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At a meeting of the Scott County Board of Supervisors begun and held in the Supervisors' meeting room located at the Community Services Building in Gate City, Virginia on Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Darrel W. Jeter
L. Michele Glover – Vice-Chairman
Eddie N. Skeen
Michael K. Brickey
Danny M. Casteel
Christopher S. Maness – Chairman
Stefanie C. Addington

ABSENT None.

Chairman Chris Maness called the meeting to order.

Supervisor Danny M. Casteel gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Stefanie C. Addington, duly seconded by L. Michele Glover, this Board hereby delays the Solar Public Hearings until Hillel Halberstam with SynerGen Solar arrives to give a presentation.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey
Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

On a motion by L. Michele Glover, duly seconded by Stefanie C. Addington, this Board hereby approves the May 7, 2025 and May 7, 2025 budget workshop minutes.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey
Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Chairman Chris Maness opened Citizen Expression Period to receive public comments.

Peggy Tyus from Snowflake Road spoke about 252 miles of dirt roads in Scott County. Ms. Tyus went on to say that she hopes there are none one day. She requested that Terry Kilgore obtain more funds for dirt roads and maintenance for all roads. Ms. Tyus thanked the Board and requested that Snowflake Road remain on the Six Year Plan.

Darrel Dougherty from Addington Frame Road stated that he is a school bus driver. He presented pictures of bushes and tree limbs that need to be trimmed on Route 671.

Margaret Falin from Gate City addressed the Board on behalf of herself and other concerned citizens. She stated that AI is here and will continue to blossom. She added that there will be a need for data centers. Ms. Falin noted a meeting in Norton to obtain more information. She went on to say that energy needs are increasing and that could increase our electric bills. Ms. Falin noted many unanswered questions such as jobs, water safety, taxes, noise and pollution regulations. She requested that the Board of Supervisors attend the Data Centers Town Hall meeting scheduled in Norton on June 9, 2025, 6:00 p.m. at the Norton Community Center to ask these questions.

Bobbie Powers addressed the Board stating that she emailed images of expired inspection stickers belonging to county trash trucks and images of a wreck that occurred on April 7th due to lack of maintenance on those vehicles. Ms. Powers stated that Chairman Maness denied her request for images that she emailed to be viewed on the screen. She went on to say that Chairman Maness stated that the images could be emailed or printed and handed out to the Board. Ms. Powers pointed out that different agencies submit and upload images to be shown on the screen to go along with their presentation and comments. She questioned why she would be denied the right to show her images on the screen. Ms. Powers stated that she reminded the County Attorney of suppression of her First Amendment rights. Ms. Powers presented the cost of the towing bill that was $2,456.00. She pointed out that the cost of repairs came in two separate bills. One for $14,369 and one for $5,197 for a total of $22,023. She stated that a stitch in time saves nine. Ms. Powers stated that neglected repairs cause more damages, more costs, and more repairs. Receipts show the repairs that were made and inspection sticker obtained the day after the wreck. Ms. Powers spoke about the audit findings and several conflict of interest forms that were not completed. She stated that there were only three names on the list from two different years that she requested under the Freedom of Information act that was supplied by Bill Dingus to the Commonwealth's Attorney for the county and none from the School Board. She asked Mr. Dingus if a company hired to find mistakes would make a mistake reporting on noncompliance forms. She asked if that sounds logical and went on to say that surely would not be intentional. Moving forward, Ms. Powers stated that she would request the signature list that has to be included with the Conflict of Interest forms. She added that the audit listed several concerning items. The credit card receipts did not match the charged amounts and some receipts were missing altogether. The firm mentioned that the bank account and bank reconciliation was not reviewed by someone other than the preparer. She went on to say that there should be dual control with accounting. In addition, Ms. Powers pointed out that funds from the Sheriff's Office were supposed to be turned over to the Treasurer. With these findings, she recommended a forensic audit. If discrepancies are found, no one will know if the current or past administration is at fault unless a forensic audit is completed. It would leave the prospective County Administrator at a disadvantage trying to prove his own innocence. She noted that a tiger cannot change its stripes and went on to say that past behavior is an indicator of future behavior. Ms. Powers pointed out an Assistant Administrator who failed to do his duties and fired an operator who drove a truck. Ms. Powers pointed out a sitting Chairman who denied her the right to upload images. Ms. Powers pointed out an At-Large Supervisor who uses intimidation tactics when challenged. She went on to say that all of those actions were poorly made and will cost the county untold amounts of money from lawsuits. Ms. Powers stated that we hear the board but see what the board does, and we hear the board say they are for the county but see the way they act in these meetings with favoritism. The Board keeps the Economic Development President that has done little for the County. She stated that we hear that the board does not want to raise taxes, but we see the board give a 45 percent raise during COVID. Ms. Powers stated that we are not against helping EMS and fire departments, but she questioned how raising taxes will help if the board cannot balance a budget with what they have now. She noted that the board will only want more later. Ms. Powers added that Tennessee students get a free education while taxing the citizens of Scott County for it. She pointed out that the board claims they are for spending less but send trash trucks to dealers when the county has a mechanic and garage at the landfill. Allegedly, there is a county employee who lives in Tennessee and uses a county truck for farm work during work hours and then drives it home to Tennessee. This is wear and tear and gas for the truck along with spending time on the farm during work hours. She stated that the board hired an applicant who is the clerk in a county with 600 people and a budget of one million. There were applicants more qualified, and the board chose the least of them. Ms. Powers asked if there would be an advantage to hiring someone less experienced and more impressionable with the needs of the board and not the needs of the county. The people of this county have more common sense than the board gives them credit and understands why the board wants a young unexperienced leader.

Tommy Johnson with Weber City Fire Department addressed the Board to obtain a Fireworks Permit, and he requested $1,000 for the Weber City Fire Department July 4th Celebration.

Hearing no further comments, Chairman Maness closed Citizen Expression Period.

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by Michael K. Brickey, this Board hereby funds Weber City Fire Department $1,000 with funds remaining in the County Administrator budget and approves a Fireworks Permit contingent upon the required paperwork being submitted.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey
Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Chairman Maness opened a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed Secondary Six-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2025/26 through 2030/31 in Scott County and on the Secondary System Construction Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

Residency Engineer Allan Sumpter recapped the Secondary Roads Six Year Plan and status of the projects.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Maness closed the public hearing.

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by Eddie N. Skeen, this Board hereby approves the Secondary Roads Six Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2025/26 through 2030/31 and the Secondary Roads Construction Budget for fiscal year 2025/2026 (Said Plan and Construction Budget attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 45).

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey
Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Mr. Sumpter gave an update on mowing. He noted that all primary roads have been mowed, and they are concentrating on secondary roads.

Mr. Dingus inquired about Virginia Department of Transportation working with farmers to mow in their communities.

Mr. Sumpter replied that there are liability concerns and signs needed for mowing.

Supervisor Addington pointed out brush that needs to be cut back on Millers Chapel Road.

Mr. Sumpter replied that is not done during regular mowing. He went on to say that there are many needs for brush control.

Chairman Maness inquired about Fraleytown Road.

Mr. Sumpter reported that the bridge project has not progressed far enough to require reimbursement from the county if it is stopped. The easement process will not begin until it is determined how to proceed with the abandonment. Mr. Sumpter noted that a public hearing will be required to abandon along with a resolution to stop the bridge project. He added that the bridge will be removed if is abandoned.

Supervisor Skeen gave the photos of Snowflake Road to Mr. Sumpter that were presented to the board by Mr. Dougherty during Citizen Expression.

Supervisor Casteel pointed out bushes that logging trucks are hitting on Route 65 near Mill Creek that need to be cut back.

Mr. Sumpter reported that he would return in September to give an update.

On a motion by Danny M. Casteel, duly seconded by L. Michele Glover, this Board hereby funds the Dungannon July 4th Celebration $1,000 with funds remaining in the County Administrator budget.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Erosion and Sediment Coordinator Isaac Stanley gave a presentation on proposed changes to the Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance (Said presentation being attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 46).

After much discussion, the Board postponed advertisement for public hearing until the next meeting to review the information.

Appalachian Voices Program Manager Emma Kelly gave a presentation on partnering for a stronger Scott County (Said presentation attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 47).

Larry Vicars reported on a new on-line booking system for Keith Memorial Park. He noted that there have been 44 reservations made since the on-line booking system was implemented. Mr. Vicars went on to say that all revenue from the park is reinvested. He recognized Tommy Green, Cindy Green, Alma Byington, and Ethan Bowman who serve as volunteers at the park. He also recognized Betty Salyer for her dedicated service managing the building rentals at Keith Memorial Park.

In addition, the Board recognized Betty Salyer for her outstanding service at Keith Memorial Park.

On a motion by Eddie N. Skeen, duly seconded by Danny M. Casteel, this Board hereby adopts the following:

RESOLUTION NO: 2025-08

Recognizing the Outstanding Service of Betty Salyer

WHEREAS, Betty Salyer has dedicated the past 25 years to expertly managing senior building rentals at Keith Memorial Park, overseeing more than 100 bookings each year with professionalism and care; and

WHEREAS, her unwavering dedication, attention to detail, and steadfast leadership have ensured that Keith Memorial Park remains a well-organized and welcoming space for the Scott County community; and

WHEREAS, her invaluable contributions have fostered a venue that serves as the heart of countless celebrations, gatherings, and special events, enriching the lives of those who rely on its availability; and

WHEREAS, her efforts have helped maintain the Keith Building as an accessible and well-managed resource, providing the community with a dependable space for meaningful occasions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Scott County Board of Supervisors formally recognizes and commends Betty Salyer for her outstanding service, leadership, and dedication to Keith Memorial Park and Scott County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board expresses its deepest gratitude for Betty's remarkable contributions and joins the community in celebrating her lasting impact on Scott County.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey
Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Betty Salyers expressed appreciation to the Board and gave a brief history of the park.

BREAK: 10:20 a.m.

RECONVENE: 10:35 a.m.

Building/Zoning Official Tim Williams presented applications for special use permits on parcels 62-A-73, 63-A-16, and 63-A-18. He noted that the Planning Commission recommended the projects. All requirements have been met, and adjoining property owners were notified (Said presentation attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 49).

Hillel Halberstam with SynerGen Solar gave a presentation on solar projects for tax map 62-A-73, 63-A-16, and 63-A-18.

There was discussion among the Board.

Chairman Chris Maness opened a public hearing to receive comments on Special Use Permit Application submitted by SynerGen Solar for tax map # 62-A-73, near Natural Tunnel Parkway in Duffield, to use the parcel as a Solar Generation Facility.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Maness closed the public hearing.

Chairman Chris Maness opened a public hearing to receive comments on Special Use Permit Application submitted by SynerGen Solar for tax map # 63-A-16, near Natural Tunnel Parkway in Duffield, to use the parcel as a Solar Generation Facility.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Maness closed the public hearing.

Chairman Chris Maness opened a public hearing to receive comments on Special Use Permit Application submitted by SynerGen Solar for tax map # 63-A-18, near Natural Tunnel Parkway in Duffield, to use the parcel as a Solar Generation Facility.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Maness closed the public hearing.

On a motion by Stefanie C. Addington, duly seconded by Michael K. Brickey, this Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit for SynerGen Solar for tax map # 62-A-73, near Natural Tunnel Parkway in Duffield, VA to use the parcel as a Solar Generation Facility. Notwithstanding any other setback or buffering requirements, no minimum setback or buffering shall be required along interior lot lines within the project area or along parcel boundaries where the adjoining parcels are under common ownership or control by the Applicant. This exemption also applies to any lot lines shared with other solar energy facilities under common ownership or control by the Applicant. For purposes of this condition, “common ownership or control” includes ownership by the same entity, by affiliated entities, or by entities under common management or operational control. Prior to the start of construction, the Applicant shall provide the County a one-time voluntary financial contribution to support the Duffield Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad. The amount of the contribution shall be calculated at $5,000 per megawatt alternating current (MWac) based on the final approved capacity of each solar facility as set forth in each facilities’ Interconnection Service Agreement with PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by Stefanie C. Addington, this Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit for SynerGen Solar for tax map # 63-A-16, near Natural Tunnel Parkway in Duffield, VA, to use the parcel as a Solar Generation Facility. Notwithstanding any other setback or buffering requirements, no minimum setback or buffering shall be required along interior lot lines within the project area or along parcel boundaries where the adjoining parcels are under common ownership or control by the Applicant. This exemption also applies to any lot lines shared with other solar energy facilities under common ownership or control by the Applicant. For purposes of this condition, “common ownership or control” includes ownership by the same entity, by affiliated entities, or by entities under common management or operational control. Prior to the start of construction, the Applicant shall provide the County a one-time voluntary financial contribution to support the Duffield Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad. The amount of the contribution shall be calculated at $5,000 per megawatt alternating current (MWac) based on the final approved capacity of each solar facility as set forth in each facilities’ Interconnection Service Agreement with PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

On a motion by L. Michele Glover, duly seconded by Stefanie C. Addington, this Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit Application for SynerGern Solar for tax map # 63-A-18, near Natural Tunnel Parkway in Duffield, VA, to use the parcel as a Solar Generation Facility. Notwithstanding any other setback or buffering requirements, no minimum setback or buffering shall be required along interior lot lines within the project area or along parcel boundaries where the adjoining parcels are under common ownership or control by the Applicant. This exemption also applies to any lot lines shared with other solar energy facilities under common ownership or control by the Applicant. For purposes of this condition, “common ownership or control” includes ownership by the same entity, by affiliated entities, or by entities under common management or operational control. Prior to the start of construction, the Applicant shall provide the County a one-time voluntary financial contribution to support the Duffield Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad. The amount of the contribution shall be calculated at $5,000 per megawatt alternating current (MWac) based on the final approved capacity of each solar facility as set forth in each facilities’ Interconnection Service Agreement with PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Economic Development Director John Kilgore presented the enterprise zone incentives.

On a motion by Michael K. Brickey, duly seconded by Darrel W. Jeter, this board hereby directs that a check be issued to Tempur Sealy in the amount of $106,328.97 for the 2024 Enterprise Zone Incentives (Enterprise Zone Incentives Request for Payment attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 43).

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

On a motion by Michael K. Brickey, duly seconded by Darrel W. Jeter, this board hereby directs that a check be issued to VFP, Inc in the amount of $40,604.49 for the 2024 Enterprise Zone Incentives (Enterprise Zone Incentives Request for Payment attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 44).

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Planning District One Behavioral Health Financial Officer Kim Howell gave an update and thanked the Board for their Support (Said report being attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 48).

Acting County Administrator Bill Dingus presented bookkeeping.

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by Michael K. Brickey, this Board hereby appropriates the following:

Sheriff

$5,447.00 to 1000-31200-406009 Sheriff-Repair/Maintenance of Vehicles

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by Michael K. Brickey, this Board hereby appropriates the following:

E911

$5,000 to 1000-31400-403324 – E911 - Contracted Maintenance Office Equipment from VDEM MERG N911 Support for Data Maintenance & Transfer Grant.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by Michael K. Brickey, this Board hereby appropriates the following:

Sheriff

$700.00 to 1000-31200-401108 Sheriff's Department – Payroll/Other and $53.35 to 1000-31200-402100 FICA.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by Michael K. Brickey, this Board hereby appropriates the following:

Sheriff

$375.00 to 1000-31215-401100 Sheriff's Department Mental Health Transports – Salaries $28.69 to 1000-31200-2100 FICA

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Tina Seay presented applications for appointment.

Appointment – CPMT (Parent of School-Aged Child)

Chris Maness nominated Michael Egan

On a motion by Stefanie Addington, duly seconded by Chris Maness, this Board hereby ceases nominations and, by acclamation, appoints Michael Egan to serve a four-year term on the Community Policy Management Team (Parent of School-Aged Child).

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

There were no applicants for the Building Code Appeals Board. It was a consensus to readvertise.

Acting County Administrator Bill Dingus presented the claims and related reports (Said reports being attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 50).

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by L. Michele Glover, this Board hereby orders that:

(a) Social Services Fund be allowed the sum of $278,043.52 for voucher numbers 50023294 – 50023385, 50023491-50023500, 50023532 -50023538, 50023714 – 50023723, 50023943 – 50023956 and Wire 500, 502, 503 and Payroll/DD Fund 5000.

(b) General Fund be allowed the sum of $380,055.11 for voucher numbers 50023386-50023387, 50023390-50023396, 50023398, 50023400, 5003724-50023736 and wire 504, 505, 506, and 507 and payroll/DD & Ck #'s (8500187-8500235) Fund 1000 Payroll/DD Fund 1000 $607,283.20.

(c) Regional Improvement Fund be allowed the sum of $28,279.26 for voucher number 50023388.

(d) Courthouse Security be allowed the sum of $719.54 for wire 505, 506, 507, and Payroll DD Fund 1210 $451.42.

(e) Law Library Fund be allowed the sum of $239.00 for voucher number 50023397.

(f) Wireless Grant – 911 be allowed the sum of $751.11 for wire 506 and 507 Payroll DD Fund 1505 $1,246.87.

(g) CPMT be allowed the sum of $76,863.36 for voucher numbers 50023957-50023974.

(h) CWAO Collection Fund be allowed the sum of $1,482.53 for voucher numbers 50023725-50023736 wire 504, 505, 506, and 507 and payroll DD Fund 1310 $2,053.00.

(i) American Rescue Plan Act be allowed the sum of $2,960.00 for voucher numbers 50023401.

(j) Delinquent Tax Litigation Fund be allowed the sum of $1,487.11 for voucher number 50023399.

(k) Sheriff's Community Outreach Fund be allowed the sum of $1,493.22 for voucher number 50023389-50023391.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey, Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Mr. Dingus reported that the maintenance building should be occupied by July 1, 2025. He noted that the maintenance building project will save $1,200 monthly for the S.C.O.T.T. Service Program office space. He went on to say that maintenance staff and S.C.O.T.T. Service workers have been working on the building. In addition, Mr. Dingus updated the Board on the Scott County Lifesaving Crew. He pointed out the he had met with the Rescue Association and Scott County Lifesaving Crew employees. The Rescue Association held a meeting with the Board of Directors. Since then, Scott County Lifesaving Crew has hired five full-time employees and five part-time employees. Mr. Dingus noted a budget proposal that has been discussed to help fund EMS agencies with 18 employees at $18 per hour which is five dollars less than the market rate. That would require an additional $300,000. He pointed out that all squads are having issues retaining people. Mr. Dingus noted that Sullivan County has invited Scott County to be a part of a recycling center that would take plastic, cardboard, and aluminum. He reported that he has been working on a Memorandum of Understanding to present at the July meeting. Mr. Dingus added that no cost is associated with this currently. He went on to say that every ton recycled is $47 less for tipping fees; therefore, it could make a difference. Mr. Dingus stated that the matter would be discussed further at the July meeting.

Park and Golf Course Director Derrick France gave an update on recreation (Said update being attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 51).

Acting County Administrator Bill Dingus pointed out that he received a note from the Treasurer reporting that $20,219.80 in interest from the General Fund and $79,274.20 in interest from LGIP was received for the month of May and $391,736.38 in interest has been received since January 1, 2025.

Economic Development Director John Kilgore gave an update on economic development (Said report being attached to the minutes of this meeting; Minute Book 35 Attachment No: 52).

Supervisor Eddie Skeen followed up on Virginia Department of Transportation work orders. He reported that Reed Hollow is on the calendar for major work. He pointed out bids for Hiltons and Yuma sewer projects. He noted funds in the amount of $6,000 from the Regional Industrial Facilities Authority. He reported on a meeting with Friends of Southwest Virginia that he attended and the potential for an impressive project at the Horse Park. Supervisor Skeen noted the passing of Debra Horne of Dungannon who made some major contributions. He announced that Nickelsville Days would be held this weekend.

Chairman Chris Maness reported that he and Mr. Dingus attended the Southwest Virginia Economic Forum. He went on to say that one of the major draws to our area is lifestyle. Chairman Maness stated that he saw the efforts of the Tourism Director at work. She is doing a good job.

On a motion by Christopher S. Maness, duly seconded by L. Michele Glover, this Board hereby authorizes advertisement for a public hearing to close a portion of Fraleytown Road.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey
Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

County Attorney Sally Kegley advised that the public hearing would be held in August due to all the requirements for the Public Hearing.

Chairman Chris Maness adjourned the meeting for lunch and a budget workshop to be held at 1:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK