

April 11, 2022

The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held a meeting on April 11, 2022 in the Board Meeting Room of the Carroll County Governmental Center.

Members Present:

Rex L. Hill
Tracy Moore
Ronnie Collins
Jody Early
Joey Dickson
Robbie McCraw

Others: Michael Watson
Crystal Adams
Michelle Dalton
Justin Martin
Steve Durbin

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Moore called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION – PURSUANT TO VIRGINIA CODE SECTION 2.2-3711

Mr. McCraw made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hill, to enter into Closed Meeting under Section 2.2-3711- A1, A5, A6, A7, A8

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
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NAYS: None

COME OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Collins made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Mr. McCraw seconded the motion.

A (1) Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a

disciplinary matter that involves the teacher and some student, and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board. Nothing in this subdivision, however, shall be construed to authorize a closed meeting by a local governing body or an elected school board to discuss compensation matters that affect the membership of such body or board collectively.

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NAYS: None

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WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711(D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board of Supervisors that such Closed Session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carroll 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 under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed or considered in the Closed Session to which this certification applies, and (II) only such business matters as were identified in the motion by which this Closed Session was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting to which this certification applies.

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NAYS: None

Mr. Collins led in invocation and pledge.

SOCIAL SERVICE RETIREMENT RECOGNITION

Mr. Moore presented Jeanie Martin with a recognition plaque. She served 30 years with the Department of Social Services.

CCHS FFA RECOGNITION

Mr. Moore asked each of the FFA Members to come forward.

Ms. Sarah Jo Jones told that she was one of two coaches that worked with this team, Dr. Randy Webb also helped. They were required to do a 25 question in 11 minutes. Not all of the team is here tonight, but they placed 5th in the state. They were the only team from our area.

Mr. Moore presented each FFA member with an award.

CCHS NURSING PROGRAM

Ms. Jessica Vaughan told these are 1st year LPN students and they are dually enrolled through the WCC LPN Program. We went to Williamsburg and got to compete in person. They all advanced to the 2nd round at the state and two advanced to the nationals. They will be going to the National Convention in Nashville in June. They did a great job, and we are very proud of them.

Mr. Moore presented each of the students with an award.

EMERGENCY SERVICE RECOGNITION

Mr. Gary Bergeron told I know you have a busy agenda so we will make this quick. Recently our county and career volunteer personnel responded on two calls for service

on March 30 and March 31st. Usually, we come in for someone suffering a medical emergency or the result of a MVC. With both calls our Fire & EMS personnel were presented with extraordinary circumstances and logistical challenges that could have easily compromised patient outcomes. However, due to quick thinking and being resource minded each call resulted in overall outstanding team efforts that afforded each patient the best possible outcome. Carroll Fire & Rescue, Hillsville Fire Department with the assistance of Carroll County Sheriff's Office worked to technically extricate and resuscitate a patient from a mezzanine landing at a recycling facility. As fire and Ems crews worked to stabilize the patient, Hillsville Volunteer Fire Department and other EMS personnel worked to establish a technical rescue with ground ladders, ropes and a stokes basket. The patient was successfully and safely extricated and loaded for transport during this literally all hands-on deck call. Pipers Gap Volunteer Rescue Squad and local mutual aid partners worked with a multi trauma patient, having suffered multiple injuries from a head on MVC. While in route to Winston, the patient's condition deteriorated, and Pipers Gap was able to contact Air Care to arrange for their ground team to meet them in Pilot Mountain with blood products. The crew met with Air Care, and they boarded the truck and provided blood for the patient and additional assistance while in route to Baptist. Why these calls stand out is because although not unique in their nature, they are unique in their frequency. Our volunteers and paid staff were presented with these. All took advantage of additional training, and they knew the resources needed to ensure these positive patient outcomes. There were seamless efforts, they worked with other mutual aid partners, and they truly went above and beyond with what you would call an ordinary call to ensure the best patient outcome. We would be remiss not to acknowledge that there is an extraordinary history of efforts by county volunteers in the past but moving forward we want to recognize these and future great accomplishments by our outstanding and dedicated emergency services personnel. Thank you for this opportunity.

Mr. Moore presented each staff and volunteer member with an award that was involved. We want to thank everyone for their quick thinking and teamwork. As Board members, that is one of our goals, to make sure that our citizens are taken care of, and you all have the resources you need to do your job. It has been an exciting night to have the kids here. I know there is a lot of people out there who are thankful for your all's efforts and I just want to ditto that.

WCC- DEAN SPRINKLE

Mr. Dean Sprinkle told he did want to comment on those dual enrollment students, that was quite an accomplishment and I do have a word of caution for the FFA students, those jackets shrink over the years. We do have a packet of information that has been handed out to you. The budget is in there and the allocations are by service area. The County and City of Galax changed relative to the percentage of students that participate at the time the sampling was taken. There is also a document in there that explains how those local funds are used. There is a number of programs that we have. Angie

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Jackson who is a Carroll County representative is here and Dr. McBride, I don't think he could make it. Carroll County has a new career coach, and she has been working diligently, I have had an increase in the dual enrollment students over the past year at the High School. Carroll County students received 157 scholarships through the Educational and Scholarship Foundation and that was over a total of \$100,000. The WCC Educational Foundation also awards one scholarship at the High School and two students get full scholarship. The Twin County Foundation, which was a welcome addition to the resources available. This scholarship pays 100% of tuition and fees not covered by other forms of financial aid for students in Health programs. Those scholarship also cover 50% of tuition and fees not covered by other types of financial aid for other programs that are available through WCC. Students are required to maintain a B average. Last spring 19 students received the Twin County Scholarship. I expect those numbers to grow as our participation from Carroll continues. We did receive donations from businesses in Carroll County. There are a number of certifications and trainings that are available through Workforce. We had 17 students to complete the CDL truck driver training, 5 in the power line program and 3 in underground which includes fiber optic training. We had 10 students in the welding program, and we are working in a consortium to offer an EMT program at Crossroads in not to distant future. We also offer some no cost opportunities through Workforce. We ask that you consider our budget request this year. We appreciate the opportunity to be here and the support from Carroll County.

NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK RESOLUTION

Mr. Moore read the Telecommunicator Week Resolution.

Mr. McCraw made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collins to approve the National Telecommunicator Week Resolution.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill	Tracy Moore
	Jody Early	Joey Dickson
	Ronnie Collins	Robbie McCraw

NAYS: None

PUBLIC HEARING – CODE CHANGE PLANNING COMMISSION

Mr. Watson explained the purpose of the Public Hearing.

Mr. Moore opened the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m.

Mr. Durbin told this essentially adds members to the Carroll County Planning Commission from 7 to 9 members which is permitted by Code. This does allow for a 2-year term in the beginning and then a 4-year term after that.

Mr. Moore closed the public hearing at 6:36 p.m.

Mr. Early made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dickson to approve the Code Change adding additional members to the Planning Commission.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Tracy Moore		
	Jody Early	Joey Dickson	
	Ronnie Collins		Robbie McCraw
NAYS:	Rex Hill		

TOURISM UPDATE

Ms. Whitney Greiner told she is a part time travel advisor for Carroll County and the Tourism Department. I am here today to give you some updates about what has been going on in the Tourism Department during the past several months. I want to talk about is the reopening of the Visitor Center, updating media, upcoming events and continuing promotion. We reopened the Blue Ridge Plateau Regional Visitors Center which is housed inside of the Southwest Virginia Farmers Market. We are open Thursday through Monday from 8:30 to 4:30 and we have engaged with 2290 guests. This is a combination of locals and travelers. Fridays and Saturdays are our busiest days and we have two in our department. Dianne, one of our advisors was born in New Jersey but she has lived in Fancy Gap since 1988. She served 37 years as a Blue Ridge Parkway Park Ranger, her children attended Carroll County Schools and she was also a PTA President. Her children are still community members, and they are raising their families here as well. She has a lot of information that she can offer our guests. The second person is me and I am new to Carroll County. I was not born here, but I like to say I got here as quickly as I could. I am loving Carroll County and everything that it has to offer. I am really passionate about travel, and I want everyone to find what I found here. I think I found a gem and I am ready to shout it from the mountain tops. Before the pandemic I was employed as a tour guide for a motor coach company. I was completing my training before the pandemic. I have traveled to more than 10 countries and I have visited more than half of the states. I want to bring that enthusiasm and my experience; I know what travelers are looking for and I want to offer that to people coming to our area. In the visitor center we have a small remodel. We opened the center but are every day trying to make improvements to that space as we hear the comments from the community and the travelers. In the future we are hoping that we can have a dedicated space, but I am sure that is to come later on. The next thing is the media that we have updated and the media that we still need to update. The Galax Gazette Visitor Guide comes out a couple times per year and we have submitted our

information to come out for the spring and summer. We have also submitted an ad to the Blue Ridge Parkway Guide. We have been working on our entry to the Blue Ridge Parkway map as well as the Crooked Road quarterly production and we are also looking at getting an ad in the Blue Ridge Outdoors magazine. We are working on updating our brochure which is displayed in 77 centers across the state, but it hasn't been updated in several years. We are also working on updating the billboard that is over by the Farmers Market. So far, we have gotten three quotes so that should be coming soon. We want to start updating our dormant social media accounts and get those back to active since they laid low during the pandemic. We want to use a dedicated strategy to promote Carroll County. We also want to update our website and optimize that for mobile use. Most people are using their phones, so we want the website to be more mobile friendly and use data feeds for the events. Diane and I are only part time, and it will be less time consuming if we are able to pull from other sources. We are organizing an event called Fresh Picks at the Southwest Virginia Farmers Market and we will host this every third Saturday from May until September from 12 to 3 pm. We have tried to make sure this doesn't interfere with any other events that we know are going on in the area. We want to have live music, artisan demos and food trucks available for our community as well as everyone that is traveling through. We have been reaching out to local bands, local artisans and we have reached out to the Carroll County Creative Arts Center to try to find local artists that would be interested in demonstrating their skills. For food trucks we are looking for local and regional and we have already secured some. If you know of anyone send them our way, we would love to have them out. In the future we would like to have a picnic area. We have a lot of travelers that want to stop and eat lunch. We have a really nice area to the side, and we've been talking with Kevin Semones, and he has agreed about the picnic area and also about getting a Love work sign, similar to what is set up at the Courthouse. We would like to get it in this area as well because VTC will add it to their map, and it will bring more people to our area. People love taking pictures with these things and they like to share it on social media, so it is another way to promote Carroll County. We also think the picnic area will be an added bonus to the County Fair. Finally, I would like to talk to you about continuing promotion. Most of what we will be doing will be done through the media that we are working on updating, but since we are in a rebuilding phase I think that it is important for us to get into the community and just be a presence. We want to bridge any gaps that might have been created during pandemic, find out how we can support the community from a tourism standpoint. The biggest thing we know is that stories sell so we want to make sure that we are telling the stories of Carroll County. We would like to start a blog area on our website and starting sharing some of these stories for generations to come as well as the guests that are visiting. Another way that we want to continue the promotion for our area is through the partnerships that we have with the Town of Hillsdale, Twin County Chamber, City of Galax. All of these localities that we have built partnerships with we want to maintain and nurture as well as establish new connections. We are open to

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comments, concerns or suggestions in the Tourism Department, and we would love to hear from all of the people in your district.

Mr. Early thanked Whitney for your hard work and enthusiasm. It is infectious.

Mr. Collins told we have been learning what is going on in our schools and the amazing things that they are doing. I wonder if there is some way you could fit some of that into the promotion that you do. There is a lot of advancement in the schools that needs to be highlighted.

Ms. Greiner told that in our remodel, we carved out an area for artisan demos and I plan to talk with Sarah Jo Jones and have the Blooming Cavaliers do an arrangement for that area.

CITIZENS TIME

Mr. Boatman told I know this Board has been working hard on this for a while. Some information came to me this weekend at a dinner I attended, and I wanted to share with you. Virginia will be receiving roughly 3200 parole offenders in June. It was explained to me that Carroll County was slotted to receive somewhere in the neighborhood of 300 of these people to come to a treatment facility here in our area for the early release program. These numbers are not confirmed yet, they are still being worked out and a facility may not be available right now. We as a county are about to get a huge influx in higher numbers that we have ever seen before if the Life Center is allowed to expand its 400-patient facility in Carroll County. If a person violates the rules or fails out of the treatment program for whatever reason and protocols remain the same as it does in Galax, that person is simply escorted to the property line and told not to come back. That means they have nowhere to go and not a lot of means to go anywhere. There will be some that cannot leave Carroll County for a certain amount of time until their parole officer gives permission for them to move. It is my understanding that the Life Center has a no cooperation policy with local probation. If there is anything the Board or county can do even if they could just notify the Sheriff's Office if someone violates or is removed so that we can deal with it more appropriately. It looks like it is coming, and I would ask that we try to be proactive.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES

Mr. Dickson made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCraw to approve the payment of invoices.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill	Tracy Moore
	Jody Early	Joey Dickson
	Ronnie Collins	Robbie McCraw

NAYS:	None
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MINUTES

Mr. Hill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dickson to approve the minutes from March 14, March 22 and March 28th.

Roll all vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
NAYS:	None	

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mr. McCraw made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dickson to approve the Consent Calendar.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
NAYS:	None	

VDOT – RURAL RUSTIC RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Ledford explained the Rural Rustic Resolutions. There are six projects that are mainly in Fancy Gap in Hillsdale. On the Mt. Carroll Road and Old Appalachian Trail, we are moving ahead with the plan and the environmental documents have been submitted and both of those projects fall on parkway property.

Mr. Robbie McCraw made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dickson to approve the Rural Rustic Resolutions as presented.

Mr. Collins asked if Millstone is the one that connects with Old Appalachian Trail?

Mr. McCraw replied no. Millstone runs between Elkhorn and Joy Ranch.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
NAYS:	None	

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SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATION REQUEST

Teresa Isom told before I talk about the appropriation, April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and if you noticed there were some pinwheels out front and I have some stuff that I thought you would like to promote child abuse prevention. You may have saw in the packet that I had a typo, one number was incorrect. The department is requesting a budget adjustment for multiple programs that are currently estimating to be over the original allotments. Also, in the FY22 budget the state provided two additional funding lines that had to do with salaries that were not put in the budget, so I am requesting for those funds also. All of these funds are 100% reimbursed by federal and state, there is no local match to them. The total is \$758,572 which would need to go in revenues and expenditures for the county budget lines of undistributed vpa expenses along with salaries and wages. I have it broken down in the letter.

Mr. Dickson told you have revenue \$758,572 and the total \$708,572. Is that supposed to be the same?

Ms. Isom replied, the revenue is the same as the expenditures. There was a typo. I can fix that and get you a copy. I thought I hit all the places.

Mr. Dickson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collins to approve the Social Services Request as presented.

Mr. Moore asked if it is 100% state and federal money.

Ms. Isom replied yes.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
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NAYS: None

BUDGET/ TAX LEVY/ ADVERTISEMENT REVIEW

Mr. Hill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Early to advertise for the Budget/Tax Levy.

Roll call vote was as follows:

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NAYS: None

REDISTRICTING PRECINCT ORDINANCE

Mr. Durbin told that you have an ordinance amending the Carroll County Code to modify the voting at Woodlawn Precinct. You have Woodlawn F and Woodlawn D currently. The request has been made to consolidate Woodlawn F into Woodlawn D and to establish the polling place as the Carroll Senior Center and that this ordinance take effect July 1, 2022. This has been duly advertised. There is one concern I think we want to clarify with the Electoral folks and that is when the change to Carroll Senior Center to Woodlawn Intermediate School would take place. That may require the adoption of an emergency ordinance if they are asking for it to take effect before July 1st. For tonight's purposes I think the Board could adopt the ordinance as submitted.

Mr. Dickson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collins to approve the Redistricting Precinct Ordinance.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill	Tracy Moore
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NAYS: None

ARPA PLAN

Mr. Martin told that on March 11, 2021 the American Rescue Plan Act was signed into law and established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund. This is the funding the County received as part of the fiscal recovery ARPA Program. On January 6, 2022 the US Department of Treasury adopted the final rule implementing the final requirements for the program and in February they released the Compliance and Reporting Guide for the funds. Included in the Final Rule and the Guide is a new allowance for Revenue replacement. Recipients have the option to make a onetime election to take a standard deduction which would cover the entire amount of the County of Carroll will receive under the ARPA grant. This will ease the burden of audit, grant administration, and procurement requirements that are specific to Federal grants. It is recommended by both our auditors and I for the County to make this one-time election to take the standard deduction. We will plan to use local public safety costs as documentation for the expenditures. We will then use the redistributed funds for the projects previously identified by the County. This will provide greater flexibility in procurement and allow for cooperative purchasing which would otherwise be disallowed by the grant. Cooperative procurement has proven beneficial to reduce both the administrative burden and cost. As part of the election, we are seeking approval of the Redistributed ARPA grant funding for the projects previously identified and included in the Redistributed ARPA grant plan.

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Mr. Watson told you have a description of the funds, and we need a vote on spending the funds this way. Before we spend the fund, we do plan to come back and ask for authorization. We don't know the value right now; some things may be higher or lower. It will allow us to go ahead and plan with the intentions of doing this, it will give us direction.

Mr. Hill made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCraw to approve the ARPA Plan as presented.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
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NAYS: None

CIP PLAN

Mr. Watson told this will give us direction. If we have an item that is sitting on the CIP Plan that has already been funded through last years funds and this will allow us to go ahead and start doing it. This will approve the funds that were designated in this fiscal year that was put in savings from last year. We are prefunding our CIP so the money that is in our budget right now will be transferred to the CIP before the end of the year which was approved in the budget. Those will be started after July 1st. The items that are on the CIP dated 2022, we should have been doing them throughout the year. However, we didn't set up a CIP fund until a few months ago. This gives us permission to go ahead with the CIP Plan as far as this fiscal year and in July after the money is put into that fund then we will come and ask for the following year. This gives us the opportunity to move forward.

Mr. Hill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dickson to approve the CIP Plan as presented.

Roll call vote was as follows:

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NAYS: None

REVISED BUDGET CALENDAR

Mr. Moore told that the only thing that has been added is the April 25th budget work session.

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Mr. Early asked what time.

Mr. Watson told we have been doing them at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Dickson made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCraw to approve the Revised Budget Calendar.

Mr. Early

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NAYS: None

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Dickson made a motion to appoint Franklin Jett to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Collins seconded the motion.

Mr. Early told I thought we were going to talk about our rank order of the candidates. Did we miss that somewhere?

Mr. Moore replied, we can do that.

Mr. Early told he thought it would be in Closed Session.

Mr. Dickson withdrew his motion.

Mr. Collins withdrew his second.

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NAYS: None

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Dickson made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCraw to appoint Whitney Griner to District 9.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
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NAYS: None

Mr. Dickson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Early to appoint Franklin Jett, Curtis Sumner and Tryphena Horsley to the Planning Commission.

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NAYS:	None
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BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Collins told there are three things I would have like to have dealt with tonight, two of those being what our Commissioner of the Revenue brought to us. The other was about the money the school requested to buy buses. I am told that we are going to deal with those issues on April 25th and I am good with that. James Gammons, owner of Fashlink Communications came and presented to us and talked about ways that we could work together to get high speed to some more people in the county. Just this morning he sent me a document that I am going to send to Mike and we can talk about in our next Board meeting. James is interested in doing what he can to help and I am interested in doing what we can to work together. I asked us to research and see what the cost of maintaining our county garage was, compared to subbing out the work. I would like to run that down and see what it has been. I would like to thank the Board for passing the motion to reopen the Cana Convenience Center. They reopened and it is doing great. Because of that, lots of people in our communities now are calling and saying how do I do the adopt a road program and start picking up trash. It has brought recognition to that and people are interested in trying to clean up our community and I am excited about that. I appreciate the Board voting to put the Litter Task Force together and I would like for us to name those people tonight so we can get them going. The two people I have are Ginger Williams and Michelle Payne.

Mr. Hill told that his person on the Litter Task Force is Ben Boyette and I give my other spot up for the Sheriffs Department.

Mr. Early told broadband is high emphasis item for me in my district. Not wanting to get into detail or very specific amounts, could Mr. Watson just recap what grants are being applied for.

Mr. Watson told right now we are in the process of finalizing our study. The study had to be changed and hopefully we will have final copies soon. We are working on a KMZ file in order to send out the RFP for us to work with a broadband group. One of the things we ran into in the past was it is a high-ticket dollar amount. I have had them divide it out and give options and it has divided it up in about 5 different sections throughout the map. The VITA grant that we were not able to apply for in the last round, we are working on now. They just released the draft guidelines and one of the changes in it is 100 speed with 20 upload. Also, we have applied for an ARC grant to work toward extending the fiber service along Carrollton Pike. It is about a \$1.3 million grant and we are looking at putting about \$600,000 toward it. The reason why we are doing

that is when you combine the ARC money with the grant money that we will put toward it, it will give us a \$1.2 million match when we apply for another grant. We are going to send out an RFP for an ISP and it is going to be for Internet Service Providers, and it will not be just limited to one. You might have one provider in Woodlawn and a different one in Dugspur. There is also some money we plan to use from the Redistributed ARPA funds. We are working on it every day trying to find a way to get broadband service. Hopefully I can give you a better update at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Early told the need is not on Carrollton Pike. It is my understanding that VDOT will be here next month for the Six Year Road Plan. If you have inputs get them to your supervisors. Whitney discussed wanting a picnic area, would it be possible to talk to the building trades folks and see if they would be interested in building tables. I have mentioned it before, the make up of the PSA Board. I am not on it, I have a representative from Laurel Fork and I have heard of different reasons why we need five members of the Board of Supervisors on there. Personally, I think that is too many. I wouldn't mind a couple to keep people headed in the right direction, but I don't think we need five out of six. Thank you for everyone's hard work.

Mr. McCraw told that David Young will be one of this appointments to the Litter Task Force. I appreciate the young people that came out tonight and the efforts to improve themselves and the representation they are giving our county. I also thank our first responders. I think we need to remember them. Thank the staff for being here.

Mr. Dickson told that his appointments are Gerald Goad and Margaret Leggett. It was great to see our youth here tonight doing good things. Whitney gave a great report on Tourism, looks like a lot of good things going on. A huge thanks to the Sheriffs Office, EMS, our dispatchers, and all of our volunteer departments. They go above and beyond. Its National Dispatchers Week and dispatch is a hard job. Whitney Smith that was here and we also recognized her this morning at the Twin County 911, she works part time at EMS and is a dispatcher. She also helped save the life of an infant by giving CPR through the phone to the uncle. The state was going to require by 2024 that all 911 do medical dispatch. We are doing that and since we implemented it early she was able to save a life. Thank you for staying so late and working so hard.

Mr. Moore told he would echo what the Board has already said. Judy Farmer will be one of my appointments to the Litter Task Force. I want to thank staff and everybody for all they do and David for coming and enlightening us on more things that could be going on so we can keep our eyes open. I thank the Board for all their hard work and what they do. Thanks to all of our employees, sometimes they get forgotten in all the mix. Our EMS and Sheriff's Department, all of them are heroes when we need them the most. It was good to see the youth here and that is exciting because they are our future. Hopefully we will have some more invited for next month.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

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Mr. Watson told the last few meetings we have had a lot of people come through here and it has been great. I brag on the people of Carroll County. A lot of times I get to see the tough ones, I'm the person who has to work on the budget and provide funding for many agencies, but the greatest part is when you need them they are there. The volunteers step up and come together and do a great job. I think it is great to see the youth here. When Whitney was here, she was talking about us selling ourselves. When I first started, I felt like Carroll County is a great place, we just don't tell our story.

COUNTY ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Mr. Durbin told in light of the Boards motion to appoint three members to the Planning Commission, we have one existing vacancy that was filed and two vacancies that were filled pursuant to ordinance you adopted. If we don't clarify who is filling what position, we won't know who is filling the two-year terms and who has the remaining term.

Mr. Dickson made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCraw to appoint Franklin Jett to the 4-year term and Curtis Sumner and Tryphena Horsley to the 2-year terms on the Planning Commission.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
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NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Robbie McCraw made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hill to adjourn.

Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES:	Rex Hill Jody Early Ronnie Collins	Tracy Moore Joey Dickson Robbie McCraw
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NAYS: None

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Chairman