



Local Government Council

Local Government Council

Region 2000 Partnership
828 Main Street, 12th Floor
Lynchburg, VA

Large Conference Room

January 21, 2016

5:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. **Welcome | Moment of Silence | Introduction of New Members**.....Paul Harvey, *Chair*
2. **Recognition & Appreciation to outgoing member Stan Goldsmith**.....Paul Harvey, *Chair*
3. **Approval of Minutes – October 15, 2015**.....Paul Harvey, *Chair*
4. **Financial Reports and Budget Amendments**.....Rosalie Majerus, *Dep. Dir. of Finance, et al.*
5. **Consideration of Request to the General Assembly for a Workforce Development Center facility at Central VA Community College**.....Gary Christie, *Exec. Director*
6. **Discussion and Consideration of Resolution regarding CAER and IST Facility in Forest, Virginia**.....Bob Bailey, *Executive Director, CAER*
7. **Discussion and Consideration of Support of GO Virginia**.....Gary Christie, *Exec. Director*
8. **Consideration and Discussion on Communication/Marketing for the Local Government Council**.....Gary Christie, *Exec. Director*
9. **Consideration of Adopting a Proclamation Designating Local Government Education Week as April 1-7, 2016**.....Gary Christie, *Exec. Director*
10. **Items from Staff**.....Gary Christie, *Exec. Director, et al.*
11. **Round Table**.....Members of Council
12. **Adjourn**.....Paul Harvey, *Chair*
13. **Information Items:**

Upcoming Meetings:

LGC Executive Committee Meeting | **March 17, 2016 - 5:00 pm** | LGC Offices

LGC Annual Spring Dinner | **April 21, 2016** | The Appomattox Inn & Suites

Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council Meeting
January 21, 2016

Executive Summary

1. Welcome | Moment of Silence | Introduction of New Members

- a. Michael Rousseau – Campbell County
- b. Bryan Moody – Appomattox County

2. Recognition & Appreciation to outgoing member Stan Goldsmith

3. Approval of Minutes – October 15, 2015

(See Attachment 3)

Recommended Action: Approve minutes as presented subject to revisions noted by members of Council.

4. Finance Reports

- a. Report from Auditor.....Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates
(See Attachment 4a)

No formal action requested; for Council's information, review and discussion

Follow link to view full report online: [Financial Report – June 30, 2015](#)

- b. Year-to-Date Report through December 31, 2015.....Rosalie Majerus
(See Attachment 4b)

No formal action requested; for Council's information, review and discussion

- c. Budget Amendments.....Gary Christie

1. Campbell County Route 29 Corridor Planning Process

Staff will provide technical assistance and consultant management for the conduct of the Campbell County Route 29 Corridor Planning Process. The purpose of the Process is to establish a shared vision for the Rt. 29 corridor within Campbell County.

The Virginia Transportation Research Council, VDOT and Campbell County, along with Region 2000, are partnering in this effort. Region 2000 will not incur any unfunded costs.

| | Total Project | FY 16 | FY 17 |
|--|---------------|----------|----------|
| Revenue (from Virginia Transportation Research Council) | \$125,000 | \$62,500 | \$62,500 |
| Expenditures | | | |
| Staff | \$10,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 |
| Consultant | \$115,000 | \$57,500 | \$57,500 |

2. James River Watershed Lynchburg Area TMDL Redevelopment

Staff will provide project and consultant management services in the completion of the Total Maximum Daily Load Redevelopment Study.

This project is a redevelopment of the original James River Basin Bacteria TMDL, completed in 2007 and modified in December, 2009 and May, 2010. The TMDL redevelopment is being undertaken to consider the effects of potential changes in waste load allocations, significant land use changes, and consider direct requests by a permittee, Lynchburg City CSO program, to consider remodeling and loading adjustments.

The potential need for revisiting the TMDL was articulated to DEQ and agreed upon by all the local stakeholders in 2010 and, as such, the TMDL was not submitted to EPA or the State Water Control Board (SWCB). It was known in 2010, that Lynchburg was updating its CSO Long Term Control Plan and, as such, there could be considerable changes in load allocations and reduction calculations impacting the TMDL and ultimately, directly impacting reduction strategies to meet the TMDL. Region 2000 will not incur any unfunded costs.

| | Additional Project Revenue/Expenditure FY16 |
|---------------------|--|
| Revenues | \$16,200 |
| DEQ | \$14,200 |
| Lynchburg | \$2,000 |
| Expenditures | |
| Staff | \$3,000 |
| Consultant | \$13,200 |

Recommended Action: Approve FY16 budget amendments and amendments to the FY16 Work Plan.

5. Consideration of Request to the General Assembly for a Workforce Development Center facility at Central Virginia Community College

Background:

The Workforce Development Board has utilized space at the Plaza in Lynchburg for the Career Center which serves approximately 4,000 people and businesses annually with job placement and career development services.

Staff recommends that the Local Government Council offer its support to a request to the General Assembly to provide funding for a Workforce Development Center which would house the WBD's Career Center on the campus of the CVCC. Placing the WBD's Career Center on the Community College Campus gives both employers and employees access to other college services such as training, small business development services and career

enhancement opportunities. CVCC currently does not have a job placement facility. This opportunity could serve both the Region 2000 community and students of CVCC.

Recommended Action: To approve a motion encouraging our General Assembly representatives to support appropriate budget amendments that would foster the development of a Workforce Development Center facility on the campus of the Central Virginia Community College.

6. Discussion and Consideration of Resolution regarding CAER and IST Facility in Forest, Virginia
(See Attachments 6a & 6b)

The Center for Advanced Engineering and Research (CAER) and the Integrated Systems Test (IST) Facility is a research facility featuring a nuclear power plant simulator. Continued support for the both facilities will establish an operational facility available to Virginia universities, national laboratories and industry and, through open access, will improve nuclear research and development, introduce additional high paying science and technology jobs to our region, facilitate research in a number of areas such as thermal hydraulics and cyber-security, and could attract DOE and other federal research and development funding to Virginia.

Bob Bailey, Executive Director of the CAER, will present a brief overview on this matter and be available to answer any questions.

Recommended Action: Approve and adopt the *Resolution from the Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council Urging Support for the Center for Advanced Engineering and Research (CAER) and the Integrated Systems Test (IST) Facility in Forest, Virginia.*

7. Discussion and Consideration of Support of GO Virginia

Background:

Governor McAuliffe's 2016 budget included \$25 million in the two year biennium for GO Virginia, an incentive program to encourage multi-regional cooperation.

Legislation is expected to be considered by the General Assembly, and announced on January 13, subject to change:

- a. There will be a State Board with 15 members who will award the Go Virginia funds. Some of the representation includes: Secretaries of Finance, Education, and Commerce and Trade; Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development and state legislators.
- b. There will be between 8 and 11 regions which qualify to receive GO Virginia funds. The actual configuration of regions under GO Virginia will be announced with the legislation (1/13/16). Regions have to be recertified every two years.
- c. Each GO Virginia region will have a regional planning council, predominantly business community led, but including higher education and local government. Regional councils will be certified based on their membership.

- d. Two or more jurisdictions can come together to request funding from regional planning councils. If endorsed by Regional Councils then the request would be forwarded to the State Board for consideration/approval.
- e. Growth and Opportunity Fund Details--two opportunities for funding:
 - Capacity building funds, recognizing that not every region has economic development organizations; funding \$250,000 per region for capacity building in regions.
 - Funds would also come to the Region based on population and for major job and investment projects.
- f. Examples of eligible projects include:
 - small business development and entrepreneurship;
 - workforce development and career and technical education, and retention strategies;
 - tourism and economic development promotion; and
 - venture capital funding; site development; incubation.
- g. In addition to capacity building funds, the most recent draft legislation allocates no more than 8 percent can be used for administration.
- h. The legislation includes a requirement that regional councils to do a collaborative economic development plan.
- i. There is likely to be a local match required.
- j. It is unclear how much of the funds will be available for development of new infrastructure and for deal closing for projects which realize \$2.5 million in capital investment or 200 jobs.

Recommended Action: Discussion on whether formal support for the proposed legislation is appropriate.

8. Consideration and Discussion on Communication/Marketing for the Local Government Council

- a. Retain the Region 2000 name;
- b. Rebrand with new Local Government Council logo;
- c. Discontinue Region 2000 Partnership Newsletter;



- d. Focus news, information, and announcement sharing using Twitter, Facebook, and direct e-mails;

- [VA's Region2000](#) - Twitter
- [Virginia's Region2000](#) - Facebook

- e. Develop signage, letterhead, etc. consistent with new logo; and,

- f. Utilize Region 2000.org, in the short-term, as a landing page with links to the former Partnership Organizations. Beginning in 2017, move Local Government Council site information to region2000.org.

9. Consideration of Adopting a Proclamation Designating Local Government Education Week as April 1-7, 2016

(See Attachment 10)

Background:

In 2012 the General Assembly adopted House Joint Resolution #93 proclaiming the first week of April as Local Government Education week in honor of the formation of the Council-Manager form of government in the City of Staunton, VA. The VLGMA Civic Engagement Committee has been developing tools to engage students, our future leaders, in order to acknowledge good community building work, educate on all local government services provided at the local level, and to increase student's awareness of career opportunities in local government. This will help us strengthen interest in local government management/public service as a viable career.

Link to more information: [VLGMA – Civic Education](#)

Recommended Action: Adopt proclamation honoring Local Government Council Education Week as April 1-7, 2016

10. Items from Staff

a. Consideration of Support for a Multi-regional Grant Application

Staff will discuss funding opportunities to expand childcare resources for low-income families as they pursue training to increase skills and wages in areas such as healthcare, advanced manufacturing and technology. This could be a multi-regional collaboration with the Roanoke and New River Valley workforce areas.

Recommended Action: Discuss whether to pursue a multi-regional grant/funding opportunity.

b. Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions

- Seeking members to serve on the Board of Directors
 - Meet once in February in Richmond
 - Meet once in July - Williamsburg (2016); Norfolk (2017)
 - Monthly board conference calls
- VAPDC meeting February 11-12, 2016 - Richmond Federal Reserve Building

c. Items for discussion at future meetings:

- Agriculture and food hub planning
- Radio Board update
- Education and K-12
- Non-profit for workforce development
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

11. Round Table

LGC members are asked and encouraged to share information about issues or activities in their home jurisdiction that may be of interest to other LGC members.

12. Adjourn

13. Informational Item

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- LGC Annual Spring Dinner | **April 21, 2016** | The Appomattox Inn & Suites



**Virginia's Region 2000
Local Government Council Meeting**

Elston Inn & Conference Center
Sweet Briar, Virginia 24595
October 15, 2015 at 5:00 pm

Members Present:

John Spencer for Susan Adams, Appomattox County
Kenneth Bumgarner, Amherst Town Council
Waverly Coggsdale, Altavista Town Manager
Delegate Scott Garrett, Virginia House of Delegates
Bill Gillespie, Appomattox Town Manager
Stacey Hailey, Bedford Town Council
Mayor Paul Harvey, Town of Appomattox, *Chair*
Charles Kolakowski, Bedford Town Manager
Mayor Mike Mattox, Town of Altavista
Dean Rodgers, Amherst County Administrator
Frank Rogers, Campbell County Administrator
John Sharp, Bedford County Board of Supervisors
Gary Tanner, Appomattox County Board of Supervisors
Jack Hobbs, Amherst Town Manager

Absent:

Carl Boggess, Interim Bedford County Administrator
Joan Foster, Lynchburg City Council
Megan Lucas, Region 2000 Business & Economic Development Alliance
L. Kimball Payne, Lynchburg City Manager
Stanley Goldsmith, Campbell County Board of Supervisors
Mayor Phyllis Campbell, Town of Brookneal
Don Kidd, Amherst County Board of Supervisors
Russell Thurston, Brookneal Town Manager

Others Present:

Ben Bowman, Region 2000 Workforce Development Director
Gary Christie, Local Government Council, Executive Director
June Driskill, Amherst Planning Commission, Chair
Philipp Gabathuler, Local Government Council, Senior Planner
Kelly Hitchcock, Local Government Council, Senior Planner
Rosalie Majerus, Local Government Council, Deputy Finance Director
Elizabeth Narehood, Region 2000 Business & Economic Development Alliance, Vice President
Matt Perkins, Local Government Council, Admin. Program Coordinator
Turner Perrow, Lynchburg City Council

Minutes

1. Welcome | Moment of Silence

Mayor Paul Harvey, *Chair*, called to order this meeting of the Council at 5:00 p.m. welcomed the Council and opened with a moment of silence. Mayor Harvey recognized Gary Tanner for his service to the Council and extended an appreciation for his work.

2. Approval of Minutes – September 17, 2015

Upon a motion by Gary Tanner to approve the minutes of September 17, 2015 as presented, seconded by Scott Garrett, this motion carried unanimously.

3. Finance Report

Rosalie Majerus stated that salaries and fringe benefits are on target and operating expenses are tracking under budget at this time. Majerus noted that there would be a budget adjustment to the TMDL redevelopment line as the scope of that project has changed and there will be revenue from DEQ for that. Gary Christie noted that some budget adjustments will be presented to the Council in January.

Gary Christie brought for discussion the Council's fund balance and dues structure for FY17. Majerus noted that the current projected year-end fund balance is 844k. The Council has set as a goal a minimum of \$600k in the fund balance to cover 3 years of operating expenses to stay open if no additional revenue was received other than from VDOT, DRPT, and DHCD.

Gary Christie stated that the dues rate was \$0.65 per capita which was lowered to \$0.575 per capita in 2008. Christie provided an overview of the revenue structure and where the money is spent that is received by the LGC. Christie noted that the majority of the revenue received is in renewable contracts; other sources include grants and local dues. Christie presented the revenue numbers if dues are kept the same, with the only change coming from the change in population numbers. Christie asked the Council to take action setting the dues rate for FY17.

Delegate Scott Garrett presented questions to staff regarding accounting principles used in establishing the budget and noted that he felt that an unbalanced budget should never be passed.

Upon a motion by Gary Tanner to maintain the current dues at rates of \$0.575 per capita for cities and counties and a flat fee of \$1,045 for towns, duly seconded by Jack Hobbs, this motion carried unanimously.

4. LGC Project Update

Item not addressed by Council.

5. PACE Information

Item not addressed by Council.

6. Discussion on Regional Branding

Item not addressed by Council.

John Sharp stated that we should be careful in the proposal/creation of a name so not to be so geographically centric to appear favorable to one locality over the other noting that it is a sensitive subject in Bedford. Mayor Mike Mattox supported the same stating that the Council is regional entity.

7. Continued Discussion on legislative items

Item not addressed by Council.

8. Education Discussion follow-up

Mayor Mattox reviewed a presentation on the state of education in the Region. Mattox led a discussion to explore the possibilities of how the Council could take a leadership role in education and education outcomes in the region. Mattox noted that it is difficult to brand the region as an exceptional region if the region does not boast exceptional schools. He noted that every school division in Region 2000 is below the state average in math and reading SOL's and graduation rates and that nearly 40% of students entering Central Virginia Community College need remedial education to prepare them for college level work. Additionally, Mattox noted that the number one thing that site selectors look for in a community is the availability of a skilled workforce. He also stated that the school divisions lack the resources to maintain and hire qualified teachers.

Mattox presented opportunities that could be potential areas where the Council could facilitate savings in areas such as insurance, combine human resources, purchasing, and transportation costs. Also, he stated that an exploration of other areas where processes and programs are duplicated such as curriculum. Mattox asked Council for ideas of what things they think they could do

Delegate Scott Garrett stated that he perceives parental involvement as a primary issue that needs to be addressed in order to be effective in student success, while noting that it is not necessarily teacher salaries or lack of resources or technology in the classrooms. Garrett agreed that in order to achieve 100% graduation rate in the region then complete concurrence that that is the priority is needed.

Dean Rodgers noted the concept of Promise Communities where the students are incentivized for continuing their education towards a degree or credential attainment. Rodgers also noted that it boils down to power and control. Rodgers stated that he feels, for a plan, proposal or idea to be most effective, that it should come from outside the region or from an independent body or organization. Rodgers suggested that a proposal be drawn up and sent to the Virginia Association of Counties (VACO) and the Virginia Municipal League (VML) from the Council and see if they could carry it forward to the legislative bodies for action such as incentivizing regional collaboration for projects and processes. Such examples discussed were consolidation of bus/fleet maintenance, human resource and procurement services, unifying curriculums, and other processes that demonstrated collaborative and cost saving efforts that would then be incentivized.

Mayor Paul Harvey stated that the he foresees the relinquishing of individual autonomy by local school divisions is a major hurdle.

Mattox noted that he believes that there needs to be a fundamental change in the prioritization of education or things will never change on any front.

Turner Perrow noted that finding a solution to cutting cost on auxiliary services to put those savings to classroom activities. Perrow noted that there are certainly areas for consolidation of services that may be good initial steps such as in the area of bus services/maintenance.

Elizabeth Narehood commented that the region is fortunate to have a very collaborative group of superintendents but noted that the system is set up, by the State, to be competitive, not collaborative, for resources. Narehood noted that it would be helpful for the State to incentivize regional programs and initiatives that show efficiency and cost savings from the school divisions.

Upon a motion by Dean Rodgers that approves Region 2000 to correspond directly with VACO and VML to suggest things that could be done at the State level to incentivize the Region 2000 school districts to collaborate to save money and promote education, duly seconded by Scott Garrett, this motion carried unanimously.

9. 2016 Meeting Schedule

Gary Christie presented the Council meeting schedule for calendar year 2016 as follows:

January 21 – MPO; LGC

March 17 – LGC Executive Committee

April 21 – MPO; LGC Spring Dinner Meeting (Appomattox)

May 19 – LGC Executive Committee

July 21 – MPO; LGC

September 15 – LGC Executive Committee

October 20 – MPO; LGC Fall Dinner meeting (Lynchburg)

November 17 – LGC Executive Committee

Upon a motion by Gary Tanner to adopt the Council meeting schedule as presented for calendar year 2016, duly seconded by Frank Rogers, this motion carried unanimously.

10. Items from Council or Staff

No further matters were discussed.

11. Adjourn

There being no further matters to discuss, Mayor Paul Harvey, *Chair*, adjourned the meeting at 6:06 pm.

Signed: _____ DRAFT _____

By: _____, _____ (title)

ROBINSON, FARMER, COX ASSOCIATES

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors
Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council
Lynchburg, Virginia

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the *Specifications for Audits of Authorities, Boards, and Commissions*, issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council, as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Change in Accounting Principle

As described in Note 16 to the financial statements, in 2015, the Council adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement Nos. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27* and 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Comparative Information

As described in Note 16 to the financial statements, GASB Statement Nos. 68 and 71 were implemented prospectively resulting in a restatement of beginning net position. In the year of implementation, comparative information for the net pension asset and related items was unavailable. Therefore, the 2014 amounts related to pensions have not been restated to reflect the requirements of GASB Statement Nos. 68 and 71. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, and schedules related to pension and OPEB funding on pages 4-7, and 42-45 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council's basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 24, 2015, on our consideration of Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates
(Charlottesville, Virginia
November 24, 2015

VIRGINIA'S REGION 2000 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

Attachment 4b

Budget to Actual for FY16

pp 15 - 18

as of December 31, 2015

| | <u>FY16 Budget</u> | <u>Budget Adjustment</u> | <u>FY16 Adjusted Budget</u> | <u>Actual Through 12/31/15</u> | <u>Diff Between Budget & Actual</u> | <u>% of Budget Used</u> |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|------------------------------------|
| <u>OPERATIONS FUND (EXPENDITURES)</u> | | | | | | |
| <u>SALARY</u> | | | | | | |
| ADMINISTRATION | 190,711 | | 190,711 | 94,144 | 96,567 | 49.36% |
| FINANCE | 130,862 | | 130,862 | 65,431 | 65,431 | 50.00% |
| OPERATIONS | 231,607 | | 231,607 | 115,803 | 115,804 | 50.00% |
| WIA | 130,651 | | 130,651 | 65,836 | 64,815 | 50.39% |
| Wage Consideration | 8,000 | | 8,000 | | 8,000 | 0.00% |
| | 691,831 | 0 | 691,831 | 341,214 | 350,617 | 49.32% |
| PART TIME HELP | 10,000 | | 10,000 | | 10,000 | 0.00% |
| Total Salaries & Wages | 701,831 | 0 | 701,831 | 341,214 | 360,617 | 48.62% |
| EMPLOYER COST FICA | 51,190 | | 51,190 | 24,879 | 26,311 | 48.60% |
| EMPLOYER COST V R S | 52,026 | | 52,026 | 25,659 | 26,367 | 49.32% |
| EMPLOYER COST HEALTH INS | 91,444 | | 91,444 | 43,504 | 47,940 | 47.57% |
| EMPLOYER COST LIFE INS | 8,233 | | 8,233 | 4,060 | 4,173 | 49.31% |
| WORKERS COMP | 777 | | 777 | 588 | 189 | 75.68% |
| Total Fringe Benefits | 203,670 | 0 | 203,670 | 98,690 | 104,980 | 48.46% |
| <u>OFFICE EXPENSES</u> | | | | | | |
| AUDITING SERVICES | 5,100 | | 5,100 | 0 | 5,100 | 0.00% |
| PAYROLL ACCOUNTING SERVICES | 8,400 | | 8,400 | 4,148 | 4,252 | 49.38% |
| LEGAL SERVICES | 3,000 | | 3,000 | 0 | 3,000 | 0.00% |
| LIABILITY INSURANCE | 1,200 | | 1,200 | 1,360 | (160) | 113.33% |
| CONTRACTUAL SERVICES | 17,000 | | 17,000 | 4,280 | 12,720 | 25.18% |
| ADVERTISING | 1,000 | | 1,000 | 0 | 1,000 | 0.00% |
| POSTAGE | 1,500 | | 1,500 | 250 | 1,250 | 16.67% |
| TELEPHONE | 5,000 | | 5,000 | 2,201 | 2,799 | 44.02% |
| INTERNET SERVICES | 360 | | 360 | 285 | 75 | 79.17% |
| OFFICE SUPPLIES | 6,000 | | 6,000 | 2,053 | 3,947 | 34.22% |
| PRINTING & BINDING | 6,000 | | 6,000 | 0 | 6,000 | 0.00% |
| TRAVEL | 7,500 | | 7,500 | 3,118 | 4,382 | 41.57% |
| SPECIAL MEETINGS | 9,500 | | 9,500 | 3,374 | 6,126 | 35.52% |
| EDUCATION & TRAINING | 6,000 | | 6,000 | 2,331 | 3,669 | 38.85% |
| DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS | 10,800 | | 10,800 | 6,628 | 4,172 | 61.37% |
| PUBLICATIONS | 700 | | 700 | 193 | 507 | 27.57% |
| MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES | 1,000 | | 1,000 | 223 | 777 | 22.30% |
| FURNITURE & FIXTURES | 1,000 | | 1,000 | 0 | 1,000 | 0.00% |
| RENTAL OFFICE EQUIPMENT | 4,800 | | 4,800 | 1,541 | 3,259 | 32.10% |
| OFFICE RENT | 51,000 | | 51,000 | 25,185 | 25,815 | 49.38% |
| PARKING | 4,500 | | 4,500 | 1,590 | 2,910 | 35.33% |
| COMPUTER EQUIP/SOFTWARE | 10,000 | | 10,000 | 1,716 | 8,284 | 17.16% |
| Total Office Expenses | 161,360 | 0 | 161,360 | 60,476 | 100,884 | 37.48% |
| Total Operations Expenses | 1,066,861 | 0 | 1,066,861 | 500,380 | 566,481 | 46.90% |

VIRGINIA'S REGION 2000 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

Budget to Actual for FY16

as of December 31, 2015

| | <u>FY16 Budget</u> | <u>Budget Adjustment</u> | <u>FY16 Adjusted Budget</u> | <u>Actual Through 12/31/15</u> | <u>Diff Between Budget & Actual</u> | <u>% of Budget Used</u> |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|------------------------------------|
| Total Operations Expenses (from Page 1) | 1,066,861 | 0 | 1,066,861 | 500,380 | 566,481 | 46.90% |
| Direct Project Expenses | | | | | | |
| Agriculture Project | 29,075 | | 29,075 | 15,370 | 13,705 | 52.86% |
| Amherst CDBG - Madison Hights | 0 | | 0 | 337 | (337) | #DIV/0! |
| Appomattox County Comp Plan | 750 | | 750 | 253 | 497 | 33.73% |
| Appomattox CDBG | 0 | | 0 | 1,866 | (1,866) | #DIV/0! |
| Brookneal Streetscape | 0 | | 0 | 518 | (518) | #DIV/0! |
| Campbell County Route 29 Corridor Planning | 0 | 57,500 | 57,500 | 0 | 57,500 | 0.00% |
| DHCD | 2,500 | | 2,500 | 255 | 2,245 | 10.20% |
| DRPT / FTA | 2,500 | | 2,500 | 931 | 1,569 | 37.24% |
| EDA CEDS -Amherst | 0 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 237 | 49,763 | 0.47% |
| EDA CEDS | 10,000 | 65,027 | 75,027 | 302 | 74,725 | 0.40% |
| Regional Radio Board | 2,500 | | 2,500 | 562 | 1,938 | 22.48% |
| Regional Tourism | 50,000 | | 50,000 | 101 | 49,899 | 0.20% |
| RideSolutions | 22,414 | | 22,414 | 7,036 | 15,378 | 31.39% |
| TMDL Redevelopment | 100 | 13,200 | 13,300 | 7,702 | 5,598 | 57.91% |
| Town of Amherst Main Street Waterline | 500 | | 500 | 30 | 470 | 6.00% |
| Town of Amherst Comp Plan | 100 | | 100 | 1 | 99 | 1.00% |
| Town of Appomattox Planning Services | 0 | | 0 | 49 | (49) | #DIV/0! |
| VDOT - PL | 16,500 | | 16,500 | 11,050 | 5,450 | 66.97% |
| VDOT - Rural | 2,500 | | 2,500 | 1,197 | 1,303 | 47.88% |
| WIA | 198,000 | | 198,000 | 24,135 | 173,865 | 12.19% |
| Total Direct Project Expenses | 337,439 | 185,727 | 523,166 | 71,932 | 451,234 | 13.75% |
| TOTAL OPERATING & DIRECT PROJECT EXPENSES | \$1,404,300 | \$185,727 | \$1,590,027 | \$572,312 | \$1,017,715 | 35.99% |
| Pass Thru Expenses | | | | | | |
| Regional Radio Board | 1,199,988 | | 1,199,988 | 474,799 | 725,189 | 39.57% |
| VDOT - PL | 81,000 | | 81,000 | 53,193 | 27,807 | 65.67% |
| WIA | 850,000 | | 850,000 | 452,618 | 397,382 | 53.25% |
| Total Pass Thru Expenses | \$2,130,988 | \$0 | \$2,130,988 | \$980,610 | \$1,150,378 | 46.02% |
| Total Expenses | \$3,535,288 | \$185,727 | \$3,721,015 | \$1,552,922 | \$2,168,093 | 41.73% |

VIRGINIA'S REGION 2000 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

Budget to Actual for FY16

as of December 31, 2015

| | <u>FY16 Budget</u> | <u>Budget Adjustment</u> | <u>FY16 Adjusted Budget</u> | <u>Actual Through 12/31/15</u> | <u>Diff Between Budget & Actual</u> | <u>% of Budget Received</u> |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| <u>OPERATIONS FUND (REVENUE)</u> | | | | | | |
| Dues Town of Appomattox | 1,045 | | 1,045 | 1,045 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Town of Brookneal | 1,045 | | 1,045 | 1,045 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Town of Amherst | 1,045 | | 1,045 | 1,045 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Town of Altavista | 1,045 | | 1,045 | 1,045 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Town of Bedford | 1,045 | | 1,045 | 1,045 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Lynchburg | 44,491 | | 44,491 | 44,491 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Bedford County | 43,878 | | 43,878 | 43,878 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Campbell County | 32,278 | | 32,278 | 32,278 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Amherst County | 18,674 | | 18,674 | 18,674 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Dues Appomattox County | 8,780 | | 8,780 | 8,780 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | 16,000 | | 16,000 | 5,064 | 10,936 | 31.65% |
| Total Operations Revenue | 169,326 | 0 | 169,326 | 158,390 | 10,936 | 93.54% |
| Direct Project Revenues | | | | | | |
| Agriculture Grant | 19,275 | | 19,275 | | 19,275 | 0.00% |
| Amherst County - Old Madison Heights | 0 | | 0 | 22,360 | (22,360) | #DIV/0! |
| Appomattox County Comp Plan | 15,000 | | 15,000 | 4,877 | 10,123 | 32.51% |
| Brookneal Streetscape | 0 | | 0 | 6,000 | (6,000) | #DIV/0! |
| Campbell County Route 29 Corridor Planning | 0 | 62,500 | 62,500 | | 62,500 | 0.00% |
| DHCD | 72,471 | | 72,471 | 37,985 | 34,486 | 52.41% |
| DRPT / FTA | 103,426 | | 103,426 | 45,832 | 57,594 | 44.31% |
| EDA/CEDS - Amherst | 0 | 50,000 | 50,000 | | 50,000 | 0.00% |
| EDA/CEDS - LGC | 25,000 | 25,000 | 50,000 | | 50,000 | 0.00% |
| Regional Radio Board | 40,000 | | 40,000 | 35,333 | 4,667 | 88.33% |
| Region 2000 Services Authority | 157,829 | | 157,829 | 75,256 | 82,573 | 47.68% |
| RideSolutions | 44,214 | | 44,214 | 18,706 | 25,508 | 42.31% |
| TMDL Redevelopment | 3,000 | 16,200 | 19,200 | | 19,200 | 0.00% |
| Town of Amherst Main Street Waterline | 10,000 | | 10,000 | | 10,000 | 0.00% |
| Town of Appomattox Comp Plan | 3,000 | | 3,000 | | 3,000 | 0.00% |
| VDOT-PL | 133,200 | | 133,200 | 58,856 | 74,344 | 44.19% |
| VDOT-Rural | 58,000 | | 58,000 | 22,660 | 35,340 | 39.07% |
| Virginia's Region 2000 | 6,000 | | 6,000 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 50.00% |
| WIA | 431,897 | | 431,897 | 135,898 | 295,999 | 31.47% |
| Total Direct Project Revenues | 1,122,312 | 153,700 | 1,276,012 | 466,763 | 809,249 | 36.58% |
| Interest | 600 | | 600 | 411 | 189 | 68.50% |
| TOTAL OPERATIONS & DIRECT PROJECT REVENUES | 1,292,238 | 153,700 | 1,445,938 | 625,564 | 820,374 | 43.26% |
| Surplus/(Use of Fund) Balance | (112,062) | (32,027) | (144,089) | 53,252 | (197,341) | |
| Funding from Fund Balance for EDA CEDS | 25,000 | 40,027 | 65,027 | | 65,027 | 0.00% |
| Funding from Fund Balance for Tourism | 50,000 | | 50,000 | | 50,000 | 0.00% |
| Funding from Fund Balance for Agriculture Grant | 19,275 | | 19,275 | | 19,275 | 0.00% |
| Funding from Fund Balance | 94,275 | 40,027 | 134,302 | 0 | 134,302 | 0.00% |
| | (\$17,787) | \$8,000 | (\$9,787) | \$53,252 | (\$63,039) | |
| Pass Thru Revenue | | | | | | |
| Regional Radio Board | 1,199,988 | | 1,199,988 | 1,068,843 | 131,145 | 89.07% |
| VDOT - PL | 81,000 | | 81,000 | 53,193 | 27,807 | 65.67% |
| WIA | 850,000 | | 850,000 | 444,589 | 405,411 | 52.30% |
| Total Pass Thru Revenues | \$2,130,988 | \$0 | \$2,130,988 | \$1,566,625 | \$564,363 | 73.52% |
| Total Revenue | 3,517,501 | 193,727 | 3,711,228 | 2,192,189 | 1,519,039 | |
| Net Surplus/(Use of Fund) Balance | (17,787) | 8,000 | (9,787) | 639,267 | | |

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

Budget to Actual for FY16

As of December 31, 2015

CASH ON HAND

Sun Trust Checking

LGC Funds

280,046

WIA Trainit Funds

4,505

Local Govt Invest Pool

471,733

Petty Cash

195

Cash on Hand

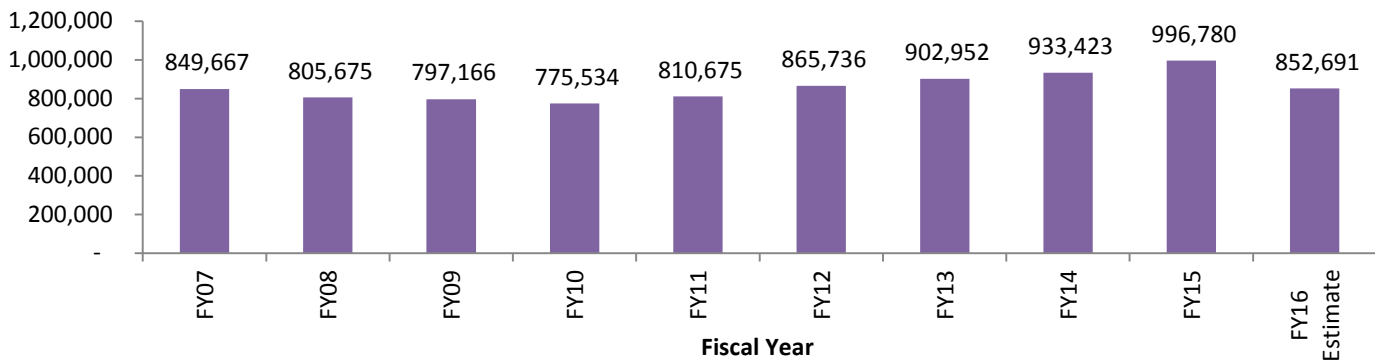
\$ 756,479

CALCULATION OF ESTIMATED YEAR-END FUND BALANCE

Estimated Year-end Fund Balance

\$ 852,691

Year-end Fund Balance





Revitalization of Research Platforms at the Center for Advanced Engineering Research (CAER)

The Center for Advanced Engineering and Research (CAER) and Integrated Systems Test (IST) Facility in Forest, VA is a unique, world-class research facility featuring a nuclear power plant simulator which simulates operating pressures and temperatures seen in typical pressurized water reactor (PWR) designs.

CAER and the IST have been funded through public-private investments including a \$20 million investment by BWXT and a \$10 million investment by the Commonwealth of Virginia's Tobacco Region revitalization Commission. Other contributions include:

- \$2.7 million In-kind contribution of a nuclear power plant simulator by Areva
- \$500,000 in land and site improvements by Bedford County
- \$650,000 contributed by local governments through the Region 2000 Alliance
- Other support through DHCD, CIT and the Commonwealth Graduate Engineering Program

CAER seeks \$925,797 to make the IST facility available for a broad array of research, testing, and modeling uses. The investment also carries little risk, as it would not be used unless the DOE baseline funding is met.

- Funding is sought to transition the facility back to an operational condition from dry-layup condition.
- Virginia funding will provide hiring and training of staff, mechanical and electrical supplies, and facility operating costs including utilities, operating software, taxes and insurance.
- Funding from the Commonwealth will enable the successful to recalibration and re-establishment of operating and testing conditions at the IST. This will include a thorough verification of mechanical, electrical, and computer systems, including the complex network of instruments installed throughout the facility.
- During the restart period, the facility will seek research grants and income from the DOE, NSF, and private companies.

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Staff - 6 Operators and 3 Engineers (gradual hiring during initial 6 month period) | \$395,583 |
| Materials and Supplies | \$200,000 |
| Utilities - Electricity | \$135,000 |
| Taxes – local taxes on equipment | \$63,000 |
| Insurance | \$75,000 |
| Operating Software | \$40,339 |
| Office Software and Supplies | \$16,875 |
| Total | \$925,797 |

The benefits to Virginia are significant.

The CAER/IST is a world class research asset valued at over \$30 million. Virginia's investment would mean it would:

- Would be available to Virginia universities and companies,
- Would provide high paying science and technology jobs,
- Attract DOE and other federal R&D funding to Virginia (benefitting Virginia Universities),

Once operational, sources of future funds for IST will include:

- DOE request for \$25 million over five years
- Utilization of the facility by private companies and universities for research purposes

The CAER/IST will improve nuclear R&D through open access with universities, national laboratories, and industry; fulfill national research development and demonstration roadmap; spur innovation and advance technology readiness of existing and emerging energy technologies; and address regulatory challenges and help eliminate existing deployment obstacles. The CAER IST will facilitate research in a number of areas including:

- thermal hydraulics (modeling and validation)
- cybersecurity and cyber-physical systems
- instrumentation, sensors and controls
- workforce development and education

In addition, the project contributes to Virginia workforce development by providing a "working power plant" for the nuclear engineering curriculum at VCU and VT. Faculty and students will have the opportunity to collaborate with researchers from national labs, industry, and international research consortiums.

In addition, the facility will provide hands-on training programs for the utilities on cyber-security and embedded sensors for utilities. These will contribute to protection of critical national infrastructure in light of recent international attacks on power systems.

Finally, the facility can work with utilities on plant operator assessment and training. For example, the CAER/IST is talking with utilities about a research project to create an assessment system to improve the quality of operator candidate and unlicensed operator pools.

We urge you to support the funding request of \$925,797 for the CAER/IST facility.



**A RESOLUTION FROM THE VIRGINIA'S REGION 2000 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL
URGING SUPPORT FOR THE CENTER FOR ADVANCED ENGINEERING AND RESEARCH
(CAER) AND THE INTEGRATED SYSTEMS TEST (IST) FACILITY IN FOREST, VIRGINIA**

WHEREAS, in 2010, BWX Technologies selected the Center for Advanced Engineering and Research (CAER) as the site for its electrically heated (nuclear simulated) pilot-scaled small modular reactor Integrated Systems Test Facility (IST), and

WHEREAS, the IST facility was funded through an approximately a \$20 million investment by BWXT and a \$10 million investment by the Commonwealth of Virginia's Tobacco Commission, and

WHEREAS, CAER and the IST houses both a 1.8 MW power IST facility and a laboratory on human factors and instrumentation and controls (INCONTROL), and

WHEREAS, both facilities are available for a broad range of R&D programs, and

WHEREAS, the facility has the potential to be a unique world-class engineering research facility that will strengthen the impact of, and capabilities for, nuclear and other energy research in Virginia, and

WHEREAS, the CAER and the IST facility will represent a further return on the Tobacco Commission's initial investment by making the facility a center for public and private research, modeling, and data collection, and enabling the Commonwealth of Virginia to fully benefit from the engineering and scientific equipment being donated by BWXT, and

WHEREAS, the CAER and the IST facility will generate new high-paying jobs to the area, and

WHEREAS, Virginia's status as a leader in nuclear energy and research would be enhanced by a facility of this nature, and,

WHEREAS, Virginia universities are working to secure federal nuclear engineering research grants that require an operational facility such as the CAER/IST, grant opportunities which may be lost if the CAER/IST cannot be made operational, and

WHEREAS, the Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council has defined in its Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), among others, two of its primary goals as 1) supporting innovation based businesses and, 2) developing state-of-the-art infrastructure for high wage industry clusters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council urges the Commonwealth of Virginia to support the CAER and the IST facility and encourages the commonwealth as well as private and public organizations to invest in Virginia's nuclear future by providing funds to ensure CAER and the IST continue to grow and benefit Virginia's nuclear future.

APPROVED and **ADOPTED** this **21st** day of **JANUARY, 2016** upon a motion by _____, duly seconded by, _____.

ATTESTED BY:

Gary F. Christie, Secretary
Region 2000 Local Government Council

CERTIFIED BY:

Paul Harvey, Chair
Region 2000 Local Government Council



**PROCLAMATION of the VIRGINIA'S REGION 2000 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL
DESIGNATING APRIL 1-7, 2015 AS LOCAL GOVERNMENT EDUCATION WEEK**

WHEREAS, since the colonial period, the Commonwealth of Virginia has closely held the institutions of local government; and

WHEREAS, local governments throughout the Commonwealth provide valuable services to the citizens of the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, citizen services such as, law enforcement, public health and safety, recreational opportunities, and educating local children, are most often delivered at the local level; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the work performed by local governments, the Virginia General Assembly, on February 29, 2012, designated the first week in April as Local Government Education Week in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, April 2, 1908 was the creation of the Council-Manager form of government in the City of Staunton thereby making the first week in April appropriate for this designation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council that April 1-7, 2016 is hereby designated as Local Government Education Week; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council will support collaboration between the local governments and school districts of Region 2000, as they are able, that promote civic education and engagement in an effort to educate citizens about their local government, strengthen the sense of community, and engage the next generation of local government managers.

ADOPTED this **21st** day of **JANUARY, 2016** upon a motion by _____,
duly seconded by, _____.

ATTESTED BY:

Gary F. Christie, Secretary
Region 2000 Local Government Council

CERTIFIED BY:

Paul Harvey, Chair
Region 2000 Local Government Council