

**VIRGINIA:** County of Lee, to-wit:

At the Recessed Meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors in the General District Courtroom of the Lee County Courthouse on May 1, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. thereof.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Mosley, Chairman  
David Jessee  
Sidney Kolb  
D.D. Leonard  
Robert Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dane Poe, County Administrator

OTHERS ABSENT: Stacy Estep Munsey, County Attorney

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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:46p.m.

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The Chairman advised that Mr. Leonard was participating in the meeting remotely from South Carolina per the Board's Remote Attendance Policy.

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**DELEGATIONS**

**PROPOSAL FOR OPIOID ABATEMENT AUTHORITY GRANT APPLICATION**

Sandy O'Dell, Executive Director of Planning District 1 Behavioral Health Service, stated that the state of Virginia is expecting to receive over one million dollars in Opioid Abatement Funds over the next fifteen to eighteen years. She stated Lee County can expect 1.4 million in funding. She advised the money can only be spent for prevention, treatment and recovery services. She stated that if Lee, Scott and Wise Counties along with the City of Norton combine their resources we can do a Regional Program. She discussed the process and cost of starting up the program. She advised the state has money that can be applied for as a Region. She also discussed the different types of addictions that will qualify for treatment. She is asking the Board to approve the localities to apply for the money and for the localities to support the proposal with 20% of local Opioid Abatement Funds which is \$13,542.13. Ms. O'Dell stated they have a

new Twenty-Three Hour Crisis Program in Norton which serves the whole region and added her agency is funding twelve hours of security a day and will ask the localities to fund the remaining twelve hours at a later lime.

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Mr. Poe advised if a Lee County patient is brought in during off hours the deputy has to remain at the location with them until they are transferred or staff comes in.

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### **RECOVERY HOUSING PROGRAM**

Ms. O'Dell stated the second proposal is Recovery Housing with one in Scott County and one in Lee County.

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Mr. Mosley asked if the people at the Recovery Housing will be drug tested.

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Ms. O'Dell stated yes.

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Mr. Mosley suggested a big building for a rehabilitation facility. He stated that addicted individuals need more than thirty days to get cleaned up.

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Ms. O'Dell stated that people can stay at the Recovery House for two to three years if needed and one goal would be to get them to work. She advised she will bring this back to the table at a later date.

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Mr. Poe stated the goal is to get people employed and then they will pay rent to stay in the facility.

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Mr. Mosley asked if there would be supervision.

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Ms. O'Dell stated yes.

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## **ADVENTURE PROGRAM**

Christy Hammonds, Frontier health President and CEO, stated one of our biggest needs is an intensive treatment program for our youth. She stated vaping, marijuana and alcohol are big issues with young people. She stated in this program they will work with Juvenile Court, school systems and have intensive therapy with the individual as well as the family. She added they are looking at a facility in Big Stone Gap and will be working on transportation needs as well.

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Mr. Kolb asked if the program will be court referral only or will schools be able to refer.

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Ms. Hammonds advised the schools will be able to refer as well as DSS.

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There was a discussion concerning the number of children from each county that will be accepted and when Medicaid will begin paying.

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Mr. Kolb asked if the initial payment of \$13,542.13 will be enough until Medicaid begins to pay.

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Ms. Hammonds stated that is their hope and added they can apply for additional funding at the state level.

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Mr. Poe stated since there isn't a list of potential youth recommended for the program it was agreed to base the match percentage on the amount of funding each locality has received to date.

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Mr. Kolb asked if Mr. Poe knew about the May 5<sup>th</sup> deadline.

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Mr. Poe advised they just found out last week.

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Ms. Hammonds stated if they waited until October the applications would be held until April of next year and would prolong starting the program.

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Mr. Kolb asked if the other counties have already met.

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Ms. O'Dell stated Norton has a meeting tomorrow at 6:00p.m., Scott County has a meeting Wednesday morning and Wise County meets next week. She advised the application can be submitted without the Boards voting and as long as there's an agreement with the Boards. She stated they must be ratified by all Boards before funding can be disbursed.

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Mr. Kolb asked if they have spoken to Juvenile Court Judges about the need for additional services.

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Ms. Hammonds advised that some of the Judges have been advocating for additional services to be added to help with the needs they are seeing.

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Mr. Jessee asked how big the Opioid problem is in the region.

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Ms. O'Dell stated they serve around 800 people a year.

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Mr. Jessee asked what percent of the 800 is from Lee County.

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Ms. O'Dell advised about half is from Lee County.

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Ms. Hammonds stated the Needs Assessment revealed about 20% of youth are vaping, 17% have used marijuana and 13% have participated in binge drinking. She stated they hope to get the youth engaged back in school and work.

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Mr. Kolb asked about the transportation aspect and attendance issues.

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There was a discussion about the transportation options and location of a building.

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Mr. Kolb asked where their facility in Tennessee was located.

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Ms. Hammonds stated it was in Johnson City.

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Mr. Mosley stated we need to do anything we can to help our youth.

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Ms. Hammonds advised our kids are struggling and if we can help them by building in resources and additional skills to help them make better decisions.

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There was a discussion about the Adventure Program, funding and location.

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It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Smith, to allocate funds for the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Cooperative Agreement application for the Adventure program in the sum of \$13,542.13 as requested with the stipulation that Scott County, Wise County and the City of Norton agree to fund their share of the project and the facility can't be located farther from Lee County than Big Stone Gap or Duffield. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Jessee, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

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**HEALTH DEPARTMENT TERMITE TREATMENT**

Mr. Poe stated he has three quotes for termite treatment Lone Pine initial treatment is \$5,088.00 with Annual Guarantee Renewal of \$420.00; Orkin initial treatment is \$3,911.00 with an Annual Guarantee Renewal of \$470.00; and Terminix initial treatment is \$2,275.00 with an Annual Guarantee Renewal of \$290.00. He advised that the wood cabinets were torn out and will be replaced with metal cabinets.

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It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Smith, to accept the quote from Orkin in the amount of \$3,911.00 with an Annual Guarantee Renewal of \$470.00. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Jessee, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

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**DELTA AIRPORT CONSULTANT TASK ORDER #4**

Mr. Poe stated this is the Task Order for Construction Administration Services for the Air Field Electrical Rehabilitation Project. He advised the FAA requires an independent fee estimate be prepared by another firm. Delta's proposal is \$175,000 and the independent fee review stated reasonable fees should fall in the range of \$160,100 to \$195,600.

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There was a discussion about the cost and reimbursement of cost and how much the County will pay.

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Mr. Kolb asked Mr. Poe to speak on the history of the Six-Year Plan.

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Mr. Poe gave a summary of the process of the Six-Year Plan to the Board.

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Mr. Jessee asked if 2% is all the county will have to pay.

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There was a discussion about the total cost of the project and local cost for the County.

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Mr. Kolb stated the Airport Authority proposed selling the copper wire.

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It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Jessee, to approve Delta Airport Consultants' Task Order #4 in the amount of \$175,000.00. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Jessee, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

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Mr. Kolb asked if the pre-qualifications came in on the maintenance hangar project..

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Mr. Poe stated yes.

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**SECONDARY ROADS SIX-YEAR PLAN RECOMENDATION**

Mr. Poe advised the Board has a Secondary Road Public Hearing with VDOT on May 16, 2023 at 5:00p.m. He stated that VDOT had advised that all existing projects are fully funded with allocations over the six year period and added that an additional \$84,093 will be available for FY28 and FY29 VDOT recommends adding the third phase of Blue Hollow Road as a project for this year and possibly add one or two more projects to next year's plan.

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There was a discussion on adding Blue Hollow to the Six-Year Plan.

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**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REQUEST TO PURCHASE USED VEHICLE**

Mr. Poe stated in January we had a police car totaled out and bought one from Cars Of Tampa, Inc. He advised we have had two more police cars totaled and added we don't know when we will be getting the new vehicles that have been ordered. He stated upon talking to the Major he expressed concerns about upcoming transports. He advised Cars Of Tampa, Inc. in Florida where the County bought from in January has a 2019 Dodge Charger Police Cruiser at a cost of \$19,995. He stated the sheriff's Office has requested purchasing the vehicle.

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There was a discussion about purchasing the 2019 Dodge Charger from Cars Of Tampa, Inc.

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Mr. Kolb stated he would like for Mr. Williams to inspect the car prior to purchasing. He suggested buying a smaller fuel efficient vehicle for transporting needs.

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Mr. Mosley agrees with purchasing this vehicle but agrees with Mr. Kolb that the County should purchase a fuel efficient car for transporting needs.

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It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Kolb, to purchase the 2019 Dodge Charger from Cars Of Tampa, Inc. at a cost of \$19,995 upon inspection by the County's mechanic and authorize Mr. Poe to work out the details. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Jessee, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

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### **AIRPORT AUTHORITY BUDGET ALLOCATION**

Mr. Poe stated in this year's budget the Airport Authority was allocated \$5,000. The Authority has asked if the money will be paid in lump sum or if they need to submit purchase requisitions.

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Mr. Mosley stated they should provide a purchase order in order to keep record of what is being spent.

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It was the consensus of the Board that the Airport Authority follow purchasing guidelines and submit requisitions.

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### **BUDGET PRESENTATION**

Mr. Poe advised the departmental requests are included the full budget isn't complete. He stated there's a place holder for the School Board and Social Services, Head Start will be added but will be the same for revenue and expense. Mr. Poe stated we have a tentative deficit of over \$4.4. He advised if they don't come to an agreement on other things it will revert back to what they agreed on last year which was 5%. He advised he has a number for reassessment that has been advertised for and should have proposals in by the end of the month.

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There was a discussion about the reassessment proposal and letter of credit.

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Mr. Poe advised he would provide a current schedule of salaries and requested salaries.

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Mr. Kolb asked Mr. Poe to go back in the audit and provide a revenue and expenditure comparison for the previous years.

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Mr. Mosley asked about cleaning the building.

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Mr. Poe advised he has included funding for that purpose in the budget.

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Mr. Mosley asked how much money was left in the ARPA funding that was not obligated.

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Mr. Poe stated about \$1.3 million.

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Mr. Kolb asked for a balance of funds that isn't already allocated and if the County would run out of money this year.

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Mr. Poe advised the County would not run out of money this year.

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Mr. Kolb stated that some of the parking spaces on Wilderness Road behind the Courthouse need to be changes to No Parking near the Church Street intersection due to visibility issues.

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There was a discussion about the parking lot.

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## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD**

### **CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by Mr. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Leonard, to enter Closed Session pursuant to Code Section 2.2-3711 A.1. Discussion, consideration or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific public officers, appointees or employees of any public body. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Jessee, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Leonard Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

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It was moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Kolb, to exit Closed Session. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Jessee, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

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## **CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED SESSION**

It was unanimously agreed as follows.

**WHEREAS**, the Lee County Board of Supervisors has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a Certification by this Lee County Board of Supervisors that such Closed Meeting was conducted within Virginia law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Lee County Board of Supervisors hereby certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from Closed Meeting in which this Certification Resolution applies and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion convening the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Lee County Board of Supervisors

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Mr. Poe advised he will work on the budget and bring something back at the next meeting.

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It was moved by Mr. Mosley, seconded by Mr. Kolb, to recess to May 16, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Upon the question being put the vote was as follows.

VOTING AYE: Mr. Jessee, Mr. Kolb, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Smith

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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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