

April 8, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Rockingham County Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at the Rockingham County Administration Center, Harrisonburg, Virginia. The meeting was conducted in accordance with significant modifications to normal processes, due to social distancing precautions to reduce the spread of COVID-19. The meeting was broadcast online, and no more than ten citizens were allowed in the Board room at any one time.

The following members were present:

- BRENT V. TRUMBO, Election District #1
- SALLIE WOLFE-GARRISON, Election District #2
- RICK L. CHANDLER, Election District #3
- WILLIAM B. KYGER, JR., Election District #4
- MICHAEL A. BREEDEN, Election District #5

Also present:

- STEPHEN G. KING, County Administrator
- THOMAS H. MILLER, JR., County Attorney
- CASEY B. ARMSTRONG, Assistant County Administrator
- PATRICIA D. DAVIDSON, Director of Finance
- JENNIFER J. MONGOLD, Director of Human Resources
- TERRI M. PERRY, Director of Technology
- JESSICA G. KILBY, Deputy Clerk

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**CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
INVOCATION.**

Chairman Kyger called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Supervisor Trumbo provided the invocation, and Finance Director Davidson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

On motion by Supervisor Breeden, seconded by Supervisor Chandler, and carried by a vote of 5 to 0, voting recorded as follows: BREEDEN – AYE; CHANDLER – AYE; KYGER – AYE; TRUMBO – AYE; WOLFE-GARRISON – AYE; the Board approved the minutes of the regular meeting of March 25, 2020.

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**EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO EFFECUATE CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT
IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.**

Chairman Kyger recalled an Emergency Ordinance to Effectuate Continuity of Government in Rockingham County, which was adopted at the March 25, 2020, Board meeting. He asked for a motion to reaffirm the Ordinance.

On motion by Supervisor Breeden, seconded by Supervisor Wolfe-Garrison, and carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0, voting recorded as follows: BREEDEN – AYE; CHANDLER – AYE; KYGER – AYE; TRUMBO – AYE; WOLFE-GARRISON – AYE; the Board readopted the following Emergency Ordinance to Effectuate Continuity of Government in Rockingham County:

**EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO EFFECTUATE
CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT
OF
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Ralph S. Northam issued Executive Order Fifty-One declaring a state of emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia arising from the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order Fifty-One acknowledged the existence of a public health emergency which constitutes a disaster as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 arising from the public health threat presented by a communicable disease anticipated to spread; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order Fifty-One ordered implementation of the Commonwealth of Virginia Emergency Operations Plan, activation of the Virginia Emergency Operations Center to provide assistance to local governments, and authorization for executive branch agencies to waive “any state requirement or regulation” as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order Fifty-three, which gave direction and guidance on public and private in-person gatherings; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020, in response to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2020, the Board of Supervisors of Rockingham County, Virginia (“the Board”) confirmed the declaration of local emergency made by the local director of emergency management on March 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that COVID-19 constitutes a real and substantial threat to public health and safety and constitutes a “disaster” as defined by Virginia Code §44-146.16 being a “communicable disease of public health threat;” and

WHEREAS, Virginia Code § 15.2-1413 provides that, notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, a locality may, by ordinance, provide a method to assure continuity of government in the event of a disaster for a period not to exceed six months; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Code § 44-146.21(C) further provides that a local director of emergency management or any member of a governing body in his absence may upon the declaration of a local emergency “protect the health and safety of persons . . . and proceed without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (except mandatory constitutional requirements) pertaining to performance of public work;” and

WHEREAS, Virginia Code § 2.2-3708.2(A)(3) allows, under certain procedural requirements including public notice and access, that members of the Board may convene solely by electronic means “to address the emergency;” and

WHEREAS, the open public meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) are limited only by a properly claimed exemption provided under that Act or “any other statute;” and

WHEREAS, the Governor and Health Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Virginia and the President of the United States have recommended suspension of public gatherings of more than ten attendees; and

WHEREAS, The Attorney General of Virginia issued an opinion dated March 20, 2020 stating that localities have the authority during disasters to adopt ordinances to ensure the continuity of government; and

WHEREAS, this emergency ordinance in response to the disaster caused by the COVID-19 pandemic promotes public health, safety and welfare and is consistent with the law of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Constitution of Virginia and the Constitution of the United States of America.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Rockingham County, Virginia:

1. That the COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe for groups of people to assemble in one location including groups of people assembling for purposes of conducting meetings of public bodies. Public bodies, for purposes of this Ordinance, include the Board of Supervisors, the School Board, the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Board of Equalization, Economic Develop Authority, public utility authorities such as water, sewer and stormwater management authorities, and all local and regional boards, commissions, committees and authorities created by the Board or to which the Board appoints or nominates all or a portion of its members (collectively “Public Entities” and individually “Public Entity”). The COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe for Public Entities to conduct meetings in accordance with normal practices and procedures, including, at the discretion of each Public Entity, assembling a quorum together in one physical location.
2. That in accordance with Virginia Code § 15.2-1413, and notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, general or special, the following emergency procedures are adopted to ensure the continuity of government during this emergency and disaster:
 - A. In the event a Public Entity determines it can safely assemble a quorum in one location, the Chairman or Clerk, or designee, of the Public Entity shall cause the room in which it meets to be arranged and populated in a manner to best comply with social distancing guidelines set forth at the time of the meeting by responsible state and federal public health entities, and in consultation with and pursuant to the recommendations of the County’s Director of Emergency Management. At the time of adoption of this Ordinance, those guidelines, as they are to be applied to public meetings, prefer a gathering of no more than ten (10) persons at any one time, but allow for, in various situations, no more than ten (10) persons from the public, with Public Entity members and minimally necessary staff not counting toward the total of ten (10), and in all cases maintaining to the greatest extent possible a separation of six (6) feet between people. Public Entities conducting meetings pursuant to the limited physical attendance anticipated in this subparagraph shall make arrangements with County Information Technology (IT) staff to provide for participation by real time electronic means, including participation in public hearings, as more fully described in the following subparagraphs that address meeting by electronic means only.
 - B. In the event a Public Entity determines assembling a quorum in one location is unsafe, any meeting or activities which require the physical presence of members of the Public Entities may be held through real time electronic means (including audio, telephonic, video or other practical electronic medium) without a quorum physically present in one location; and
 1. Prior to holding any such electronic meeting, the Public Entity shall provide public notice of at least 3 days in advance of the electronic meeting identifying how the public may participate or otherwise offer comment; and
 2. Any such electronic meeting of Public Entities shall state on its agenda and at the beginning of such meeting that it is being held pursuant to and in compliance with this Ordinance; note whether Public Entity members were

physically or electronically present; identify the persons responsible for receiving public comment; and identify notice of the opportunities for the public to access and participate in such electronic meeting; and

3. Any such electronic meeting of the Public Entities shall be open to electronic participation by the public and closed to in-person participation by the public; and
4. For any matters requiring a public hearing, public comment may be solicited by electronic means in advance and shall also be solicited through telephonic or other electronic means during the course of the electronic meeting. All such public comments will be provided to members of the Public Entity at or before the electronic meeting and made part of the record for such meeting; and
5. The minutes of all electronic meetings shall conform to the requirements of law, identify how the meeting was conducted, members participating, and specify what actions were taken at the meeting. The Public Entities may approve minutes of an electronic meeting at a subsequent electronic meeting and shall later approve all such minutes at a regular or special meeting after the emergency and disaster has ended.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that Public Entities shall give all due consideration to postponing taking action on any matter that is not essential to providing for continuity in government until such time as normal procedures and practices may resume. What is essential to providing continuity shall be left to the reasonable determination of the Public Entity and, in the case of a Public Entity that acts as a legislative body, the determination of being essential shall be considered a legislative determination, as understood in Virginia law, and shall stand unless shown to be clearly unreasonable, arbitrary and capricious.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that notwithstanding any provision of law, regulation, policy, or contract to the contrary, any deadlines requiring action by a Public Entity, its officers (including Constitutional Officers) and employees of its organization shall be suspended during this emergency and disaster, however, the Public Entities, officers and employees thereof are encouraged to take such action as is practical and appropriate to meet those deadlines. Failure to meet any such deadlines shall not constitute a default, violation, approval, recommendation or otherwise.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED, that non-emergency and non-essential public hearings and action items of Public Entities may be postponed and that public notice shall be given so that the public are aware of how and when to present their views.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED, that each incorporated town within the boundaries of Rockingham County are encouraged and authorized to declare its own state of local emergency and disaster or incorporate by reference the County's local state of emergency and disaster and to adopt an ordinance for the continuity of town government.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED, that the provisions of this Emergency Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect for a period of 60 days, unless amended, rescinded or readopted by the Board in conformity with the notice provisions set forth in Virginia Code §15.2-1427. Upon rescission by the Board or automatic expiration as set forth herein, this emergency ordinance shall terminate and normal practices and procedures of government shall resume.

Nothing in this Emergency Ordinance shall prohibit Public Entities from holding in-person public meetings provided that public health and safety measures as well as social distancing are taken into consideration, as set forth above.

An emergency is deemed to exist, and this ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 8th day of April 2020.

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ACCEPTANCE OF ABSTRACT OF VOTES FROM THE 2020 DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION.

Chairman Kyger indicated the abstract of votes from the March 3, 2020, primary election were included in the Board packet.

On motion by Supervisor Breeden, seconded by Supervisor Chandler, and carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0, voting recorded as follows: BREEDEN – AYE; CHANDLER – AYE; KYGER – AYE; TRUMBO – AYE; WOLFE-GARRISON – AYE; the Board instructed the Clerk to spread the following abstract of votes from the March 3, 2020, Democratic Primary Election in the minutes:

ABSTRACT of VOTES

Cast in ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA
at the 2020 March Democratic Presidential Primary Election held on March 03, 2020 for,

President

<i>NAMES OF CANDIDATES ON THE BALLOT</i>	<i>TOTAL VOTES RECEIVED (IN FIGURES)</i>
Joseph R. Biden	3402
Bernie Sanders	1924
Elizabeth Warren	1022
Michael R. Bloomberg	445
Tulsi Gabbard	106
Amy Klobuchar	65
Pete Buttigieg	52
Andrew Yang	25
Tom Steyer	15
Cory Booker	7
Marianne Williamson	7
Julian Castro	4
Michael Bennet	2
Deval Patrick	0
Total Number of Overvotes for Office	0

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STREET ADDITIONS – VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

On motion by Supervisor Chandler, seconded by Supervisor Trumbo, and carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0, voting recorded as follows: BREEDEN – AYE; CHANDLER – AYE; KYGER – AYE; TRUMBO – AYE; WOLFE-GARRISON – AYE; the Board adopted the following Resolutions and requested that the Virginia Department of Transportation add the street segments identified below to the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to §33.2-705 of the Code of Virginia:

RESOLUTION

The Highland Park Section 11 Subdivision
Route 1047 (Richmond Road) and Route 1031 (Traveler Road)

WHEREAS, the Highland Park Section 11 Subdivision has been completed; and

WHEREAS, the street(s) of Highland Park Section 11 meet the public service criteria of the Subdivision Street Requirements; and

WHEREAS, the development sketch and VDOT Form AM-4.3, attached and incorporated herein as part of this resolution, define additions required in the Secondary System of State Highways as a result of construction; and

WHEREAS, certain segments identified on the incorporated Form AM-4.3 are ready to be accepted into the Secondary System of State Highways.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Board requests that the Virginia Department of Transportation add the segments identified on the incorporated Form AM-4.3 to the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to §33.2-705 of the *Code of Virginia*, for which segments this Board hereby guarantees the right of way to be clear and unrestricted, including any necessary easements for cuts, fills, and drainage; and

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

RESOLUTION

The Manorwood Estates Subdivision
Route 1056 (Biltmore Drive), Route 1057 (New Horizon Court)
and Route 1058 (King Russell Court)

WHEREAS, the Manorwood Estates Subdivision has been complete; and

WHEREAS, the street(s) of Manorwood Estates meet the public service criteria of the Subdivision Street Requirements; and

WHEREAS, the development sketch and VDOT Form AM-4.3, attached and incorporated herein as part of this resolution, define additions required in the Secondary System of State Highways as a result of construction; and

WHEREAS, certain segments identified on the incorporated Form AM-4.3 are ready to be accepted into the Secondary System of State Highways.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Board requests that the Virginia Department of Transportation add the segments identified on the incorporated Form AM-4.3 to the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to §33.2-705 of the *Code of Virginia*, for which segments this Board hereby guarantees the right of way to be clear and unrestricted, including any necessary easements for cuts, fills, and drainage; and

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

RESOLUTION

The Village Green Subdivision
Route 1108 (Surrey Place)

WHEREAS, the Village Green Subdivision has been completed; and

WHEREAS, the street(s) of Village Green Subdivision meet the public service criteria of the Subdivision Street Requirements; and

WHEREAS, the development sketch and VDOT Form AM-4.3, attached and incorporated herein as part of this resolution, define additions required in the Secondary System of State Highways as a result of construction; and

WHEREAS, certain segments identified on the incorporated Form AM-4.3 are ready to be accepted into the Secondary System of State Highways.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Board requests that the Virginia Department of Transportation add the segments identified on the incorporated Form AM-4.3 to the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to §33.2-705 of the *Code of Virginia*, for which segments this Board hereby guarantees the right of way to be clear and unrestricted, including any necessary easements for cuts, fills, and drainage, and

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

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FINANCE DIRECTOR’S STAFF REPORT.

Finance Director Davidson reported that the County requested competitive sealed bids to establish a contract for the purchase of medical oxygen for the Fire and Rescue Department. Bids were due Friday, March 27, 2020. One bid was received from Roberts Oxygen.

On behalf of the Finance Committee, on motion by Supervisor Breeden, seconded by Supervisor Chandler, and carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0, voting recorded as follows: BREEDEN – AYE; CHANDLER – AYE; KYGER – AYE; TRUMBO – AYE; WOLFE-GARRISON – AYE; the Board authorized staff to accept the medical oxygen bid from Roberts Oxygen and authorized staff to negotiate a contract for a three-year term with the option of two (2) one-year renewals.

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HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR’S STAFF REPORT.

Mrs. Mongold provided a brief overview of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, enacted April 1, 2020, by the Federal government. The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA or ACT) requires certain employers, including the County, to provide their employees with paid sick leave or expanded family and medical leave for specified reasons related to COVID-19. These provisions will apply from April 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

Generally, Rockingham County must provide employees:

Up to two weeks (80 hours, or a part-time employee’s two-week equivalent) of paid sick leave based on the higher of their regular pay, or the applicable state or Federal minimum wage, paid at:

- 100% for qualifying reasons #1-3 below, up to \$511 daily and \$5,110 total;
- 2/3 for qualifying reasons #4 and #6 below, up to \$200 daily and \$2,000 total; and

- Up to 12 weeks of paid sick leave and expanded family and medical leave paid at 2/3 for qualifying reason #5 below for up to \$200 daily and \$12,000 total.

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is subject to a Federal, State or local quarantine or isolation order related to COVID-19; 2. Has been advised by a health care provider to self-quarantine related to COVID-19; 3. Is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and is seeking a medical diagnosis; 4. Is caring for an individual, subject to an order described in (1) or self-quarantined as described in (2) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Is caring for his or her child whose school or place of care is closed (or child care provider is unavailable) due to COVID-19 related reasons; or 6. Is experiencing any other substantially similar condition specified by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT.

Finance Director Davidson reported that bids were received for two trucks for the Utilities Division. The trucks will replace two existing trucks in the fleet. Funds are available for the purchase through the Water and Sewer fund.

On behalf of the Finance Committee, on motion by Supervisor Breedon, seconded by Supervisor Chandler, and carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0, voting recorded as follows: BREEDON – AYE; CHANDLER – AYE; KYGER – AYE; TRUMBO – AYE; WOLFE-GARRISON – AYE; the Board authorized staff to accept the bid from Myers Ford in the amount of \$69,084, for the purchase of two (2) one-ton trucks (with dual rear wheel and extended cab) for the Utilities Division.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Supervisor Wolfe-Garrison indicated the Chamber received in excess of \$400,000 worth of requests for small business grants being offered from a pool of \$50,000. Mrs. Wolfe-Garrison said the need for small businesses is very evident.

CHAIRMAN

Chairman Kyger acknowledged the difficulty for citizens wanting to participate in public meetings during the current social distancing precautions. He encouraged anyone with questions or comments to contact Administrator King. Chairman Kyger emphasized that the Board will continue to do its best to provide the most effective and efficient service delivery considering current circumstances.

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RECESS.

Chairman Kyger recessed the meeting at 6:19 p.m., for a meeting of the Smith Creek Water and Waste Authority.

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PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021.

At 6:23 p.m., Chairman Kyger reconvened the regular meeting, and declared the meeting open for a public hearing pursuant to Section 15.2-2506, Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, on the proposed fiscal year 2020-2021 Budget, Tax Rates, and Capital Improvements Plan.

Chairman Kyger indicated the proposed budget was advertised in the *Daily News Record* and has been available for review on the County's website, along with the Capital Improvements Plan. Comments will be accepted via the email link on the website through April 22, 2020. Chairman Kyger recognized one citizen in attendance, noting the meeting room is still open to the public with the limitation that no more than ten citizens are in the room at the same time.

Copies of the proposed Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020, the proposed Capital Improvements Plan FY21-FY25, and the proposed tax rates for the calendar year 2020, are attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Administrator King provided the following presentation:

Current FY20 Budget

The FY20 budget totaled \$392,188,001. Revenue projections for real estate, personal property, and machinery and tools tax are all strong. Sales tax, meals tax, lodging tax and fees (recreation, courts and permits) are projected to be short by more than \$1.5 million. The projected revenue for the General Fund is \$136,558,632, which is \$1.2 million less than budgeted.

The FY21 General Fund budget reflects an increase of \$2.1 million or 1.56 percent over the FY20 adopted budget.

The major revenue increases include:

- \$870,000 increase in real estate revenue due to new construction
- \$500,000 increase to personal property tax due to an increase in assessed values in the County
- \$500,000 increase to machinery & tools tax due to new equipment being added to industry in the County
- \$220,000 due to an increase in EMS transport fee collections
- \$123,500 in grant funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia for the purchase of cardiac monitor units
- \$990,426 transfer from the self-funded health insurance fund

Major revenue decreases include:

- \$500,000 reduction in food & beverage tax
- \$165,000 reduction in the use of money and property due to the reduced interest rates
- \$200,000 reduction in miscellaneous revenue
- \$711,829 reduction in use of fund reserve

Major expenditure increases include:

- Continue to support employees by paying an estimated 2 percent health insurance increase
- Add positions in the Fire & Rescue Department in order to achieve the maximum benefits from the proper management of the staff to provide timely fire and emergency medical response
- Funds for the operation and maintenance of the new Port Road Emergency Services Station

- Support the Sheriff's department by adding needed personnel in essential areas of the County
- Continue the Sheriff's vehicle replacement program, on a smaller scale
- Continue to fund the increased operating needs of the Middle River Regional Jail
- Support the capital infrastructure upgrades in the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Emergency Communications Center
- Add two positions in the Clerk of the Court office, funded 100 percent through passport and excess revenue

Administrator King stated the FY21 budget proposal maintains commitment to:

- Follow the County's financial policies
- Address the needs for both County and Schools
- Attempt to minimize the impact on County taxpayers

Mr. King pointed out that good fiscal practice discourages the County from using the fund balance for ongoing expenses.

The commitment to fiscal responsibility is to:

- Sustain the County's AAA bond rating
- Be prepared to respond to changing economic conditions
- Use fund balance for one-time items
- Maintain health insurance rates that responsibly reflect claims projections

The commitment to Schools is to:

- Level funding transfer to Schools operating fund
 - \$64,366,510 (46.02 percent) of the general fund disbursements
- Fund school debt service of \$10,129,088 or an increase of \$716,580

The commitment to employees is to provide:

- Funds for 2 percent health insurance increase for all employees
- Two new Clerk of Court positions
 - Passport Deputy Clerk
 - Deputy Clerk
- Nine new Fire and Rescue positions
 - One Lieutenant
 - Two Master Firefighters
 - Three Firefighters
 - Three Floaters
- Six new Sheriff Deputy's
 - Two County-wide
 - Four for McGaheysville Area
- One new Community Development position
 - Deputy Director
- Two new positions assigned to Rockingham Park at the Crossroads
 - Field Turf Supervisor
 - Park Maintenance Technician

The commitment to citizens is to:

- Spend wisely
- Focus on planned, steady growth
- Continue to provide quality education
- Continue to provide quality and timely Fire & Rescue response
- Continue to provide law enforcement coverage

Balancing the Budget

The FY21 proposed budget is balanced at a real estate tax rate of \$0.74 per \$100 of assessed value. There is no proposed increase to the real estate tax rate. The value of one cent on the real estate tax rate is \$770,000 in FY 2021.

The budget, as proposed, requires \$857,600 be taken from the County’s general fund reserve for one-time funded items. The projected fund balance for June 30, 2020, is \$23.9 million. The fund balance minimum policy of 15 percent requires \$20.8 million.

In conclusion, Administrator King stated the County is obligated to spend funds wisely. He reiterated the following:

- Watch the economy closely
- Be prepared to adjust as necessary
- Spend funds wisely
- Be diligent to not increase rates unless necessary (no proposed tax rate increase)

Administrator King expressed appreciation to County staff, Constitutional Officers, and the Board of Supervisors for their hard work and continued commitment for quality and professional service.

Chairman Kyger echoed Mr. King’s comments. He expressed appreciation to staff for not only performing day-to-day operations, but for their excellent service during this particular crisis.

Chairman Kyger opened the floor for public comment. No members from the public spoke.

Chairman Kyger recessed the public hearing at 6:45 p.m., noting that the public may provide comments on the proposed budget until noon on April 22, 2020, via the email link provided on the County’s webpage.

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Chairman Kyger called the regular meeting back to order at 6:46, p.m., for a closed meeting.

CLOSED MEETING.

On motion by Supervisor Chandler, seconded by Supervisor Breeden, and carried by a roll call vote of 5 to 0, voting recorded as follows: BREEDEN – AYE; CHANDLER – AYE; KYGER – AYE; TRUMBO – AYE; WOLFE-GARRISON – AYE; the Board recessed the meeting from 6:46 p.m. to 7:39 p.m., for a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711.A(3), Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body;

MOTION: SUPERVISOR WOLFE-GARRISON	RESOLUTION NO: 20-04
SECOND: SUPERVISOR BREEDEN	MEETING DATE: April 8, 2020

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Rockingham County Board of Supervisors has 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 Rockingham 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 Board of Supervisors.

VOTE:

AYES: BREEDEN, CHANDLER, KYGER, TRUMBO, WOLFE-GARRISON

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT:

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RECESS.

Chairman Kyger recessed the meeting at 7:40 p.m., to a date certain of April 22, 2020, at 6 p.m.

Chairman