

AT A WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY,
 VIRGINIA, HELD ON THE SEVENTH DAY OF APRIL, NINETEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN, AT
 7:02 P.M. IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARD ROOM, 101 MOUNTS BAY ROAD,
 JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

A. ROLL CALL

Jack D. Edwards, Chairman, Berkeley District
 Stewart U. Taylor, Vice-Chairman, Stonehouse District
 William F. Brown, Roberts District
 Perry M. DePue, Powhatan District
 Thomas D. Mahone, Jamestown District

David B. Norman, County Administrator
 Darlene L. Burcham, Assistant County Administrator
 Frank M. Morton, III, County Attorney

Mr. Edwards asked John McDonald to make his presentation or response to any previously submitted questions from the Board. Mr. Edwards suggested the Capital Improvements Proposed Budget be considered first.

PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET

Schools

Mr. McDonald stated that revenue from growth has been allocated to provide services for that new demand. With the necessity to finance the construction of two new schools in the Capital Project Budget, local money was set aside in 1986-87 to fund the engineering and design of the schools. Bond proceeds will build the schools with partial funding coming from money set aside in prior budget years.

Mr. DePue asked how the item Capital Contingency was determined.

Mr. McDonald responded that Capital Contingency funds are established for unanticipated projects and that when a surplus exists from a particular project, that surplus goes into Contingency to provide funding for future needs.

Mr. McDonald stated the Capital Project Proposed Budget was put together with great anguish because many of the projects recommended by the Planning Commission were not funded.

Mr. Edwards indicated that if the Board wishes to cut the tax rate, he suggests the operating budget be reduced rather than the capital budget.

Mr. Mahone made a motion to delete all funding of the Recreation Capital Project with the exception of the Playground Equipment.

Mrs. Burcham stated the Ball Park Lighting is a critical need at the Mid-County Park. Given the development in the area, postponing the lighting now will mean that it will not be done in the future.

Mr. Edwards suggested individual motions on each Recreation item.

Mr. Mahone made a motion to delete the Pool Deck Expansion at the Upper County Park.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor, Mahone, DePue (3). NAY: Brown, Edwards (2).

Mr. Mahone made a motion to delete the Group Picnic Shelter at the Upper County Park.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Taylor, Mahone, DePue (4). NAY: Edwards (1).

Mr. Mahone made a motion to delete the Restroom Improvements at the Upper County Park.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Mahone (1). NAY: Brown, Taylor, DePue, Edwards (4). The motion was defeated.

Mr. Mahone made a motion to delete Ball Park Lighting at the Mid-County Park.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor, Mahone (2). NAY: Brown, DePue, Edwards (3). The motion was defeated.

Mr. DePue made a motion that the County Staff aggressively pursue a match for Ball Park Lighting and cut the funding by \$15,000.

Mr. Brown asked who would be responsible for raising the money and he further stated that fund raising is a time-consuming task.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Mahone, DePue (2). NAY: Brown, Taylor, Edwards (3). The motion was defeated.

Addressing the Public Safety Capital Project, Mr. DePue indicated this budget finally recognizes the need for the Advanced Life Support Unit at the Olde Towne Road Fire Station No. 4. Mr. Brown concurred.

Considering Development Capital Projects, Mr. Taylor suggested deleting \$300,000, then reconsidered and suggested the deletion of \$150,000 from the proposed budget.

Mr. Mahone stated that as we struggle with commercial development, it is not in the best interest of the County to spend tax dollars for that development.

Mr. DePue suggested deleting this activity might send a wrong signal to the Industrial Development Authority.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to delete the Development Fund from the Capital Project.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Taylor, Mahone (3). NAY: DePue, Edwards (2).

Mr. Taylor made a motion to delete the Area Studies funding.

Mr. DePue stated that the Richmond Road Strategy Task Force has compiled concrete ideas for Richmond Road improvements.

Mrs. Gussman stated the Planning Commission complimented the plan developed by the Richmond Road group.

Mr. Taylor stated that he believes such studies are not worthwhile as most recommendations, if instituted, would discourage the individuals to develop.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor, Mahone (2). NAY: Brown, DePue, Edwards (3). The motion was defeated.

Mr. Mahone made a motion to fund Area Studies at \$35,000.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor, Mahone (2). NAY: Brown, DePue, Edwards (3). The motion was defeated.

Mr. Brown made a motion to fund Area Studies at \$50,000.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Taylor, Mahone, DePue (4). NAY: Edwards (1).

Mr. Brown made a motion to delete the Visitor Center item.

Mrs. Burcham indicated the Richmond Road Group supported the Visitor Center and that such a facility would promote travel down Richmond Road and support local businesses.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Taylor, Mahone, DePue, Edwards (5). NAY: (0).

Mr. Taylor made a motion to delete the Environmental Protection Fund item.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor (1). NAY: Brown, Mahone, DePue, Edwards (4). The motion was defeated.

Mr. Edwards made a motion to increase the Environmental Fund to \$100,000.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Edwards (1). NAY: Brown, Taylor, Mahone, DePue (4). The motion was defeated.

Mr. Mahone made a motion to increase the Environmental Protection Fund to \$75,000.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Mahone, DePue, Edwards (4). NAY: Taylor (1).

Mr. Edwards made a motion to advance the \$80,000 for the drainage studies in the Public Works Capital Project Budget from FY 89 to FY 88.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: DePue, Edwards (2). NAY: Brown, Taylor, Mahone (3). The motion was defeated.

Mr. Brown made a motion to delete the word "bikeways" from the Sidewalks/Bikeways item in the Public Works Capital Project Budget.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Taylor, Mahone, DePue, Edwards (5). NAY: (0).

In reference to the Solid Waste Capital Project Budget, Mr. Brown questioned the County piecemeal purchase of land for the Landfill.

Mr. McDonald responded that the surrounding landowners currently have AFD status which is helping the County avoid the need for large scale, immediate purchase.

Mr. DePue made a motion to reduce the Landfill Land Acquisition item to \$75,000.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Mahone, DePue (2). NAY: Brown, Taylor, Edwards (3). The motion was defeated.

Mr. Mahone made a motion to delete the Landfill Equipment item.

Mrs. Burcham reminded the Board that the key to a good Landfill operation is the reliability of the equipment.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor, Mahone (2). NAY: Brown, DePue, Edwards (3). The motion was defeated.

Mr. DePue asked for detail regarding Courthouse Improvements in the General Capital Project Budget.

Mr. McDonald responded the improvements will remove non-court functions to give court activities more space.

Mr. DePue suggested Automation Upgrades/Expansion should be slowed.

Mr. Brown complimented Mr. Pennington's Data Processing operation.

Mr. DePue expressed the concern that it appears that the County never gets the right computer equipment.

Mr. Mahone made a motion to defer equipment to FY 89.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor, Mahone (2). NAY: Brown, DePue, Edwards (3). The motion was defeated.

Mr. DePue made a motion to reduce the Automation Upgrades/Expansion to \$100,000.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor, Mahone, DePue (3). NAY: Brown, Edwards (2).

Mr. Brown made a motion to delete the Branch Library.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown (1). NAY: Taylor, Mahone, DePue, Edwards (4). The motion was defeated.

Discussing the Schools Capital Project Budget, Mr. McDonald stated discussions with the School staff indicate their concurrence with the plan to reduce the Bid Contingency and if construction contracts come in below budgeted amounts, that fund be used to air condition Rawls Byrd and Matthew Whaley Schools.

Mrs. Burcham noted that the Capital Budget for schools included all items requested by the School Board as well as a Maintenance Garage Consolidation Study proposed by County staff. Mr. Kenneth Smith, Chairman of the School Board, expressed interest in the concept of the Consolidation Study.

Mr. Edwards recessed the Board at 9:15 p.m. and then reconvened at 9:30 p.m.

Mr. DePue made a motion to add \$5,000 as a one time non-recurring payment to the principal of the Capital-Building request from the Task Force on Battered Women.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Mahone, DePue, Edwards (4). NAY: Taylor (1).

Mr. DePue stated that he is uncomfortable contributing to the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Burcham responded the contribution is strictly a membership fee and included for possible future value given our needs regarding Route 199. The Peninsula Chamber was active in supporting York and Gloucester Counties regarding the York River crossing.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to reduce the Tourism Bureau funding to \$40,000.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Taylor, Mahone (2). NAY: Brown, DePue, Edwards (3). The motion was defeated.

Mr. DePue stated he has not changed his position on the Farmers Market. Further, he stated it is his perception that the location and operation will create more problems in the future.

Mr. DePue stated that with prudent planning, large increases in the tax rate can be avoided in the future.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to cut \$100,000 from Contingency and Debt Service.

Mr. Brown made a motion to cut \$200,000 from Contingency.

Mr. Taylor withdrew his motion.

Mr. McDonald stated that a three to five percent Contingency is fiscally prudent particularly in the event a revenue source is substantially reduced.

Mrs. Burcham indicated a substantial Contingency is required to acquire good bond ratings.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Taylor, Mahone, DePue (4). NAY: Edwards (1).

Mr. Edwards expressed dismay that financial plans that have been in place for years are being disregarded.

Mr. DePue made a motion to delete the \$50,000 Insurance Reserve item.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Taylor, Mahone, DePue, Edwards (5). NAY: (0).

Referencing the Contribution to Williamsburg-James City County Schools, Mr. McDonald stated the proposed budget is a good budget. Preplanning now for the operating costs of the new school at Five Forks will ease the future financial burden, thus the need for the School Operating Reserve item.

Mr. Alan MacDonald, Director of Finance for the Schools, stated teacher salaries are budgeted at 97% in FY 88 to remove turnover funds in the budget.

Mr. Brown suggested consideration of the Schools Operating Budget be considered at the next work session.

Mr. DePue requested information on the following items: a) School Administration-Non-Teaching Salaries, and County increases over the last 5-6 years, and (b) a list of savings accounts.

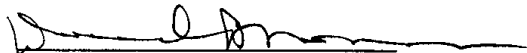
Mr. Mahone inquired if the air conditioning at Rawls Byrd School includes insulation and window improvements.

Mr. McDonald indicated windows will be removed, insulation installed, and a new heating/air conditioning system installed.

Mr. Edwards made a motion to adjourn.

On a roll call, the vote was AYE: Brown, Taylor, Mahone, DePue, Edwards (5). NAY: (0).

The Board adjourned at 10:34 p.m.



David B. Norman
Clerk to the Board