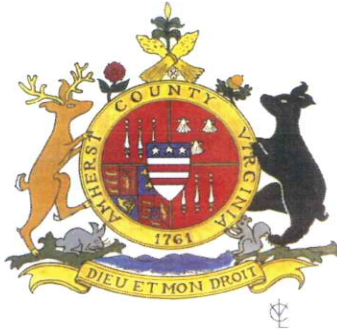


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AMHERST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES

March 22, 2016

**Amherst County Administration Building - 153 Washington Street – Board of Supervisors Meeting Room
9:00 A.M.**

Budget Workshop Agenda

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Budget Workshop**
 - A. Discussion of additional projects and funding options for FY17
- III. **Adjournment**

MINUTES

At a Budget workshop meeting of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors of Amherst County held at the Amherst County Administration Building on Tuesday, the 22nd day of March, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., the following members were present:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

PRESENT: John A. Marks, Jr. Chairman
David W. Pugh, Jr., Vice-Chair
Claudia D. Tucker, Supervisor
L. J. Ayers, III, Supervisor
Kenneth M. Campbell, Supervisor

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: County Administrator Dean C. Rodgers and Deputy County Administrator David R. Proffitt

I. Call to Order

Chairman Marks called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and stated the Board was meeting in a workshop session pursuant to Section 1-2 B. of the Board's Rules of Procedure, which stated the Board may hold work sessions prior to or following a regular meeting, or on a separate date from a regular meeting. Work sessions are conducted informally: they typically are not opened with an invocation or pledge of allegiance, do not require communication through leave of the Board Chair, and may be conducted in a roundtable format, with all involved parties seated at the table and participating in the discussion.

By motion of Chairman Marks and with the following vote, the Board amended the Agenda for March 22, 2016 and added Resolution 2016-0001-CR as Item II., Consideration of Resolution 2016-0001-CR, and all items followed were renumbered accordingly.

AYE: Mr. Marks, Mr. Pugh, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers and Mr. Campbell
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

II. Consideration of Resolution 2016-0001-CR

Mr. Rodgers explained to the Board that the Amherst Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) informed his office on March 16, 2016 that March 29th has been designated by the U.S. Secretary of Veteran's Affairs as a day to recognize our Vietnam Veterans. The DAR requested the Board pass a commemorative resolution in honor of those who served.

Mr. Rodgers presented the draft resolution at this budget workshop because of no regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors before March 29th.

By motion of Supervisor Tucker and with the following vote, the Board adopted Resolution 2016-0001-CR, recognizing Vietnam War Veterans and their families for their service and sacrifices during the Vietnam War from November 1, 1955 – May 15, 1975. **(See Attachment 1)**

AYE: Mr. Marks, Mr. Pugh, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers and Mr. Campbell
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

III. Budget Workshop

A. Discussion of additional projects and funding options for FY17

Mr. Rodgers presented the projected revenues for discussion and revised expense requests including the CIP and Supplemental Budget requests.

Mr. Roland Kooch, Davenport Financial Advisor, was consulted by phone during the meeting concerning financing of the Monelison Fire truck and County Ladder truck.

Ms. Victoria Hanson, Economic Development Authority Executive Director, addressed the Board and provided information regarding the economic development strategic plan progress and the importance of investing in the initiatives that come from the plan. Ms. Hanson proposed that the Board consider a \$0.01 real estate tax dedicated for funding Economic Development.

The Board reached a consensus on the following with no recorded vote:

There was a consensus by the Board that real estate taxes will need to be raised by \$0.04 for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Two cents of the tax increase would be combined with funds from existing declining debt service to pay the debt service on loans (\$23.6M) to refurbish the HVAC systems and roofs of County schools. Since the loans will be paid and serviced by the County, the School Division's debt service accounts will be moved into the County budget.

Approximately one and a half cents of the tax increase would be used to pay the debt service on loans (\$2.5M) to pay for a new containment cell at the County landfill.

Approximately one half cent of the tax increase would be used to pay the debt service on loans (\$1.3M) to pay for additional Public Safety equipment and software.

The Board also reached consensus that the following items would be added into the budget:

\$207,652	Three new EMS Supervisor positions
\$ 25,000	Increase wage rates for part-time EMS personnel
\$ 20,000	Convert part-time office asst to full-time public information officer
\$ 50,000	Merit-based salary adjustments
\$ 42,000	Convert part-time HR coordinator to full-time position
\$ 53,000	Create Finance Director by combining with another position

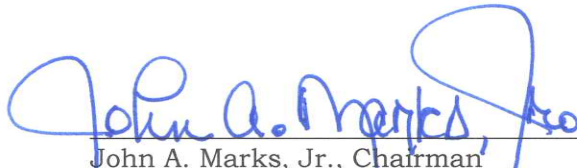
The local contribution to the 2% Constitutional staff raises will be \$63,498. Rather than grant 2% raises to County staff members at a cost of \$53,487, the Board created a \$50,000 fund for merit-based salary adjustments for the positions furthest below market averages.

There was a consensus that the next budget workshop be set for March 29, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

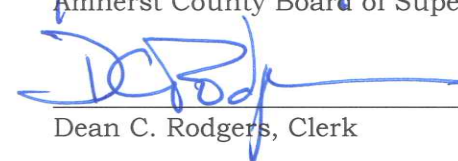
IV. Adjournment

By motion of Vice-Chair Pugh and with the following vote, the Board moved to adjourn.

AYE:	Mr. Marks, Mr. Pugh, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers and Mr. Campbell
NAY:	None
ABSENT:	None



John A. Marks, Jr., Chairman
Amherst County Board of Supervisors



Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk



Amherst County Board of Supervisors
County Resolution No. 2016-0001-CR

For consideration on March 22, 2016

A RESOLUTION, NO. 2016-0001-CR

A resolution, recognizing Vietnam War Veterans and their families for their service and sacrifices during the Vietnam War from November 1, 1955 – May 15, 1975.

Approved as to form by the County Administrator

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AMHERST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

I. That the Amherst County Board recognizes and wishes to honor Vietnam War Veterans and their families for their service and sacrifices during the Vietnam War from November 1, 1955 – May 15, 1975 as follows:

WHEREAS, our Nation's Vietnam War Commemoration gives us the opportunity for all Americans to recognize, honor, and thank our Vietnam Veterans and their families for their service and sacrifices during the Vietnam War from November 1, 1955 – May 15, 1975; and

WHEREAS, the Amherst Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution joins with the Department of Defense to honor our Nation's Vietnam Veterans; and

WHEREAS, eleven citizens of Amherst County were killed in action while serving their nation in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, this commemoration includes nine million Americans, with approximately 7.2 million of them living today, and makes no distinction who served in-country, in-theater, or were stationed elsewhere during those 20 years – all answered the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, Veteran's Affairs Secretary Robert A. McDonald has designated March 29, 2016, the anniversary of the last day that U.S. troops were on the ground in Vietnam, as a day to honor those who have "borne the battle", and to extend gratitude and appreciation to them and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

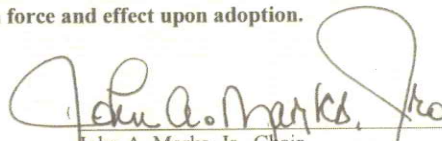
That the Amherst County Board of Supervisors hereby wishes and honors the service of Vietnam War Veterans and their families of Amherst County for their service and sacrifices during the Vietnam War and hereby proclaims March 29, 2016 as **Welcome Home Vietnam Veteran's Day** in Amherst County, Virginia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:


That the Clerk of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors is directed to prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Regent of the Amherst County Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, as an expression of the County's appreciation for the service of Vietnam War Veterans and their families of Amherst County.

II. That this resolution shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

Adopted this 22nd day of March, 2016.


John A. Marks, Jr., Chair
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:


Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

Ayes 5

Nays 0

Abstentions 0