

April 28, 2016

At the special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Prince Edward County, held at the Court House, thereof, on Thursday, the 28th day of April, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., there were present:

Pattie Cooper-Jones

Calvin L. Gray

Robert M. Jones

Odessa H. Pride

Howard F. Simpson

C. Robert Timmons, Jr.

Jerry R. Townsend

Jim R. Wilck

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

Chairman Simpson called the reconvened meeting to order. Supervisor Townsend offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In Re: Conflict of Interest Disclosures

Supervisor Gray declared the following Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement:

As a member of the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors, I am disclosing that I have an interest in the adoption of the Prince Edward County School Budget, as my wife is an employee of the Prince Edward County Public Schools. As the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors has no authority over setting the salaries or pay increases of School employees, I am able to participate in the adoption of the school budget fairly, objectively and in the public interest and I have filed a statement of disclosure with the Office of the Prince Edward County Administrator, a copy of which is available for public review.

Supervisor Townsend declared the following Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement:

As a member of the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors, I am disclosing that I have an interest in the adoption of the Prince Edward County School Budget, as my wife is an employee of the Prince Edward County Public Schools. As the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors has no authority over setting the salaries or pay increases of School employees, I am able to participate in the adoption of the school budget fairly, objectively and in the public interest and I have filed a statement of disclosure with the Office of the Prince Edward County Administrator, a copy of which is available for public review.

In Re: Discussion of Budget Amendments

Mr. Bartlett stated that during the various budget work sessions, the Board has discussed several amendments to the advertised budget. The proposed amendments, if approved would not change the amount of the advertised budget. The changes do not increase the total budget but reduce the amount that would be returned to the reserve of the General Fund by \$14,762. The increases for Piedmont Senior Resources and Crossroads were not specifically discussed by the Board of Supervisors but are in keeping with criteria espoused by the Board. Piedmont Senior Resources primary function is to provide meals for the elderly. The Board indicated a strong desire to eliminate the reductions to programs that provide meals and food to those in need and specifically mentioned FACES and Meals on Wheels. Piedmont Senior Resources meets that criteria.

Mr. Bartlett stated the Board discussed funding to Crossroads and directed staff to determine the impact to the Citizens and determine if the local funds were used as a match for any grants. Crossroads uses the funds provided by the localities to meet the required 10% match for the state grant. The advertised budget included a reduction of \$12,000 to Crossroads. Such a reduction would result in a total reduction of services of \$120,000 for the citizens of the County. He recommended funding for Crossroads be returned to its FY16 amount of \$60,000.

Following some discussion, Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Cooper-Jones, to approve the amendments to the advertised budget as presented.

Following some discussion, Supervisor Gray requested all amendments be addressed one by one.

Supervisor Timmons amended his motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to reduce the amount provided to the Longwood Small Business Development Center from \$15,000 to \$6,750; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay: None
	Calvin L. Gray	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Odessa H. Pride	
	Howard F. Simpson	
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Jim R. Wilck	

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to amend the amount provided to the Farmville/Prince Edward Community Library from \$192,156 to \$204,663; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay: None
	Calvin L. Gray	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Odessa H. Pride	
	Howard F. Simpson	
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Jim R. Wilck	

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to amend the amount provided to the Meals on Wheels from \$4,000 to \$5,000; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay: None
	Calvin L. Gray	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Odessa H. Pride	
	Howard F. Simpson	
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Jim R. Wilck	

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to amend the amount provided to the Piedmont Senior Resources from \$1,600 to \$2,000.

Supervisor Gray made a substitute motion, seconded by Supervisor Cooper-Jones, to amend the amount provided to Piedmont Senior Resources from \$1,600 to \$3,000; the motion failed:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay:	Robert M. Jones
	Calvin L. Gray		C. Robert Timmons, Jr.
	Odessa H. Pride		Jerry R. Townsend
	Howard F. Simpson		Jim R. Wilck

Supervisor Timmons restated his motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to amend the amount provided to the Piedmont Senior Resources from \$1,600 to \$2,000; the motion carried:

Aye:	Calvin L. Gray	Nay:	Pattie Cooper-Jones
	Robert M. Jones		Odessa H. Pride
	Howard F. Simpson		
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.		
	Jerry R. Townsend		
	Jim R. Wilck		

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to amend the amount provided to the Hampden-Sydney First Responders from \$0 to \$5,000; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay:	None
	Calvin L. Gray		
	Robert M. Jones		
	Odessa H. Pride		
	Howard F. Simpson		
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.		
	Jerry R. Townsend		
	Jim R. Wilck		

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to amend the amount provided to the Crossroads Community Services from \$48,000 to \$60,000; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay:	None
	Calvin L. Gray		
	Robert M. Jones		
	Odessa H. Pride		
	Howard F. Simpson		
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.		
	Jerry R. Townsend		
	Jim R. Wilck		

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to amend the amount provided to the Farmville Chamber of Commerce from \$4,000 to \$250; the motion carried:

Aye: Pattie Cooper-Jones
Calvin L. Gray
Robert M. Jones
Odessa H. Pride
Howard F. Simpson
C. Robert Timmons, Jr.
Jerry R. Townsend
Jim R. Wilck

Nay: None

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Townsend, to amend the amount provided to the FACES from \$3,400 to \$4,275; the motion carried:

Aye: Pattie Cooper-Jones
Calvin L. Gray
Robert M. Jones
Odessa H. Pride
Howard F. Simpson
C. Robert Timmons, Jr.
Jerry R. Townsend
Jim R. Wilck

Nay: None

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Cooper-Jones, to reduce the amount provided to the SVCC by \$5,000 to \$0; the motion carried:

Aye: Pattie Cooper-Jones
Calvin L. Gray
Robert M. Jones
Odessa H. Pride
Howard F. Simpson
C. Robert Timmons, Jr.
Jerry R. Townsend
Jim R. Wilck

Nay: None

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Townsend, to reduce the transfer to the General Fund Balance by \$14,762 to reflect the amendments; the motion carried:

Aye: Pattie Cooper-Jones
Calvin L. Gray
Robert M. Jones
Odessa H. Pride
Howard F. Simpson
C. Robert Timmons, Jr.
Jerry R. Townsend
Jim R. Wilck

Nay: None

In Re: Adoption of FY17 School Budget

Supervisor Timmons moved that the FY 17 Prince Edward County School Budget be approved as follows:

School Fund – The total for the School Fund is \$24,570,003, of which \$8,000,000 is local revenue as a transfer from the County General Fund.

School Cafeteria Fund – the total for the School Cafeteria Fund is \$1,088,427 of which \$0.00 is local revenue as a transfer from the County General Fund.

This provides for an overall FY 17 Prince Edward County School Budget in the amount of \$25,658,430.

Supervisor Gray made a substitute motion, seconded by Chairman Simpson, to fully fund the School Board's request of \$8,752,402. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Townsend made a substitute motion to level fund the Schools, providing \$8.3 million.

Supervisor Timmons reminded the Board of Supervisors that during the Strategic Planning Session, they had agreed to truly balance the budget by not drawing funds out of the reserve. Supervisor Townsend stated he had spoken with the County Administrator and he had stated he would review revenues to determine if revenues could be increased in the proposed budget. Discussion followed.

Mr. Bartlett stated three revenue line items may be increased; they are Real Estate, Personal Property, and Sales Tax. If those are increased and the increase in the General Fund Balance is reduced by \$14,762 that would allow level funding of \$317,182 for the Schools. He said the amounts would be an even \$100,000 in Real Estate over what was advertised, \$127,713 in the Personal Property, and \$50,000 in Sales tax, and would provide \$0 to the General Fund balance.

Supervisor Timmons withdrew his motion and seconded Supervisor Townsend's motion.

Supervisor Gray then withdrew his motion.

A vote was then taken on Supervisor Townsend's motion, seconded by Supervisor Timmons, to approve the FY 17 Prince Edward County School Budget as follows:

School Fund – The total for the School Fund is \$24,887,185, of which \$8,317,182 is local revenue as a transfer from the County General Fund.

School Cafeteria Fund – the total for the School Cafeteria Fund is \$1,088,427 of which \$0.00 is local revenue as a transfer from the County General Fund.

This provides for an overall FY 17 Prince Edward County School Budget in the amount of \$25,975,612.

The motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay: None
	Calvin L. Gray	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Odessa H. Pride	
	Howard F. Simpson	
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Jim R. Wilck	

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Townsend, to increase Real Estate by \$100,000; increase Personal Property tax \$127,713; increase local sales \$50,000; and decrease the transfer to the General Fund Balance by \$39,469; for a total of \$317,182; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay: None
	Calvin L. Gray	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Odessa H. Pride	
	Howard F. Simpson	
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Jim R. Wilck	

In Re: Adoption of FY17 Prince Edward County Budget

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Jones, to approve the Resolution for the FY17 County Budget; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay: None
	Calvin L. Gray	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Odessa H. Pride	
	Howard F. Simpson	
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Jim R. Wilck	

A Resolution to Approve the FY 17 Prince Edward County Budget

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors to approve and control the fiscal plan for the County of Prince Edward, Virginia for Fiscal Year 2017 (FY 17); and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2016 the County Administrator submitted to the Board of Supervisors the Proposed FY17 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has conducted a total of six meetings/work sessions on the FY17 County Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has received citizen input on the proposed budget and proposed tax rates at a duly advertised Public Hearing held April 19, 2016; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Supervisors that departments and agencies shall adhere to the budgeted funds in accordance with departmental budgets presented by the County Administrator and amended by the Board of Supervisors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward, that the FY 17 Budget for Prince Edward County of \$51,983,395 is hereby approved and effective July 1, 2016.

In Re: 2016 Calendar Year Tax Ordinance

Supervisor Jones made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Townsend, to approve the Ordinance to Impose Tax Levies for Calendar Year 2016; the motion carried:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay: None
	Calvin L. Gray	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Odessa H. Pride	
	Howard F. Simpson	
	C. Robert Timmons, Jr.	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Jim R. Wilck	

An Ordinance to Impose Tax Levies for Calendar Year 2016

Whereas, the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors establishes the levies for the County of Prince Edward, Virginia; and

Whereas, for calendar year 2016, beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016, the Board of Supervisors has duly advertised and on April 19, 2016 held a public hearing on the subject tax levies;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward that the following tax levies be, and hereby are, imposed for the calendar year 2016:

Levy	Nominal Tax Rate (per \$100 of assessed valuation)	Value Used for Assessment Purposes	Effective Tax Rate (Per \$100 of assessed valuation)
Real Estate	\$0.51	Fair Market Value	\$0.51
Mobile Homes	\$0.51	Fair Market Value	\$0.51
Merchant's Capital	\$0.70	100% of Original Cost	\$0.70
Tangible Personal Property - Motor Vehicles	\$4.50	N.A.D.A. Guide, Loan Value	\$4.50
Tangible Personal Property – Business Furniture & Fixtures	\$4.50	20% of Original Cost	\$0.90
Tangible Personal Property – Heavy Equipment	\$4.50	20% of Original Cost	\$0.90
Machinery & Tools	\$4.20	10% of Original Cost	\$0.42
Farm Machinery & Equipment	\$0.00	----	\$0.00
Additional Special Levy – Poplar Hill CDA District Only			
Levy	Nominal Tax Rate (per \$100 of assessed valuation)	Value Used for Assessment Purposes	Effective Tax Rate (Per \$100 of assessed valuation)
Poplar Hill CDA Real Estate Special Levy	\$1.00	Fair Market Value	\$1.00

On motion of Supervisor Townsend, seconded by Supervisor Gray, and adopted by the following vote:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones Calvin L. Gray Robert M. Jones Odessa H. Pride Howard F. Simpson C. Robert Timmons, Jr. Jerry R. Townsend Jim R. Wilck	Nay: None
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the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.