

AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 24th DAY OF JUNE, 2013 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

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| PRESENT: | James D. Politis | -Chair |
| | William H. Brown | -Vice Chair |
| | Mary W. Biggs | -Supervisors |
| | Gary D. Creed | |
| | Matthew R. Gabriele (arrived 7:00 p.m.) | |
| | Annette S. Perkins (arrived 6:30 p.m.) | |
| | Christopher A. Tuck | |
| | F. Craig Meadows | -County Administrator |
| | L. Carol Edmonds | -Deputy County Administrator |
| | Martin M. McMahan | -County Attorney |
| | Brian Hamilton | -Economic Development Director |
| | Steve Phillips | -General Services Manager |
| | Ruth Richey | -Public Information Officer |
| | Vickie L. Swinney | -Secretary, Board of Supervisors |

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

INTO CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following:

- Section 2.2-3711 (5) Discussion Concerning a Prospective Business or Industry or the Expansion of an Existing Business or Industry Where No Previous Announcement Has Been Made of the Business or Industry's Interest in Locating or Expanding Its Facilities in the Community.
1. Project # 2013004

- (3) Discussion or Consideration of the Acquisition of Real Property for Public Purpose, or of the Disposition of Publicly Held Real Property, Where Discussion in an Open Meeting Would Adversely Affect the Bargaining Position or Negotiating Strategy of the Public Body
 - 1. Old Blacksburg Middle School Property
 - 2. Government Center

- (1) Discussion, Consideration or Interviews of Prospective Candidates for Employment; Assignment, Appointment, Promotion, Performance, Demotion, Salaries, Discipling or Resignation of Specific Officers, Appointees or Employees of Any Public Body
 - 1. Library Board
 - 2. NRV Regional Water Authority

- (7) Consultation with Legal Counsel and Briefings from Staff Members or Consultants Pertaining to Actual or Probable Litigation, Where Such Consultation or Briefing in Open Meeting Would Adversely Affect the Negotiating or Litigating Posture of the Public Body; and Consultation with Legal Counsel Employed or Retained by a Public Body Regarding Specific Legal Matters Requiring Provision of Legal Advice by Such Counsel
 - 1. Office Space Lease-Reassessment and Magistrate

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> | <u>ABSENT DURING VOTE</u> |
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| Gary D. Creed | None | Annette S. Perkins |
| William H. Brown | | Matthew R. Gabriele |
| Mary W. Biggs | | |
| Christopher A. Tuck | | |
| James D. Politis | | |

Supervisor Perkins arrived 6:30 p.m.
Supervisor Gabriele arrived 7:00 p.m.

OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Closed Meeting to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

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| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> |
| William H. Brown | None |
| Mary W. Biggs | |
| Christopher A. Tuck | |
| Matthew R. Gabriele | |
| Gary D. Creed | |
| Annette S. Perkins | |
| James D. Politis | |

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

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

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion conveying the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

VOTE

AYES
Mary W. Biggs
Christopher A. Tuck
Gary D. Creed
Annette S. Perkins (for time present during Closed Meeting)
William H. Brown
James D. Politis

NAYS

None

ABSENT DURING VOTE

None

ABSENT DURING MEETING

Matthew R. Gabriele

ABSTAIN

Matthew R. Gabriele (was not present for Closed Meeting)

INVOCATION

A moment of silence was led by the Chair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ryan Blosser, nephew of Supervisor Tuck, was asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Blosser, a Christiansburg native, served in the United States Marine Corps for eight years, serving three tours in Iraq and Afghanistan.

ADDENDUM – ADD TO THE AGENDA

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously, the following Addendum dated June 24, 2013 was added to the agenda under New Business:

Add to New Business:

- C. Resolution Making Montgomery County Appointment to the NRV Regional Water Authority
- D. Resolution Accepting the Conveyance from Mary B. Straub Estate of Property Adjoining County Government Center
- E. Resolution Approving Lease Agreement with Cascade Capital Partners, IV, LLC for County Lease of Property Located at 16 North Franklin Street, Christiansburg, VA.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> |
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| Gary D. Creed | None |
| Annette S. Perkins | |
| William H. Brown | |
| Mary W. Biggs | |
| Christopher A. Tuck | |
| Matthew R. Gabriele | |
| James D. Politis | |

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Paul Ruszler addressed the Board with concerns that a utility pole being installed on Wrights Way is going to be used for a telecommunications antenna. Mr. Ruszler stated that a cell tower company has found a loop hole in the County's ordinance where an antenna can be placed on pre-existing structures. He believes that a private utility pole or flag pole should not be utilized for the installation of antennas for cell towers. Mr. Ruszler also expressed concerns with the unknown effects and health hazards of a telecommunications tower being placed near residential areas.

Lou Compton expressed concerns that the utility pole is being constructed to be used for a cell phone tower. A utility pole does not need to be installed in the ground 20 feet deep and 4 feet wide. Ms. Compton expressed concerns with a telecommunications tower diminishing property values. She believes the County needs a stronger ordinance to prevent the installation of an antenna on utility poles.

Bridget Rotche expressed concerns on how a telecommunications tower will diminish property values, impact the view and impact the neighborhood. She is dismayed with the underhandedness of a neighbor to construct a utility/flag pole only to be used for a telecommunications antenna.

Bob Rotche stated someone is trying to pull a fast one by constructing a utility pole for a cell tower. He believes a public hearing needs to be held and proper channels need to be followed.

Joe Richmeier spoke against the utility pole being constructed for a cell tower antenna. He is concerned with the health and safety risks of having a cell tower in close proximity to the residents. He stated a process needs to be put in place to protect the citizens against this type of loophole.

Lynn Wright believes the Board of Supervisors needs to define what a pre-existing structure is and close the current loophole in the County's ordinance.

There being no further speakers, the public address session was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda dated June 24, 2013 was approved. The vote was as follows:

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| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> |
| Christopher A. Tuck | None |
| Matthew R. Gabriele | |
| Gary D. Creed | |
| Annette S. Perkins | |
| William H. Brown | |
| Mary W. Biggs | |
| James D. Politis | |

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously, the minutes dated January 28, 2013 were approved.

Appropriations and Transfers

**A-FY-13-95
COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY
FORFEITED ASSET SHARING**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, for the function and in the amount as follows:

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| 200 | Commonwealth's Attorney | \$691 |
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

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| <u>Revenue Account</u> | | |
| 419104 | Confiscations | \$691 |

Said resolution appropriates monies received as part of the Forfeited Asset Sharing Program from the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

A-FY-13-96
COURTHOUSE POSTAGE MACHINE
RECOVERED COSTS

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, for the function and in the amount as follows:

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| 250 | Courthouse Postage Machine | \$6,900 |
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

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| <u>Revenue Account</u> | | |
| 419108 | Recovered Costs | \$6,900 |

Said resolution appropriates funds received as recovered costs.

A-FY-13-97
SHERIFF
RECOVERED COSTS

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, for the function and in the amount as follows:

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| 320 | Sheriff County | \$5,899 |
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

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| <u>Revenue Account</u> | | |
| 419108 | Recovered Costs | \$5,899 |

Said resolution appropriates recovered costs for use by the Sheriff's department.

A-FY-13-98
SCHOOL CAFETERIA FUND
NUTRITION PROGRAM

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the School Cafeteria Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, for the function and in the amount as follows:

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| 11 School Cafeteria Administration | \$75,000 |
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The source of funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

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| <u>Revenue Account</u> 451 204 Cafeteria Fund Balance | \$75,000 |
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Said resolution appropriates additional funds for the School Cafeteria Fund.

R-FY-13-136
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD (NRV)
APPOINTMENT

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby appoints **Anne Giles Clelland** to the **New River Valley Community Services Board** effective July 1, 2013 and expiring June 30, 2016.

R-FY-13-137
LIBRARY BOARD
APPOINTMENT

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby re-appoints **Natalie Cherbaka** to the **Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library Board** effective July 1, 2013 and expiring June 30, 2017.

NEW BUSINESS

**R-FY-13-138
RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
FRANK LAU
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

On a motion by Christopher A. Tuck, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, Frank Lau faithfully served on the Montgomery County Planning Commission from March 2005 through February 2013; and

WHEREAS, Frank Lau served as Secretary of the Planning Commission in 2006 and served as Vice Chairman in 2007, and served as Chairman from May 2012 to January 2013; and

WHEREAS, Frank Lau served as the Planning Commission liaison to the Blacksburg Planning Commission and the Christiansburg Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, The County recognizes **Frank Lau's** dedicated service to the citizens of Montgomery County while serving as a member of the Montgomery County Planning Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia, on behalf of the entire citizenship, extends a unanimous vote of appreciation to **Frank Lau.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the original of this resolution be presented to **Frank Lau** and that a copy be made a part of the official Minutes of Montgomery County.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE

Matthew R. Gabriele
Gary D. Creed
Annette S. Perkins
William H. Brown
Mary W. Biggs
Christopher A. Tuck
James D. Politis

NAY

None

R-FY-13-139
RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
ROBERT K. MILLER
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, Robert K. Miller faithfully served on the Montgomery County Planning Commission from June 1, 2005 through May 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Robert K. Miller served as Secretary of the Planning Commission in 2007 and served as Chairman of the Planning Commission from January 2008 through January 2010; and

WHEREAS, Robert K. Miller served as the Planning Commission liaison to the AFD Advisory Board and the City of Radford Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, The County recognizes the dedicated service and significant contributions *Robert K. Miller* has rendered the citizens of Montgomery County while serving on the Planning Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia, on behalf of the entire citizenship, extends a unanimous vote of appreciation and gratitude to *Robert K. Miller*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the original of this resolution be presented to *Robert K. Miller* and that a copy be made a part of the official Minutes of Montgomery County.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> |
| Gary D. Creed | None |
| Annette S. Perkins | |
| William H. Brown | |
| Mary W. Biggs | |
| Christopher A. Tuck | |
| Matthew R. Gabriele | |
| James D. Politis | |

R-FY-13-140
RESOLUTION APPOINTING F. CRAIG MEADOWS
AS THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY'S REPRESENTATIVE ON
NRV REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to appoint **F. Craig Meadows** to the **NRV Regional Water Authority** for a four (4) year term commencing on June 26, 2013 and expiring June 30, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that employees appointed to boards/commissions/authorities as a representative for Montgomery County, such appointment is contingent upon their continued employment with the County and that such termination or resignation from employment would also constitute a voluntary resignation from such board/commission/authority.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> |
| Annette S. Perkins | None |
| William H. Brown | |
| Mary W. Biggs | |
| Christopher A. Tuck | |
| Matthew R. Gabriele | |
| Gary D. Creed | |
| James D. Politis | |

R-FY-13-141
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE CONVEYANCE FROM
MARY B. STRAUB ESTATE
OF PROPERTY ADJOINING COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The Mary B. Straub Estate owns two small strips of land identified as Tax Parcel 528-A 44A, Parcel ID #018726 ("the Property") that adjoin the County Government Center; and

WHEREAS, The Mary B. Straub Estate desires to dedicate the Property to the County of Montgomery, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors desires to accept the dedication of the Property owned by the Mary B. Straub Estate that adjoins the County Government Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes James D. Politis, Chair, to accept from the Mary B. Straub Estate on behalf of the Board of Supervisors the dedication of the Property owned by the Mary B. Straub Estate that adjoins the County Government Center and further authorizes the Chair to execute the Deed accepting the Property and to sign any and all other documents that may be required to vacate boundary lines creating one parcel.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> |
|---------------------|------------|
| William H. Brown | None |
| Mary W. Biggs | |
| Christopher A. Tuck | |
| Matthew R. Gabriele | |
| Gary D. Creed | |
| Annette S. Perkins | |
| James D. Politis | |

R-FY-13-142
RESOLUTION APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH
CASCADE CAPITAL PARTNERS IV, LLC
FOR THE COUNTY TO LEASE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT
16 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Lease Agreement with Cascade Capital Partners IV, LLC, for the County to lease the property located at 16 North Franklin Street, Christiansburg, VA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chair, James D. Politis, to sign the Lease Agreement on behalf of the County of Montgomery, Virginia.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> |
|---------------------|------------|
| Mary W. Biggs | None |
| Christopher A. Tuck | |
| Matthew R. Gabriele | |
| Gary D. Creed | |
| Annette S. Perkins | |
| William H. Brown | |
| James D. Politis | |

INTO WORK SESSION

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Work Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. School Resource Officer Grant
2. Split Voting Precincts
3. Cell Tower Ordinance
4. Alleghany Springs Greenbox Site
5. Fire and Rescue Equipment

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE

Christopher A. Tuck
Matthew R. Gabriele
Gary D. Creed
Annette S. Perkins
William H. Brown
Mary W. Biggs
James D. Politis

NAY

None

Cell Tower Ordinance

The County Attorney reported that the County received calls concerning the construction of a utility/flag pole that was going to be used to install telecommunications equipment for AT&T. After research it was confirmed that AT&T approached a landowner on Wrights Way for the possibility of constructing a utility/flag pole with the purpose of placing an antenna for telecommunications use. The Zoning Administrator was directed to send a “cease to build” letter to the property owner.

Board members expressed concern that the telecommunications companies went to this level without going through the proper channels in requesting a cell tower.

Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board for the Planning Department to advertise a public hearing on changes to the Telecommunications Tower ordinance eliminating the right to co-locate telecommunications equipment on a flag pole and private utility pole.

School Resource Officer Grant

Sheriff Whitt explained that the Sheriff's Department applied for four (4) grants to fund School Resource Officers (SRO's) positions for Auburn Elementary, Belview Elementary, Eastern Montgomery Elementary and Price's Fork Elementary. The Sheriff received notification that Montgomery County was awarded grant funding, but it is unknown at this time how many of the grants were approved. Each approved grant will pay up to \$50,000, including the local cash match for the first year of grant funding. There is no four year guarantee in funding. The County will have to reapply for continuation of funding and the state funding is reduced by 25% each year. Sheriff Whitt also stated that additional funding will be needed to cover start-up costs for the first year. Additional costs include a patrol vehicle (\$32,500), uniforms and equipment (\$1,500), Glock handgun (\$500), shotgun (\$450) and training costs (unknown at this time). In total it would cost the county for the first year, per grant, \$63,948.00.

Sheriff Whitt noted that the elementary schools located within the town limits, 4 in the Town of Blacksburg and 3 in the Town of Christiansburg, were not included in the grant application as they fall within the town's jurisdiction.

Supervisors Perkins and Biggs expressed concern that not all of the elementary schools within the County are being considered for SRO's. They understand that schools in the town limits fall out of the Sheriff's Department jurisdiction. Following Board discussion, the County Administrator was instructed to contact the Towns of Blacksburg and Christiansburg to see if they will be willing to fund SRO's in the elementary schools located in the town and ask what their plans are to address SRO positions. The County Administrator was also instructed to provide the total cost to the County if the grants are accepted.

Split Voting Precincts

The County Attorney provided an update on the Split Voting Precincts in the House District in Montgomery County that occurred during the General Assembly redistricting process. In 2011, Montgomery County requested the General Assembly to re-draw several voting precincts in the County to eliminate split voting precincts. The County identified eight (8) split precincts that can be remedied by small adjustments to the boundaries of House District 7, 8 and 12 so they line-up with the two Town Corporate boundaries.

During the 2013 session of the General Assembly, bills addressing technical adjustments for the Senate and House of Delegates' districts did not pass. Delegate Yost and Delegate Rush agreed to submit a bill for just Montgomery County if the Board desires to move forward.

The Board agreed it would be in the best interest of the County to move forward in eliminating the split voting precincts. The County Attorney was instructed to contact Delegates Yost, Rush and Habeeb, and Senators Edwards and Smith.

Alleghany Springs Greenbox Site

The County Administrator provided an update on the Alleghany Springs Greenbox site. Carol Edmonds, Deputy County Administrator, provided a video of the Alleghany Springs Greenbox site showing the general location. Steve Phillips, General Services Manager, was available to answer any questions.

The County Administrator stated that the Alleghany Springs site is the only non-manned waste collection site remaining in the County with some issues relating to the site over the years. Because the site is not monitored it has become the dumping grounds for illegal waste and waste from outside the County. The Alleghany Green Box Site requires a front-load truck to empty the green boxes while all other Consolidated Collection Sites require a roll-off type truck. The cost to replace a front-load truck is approximately three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) or about twice that of a roll-off type truck. The current truck is twelve years old and experiences costly repairs.

Below are Staff recommendations:

- Eliminate the Alleghany Springs Greenbox Site and establish a manned site at another location. Most expensive.
- Eliminate the Alleghany Springs Greenbox Site. Residents can use Wayside Consolidated Collection Site or Elliston-Lafayette Consolidated Collection Site.
- Upgrade the Alleghany Springs Greenbox Site to a manned site. Any recyclables to be taken to the Wayside Consolidated Collection Site.

The Board of Supervisors discussed this issue at length. Supervisor Creed noted that the resident who calls on a routine basis to complain about the site, called to state he does not want the site to be removed, only to keep it cleaned up.

The County Administrator was instructed to do the following:

- Look for property up to 1 acre for a potential manned consolidated collection site in the Alleghany Springs area.
- Provide temporary workers to man the current site.
- Look at reducing the number of hours open at all the consolidated collection sites in the County.

Fire and Rescue Equipment

Carol Edmonds, Deputy County Administrator, made a presentation on the Fire and Rescue equipment funding. One cent of the real estate tax (\$700,000) is earmarked every year to cover the cost of replacing equipment for Fire and Rescue departments.

In FY 13, a grant was awarded to replace air packs for all five fire departments; however, the grant did not cover the total cost, and the Fire and Rescue Commission recommended using the equipment allocation for FY 13 to cover the balance of the cost.

The Christiansburg Fire Department requested that they be advanced \$450,000 to replace a truck in the current year since it takes 10 months to build a vehicle. In February, the Board appropriated \$450,000 for this purchase with the intent that it be repaid from the FY 14 \$700,000 allocation, leaving \$250,000 from the allocation to cover additional replacements.

At the June 20, 2013 Fire and Rescue Commission meeting, the Vehicle Committee reviewed the top five priorities for vehicle replacement as follows:

| <u>Top 5 Replacement Priorities</u> | |
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| Blacksburg Rescue Ambulance | \$ 176,912 |
| Riner Rescue Ambulance | 169,138 |
| Longshop McCoy Engine | 680,000 |
| Riner Fire Engine | 680,000 |
| Elliston Fire Engine | <u>680,000</u> |
| Total | \$2,386,050 |

This represents the top five from a replacement list of at least 10 replacements from current and prior years. If the \$450,000 advance is repaid, then funds available from the FY 14 \$700,000 allocation would be \$250,000.

Previously, the Fire and Rescue Commission recommended and the Board approved a transfer of the \$50,000 reserved for Fire and Rescue fuel costs that was unused to the Capital Projects fund to assist with equipment replacement costs.

If the advance is not repaid then \$871,999 would be available for replacements.

| <u>FUNDING AVAILABLE</u> | |
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| FY 13 Balance | \$121,999 |
| Fuel Reserve Transfer | 50,000 |
| FY 14 Allocation | <u>700,000</u> |
| Total | \$871,999 |

Since the \$700,000 is currently in the budget, it would be staff's recommendation to waive the repayment of the advance and allow these funds to go toward replacing the vehicles.

Following Board discussion, it was consensus of the Board to waive the repayment of the advance in the amount of \$450,000 to allow the entire FY 14 budget allocation in the amount of \$700,000 to be used toward vehicle replacements.

OUT OF WORK SESSION

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby ends their Work Session to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

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| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAY</u> |
| Matthew R. Gabriele | None |
| Gary D. Creed | |
| Annette S. Perkins | |
| William H. Brown | |
| Mary W. Biggs | |
| Christopher A. Tuck | |
| James D. Politis | |

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

The County Administrator reported on the following items:

- Joinder Agreement: The Joinder Agreement has been approved by all parties involved, Town of Blacksburg, Town of Christiansburg, Virginia Tech and Montgomery County, to allow the County to join the Blacksburg -Christiansburg- VPI Water Authority. The County Administrator expressed his appreciation to Jerry Higgins, Executive Director of the BCVPI Water Authority, for his leadership and his role in making this happen.

- Revenue Sharing Funds: Montgomery County received notice that the CTB has approved \$500,000 in revenue sharing funds for FY 14 for the following projects:

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| Brush Creek Road (SR 617) | \$230,000 |
| Blue Springs Road (SR 710) | \$37,500 |
| Mt. Pleasant Road (SR 639) | \$250,000 |
| Old Sourwood Road (SR 717) | \$87,500 |

- Falling Branch Park and Ride Lot: A meeting has been scheduled with Robert Cary, VDOT’s Salem District Administrator, on July 9, 2013 to discuss issues at the Falling Branch Park and Ride Lot. All interested parties are working together to find a resolution of the issues at the lot. They hope to identify VDOT property around the I-81 interchange that can be used for re-locating the Park and Ride Lot.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS

All Board members expressed their appreciation to the Blacksburg-Christiansburg-VPI Water Authority for approving Montgomery County to become a member. This move will allow Montgomery County to have a sustainable water source for the citizens of Montgomery County. This has been a long process, 15 years in the making, and the Board extended their appreciation to all the County staff involved, and to Jerry Higgins, Executive Director, of the Water Authority.

Supervisor Biggs attended the Library Board meeting. New officers were elected with Karen Drake elected as Chair. Gene Hyde will be coming off the Board leaving a vacancy. Fire inspections were conducted at all Library locations. It was determined that the Libraries were not being inspected regularly and need to be included on the County's schedule. Supervisor Biggs reported that 60 patrons have used the software Nexus Lexus, a legal software, that Supervisor Tuck was instrumental in getting installed at the Library.

The Human Relations Council hosted a Dialogue on Race forum on June 22, 2013. Dr. Wornie Reed with Virginia Tech made a presentation on Race and the Criminal Justice System. He spoke on the high number of minorities that are in the criminal justice system. The next scheduled forum is January 18, 2014.

Supervisor Gabriele attended the School Board meeting. School construction is on schedule and moving along. The School Board approved a resolution in support of expanding the definition of prohibited discrimination in state government employment. This includes pregnancy, child birth or related medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation or status as a special disabled veteran to the current list of race, color, religion, political affiliation, age, national origin and sex.

Supervisor Gabriele also mentioned the Dialogue on Race forum. He stated he would be interested to know the percentage of minorities that apply for upcoming job openings at the County.

Supervisor Politis discussed the Old Sourwood Road (SR 717) project. This road is being completed with the dirt-glue process under the revenue sharing program. The County Administrator was instructed to request VDOT to expedite the project because the process works better with the summer heat. If the material cannot be applied before October then the project will be delayed until the Spring of 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to Monday, July 8, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

APPROVED _____ ATTEST: _____
James D. Politis F. Craig Meadows
Chair County Administrator