

September 25, 2017

At the special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Prince Edward County, held at the Court House, thereof, on Monday, the 25th day of September, 2017; at 5:00 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 Beverly Booth, Commissioner of Revenue.

Chairman Jones called the reconvened meeting to order.

In Re: Personal Property Tax Relief

Mr. Wade Bartlett, County Administrator, stated the Commissioner of Revenue has computed the Personal Property Tax Relief Act (PPTRA) percentage of tax relief from the Commonwealth for 2017 to be 35.75% of assessed value based upon guidelines provided by the State. The percentage for 2016 was 36.5%.

Supervisor Timmons stated text in the resolution seems to say it is doing something that is expired and asked if there is an updated statute which would bring it up through this year. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Cooper-Jones, to adopt the PPTRA Resolution for 2017; 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		

**PPTRA RESOLUTION FOR 2017
County of Prince Edward, Virginia**

In accordance with the requirements set forth in VA. CODE ANN. §58.1-3524 C.2. and §58.1-3912 E., as amended by *Chapter 1 of the Acts of Assembly (2004 Special Session I)* and as set forth in *Item 503.E. (Personal Property Tax Relief Program) of Chapter 951 of the 2005 Acts of Assembly*, any qualifying vehicle situated within the County of Prince Edward, Virginia commencing January 1, 2017, shall receive personal property tax relief in the following manner:

- Personal use vehicles with assessed value of \$1,000 or less will be eligible for 35.75% tax relief; and
- Personal use vehicles with assessed value of \$1,001 or more shall receive only 35.75% tax relief on the first \$20,000 in assessed value; and
- All other vehicles which do not meet the definition of “qualifying” (such as business use vehicles, motor homes, etc.) will not be eligible for any form of tax relief under this program; and
- In accordance with *Item 503.D.1. of Chapter 951 of the 2005 Acts of Assembly*, the entitlement to personal property tax relief for qualifying vehicles for tax year 2005 and all prior tax years shall expire on September 1, 2006. Supplemental assessments for tax years 2005 and prior years that are made on or after September 1, 2006 shall be deemed “non-qualifying” for purposes of state tax relief and the local share due from the taxpayer shall represent 100% of the tax assessable.

In Re: Budget Appropriations – Tobacco Commission & Sheriff’s Office

Mr. Bartlett stated the Sheriff is requesting an appropriation of \$7,618.74 from the Forfeited Asset Fund to be used to pay Business Information Systems for the installation of audiovisual equipment in the interview room. The Sheriff has approximately \$22,000 available in Forfeited Assets.

FY18 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Rev/Exp	Fund	Dept.	Object	Description	Debit	Credit
3 (Rev)	105	41050	0105	From Fund Balance		\$ 7,618.74
4 (Exp)	105	31700	6010	Police Supplies	\$ 7,618.74	

Supervisor Cooper-Jones made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Gray, to approve the budget amendment and appropriate the same funds; 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
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In Re: Closed Session

Chairman Cooper-Jones made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Gray, that the Board convene in Closed Session for discussion and consideration of the investment of public funds in the operation of the county landfill where bargaining is involved, and where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, pursuant to the exemption provided for in Section 2.2-3711(A)(6) of the *Code of Virginia*; and for discussion of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, where discussion in an open meeting could adversely affect the negotiating strategy of the County, pursuant to the exemption provided for in Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) of the *Code of Virginia*; 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	

The Board returned to regular session by motion of Supervisor Cooper-Jones, seconded by Supervisor Gray and adopted as follows:

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	

On motion of Chairman Jones and seconded by Supervisor Gray, and carried by the following roll call vote:

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	

the following Certification of Closed Meeting was adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act:

WHEREAS, the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors 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 2.2-3712 of the *Code of Virginia* requires a certification by this Board of Supervisors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors 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 convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered by the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors.

Beverly Booth, Commissioner of Revenue, stated that in 2006, there was a change in how the PPTR was collected. She said the County began receiving a lump sum from the State and that is why the bottom paragraph of the Resolution is written as it is. The last line states "supplemental assessments for tax years 2005 and prior years that are made on or after September 1, 2006 shall be deemed "non-qualifying" for purposes of state tax relief and the local share," because prior to 2006, the State reimbursed a certain amount. She said the paragraph allows for differentiation from how it was done from 1998 to 2005, and from 2006 to the present.

Supervisor Timmons asked for new language from the *Code* to be placed in the Resolution.

Supervisor Timmons made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Wilck, to approve changing the operation of the landfill from a contracted operation to one controlled by the County, which will require the approval of the budget presented and the hiring of additional county staff to replace existing contractor, and to authorize the County Administrator to obtain bids, prices, and to purchase the additional equipment required as presented in Attachment 2.

Chairman Jones asked if the new employees could be hired about a month prior to the County taking over the landfill to allow the new employees time to be trained. Mr. Bartlett said that can be done; he added if the County can get it done prior to December 31, it could be switched over prior to the end of the year.

After some discussion, 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

Chairman Cooper-Jones made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Gray, that the Board convene in Closed Session for discussion of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, where discussion in an open meeting could adversely affect the negotiating strategy of the County, pursuant to the exemption provided for in Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) of the *Code of Virginia*; the motion carried:

Aye: Pattie Cooper-Jones
Calvin L. Gray
Robert M. Jones
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Jim R. Wilck

Nay: None

The Board returned to regular session by motion of Supervisor Cooper-Jones, seconded by Supervisor Townsend and adopted as follows:

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

On motion of Chairman Jones and seconded by Supervisor Gray, and carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Pattie Cooper-Jones
Calvin L. Gray
Robert M. Jones
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Nay: None

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Mr. Bartlett stated one vendor has come to inspect the areas that need to be repaired from the water damage; he is waiting on two more bids and the best will be selected to move forward on the repairs to the areas that were damaged from the water leak. Mr. Bartlett said the project will be phased in and will include the Sheriff's department, all of General District Court, all of the Commonwealth Attorney's office, and the front area and those that were damaged in Social Services.

Supervisor Gray requested a final assessment of the school. Mr. Bartlett said he spoke with the Superintendent about the Honeywell project and they are getting the final assessment in October and will review it at the October School Board meeting.

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

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	
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the meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.