re-opening of the downtown Courthouse

Chair Boggess polled each Board member for proposed goals that they would like the entire Board to consider. There followed a discussion among members of the Board. The following are potential goals which were identified:

- ?? Continue economic development, especially the need to continue support of Region 2000
- ?? Development of Route 460 West waterline
- ?? Development and adoption of Comprehensive Plan
- ?? Continued support of education including increasing teacher salaries in order to be competitive with surrounding localities, providing appropriate dollars and to ensure the dollars were appropriately utilized
- ?? Development of infrastructure throughout the county, including waterlines and wastewater; several areas of the county are in need of waterlines now, which will continue to be a major need
- ?? Continued development of Tourism Program, especially since the dedication of the D-Day Memorial
- ?? Develop area parks and recreation facilities
- ?? Develop standards/guidelines for establishing a new fire company/rescue squad

It was suggested that the goals be handled by the various county agencies as noted below:

- ?? Planning Commission – Comprehensive Plan
- ?? Industrial Development Authority – Economic Development and Tourism
- ?? Recreation Commission – Regional Parks
- ?? Public Service Authority – Water and Sewer
- ?? Fire/Rescue – Rules for establishing new/branch buildings
- ?? Schools – equalized teacher salaries; education

Chair Boggess instructed staff to include all proposed goals in the minutes; that the goals be communicated to the appropriate agencies; and that staff follow up with the various agencies to ensure continued progress.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Chairman
