



**MINUTES**

**BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**BEDFORD COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE**

**MARCH 25, 2019**

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**7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING**

- (1) Call to Order & Welcome**
- (2) Moment of Silence**
- (3) Pledge of Allegiance**
- (4) Approval of Agenda**
- (5) Citizen Comments (15 Minutes)**
- (6) Consent Agenda**
  - a. Consideration of a resolution authorizing staff to submit an application for the Creative Communities Partnership Grant on behalf of the Sedalia Center in the amount of \$4,500 (local match of \$4,500 is proposed for inclusion in the County's FY19-20 budget. *(Resolution #R 032519-01)*)
  - b. Consideration of a resolution from the Virginia Department of Transportation regarding land use permits. *(Resolution #R 032519-02)*
  - c. Consideration of a resolution consenting to the assignment of the Ivy Lake Stormwater Maintenance Agreement *(Resolution #R 032519-04)*
- (7) Approval of Minutes – January 22, 2019**
- (8) Public Hearings & Presentations**
  - a. **Presentation of Proclamation** to Krista Calhoun, Director of the Bedford Victim/Witness Program, in recognition of National Crime Victim's Rights Week.
  - b. **Public Appearance** – Annual Update from the Economic Development Agricultural Advisory Board by Chairman Jeff Powers.
  - c. **Public Appearance** – Broadband update by Project Manager George Condyles

- d. Public Hearing – (8d.i)** Consideration of a resolution authorizing the issuance of not-to-exceed \$22,500,000 General Obligation School Bond of the County of Bedford, Virginia, to be sold to the Virginia Public School Authority (*Resolution #R 032519-07*); and **(8d.ii)** a resolution appropriating future bond proceeds for General Obligation School Bonds to the Forest Middle School Expansion and Renovation project (*Resolution #R 032519-08*).

- *Staff Presentation by Fiscal Management Director Susan Crawford*

**(9) Action & Discussion Items**

- a.** Consideration of a resolution authorizing the advertisement of the 2019 tax rate. (*Documentation to be distributed during the meeting; rate to advertise will be decided on during the work session held earlier.*)

- *Staff Presentation by County Administrator Robert Hiss and Fiscal Management Director Susan Crawford*

- b.** Consideration of a resolution authorizing \$60,000 from the Cellular Lease Revenue Sharing Fund for the Rucker Road Water Line Extension Project. (*Resolution #R 032519-05*)

- *Staff Presentation by Economic Development Director Traci Blido*

- c.** Consideration of a resolution authorizing \$100,000 from the Cellular Lease Revenue Sharing Fund for the Burnbridge Road Sewer Extension Project. (*Resolution #R 032519-06*)

- *Staff Presentation by Economic Development Director Traci Blido*

**(10) Board Committee Reports**

**(11) Board Member Comments**

**(12) Board Appointments**

- a.** An alternate Supervisor Representative for the TLAC Committee is needed (the current appointee has resigned from this committee).

**(13) County Attorney Report**

**(14) County Administrator Report**

**(15) Board Information**

- a.** Bedford Public Library System Board of Trustees Meeting minutes from February 5, 2019
- b.** Bedford Communications Report for February 2019
- c.** Bedford Regional Water Authority Board of Directors meeting minutes from January 15, 2019
- d.** Bedford County Transportation Safety Commission meeting minutes from January 17, 2019

**(16) Board Calendar and Reminders**

- April 1 - Budget Work Session beginning at 5:00 pm
- April 8 - Budget Work Session (5:00 pm to 6:30 pm) if needed; Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm
- April 15 - Public Hearing on the proposed 2019 tax rate
- April 22 - Budget Work Session (5:00 to 6:30 pm); Regular Meeting (Budget and Tax Rate Adoption); VDOT Public Hearing on the Secondary Six-Year Plan

**Adjourn**

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**Board of Supervisors:** Tommy Scott, Vice-Chairman, District 5; Edgar Tuck, District 2; Charla Bansley, District 3; John Sharp, District 4; Andy Dooley, District 6, and Kevin Willis, District 7

**Absent:** Bill Thomasson, Chairman, District 1

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**Staff:** County Administrator Robert Hiss, County Attorney Patrick Skelley, Public Works Director Sheldon Cash, Economic Development Director Traci Blido, Finance Director Susan Crawford, and Executive Assistant Brigitte Luckett

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**7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING**

- (1) Chairman Scott called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.
- (2) Chairman Scott led the room in a moment of silence.
- (3) Chairman Scott led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**(4) Approval of Agenda**

County Administrator Robert Hiss stated that agenda item #9a has been pulled.

**Supervisor Sharp made a motion to approve the agenda.**

**Voting yes: Mr. Tuck, Mrs. Bansley, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Scott, Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Willis**

**Voting no: none**

**Absent: Mr. Thomasson**

**Motion passed.**

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**(5) Citizen Comments (15 Minutes)**

- Salvatore Monasta, 750 Wysong Mill Road, Moneta, requested that a resolution be passed by the Board to fly the POW/MIA flag under the US State flag in Bedford County.

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**(6) Consent Agenda**

Mr. Hiss reviewed the consent agenda as follows:

**Vice-Chairman Dooley made a motion to approve the consent agenda.**

- a. Consideration of a resolution authorizing staff to submit an application for the Creative Communities Partnership Grant on behalf of the Sedalia Center in the amount of \$4,500 (local match of \$4,500 is proposed for inclusion in the County's FY19-20 budget. *(Resolution #R 032519-01)*)
- b. Consideration of a resolution from the Virginia Department of Transportation regarding land use permits. *(Resolution #R 032519-02)*
- c. Consideration of a resolution consenting to the assignment of the Ivy Lake Stormwater Maintenance Agreement *(Resolution #R 032519-04)*

**Voting yes: Mr. Tuck, Mrs. Bansley, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Scott, Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Willis**

**Voting no: none**

**Absent: Mr. Thomasson**

**Motion passed.**

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**(7) Approval of Minutes**

**Supervisor Tuck made a motion to approve the minutes of January 22, 2019 as presented.**

**Voting yes: Mr. Tuck, Mrs. Bansley, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Scott, Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Willis**

**Voting no: none**

**Absent: Mr. Thomasson**

**Motion passed.**

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**(8) Public Hearings & Presentations**

**(8a)** Supervisor Tuck presented the following proclamation to Krista Calhoun, Director of the Bedford Victim/Witness Program:

**PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK  
APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2019**

**WHEREAS**, in 1982, the President's Task Force on Victims of Crime envisioned a national commitment to a more equitable and supportive response to victims,

**WHEREAS**, this commemorative week celebrates the energy, perseverance and commitment that launched the victim's rights movement, inspired its progress, and continues to advance the cause of justice from crime victims;

**WHEREAS**, crime can leave a lasting impact on any person, regardless of age, national origin, race, religion, gender or economic status;

**WHEREAS**, with the unwavering support of their communities, law enforcement, health providers and victim service providers behind them, survivors will be empowered to face their grief, loss, fear, anger and hope without fear of judgment, and will feel understood, heard and respected;

**WHEREAS**, honoring the rights of victims, including the right to be heard and treated with fairness, dignity, and respect, and working to meet their needs rebuilds their trust in the criminal justice and social service systems;

**WHEREAS**, National Crime Victims' Rights Week, provides an opportunity to recommit to ensuring that all victims of crime-especially those who are challenging to reach or serve-are offered culturally and linguistically accessible and appropriate services; and

**WHEREAS**, Bedford Victim/Witness Assistance Program is hereby dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim responders, and working for a better future for all victims and survivors.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of Bedford County does hereby recognize April 7-13, 2019 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week, and reaffirms Bedford County's commitment to creating a victim services and criminal justice response that assists all victims of crime during Crime Victim's Rights Week and throughout the year; and to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for those community members, victim service providers and criminal justice professionals who are committed to improving our response to all victims of crime so that they may find relevant assistance, support, justice and peace.

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**(8b)** Agricultural Economic Development Advisory Board Chairman Jeff Powers addressed the Board of Supervisors with AEDAB's annual update. Mr. Powers thanked the Board for their support and the staff for their efforts, as without staff's assistance they wouldn't be able to get their projects done. He briefly touched on a variety of programs the AEDAB has been involved with over the past year, including the successful expansion of the agricultural education programs in County schools; the special feeder calf sales; the 2018 County Fair, which continues to succeed and grow; continued support the County's Farmer's Markets; the coyote lottery; the 4-H program; the revitalization of the Bedford Beef Producers Association; the Governor's Conference on Agricultural Trade; and keeping the website updated. He also stated that Scott Baker has been very helpful in getting Tobacco Commission Grants for new facilities.

Vice-Chairman Dooley told Mr. Powers to keep up the good work.

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**(8c)** Broadband Project Manager George Condyles addressed the Board with an update on the County's broadband initiative. Mr. Condyles stated the purpose of the project is to expand broadband into a county-wide system, targeting un-served and under-served areas. He briefly reviewed the status report, noting they are doing well with regard to sticking to the schedule. They have acquired most of the sites for the towers, and the site plans have been completed for all locations; all nine tower site plans will be submitted by the first of April. He briefly touched on other aspects of the beginning stages of the project, such as assembling worker safety requirements. He said he is hoping to have a ground-breaking ceremony in May. *(Mr. Condyles full report will be kept on file in the Administration Office for public review, and progress reports*

will also be available on the County's website at <https://www.bedfordcountyva.gov/boards-commissions/broadband-authority>.) Mr. Condyles then answered minor clarifying questions from the Board.

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**(8d)** Fiscal Management Director Susan Crawford addressed the Board with **(8d.i)**, a resolution authorizing the issuance of not-to-exceed \$22,500,000 General Obligation School Bond of the County of Bedford, Virginia, to be sold to the Virginia Public School Authority; and **(8d.ii)**, a resolution appropriating future bond proceeds for General Obligation School Bonds to the Forest Middle School Expansion and Renovation project. Details regarding both requests are included in the resolutions below.

The citizen comment portion of the public hearing was opened; there being no one desiring to speak, this portion of the public hearing was closed.

**Supervisor Sharp made a motion to approve Resolution #R 032519-07.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of the County of Bedford, Virginia (the "County"), has determined that it is necessary and expedient to borrow an amount not to exceed \$22,500,000 and to issue its general obligation school bond (as more specifically defined below, the "Local School Bond") for the purpose of financing certain costs associated with the renovation and expansion of Forest Middle School and other capital school improvement projects for public school purposes that are included in the Capital Improvements Program, as the Capital Improvements Program is amended from time to time, together with the costs of issuing the Local School Bond (collectively, the "Project");

**WHEREAS**, the County held a public hearing, duly noticed, on March 25, 2019, on the issuance of the Local School Bond in accordance with the requirements of Section 15.2-2606, Code of Virginia 1950, as amended (the "Virginia Code");

**WHEREAS**, the School Board of the County has, by resolution, requested the Board to authorize the issuance of the Local School Bond and consented to the issuance of the Local School Bond;

**WHEREAS**, Virginia Public School Authority ("VPSA") has offered to purchase the Local School Bond along with the local school bonds of certain other localities with a portion of the proceeds of certain bonds to be issued by VPSA in the spring of 2019 (the "VPSA Bonds");

**WHEREAS**, the Bond Sale Agreement (as defined below) shall indicate that \$22,500,000 (or such other amount as the Delegate may determine) is the amount of proceeds requested (the "Proceeds Requested") from VPSA in connection with the sale of the Local School Bond;

**WHEREAS**, VPSA's objective is to pay the County a purchase price for the Local School Bond which, in VPSA's judgment, reflects the Local School Bond's market value (the "VPSA Purchase Price Objective"), taking into consideration of such factors as the amortization schedule the County has requested for the Local School Bond relative to the amortization schedules requested by other localities, the purchase price to be received by VPSA from the sale of the VPSA Bonds and other market conditions relating to the sale of the VPSA Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, such factors may result in the Local School Bond having a purchase price other than par and consequently (i) the County may have to issue the Local School Bond in a principal amount that is greater than or less than the Proceeds Requested in order to receive an amount of proceeds that is substantially equal to the Proceeds Requested, or (ii) if the maximum authorized principal amount of the Local School Bond set forth in section 1 below does not exceed the Proceeds Requested by at least the amount of any discount, the purchase price to be paid to the County, given the VPSA Purchase Price Objective and market conditions, will be less than the Proceeds Requested.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF BEDFORD, VIRGINIA:**

**1. Authorization of Local School Bond and Use of Proceeds.** The Board hereby determines that it is advisable to contract a debt and issue and sell its general obligation school bond in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$22,500,000 (the "Local School Bond") for the purpose of financing the Project. The Board hereby authorizes the issuance and sale of the Local School Bond in the form and upon the terms established pursuant to this Resolution.

**2. Sale of the Local School Bond.** The sale of the Local School Bond, within the parameters set forth in paragraph 4 of this Resolution, to VPSA is authorized. Given the VPSA Purchase Price Objective and market conditions, the County acknowledges that the limitation on the maximum principal amount of the Local School Bond set forth in paragraph 1 of this Resolution restricts VPSA's ability to generate the Proceeds Requested, however, the Local School Bond may be sold for a purchase price not lower than 100% of the Proceeds Requested. The Chairman of the Board, the County Administrator, or either of them (each a "Delegate") and such other officer or officers of the County as either may designate are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with VPSA providing for the sale of the Local School Bond to VPSA (the "Bond Sale Agreement"). The Bond Sale Agreement shall be in substantially the form submitted to the Board at this meeting, which form is hereby approved, with such completions, insertions, omissions and changes not inconsistent with this Resolution as may be approved by the County officer executing the Bond Sale Agreement.

**3. Details of the Local School Bond.** The Local School Bond shall be dated 16 days prior to the date of its issuance and delivery or such other date designated by VPSA; shall be designated "General Obligation School Bond, Series 2019A"; shall bear interest from its dated date payable semi-annually on each January 15 and July 15 beginning January 15, 2020 (each an "Interest Payment Date"), at the rates established in accordance with paragraph 4 of this Resolution; and shall mature on July 15 in the years (each a "Principal Payment Date") and in the amounts acceptable to a Delegate (the "Principal Installments"), subject to the provisions of paragraph 4 of this Resolution.

**4. Interest Rates and Principal Installments.** Each Delegate is hereby authorized and directed to accept the interest rates on the Local School Bond established by VPSA, provided that each interest rate shall be five one-hundredths of one percent (0.05%) over the interest rate to be paid by VPSA for the corresponding

principal payment date of the VPSA Bonds, a portion of the proceeds of which will be used to purchase the Local School Bond, and provided further that the true interest cost of the Local School Bond does not exceed five and fifty one-hundredths percent (5.50%) per annum. The Interest Payment Dates and the Principal Installments are subject to change at the request of VPSA. Each Delegate is hereby authorized and directed to accept changes in the Interest Payment Dates and the Principal Installments at the request of VPSA based on the final term to maturity of the VPSA Bonds, requirements imposed on VPSA by the nationally-recognized rating agencies and the final principal amount of the Local School Bond; provided, however, that the principal amount of the Local School Bond shall not exceed the amount authorized by this Resolution and the final maturity of the Local School Bond shall not be later than the end of the fiscal year that is 21 years after the date of the issuance and delivery of the Local School Bond. The execution and delivery of the Local School Bond as described in paragraph 8 hereof shall conclusively evidence the approval and acceptance of all of the details of the Local School Bond by the Delegate as authorized by this Resolution.

**5. Form of the Local School Bond.** The Local School Bond shall be initially in the form of a single, temporary typewritten bond substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**6. Payment; Paying Agent and Bond Registrar.** The following provisions shall apply to the Local School Bond:

(a) For as long as VPSA is the registered owner of the Local School Bond, all payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Local School Bond shall be made in immediately available funds to VPSA at, or before 11:00 a.m. on the applicable Interest Payment Date, Principal Payment Date or date fixed for prepayment or redemption, or if such date is not a business day for Virginia banks or for the Commonwealth of Virginia, then at or before 11:00 a.m. on the business day next succeeding such Interest Payment Date, Principal Payment Date or date fixed for prepayment or redemption.

(b) All overdue payments of principal and, to the extent permitted by law, interest shall bear interest at the applicable interest rate or rates on the Local School Bond.

(c) The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to select a Bond Registrar and Paying Agent for the Local School Bond in accordance with the requirements of VPSA. The County may, in its sole discretion, replace at any time the Bond Registrar with another qualified bank or trust company as successor Bond Registrar and Paying Agent for the Local School Bond. The County shall give prompt notice to VPSA of the appointment of any successor Bond Registrar and Paying Agent.

**7. Prepayment or Redemption.** Unless otherwise directed by VPSA, the Principal Installments of the Local School Bond held by VPSA coming due on or before July 15, 2029, and the definitive bond for which the Local School Bond held by VPSA may be exchanged that mature on or before July 15, 2029, are not subject to prepayment or redemption prior to their stated maturities. The Principal Installments of the Local School Bond held by VPSA coming due on or after July 15, 2030, and the definitive bond(s) for which the Local School Bond held by VPSA may be exchanged that mature on or after July 15, 2030, are



subject to prepayment or redemption at the option of the County prior to their stated maturities in whole or in part, on any date on or after July 15, 2029, upon payment of the prepayment or redemption prices (expressed as percentages of Principal Installments to be prepaid or the principal amount of the Local School Bond to be redeemed) set forth below plus accrued interest to the date set for prepayment or redemption:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Prices</u>
July 15, 2029 through July 14, 2030	101%
July 15, 2030 through July 14, 2031	100½
July 15, 2031 and thereafter	100

Provided, however, that the Principal Installments of the Local School Bond shall not be subject to prepayment or redemption prior to their stated maturities as described above without first obtaining the written consent of VPSA or other registered owner of the Local School Bond. Notice of any such prepayment or redemption shall be given by the Bond Registrar to VPSA or other registered owner by registered mail not more than ninety (90) and not less than sixty (60) days before the date fixed for prepayment or redemption.

If VPSA refunds the VPSA Bonds in the future and such refunding causes the Local School Bond to be deemed refunded, the prepayment or redemption of the Local School Bond will be subject to VPSA approval and subject to similar prepayment or redemption provisions as set forth above that correspond to the call period of the VPSA bonds issued in part to refund the Local School Bond.

**8. Execution of the Local School Bond.** The Chairman or Vice Chairman and the Clerk or any Deputy Clerk of the Board are authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Local School Bond and to affix the seal of the County thereto.

**9. Pledge of Full Faith and Credit.** For the prompt payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and the interest on the Local School Bond as the same shall become due, the full faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged, and in each year while any portion of the Local School Bond shall be outstanding there shall be levied and collected in accordance with law an annual ad valorem tax upon all taxable property in the County subject to local taxation sufficient in amount to provide for the payment of the principal of and premium, if any, and the interest on the Local School Bond as such principal, premium, if any, and interest shall become due, which tax shall be without limitation as to rate or amount and in addition to all other taxes authorized to be levied in the County to the extent other funds of the County are not lawfully available and appropriated for such purpose.

**10. Use of Proceeds Certificate and Tax Compliance Agreement.** The Chairman of the Board, the County Administrator and such other officer or officers of the County or the School Board as either may designate are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver on behalf of the County a Use of Proceeds Certificate and Tax Compliance Agreement (the "Tax Compliance Agreement") setting forth the expected use and investment of the proceeds of the Local School Bond and containing such covenants as may be necessary in order to show compliance with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the

"Code"), and applicable regulations relating to the exclusion from gross income of interest on the VPSA Bonds. The Board covenants on behalf of the County that (i) the proceeds from the issuance and sale of the Local School Bond will be invested and expended as set forth in such Tax Compliance Agreement and that the County shall comply with the other covenants and representations contained therein and (ii) the County shall comply with the provisions of the Code so that interest on the VPSA Bonds will remain excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

**11. State Non-Arbitrage Program; Proceeds Agreement.** The Board hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the County to authorize and direct the County Treasurer to participate in the State Non-Arbitrage Program in connection with the Local School Bond. The Chairman of the Board, the County Administrator and such officer or officers of the County as either may designate are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a Proceeds Agreement with respect to the deposit and investment of proceeds of the Local School Bond by and among the County, the other participants in the sale of the VPSA Bonds, VPSA, the investment manager and the depository, substantially in the form submitted to the Board at this meeting, which form is hereby approved.

**12. Continuing Disclosure Agreement.** The Chairman of the Board, the County Administrator and such other officer or officers of the County as either may designate are hereby authorized and directed to execute a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, as set forth in Appendix D to the Bond Sale Agreement, setting forth the reports and notices to be filed by the County and containing such covenants as may be necessary in order to show compliance with the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and directed to make all filings required by Section 4 of the Bond Sale Agreement should the County be determined by VPSA to be a MOP (as defined in the Bond Sale Agreement).

**13. Refunding.** The Board hereby acknowledges that VPSA may issue refunding bonds to refund any bonds previously issued by VPSA, including the VPSA Bonds issued to purchase the Local School Bond, and that the purpose of such refunding bonds would be to enable VPSA to pass on annual debt service savings to the local issuers, including the County. Each of the Delegates is authorized to execute and deliver to VPSA such allonge to the Local School Bond, revised debt service schedule, IRS Form 8038-G or such other documents reasonably deemed necessary by VPSA and VPSA's bond counsel to be necessary to reflect and facilitate the refunding of the Local School Bond and the allocation of the annual debt service savings to the County by VPSA. The Clerk to the Board of Supervisors is authorized to affix the County's seal on any such documents and attest or countersign the same.

**14. Filing of Resolution.** The appropriate officers or agents of the County are hereby authorized and directed to cause a certified copy of this Resolution to be filed with the Circuit Court of the County.

**15. Election to Proceed under Public Finance Act.** In accordance with Section 15.2-2601 of the Virginia Code, the Board elects to issue the Local School Bond pursuant to the provisions of the Public Finance Act of 1991, Chapter 26 of Title 15.2 of the Virginia Code.

**16. Further Actions.** The members of the Board and all officers, employees and agents of the County are hereby authorized to take such action as they or any one of them may consider necessary or desirable in connection with the issuance and sale of the Local School Bond and otherwise in furtherance of this Resolution and any such action previously taken is hereby ratified and confirmed.

**17. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Voting yes: Mr. Tuck, Mrs. Bansley, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Scott, Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Willis**

**Voting no: none**

**Absent: Mr. Thomasson**

**Motion passed.**

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**Supervisor Sharp made a motion to approve Resolution #R 032519-08.**

**WHEREAS**, on March 25, 2019 the Board held a public hearing on the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation School Bonds of the County of Bedford for the purposes of expanding and renovating the Forest Middle School.

**WHEREAS**, on March 25, 2019, after the public hearing, the Board authorized the issuance of \$22,500,000 of said bonds;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Bedford County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize appropriation of said bond proceeds to the County CIP fund and subsequent transfer, as expended, to the School Construction Funds.

**Voting yes: Mr. Tuck, Mrs. Bansley, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Scott, Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Willis**

**Voting no: none**

**Absent: Mr. Thomasson**

**Motion passed.**

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**(9) Action & Discussion Items**

**(9a)** ~~County Administrator Robert Hiss and Fiscal Management Director Susan Crawford addressed the Board with a resolution authorizing the advertisement of the 2019 tax rate. This item was postponed until the April 1, 2019 meeting.~~

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**(9b)** Economic Development Director Traci Blido addressed the Board with a resolution authorizing \$60,000 from the Cellular Lease Revenue Sharing Fund for the Rucker Road Water Line Extension Project. Mrs. Blido stated that the Economic Development Authority has been working on this project for several months, and that this project would benefit local businesses. She stated the funds would come from the lease revenues generated from cellular equipment on our water tanks; these funds are kept in an escrow account and may be used for this purpose. Mrs. Blido gave a PowerPoint presentation which detailed why

the project is needed, which included failing well water, very low water pressure, failing septic tanks, etc. Several of the businesses are putting up funds for the connection costs.

Supervisor Tuck noted the issues several of the business are experiencing and stated this is something that is badly needed.

**Supervisor Tuck made a motion to approve Resolution #R 032519-05.**

**WHEREAS**, there is a signed agreement dated November 4, 2003 between the Board of Supervisors and Public Service Authority (BRWA) that established an escrow account for lease revenues generated from the cellular equipment on existing water tanks. At March 31, 2019 the fund has a balance of \$162,344 to be used for new water or sewer projects that bring additional revenue to the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Authority met on December 6, 2018 and heard a staff presentation about Centra's request for assistance to serve its Moneta facility and several neighboring businesses with public water service and unanimously voted to recommend the use of county lease revenue funds to assist in this buildout; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bedford County Board of Supervisors and EDA recognizes the economic impact of extending a county water line along Rucker Road in Moneta to alleviate widespread issues with well water to Centra Village Family Medical Center and several neighboring businesses, including Moneta Medical Center, Moneta Volunteer Fire Department, land owned by a private developer and Bedford County Parks and Recreation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Bedford County Board of Supervisors authorize \$60,000 from the Cellular Lease Revenue Sharing fund held by the BRWA per the stated agreement to go toward this project to assist the businesses on Rucker Road in Moneta.

**Voting yes: Mr. Tuck, Mrs. Bansley, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Scott, Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Willis**

**Voting no: none**

**Absent: Mr. Thomasson**

**Motion passed.**

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**(9c)** Economic Development Director Traci Blido addressed the Board with a resolution authorizing \$100,000 from the Cellular Lease Revenue Sharing Fund for the Burnbridge Road Sewer Extension Project, which was similar to the project covered just prior to this agenda item and would benefit several businesses in the area. She noted that Apocalypse Ale is opening a cidery in the area as well, which will need the improved system. She stated that Apocalypse intends to use local orchards to produce their cider.

**Supervisor Sharp made a motion to approve Resolution #R 032519-06.**

**WHEREAS**, there is a signed agreement dated November 4, 2003 between the Board of Supervisors and Public Service Authority (BRWA) that established an escrow account for lease revenues generated from the cellular equipment on existing water tanks. At March 31, 2019 the account has a balance of \$162,344 to be used for new water or sewer projects that bring additional revenue to the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Authority met on December 6, 2018 and unanimously voted to recommend the use of county lease revenue funds in the amount of \$100,000 to assist in the buildout of public sewer service along Burnbridge Road in Forest for the purpose of meeting a business and community need for a 21-parcel area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bedford County Board of Supervisors and EDA recognizes the economic impact of extending a county sewer line along Burnbridge Road to serve existing and future businesses; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Bedford County Board of Supervisors authorize \$100,000 from the Cellular Lease Revenue Sharing fund held by the BRWA per the stated agreement to go toward this project to assist the businesses on Burnbridge Road.

**Voting yes: Mr. Tuck, Mrs. Bansley, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Scott, Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Willis**

**Voting no: none**

**Absent: Mr. Thomasson**

**Motion passed.**

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**(10) Board Committee Reports**

Vice-Chairman Dooley stated that he has been attending the Social Services Board meetings monthly, and the Board should be prepared for additional costs in the near future for foster children. He stated he also attended the Roanoke Valley MPO, and there really is no money for our area, as it has mostly been allocated to Northern Virginia. He said he is also having trouble keeping a person on the Transportation Committee, and suggested maybe having it changed so all the positions are at-large positions.

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**(11) Board Member Comments**

Supervisor Sharp stated he is still looking for a Planning Commissioner to represent District 4.

Vice-Chairman Dooley voiced his support for the resolution requested during the Citizen Comment period to fly the POW/MIA flag at the Courthouse, as well as other County locations.

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**(12) Board Appointments**

The Board declined to appoint an Alternate Supervisor Representative to the Tri-County Lakes Administrative Commission at this time; they designate one in the future if needed.

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**(13) County Attorney Report**

Attorney Skelley was given the consensus of the Board to follow up on a potential offer from the Bedford Life Saving Crew regarding real estate.

**(14) County Administrator Report**

Mr. Hiss said he has enjoyed his first month on the job, and he's looking forward to working on different projects.

He said we will have a work session in April to discuss some issues that came up in a recent Public Works Committee. Also, a Personnel Committee was recently held; those issue will be discussed in the upcoming budget work session.

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**(15) Board Information**

**(15a)** The Board was given a copy of the Bedford Public Library System Board of Trustees Meeting minutes from February 5, 2019 for review.

**(15b)** The Board was given a copy of the Bedford Communications Report for February 2019 for review.

**(15c)** The Board was given a copy of the Bedford Regional Water Authority Board of Directors meeting minutes from January 15, 2019 for review.

**(15d)** The Board was given a copy of the Bedford County Transportation Safety Commission meeting minutes from January 17, 2019 for review.

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**(16) Board Calendar and Reminders**

April 1 - Budget Work Session beginning at 5:00 pm; April 8 - Budget Work Session (5:00 pm to 6:30 pm) if needed; Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm; April 15 - Public Hearing on the proposed 2019 tax rate; April 22 - Budget Work Session (5:00 to 6:00 pm); Regular Meeting (Budget and Tax Rate Adoption), with the VDOT Public Hearing on the Secondary Six-Year Plan at 6:00 pm

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**Vice-Chairman Dooley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm.**

**Voting yes: Mr. Tuck, Mrs. Bansley, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Scott, Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Willis**

**Voting no: none**

**Absent: Mr. Thomasson**

**Motion passed.**