

May 13, 2014

At the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Prince Edward County, held at the Court House, thereof, on Tuesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014; at 7:00 p.m., there were present:

Howard M. Campbell

Pattie Cooper-Jones

Robert M. Jones

Charles W. McKay

Howard F. Simpson

C. Robert Timmons, Jr.

Jerry R. Townsend

Jim R. Wilck

Also present: Wade Bartlett, County Administrator; Sarah Elam Puckett, Assistant County Administrator; and Jim Ennis, County Attorney.

Chairman Simpson called the meeting to order. Supervisor Townsend offered the invocation.

In Re: Public Participation

**Reinhardt Gray**, Park Manager, High Bridge Trail State Park, stated approximately 194,000 people attended the State Park and the High Bridge Trail over the past year and it is estimated the revenue provided was more than \$3.1 million to the Counties served. He presented an overview of the project, adding the work is being done to complete the Pamplin and Burkeville areas. He expressed his appreciation of the County's support in this project.

Supervisor Campbell inquired about the maintenance at the park; Mr. Gray stated the staff will begin cutting grass soon, but due to the lack of a state budget, they are unable to hire additional staff.

**Jack Houghton**, Farmville District, expressed his opposition to a 19% increase in the real estate tax rate and commended the Board on its creation of the Finance Committee to review ways to address the proposed increase and find alternatives. Mr. Houghton requested the Board review the County's health

insurance benefits, adding the current plan is considered a “Cadillac plan” and the County may face a penalty in the future.

**Henry Shelton**, Prospect District, expressed his opposition to the proposed tax increase just for the purpose of enhancing the County department heads salary and insurance benefits along with special projects; he stated the public doesn’t know what the money is going for. He praised Supervisor Timmons for his work.

**Sam Campbell**, Prospect District, thanked the Board for voting down the tax increase at the previous meeting and for creating the Finance Committee. He then questioned the purpose of the line item, “Parks, Recreation and Cultural” for \$158,350. Mr. Bartlett stated that is a combination of items to outside agencies which includes PEFYA, the YMCA and others.

Mr. Campbell then stated the disparity between what citizens in the county are facing with their costs in coverage in health insurance and what county employees are paying and the benefits is tremendous. He said the costs for the insurance for employees represent more than 10% of the real estate tax receipts, he requested the Board revisit this and bring costs down.

**Richard Altice**, Hampden District, expressed his concern regarding the County’s health insurance plan for its employees stating it is far above what the County can afford. He requested the Board seek out and cut duplicate functions and extraneous expenditures, to reduce regulations to “get out of the way of businesses” trying to open in the County, and to not use County money to subsidize businesses. He stated the Board should study how to improve Prince Edward County’s suitability and attractiveness to businesses without dipping into the citizens’ pocketbooks. Mr. Altice then requested that Supervisor McKay schedule a Town Meeting at the Hampden-Sydney firehouse.

Supervisor McKay said he will check his calendar but he is not prepared to set a date at this time.

**Kenneth Jackson**, Lockett District, expressed his concern regarding the proposed tax increase and the information presented previously regarding job creation in the county. He added that no one has moved to bring jobs or real revenue to boost the County’s economy. Mr. Jackson stated the County needs new schools and cannot compare itself to areas such as Chesterfield and Henrico, as they have growth. Mr. Jackson stated Halifax and Wytheville have grown. He encouraged the Board to revamp the agricultural industry.

**Earl Wallace**, Lockett District, praised the Sheriff's department and the response time; he said the County and citizens should do everything possible to support them.

In Re: Board of Supervisors Comments

Supervisor Campbell announced he is planning a Town Meeting in Prospect and plans to also hold a Neighborhood Watch in the Tuggle and Prospect areas.

Supervisor Timmons recognized Craig Burns, Boy Scout from Troop 6596, who is working on his Community Service and Citizenship merit badges. Supervisor Timmons then announced he is holding a Neighborhood Watch and a Town Hall Meeting on the third Monday in July in the Buffalo district.

Chairman Simpson stated the tax rates for the previous years were as follows: in 1991, the tax rate was \$0.42; then for a few years it went to \$0.45; in 1994 it was raised to \$0.59, a 14 cent increase. Then it was \$0.50, then \$0.59, then in 2003 it dropped to \$0.43, then \$0.50, then \$0.57, then \$0.58 and \$0.57, then in 2009 it was \$0.40. In 2010 it was \$0.42 and has been that to the present.

Supervisor Cooper-Jones thanked the citizens for attending the meeting. She stated it was interesting to read the budget and is hopeful the Finance Committee can find a way to avoid raising the taxes. She stated VACo is holding classes for Supervisors on budgeting and encouraged all to attend; they are being held May 29 and July 29.

Supervisor Wilck stated the previous Chairman had presented a "State of the County" speech each year. Supervisor Wilck requested Chairman Simpson to present such a presentation in the near future.

In Re: Consent Agenda

On motion of Supervisor Jones and carried:

Aye:	Howard M. Campbell	Nay: None
	Pattie Cooper-Jones	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Charles W. McKay	
	Howard F. Simpson	
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Jim R. Wilck	

the Board accepted the Treasurer's Report for March 2014; the minutes of the meetings held April 1, 2014 at 1:00 p.m., April 1, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. with correction, April 1, 2014 at 5:30 p.m., April 8, 2014 at 3:00

p.m., April 8, 2014 at 5:00 p.m., April 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., April 15, 2014, and April 22, 2014; Accounts and Claims; and Salaries.

**Prince Edward Treasurer's Report - March 2014**

<b>Name of Bank</b>	<b>Bank Balance</b>	<b>Deposit in Transit / Adj.</b>	<b>Outstanding Checks</b>	<b>Available Balance</b>
Benchmark Pooled Fund Account	11,644,595.92	84,217.98	375,904.11	11,352,909.79
Wachovia Social Services	273,059.67		78,563.96	194,495.71
Bank of America School Fund	1,816,313.70	0.33	303,444.23	1,512,869.80
Bank of America Food Service	90,081.20	149.26	13,089.18	77,141.28
Benchmark Food Service	284,892.06			284,892.06
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>13,422,308.64</b>
 <b>Certificates of Deposit</b>				
Benchmark				519,048.66
Citizens Bank Recreation				15,000.00
Citizens Bank Underground Storage				20,000.00
Planners Bank				200,000.00
Wells Fargo Advantage Fund				162,446.69
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>916,494.35</b>
 <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				 <b>14,338,803.99</b>

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

VEPGA	Energy negotiations		166.00
Farmville Herald	Advertising		994.26
Howard M. Campbell	Mileage		151.76
Robert M. Jones	Mileage		50.40
Charles W. McKay	Mileage		127.68
Howard F. Simpson	Mileage / Tolls / Tips		492.24
C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	Mileage		367.36
Jerry R. Townsend	Mileage		464.80
Business Card	Soft drinks / water	46.94	
	Meeting refreshments	13.90	
	Meals	109.70	170.54

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

Business Card	Fed Ex	38.85	
	Certified mail	18.63	
	Budget PowerPoint	212.61	270.09
Pitney Bowes	Postage meter lease		29.00
US Cellular	Phone		136.88
VA Emergency Management Association	2014-2015 Dues		75.00

Grainger	Cups		182.08
Key Office Supply	Folders	25.98	
	Folders / inserts	62.89	
	Copier drum	180.99	
	Laser cartridge	89.99	
	Calculator tape	3.60	
	Ink cartridges	157.98	
	View binders	51.48	572.91
Reliable	Time cards		49.44

COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE

Treasurer of Virginia	Online service		76.61
Commissioner of Revenue Association	Dues		240.00
Business Data of Virginia, Inc.	Processing DMV book		225.00
Key Office Supply	Ink cartridges		195.87

ASSESSOR

Wampler-Eanes Appraisal	Reassessment		22,567.50
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TREASURER

James W. Elliott, Attorney	Bond fee		400.00
Totalfunds by Hasler	Postage		3,000.00
Benchmark Community Bank	Payflow / PayPal fee		6.70
Treasurer of Virginia	Online service		76.61
Donna Nunnally	Mileage	121.41	
	Lodging	219.80	341.21
Treasurers Association of Virginia	Meeting registration		235.00
University of Virginia	District meeting - Nunnally	70.00	
	District meeting - Overstreet	70.00	
	District meeting - Lee	70.00	
	District meeting - Bappert	70.00	280.00
Key Office Supply	Pens / Dust Off air	26.47	
	Adding machine tape	13.39	
	Post It flags / pencils	15.08	
	Notebook	35.96	90.90

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Business Data of Virginia, Inc.	Contract agreement	3,700.00	
	Travel expense	1,500.00	5,200.00
ComputerPlus Sales & Service	Printer maintenance contract		79.00

GENERAL DISTRICT COURT

Joyce K. Sexton	Mediation		926.25
US Cellular	Phone		23.41
Key Office Supply	Toner		132.99
Southern Copier Sales & Service	Copier		3,495.00

SPECIAL MAGISTRATES

Key Office Supply	Ink cartridge / stamp	99.95	
	Ink cartridge	90.99	190.94

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

CenturyLink	Phone		21.05
Virginia Court Clerk's Association	Dues		470.00
Gail A. Acampora	Juror		30.00
Lisa M. Barton	Juror		30.00
Barbara W. Berg	Juror		30.00
Charles A. Boll	Juror		30.00
Elizabeth T. Carter	Juror		30.00
Deborah J. Dowell	Juror		30.00
Joann C. Eppes	Juror		30.00
Janice E. Green	Juror		30.00
William R. Harbour	Juror		30.00
Anita T. Harris	Juror		30.00
Teresa A. Harris	Juror		30.00
Deborah A. Holohan	Juror		30.00
Frances D. Jasper	Juror		30.00
Jacquelyn H. Lehman	Juror		30.00
Cornell J. Little, Sr.	Juror		30.00
Joyce S. Mitchell	Juror		30.00
Helen A. Person	Juror		30.00
Charles V. Seaborn, Jr.	Juror		30.00
Nan Lewis J. Simmons	Juror		30.00
Kimberly P. Skinner	Juror		30.00
Lashaunda M. Smith	Juror		30.00
Pamela S. Southall	Juror		30.00
Cathy C. Steward	Juror		30.00
Natasha S. Vaughan	Juror		30.00
Georgia A. Viers	Juror		30.00
Key Office Supply	Laser cartridges	629.94	
	Copy paper	73.98	
	Pens	100.44	804.36

LAW LIBRARY

AT&T	Phone		42.62
CenturyLink	Phone		40.28
LexisNexis	Online charges		247.00

COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY

Treasurer of Virginia	IPad service		134.64
Robert Bauer	Mileage	123.20	
	Lodging	303.54	
	Meals	222.04	
	Parking	16.00	664.78
Brian Butler	Mileage	157.92	
	Lodging	310.38	
	Meals	137.00	
	Parking	39.00	644.30
James R. Ennis	Mileage	157.92	
	Lodging	413.84	

	Meals	190.74	
	Parking	51.00	813.50
Morgan Greer	Mileage	183.68	
	Lodging	310.38	
	Meals	178.26	
	Parking	48.00	720.32
Virginia Association of Commonwealth Attorneys	Annual dues		625.00
STEPS, Inc.	Shredding service		35.00
Key Office Supply	Yellow cartridge	172.99	
	Toner	79.99	252.98
	<u>SHERIFF</u>		
Commtronics of Virginia	Radio repair		152.20
Burkeville Body Shop	Bumper repair		580.00
East End Motor Company, Inc.	Balance / rotate tires	64.80	
	Tires	573.08	637.88
Express Care	Oil changes		338.73
Kenbridge Tire & Auto	Calibrations		200.00
Wohlford's Radar	Radar repair		250.00
Farmville Herald	Advertising		328.00
Treasurer of Virginia	VCIN		52.57
Kinex Networking Solutions	Remote data backup		39.90
CenturyLink	VCIN	10.36	
	Phone	7.97	18.33
US Cellular	Phone		799.09
Business Card	Meals	23.65	
	Training	420.00	
	In-car camera DVD	59.96	
William Cary	Meals		65.71
Diamond Springs Water, Inc.	Water / equipment rental		110.35
Key Office Supply	Folders / tape	20.68	
	CD cases	53.30	
	Copy paper	149.75	
	Ink cartridge	69.99	293.72
Staples Advantage	Ink / batteries		297.06
Walmart Community / GEGRB	Coffee supplies		39.16
Anderson Tire Company, Inc.	Tires		598.16
Farmville Auto Parts	Sensor	30.67	
	Wiper blades	48.78	
	Battery / wiper blades	192.77	
	Antifreeze / resistor	40.70	
	Return	-18.03	294.89
DMV	Special ID - Wallace		10.00
Galls, LLC	Car unlock wedge	173.60	
	Belt	41.46	
	Boots	165.98	381.04
Town Police Supply - Richmond	Duty holsters	148.00	
	Bullet-proof vest	539.00	
	Ammunition	691.44	

	Gun & holster	430.00	1,808.44
Quality Uniform Company, Inc.	Pants / shirts	411.50	
	Uniforms	134.00	545.50
Southern Police Equipment Company	Duty cases for belt	93.31	
	Ties	90.00	183.31

FARMVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Commtronics of Virginia	Radio repair		576.17
Elecom, Inc.	Radio / warranty / speaker		958.60
Farmville Volunteer Fire Department	Remove lettering / tint		1,030.00
Fire Protection Equipment Company	Spec kit elite		91.18
Heroes Apparel	Responder parkas		3,679.27
Key Office Supply	Copy paper		29.95
Taylor-Forbes Equipment Company	Saw chain		42.10

RICE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Elecom, Inc.	Radios & pagers		2,281.20
Fire & Safety Equipment Company	Recharge extinguisher		25.95
Industrial Repair, Inc.	Repair axle hub seal		331.54
John Deere Financial	Diesel	217.74	
	Propane	384.41	602.15
Dominion Virginia Power	Electric service		205.37
Witmer Public Safety Group	Pressure wtr exting	240.97	
	Traffic cones	263.88	504.85

PROSPECT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Elecom, Inc.	Batteries / antenna		243.91
Prince Edward County Treasurer	Gas		263.09
Dominion Virginia Power	Electric service		217.46

DARLINGTON HEIGHTS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

BB&T	LED light / ink cartridge		527.75
Cyrus Pest Control Company	Exterminating service		45.00
Ellington Energy Service	Propane		739.07
Southside Electric Cooperative	Electric service		249.14
Verizon Wireless	Internet		60.07
Verizon	Phone		156.79
BMC Rock, Inc.	Gravel		660.10
Golden Thread Embroidery	Reflective tape		431.73

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Timmons Group	E-911 Addressing		405.00
Korman Signs	Sign / post / hardware		157.99

REGIONAL JAIL & DETENTION

Irongate Boundary Management	Electronic monitoring		1,282.50
Piedmont Regional Juvenile Detention Center	Juvenile detention		6,450.00

BUILDING OFFICIAL

East End Chevron	Oil change		29.40
US Cellular	Phone		23.41
Treasurer of Virginia	3rd Quarter permit levy		230.18

ANIMAL CONTROL

Ray Foster	Vehicle registration		5.00
Dominion Virginia Power	Electric service		302.67
CenturyLink	Phone		166.67
US Cellular	Phone		46.82
Lowe's	Hose & nozzle		33.12
Walmart Community / GEGRB	Dog food	135.84	
	Bleach	23.85	159.69
Pairet's, Inc.	Vinyl lettering		15.00

BIOSOLIDS MONITORING

US Cellular	Phone		23.41
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REFUSE DISPOSAL

Resource International	Misc. work tasks	2,678.15	
	Storm water compliance	711.50	
	Cell E bidding	210.00	
	Groundwater monitoring	18,671.86	18,671.86
Treasurer of Virginia	VPDES Stormwater permit		500.00
Business Card	Motor starter		552.72
Farmville Auto Parts	Grease fitting / WD40		58.54
Lowe's	Batteries		10.42
East End Motor Company, Inc.	Hydraulic pump	2,673.92	
	Oil / filter change	478.22	3,152.14
Container First Services	Trash collection		742.00
Wright's Excavating, LLC	Landfill operation		48,093.75
Emanuel Tire of Virginia	Tire recycling		4,128.90
Synergy Recycling, LLC	Electronic recycling		1,523.54
Southside Electric Cooperative	Darlington Heights site	95.14	
	Virso site	142.68	237.82
Dominion Virginia Power	Rice site	105.27	
	Green Bay site	72.03	
	Worsham site	83.84	261.14
AT&T	Phone		51.37
CenturyLink	Phone		149.86
US Cellular	Phone		23.41
Verizon	Phone		129.92
O. O. Stiff, Inc.	Monthly service		662.50
Prince Edward County Public Schools	Diesel		1,593.66
NAPA of Farmville	Hydraulic fluid / oil	81.66	
	Core return credit	-15.00	
	Halogen lamp	10.99	77.65
Reliable	Time clocks		479.98

SANDY RIVER RESERVOIR

Schnabel Engineering, LLC	Document review		1,242.00
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GENERAL PROPERTIES

Business Card	Amplifier / mixer	1,342.79	
	Bearings	597.00	1,939.79
Dodson Brothers Exterminating	Pest control - Cannery	38.00	
	Pest control - Worsham	38.00	
	Pest control - SCOPE	38.00	
	Pest control - Courthouse	85.00	
	Pest control - Visitor Center	38.00	237.00
ThyssenKrupp Elevator	Service contract - April/June		2,524.82
Southside Electric Cooperative	SRR lights		30.34
Dominion Virginia Power	Roy Clark monument	5.66	
	Courthouse	9,439.43	
	Shop	23.69	
	SCOPE building	207.75	
	Sheriff Department shed	5.66	
	Worsham Clerks Office	34.49	
	Lights at Rice	110.22	
	Ag building	2,110.38	11,937.28
Ellington Energy Service	Heating fuel - courthouse		9,690.00
Parker Oil Company	Balance due		140.08
Town of Farmville	Water / sewer		130.73
AT&T	Phone		42.61
CenturyLink	Phone		53.63
US Cellular	Phone		126.50
O. O. Stiff, Inc.	Monthly service		100.00
Aramark Uniform Services	Janitorial supplies		379.19
Walmart Community / GEGRB	Janitorial supplies		67.42
Farmville Auto Parts	Shop towels / washer fluid	18.28	
	Gloves	15.95	34.23
Farmville Wholesale Electric	Light bulb	2.40	
	Cable ties	12.84	
	Light bulbs / ballasts	103.26	118.50
Lowe's	Concrete	29.88	
	Battery	6.05	
	Cement / PVC / adapter	11.49	
	Inverter / coupling / PVC	37.14	
	Pipe seal & tape	16.18	100.74
Pairt's, Inc.	County seal decals		120.00
Cintas Corporation #524	Uniform rental		321.43
Taylor-Forbes Equipment Company	Replace pull rope		57.08
Prince Edward County Public Schools	Diesel		228.98
Pro Auto, LLC	Ball joints / alignment		539.00

CANNERY

Virginia Food Works	Contract payment	2,916.67	
	Jars & lids	655.82	3,572.49
Farmville Wholesale Electric	Electric wire / conduit	93.12	

	Conduit / PVC / elbow	14.36	107.48
Grainger	Plug / adapters / valve		212.24
Lowe's	Entry door knob	89.24	
	Pipe / fitting / elbow	24.45	
	Anchors	14.30	127.99
Southside Electric Cooperative	Electric service		257.64
Parker Oil Company, Inc.	Balance due		232.26
CenturyLink	Phone		203.27

COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES ACT

Bear Creek Academy	Professional service		6,510.00
Centra Health	Professional service		18,834.00
Elk Hill	Professional service		2,700.00
Family Preservation Services	Professional service		787.50
Grafton School, Inc.	Professional service		20,137.50
Ashley Long	Foster care		3,957.00
North Spring Behavioral	Professional service		4,945.00
Northstar Academy, Inc.	Professional service		2,815.00
The Hughes Center	Professional service		5,082.00
Virginia Family Services	Professional service		1,350.00
VA Home for Boys & Girls	Professional service		1,750.88
Business Card	Lodging		235.80

OTHER WELFARE / SOCIAL SERVICES

Longwood Center for Visual Arts	Arts challenge grant		2,494.00
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SUPERVISION OF PARKS & RECREATION

Southside Virginia Family YMCA	2014 Summer Camp		23,000.00
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PLANNING

Donald B. Gilliam	Commission meeting	100.00	
	Mileage	22.40	122.40
Preston Hunt	Commission meeting	100.00	
	Mileage	22.40	122.40
Timothy Mark Jenkins	Commission meeting	100.00	
	Mileage	12.32	112.32
Robert M. Jones	Commission meeting	100.00	
	Mileage	5.60	105.60
Clifford Jack Leatherwood	Commission meeting		100.00
Robert Christopher Mason	Commission meeting	100.00	
	Mileage	10.08	110.08
W. Parker Terry, Jr.	Commission meeting		100.00
John F. Townsend, III	Commission meeting	100.00	
	Mileage	8.40	108.40
Brett Von Cannon Watson	Commission meeting		100.00

TOURISM

Dominion Virginia Power	Electric service		258.62
Ellington Energy Service	Propane		476.48
Town of Farmville	Water / sewer		47.65

Business Card	UPS		634.83
U. S. Postal Service	Box rent		140
CenturyLink	Phone		317.23
Business Data of Virginia, Inc.	Norton Anti-Virus		29.95
Key Office Supply	Toner	63.75	
	Yellow toner	141.27	
	Envelopes / hole reinforcements	35.38	240.40
<u>FLOOD &amp; EROSION CONTROL</u>			
Joyce Engineering	Stormwater grant		19,122.72
<u>COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE</u>			
Treasurer - Virginia Tech	Local support		14,194.49
CenturyLink	Phone		104.84
<u>GENERAL EXPENSE</u>			
Lumos Networks	Phone		3781.93
James River Petroleum	Gas		13,868.07
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>			
US Bank	Go Refunding-Interest	53,262.50	
	2011 Lease Rev-Interest	52,312.99	105,575.49
<u>FORFEITED DRUG ASSETS</u>			
Elecom, Inc.	Install equipment		3,062.21
<u>SEWER FUND</u>			
Dominion Virginia Power	Sewer pump		31.72
US Bank	Bond Series 11-Interest		25,434.19
<u>WATER FUND</u>			
Town of Farmville	Water		20.11
US Bank	Bond Series 11-Interest		68,174.70
<u>RETIREMENT BENEFIT FUND</u>			
Vicki K. Johns	Retiree benefit		1,094.00
<u>PIEDMONT COURT SERVICES</u>			
Amelia Bulletin Monitor	Advertising		38.50
Kenbridge Victoria Dispatch	Advertising		36.00
Nottoway Publishing Company	Advertising		40.00
Southside Messenger	Advertising		30
Dominion Virginia Power	Electric service		287.65
Mail Finance	Postage machine lease		190.68
CenturyLink	Phone		62.20
Lumos Networks	Phone		303.15
Julianna Ferrell	Mileage	178.64	
	Newspapers	1.50	180.14
Sheena Franklin	Mileage		132.16
Sharon Gray	Mileage		281.68

Connie Stimpson	Mileage	24.34	
	Office supplies	11.80	36.14
Renee T. Maxey	Mileage		66.42
VCCJA	Training		325.00
STEPS, Inc.	Shredding service		96.00
HR Specialist	Subscription		161.00
Administrative Professional	Subscription		79.00
<u>PCS SUPERVISION FEES EXPENDITURES</u>			
SRP Corporation, LLC	Rent		2,500.00
Connie Stimpson	PCCJB Dinner meeting		372.16
<u>PCS DRUG TESTING FEES</u>			
Alere Toxicology Service, Inc.	Drug testing		19.48

In Re: Highway Matters

Mr. Kevin Wright, Residency Administrator, VDOT, stated the Six Year Plan includes work to be done on Route 643, Route 601, Route 725, Route 628, and Route 619. He stated funding has been allocated for unpaved roads; VDOT took the information from the workshop with the Board and reviewed the areas of concern such as the number of houses and the traffic count in those areas to prepare a prioritized list, as follows:

- Route 725 and Route 628 (Watson and Campbell Crossing)
- Route 705, Lakeside Road
- Route 691, Green Town Road
- Route 661, Nursery Road
- Route 752, Walton Road
- Route 613, Millers Lake Road
- Route 721, Dempsey Road
- Route 751, Hidden Lake Road

Mr. Wright stated there may be a deficit on Back Hampden-Sydney Road and Copper Hill Road may not be added to the list.

Supervisor Townsend requested the status of Mills Creek, Route 628 off Route 360; he suggested that since Route 752 (Walton Road) is already paved, Mills Creek may be able to take its place in the priority list.

Supervisor McKay made a motion to authorize advertisement of the final Draft Plan for a public hearing in June; the motion carried:

Aye:	Howard M. Campbell Pattie Cooper-Jones Robert M. Jones Charles W. McKay Howard F. Simpson C. Robert Timmons, Jr. Jerry R. Townsend Jim R. Wilck	Nay:	None
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Mr. Wright stated that in 1995, when the county filled the Sandy River Reservoir, a 0.45 mile section of State Route 605 and a 0.25 mile section of State Route 606 were permanently flooded and both roads were dead-ended on each side of the reservoir. VDOT is now asking the Board of Supervisors to take the necessary procedural actions to officially abandon the flooded sections of Routes 605 and 606. This is procedural action to correct a deficiency in the official VDOT records. No additional roadway is being impacted by the Sandy River Reservoir. Once the abandonment is official, VDOT will change the state route number of the western portion of Route 605 (Gates-Bass Road) to State Route 799 and the western portion of Route 606 (Old Metcalf Road) to State Route 798.

Supervisor McKay made a motion to authorize advertisement of the draft Notice for Public Hearing at its July 8, 2014 meeting regarding the abandonment of Route 605 and Route 606; the motion carried:

Aye:	Howard M. Campbell Pattie Cooper-Jones Robert M. Jones Charles W. McKay Howard F. Simpson C. Robert Timmons, Jr. Jerry R. Townsend Jim R. Wilck	Nay:	None
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Supervisor McKay made a motion to adopt VDOT Resolution 1 for Route 605 and to adopt VDOT Resolution 1 for Route 606; the motion carried:

Aye: Howard M. Campbell  
Pattie Cooper-Jones  
Robert M. Jones  
Charles W. McKay  
Howard F. Simpson  
C. Robert Timmons, Jr.  
Jerry R. Townsend  
Jim R. Wilck

Nay: None

#### **VDOT RESOLUTION #1-605**

**WHEREAS**, it appears to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward, Virginia, that a portion of Secondary Route 605 (Gates Bass Road) beginning approximately 1.19 miles east of its intersection with Route 696 and for a distance of 0.45 miles was flooded by the Sandy River Reservoir and no longer serves public necessity as a roadway and is no longer necessary as a part of the Secondary System of Highways;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward, Virginia, is directed to post and publish notice of the Board's intent to abandon the aforesaid section of Route 605, pursuant to §33.1-151 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

#### **VDOT RESOLUTION #1-606**

**WHEREAS**, it appears to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward, Virginia, that a portion of Secondary Route 606 (Old Metcalf Road) beginning approximately 0.9 miles east of its intersection with Route 612 and for a distance of 0.25 miles was flooded by the Sandy River Reservoir and no longer serves public necessity as a roadway and is no longer necessary as a part of the Secondary System of Highways;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward, Virginia, is directed to post and publish notice of the Board's intent to abandon the aforesaid section of Route 606, pursuant to §33.1-151 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Supervisor Timmons stated there are numerous large potholes on Five Forks Road, and asked for VDOT to place gravel in the holes. Mr. Wright stated the construction company is currently laying asphalt and will fix them in the near future.

In Re: Public Hearing: School Board Appointments

Chairman Simpson announced that this was the date and time scheduled for a public hearing on the Prince Edward County School Board Appointments. Notice of this hearing was advertised according to law in the Friday, May 2, 2014 and Friday, May 9, 2014 editions of THE FARMVILLE HERALD, a newspaper published in the County of Prince Edward.

At the April Board meeting, the Board authorized a public hearing on the candidates for School Board for Districts 101 and 801:

District 101 – Peter Gur, Ph.D.  
Linda Leatherwood

District 801 – Lawrence C. Varner, M.D.

Chairman Simpson opened the public hearing.

Richard Altice, Hampden District, requested the Board closely consider the appropriateness of the School Board members to be appointed. Mr. Altice compared the costs per pupil between private schools and Prince Edward County Schools; he suggested the use of vouchers. He then requested that no one on the school board be reappointed and that all should be replaced.

Sam Campbell, Prospect District, expressed his disappointment that the schools performance rates are lower than the standard and Prince Edward County spends more money per pupil than most schools. He stated the problem must be the lack of performance by the school board, the school administration and the superintendent. He said enrollment is decreasing but the schools are requesting more than \$1 million. He requested the Board not reappoint anyone to the School Board currently serving because of poor performance. Mr. Campbell stated it may be time for the citizens to begin the process for elected school board members.

There being no one further wishing to speak, Chairman Simpson closed the public hearing.

Chairman Simpson stated the Board will appoint School Board members at its June 10, 2014 meeting.

Supervisor Timmons requested a time to speak with the candidates. Discussion followed; the Chairman said he will request all prospective School Board members attend the June 10 meeting.

In Re: Virginia Retirement System Rate

Mr. Bartlett reported that during the 2012 General Assembly session they approved legislation that offered localities and schools some budget relief by allowing local governments to choose to pay an alternate (lower) rate than the actuarially determined and VRS Board certified rate. At that time, the Board decided to pay the full certified rate, which was 12.25%.

For the FY 2015-2016 biennium, the County's certified rate is 11.4%, which is a reduction of .85% over the current rate. Counties again are offered the opportunity to select an alternate VRS rate. That alternative rate is 10.11%. The selection of the lower rate would save the County \$50,355 which includes Piedmont Court Services.

As of June 30, 2012, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the County's retirement plan was 70.39% funded while the school's was 79.83% funded. VRS cautions if you are considering using the alternative rate, be aware that doing so will:

- Reduce contributions to your employer account and the investment earnings they would have generated, which means there will be fewer assets available for benefits;
- Result in a lower funded ratio when the next Actuarial Valuation is performed and, thus, a higher calculated contribution rate at that time;
- And require that you include the Net Pension Obligation (NPO) under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Standards in your financial statements.

Choosing the lower rate will guarantee the County's VRS rate will be higher in the future than it would be otherwise. As an example, in 2012, Lunenburg County chose the lower rate of 9.84% instead of the certified rate of 14.42%. Their renewal rates are now either 15.25% for the certified rate or 12.2% for the alternate rate. While there are many factors that impact the VRS rate for a locality, the amount of funds available to be invested is probably the most important. Reducing that amount robs the County of the ability to earn a return on those investments or the compounding of those investments which eventually the County must repay.

Supervisor Timmons made a motion to adopt the Resolution of Employer Contribution Rates for Counties, Cities, Towns, School Divisions and Other Political Subdivisions with a Certified Rate of 11.4%; the motion carried:

Aye: Howard M. Campbell  
Pattie Cooper-Jones  
Robert M. Jones  
Charles W. McKay  
Howard F. Simpson  
C. Robert Timmons, Jr.  
Jerry R. Townsend  
Jim R. Wilck

Nay: None

**EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES FOR COUNTIES, CITIES,  
TOWNS, SCHOOL DIVISIONS AND OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS  
(IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2014 APPROPRIATION ACT ITEM 468(H))**

**RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the [Locality, School Division, or Other Political Subdivision Name] [employer code] does hereby acknowledge that its contribution rates effective July 1, 2014 shall be based on the higher of a) the contribution rate in effect for FY 2014, or b) eighty percent of the results of the June 30, 2013 actuarial valuation of assets and liabilities as approved by the Virginia Retirement System Board of Trustees for the 2014-2016 biennium (the "Alternate Rate") provided that, at its option, the contribution rate may be based on the employer contribution rates certified by the Virginia Retirement System Board of Trustees pursuant to Virginia Code § 51.1-145(I) resulting from the June 30, 2013 actuarial Value of assets and liabilities (the "Certified Rate")' and

**BE IT ALSO RESOLVED**, that the [Locality, School Division, or Other Political Subdivision Name] [employer code] does hereby certify to the Virginia Retirement System Board of Trustees that it elects to pay the following contribution rate effective July 1, 2014:

**(Check only one box)**

The Certified Rate of 11.4%

The Alternate Rate of \_\_\_\_\_%; and

**BE IT ALSO RESOLVED**, that the [Locality, School Division, or Other Political Subdivision Name] [employer code] does hereby certify to the Virginia Retirement System Board of Trustees that it has reviewed and understands the information provided to the Virginia Retirement System outlining the potential future fiscal implications of any election made under the provisions of this resolution; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the officers of [Locality, School Division, or Other Political Subdivision Name] [employer code] are hereby authorized and directed in the name of the [Locality Name, School Division Name, or both] to carry out the provisions of this resolution, and said officers of the [Locality, School Division, or Other Political Subdivision Name] are authorized and directed to pay over to the Treasurer of Virginia from time to time such sums as are due to be paid by the [Locality, School Division, or Other Political Subdivision Name] for this purpose.

In Re: County Administrator's Report

Mrs. Sarah Elam Puckett, Assistant County Administrator, stated the County received a telephone call from Dominion Power regarding a proposed wholesale natural gas pipeline from West Virginia to

Fayetteville, North Carolina, that would potentially impact property owners in the eastern portion of Prince Edward County. She stated information will be mailed to those impacted property owners on or around Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Puckett said the proposed 36"- 40" pipeline will follow a straight line from Wintergreen to Fort Pickett, and Dominion Power owns approximately 33% capacity of the Colonial Pipeline.

Supervisor McKay questioned the ability for Prince Edward County to tap into the pipeline; Mrs. Puckett stated the Dominion Power representative said that for a price, localities can purchase a T-connection pipe to be installed. At a later date, if the local natural gas distribution company wished to do gas distribution in this locality, the connection point would already be there. The local distribution company is Columbia Gas; the County would have to work through Columbia Natural Gas Company to access the line. Mrs. Puckett said she encouraged Dominion Power to come to the County to hold an informational meeting soon.

#### In Re: Appropriations

Mr. Bartlett reported the Clerk of the Court will receive \$14,665 from the Technology Trust Fund. These funds will be used to pay for the server, computers, monitors and scanners purchased to implement the new records management and case imaging system. The Clerk is requesting the Board appropriate \$14,665.

Mr. Bartlett then stated that on February 12, 2014, during one of the winter snowstorms, a citizen ran into one of the Sheriff's vehicles, a 2008 Ford Explorer. The vehicle was totaled. The Sheriff is requesting the County allow him to purchase an SUV to replace this vehicle. The cost of the new vehicle and all the accoutrements will be approximately \$32,603. The County has received a total of \$10,642 from the insurance company for the totaled vehicle; the County has received a total of \$16,745 in insurance recoveries through the end of April. These funds have not been budgeted or appropriated and can be used to help fund this purchase. Additionally, the County has received more revenues than budgeted in the taxes received from Public Service Corporation; these additional revenues can also be budgeted and used to assist in making this purchase.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to approve the budget amendment and appropriate the funds as follows:

<u>FY 2014 Budget Amendment</u>		<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
3-100-23000-0080	Technology Trust Fund		\$14,665
4-100-21600-5880	Clerk / TTF	\$14,665	
3-100-19020-0006	Insurance Recoveries		\$16,745
3-100-11020-2013	Public Service Corp.		\$15,858
4-100-31200-8205	Sheriff / Motor Vehicle	\$32,603	

The motion carried unanimously:

Aye:	Howard M. Campbell	Nay:	None
	Pattie Cooper-Jones		
	Robert M. Jones		
	Charles W. McKay		
	Howard F. Simpson		
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.		
	Jerry R. Townsend		
	Jim R. Wilck		

In Re: 2014/2015 County Health Insurance Program

Mr. Bartlett stated the Prince Edward County Finance Committee is requesting the Board of Supervisors revisit the County Health insurance program in an effort to reduce or eliminate the proposed real estate tax increase. While the deadline for informing Local Choice of the County’s desire concerning Health Insurance has passed, the Program Manager for the Local Choice Program will allow the County to make adjustments to the plan if we so request. The Committee is requesting the Board consider adopting one of the following two options regarding health insurance.

The first option is to leave the plans offered as they are (Key Advantage Expanded and Key Advantage 250) but the County would provide 90% of the cost of the Key Advantage Expanded (\$585) and the employee would pay the remainder of the plan cost. This would be \$65 if the employee chose the Key Advantage Expanded option and \$17 if the employee chose the Key Advantage 250 plan. The payment by the employee would be from pre-taxed dollars. Such a plan would decrease the County’s cost for Health Insurance by approximately \$58,562 in the General Fund, \$24,180 in the Social Services fund and \$7,020 in the Piedmont Court Services Fund for a total of \$89,762. Per the program manager, this would be the least disruptive way in which to change the County’s plan at this late date. The Program Manager stated he

would “need the data sheet back in the next two weeks or we won’t be able to guarantee timely processing.”

The second option has previously been discussed by the entire Board, which would be to change the plan funded 100% by the County to the Key Advantage 500 plan at a cost to the County of \$555 per month per employee, which would reduce the County’s cost by \$122,532. To help defray the increase in costs to the employees, the County would issue a \$250 Health Reimbursement Card that could be used after an employee has met the first \$250 of the deductible. That card would cost the County \$27,250. The County would also hire Mrs. Grasso’s firm to manage the program at a cost of \$5,000. The net savings to the County would be \$90,282. The second plan offered by the County would be the Key Advantage 250 plan. If an employee chose that plan, the County would provide \$555 for each employee and the employee would have to pay \$47 monthly.

Concern was expressed regarding the denial of claims affecting credit reports and about the insurance not covering claims due to the late date of this program change. After some discussion regarding those concerns, Supervisor Timmons stated Mrs. Grasso’s firm would make sure payments are made. Questions were raised regarding the out of pocket expenses to the employees.

Supervisor Timmons made a motion to amend the County’s Health Insurance plan to the Key Advantage 500 plan to include the \$250 Health Reimbursement Card that could be used after an employee met the first \$250 of the deductible; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay:	Charles W. McKay	Abstain:	Howard M. Campbell
	Robert M. Jones		Howard F. Simpson		
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.		Jerry R. Townsend		
	Jim R. Wilck				

Supervisor McKay stated he received a lot of telephone calls regarding changing the insurance plan; he told the callers that he would vote against the change this year, but would not be able to say that again next year.

In Re: Animal Warden’s Report

Mr. Ray Foster, Animal Warden, submitted a report for the month of April 2014, which was reviewed and ordered to be filed with the Board papers.

In Re: Building Official's Report

Mr. Coy Leatherwood, Building Inspector, submitted a report for the month of April 2014, which was reviewed and ordered to be filed with the Board papers.

In Re: Cannery – Commercial Report

Ms. Emily Wells, Commercial Manager, submitted a report for the month of April 2014, which was reviewed and ordered to be filed with the Board papers.

In Re: Cooperative Extension Report

Ms. Jennifer R. Bowen, Senior Extension Agent, submitted the First Quarterly Report (2014) for the VCE Prince Edward County Office, which was reviewed and ordered to be filed with the Board papers.

In Re: Prince Edward County Public Schools

Mr. K. David Smith, School Superintendent, submitted a financial summary report for the month of April 2014, which was reviewed and ordered to be filed with the Board papers.

In Re: Tourism and Visitor Center Report

Mrs. Magi Van Eps, Tourism & Visitor Center Coordinator, submitted a report for the month of April 2014, which was reviewed and ordered to be filed with the Board papers.

On motion of Supervisor Wilck and adopted by the following vote:

Aye:	Howard M. Campbell	Nay:	None
	Pattie Cooper-Jones		
	Robert M. Jones		
	Charles W. McKay		
	Howard F. Simpson		
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.		
	Jerry R. Townsend		
	Jim R. Wilck		

the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.