



**Virginia's Region 2000
Local Government Council**
828 Main Street, 12th Floor
Lynchburg, VA 24504

Large Conference Room
July 21, 2016
5:00 pm

Final Minutes

Members Present:

Susan Adams, Appomattox County Administrator
Carl Boggess, Bedford County Administrator, *Treasurer of Council*
Kenneth Bumgarner, Amherst Town Council
Kenneth Campbell, Amherst County Board of Supervisors
Philipp Gabathuler, Appomattox Town Manager
Jack Hobbs, Amherst Town Manager
Megan Lucas, Lynchburg Regional Economic Alliance
Dean Rodgers, Amherst County Administrator
Frank Rogers, Campbell County Administrator
Bryan Moody, Appomattox County Board of Supervisors
Bonnie Svrccek, Lynchburg City Manager

Members Absent:

Mayor Phyllis Campbell, Town of Brookneal
Waverly Coggsdale, Altavista Town Manager
Joan Foster, Lynchburg City Council
Delegate T. Scott Garrett, Virginia House of Delegates
Stacey Hailey, Bedford Town Council
Mayor Paul Harvey, Town of Appomattox
Charles Kolakowski, Bedford Town Manager
Mayor Mike Mattox, Town of Altavista
Michael Rousseau, Campbell County Board of Supervisors
Russell Thurston, Brookneal Town Manager
John Sharp, Bedford County Board of Supervisors, *Chair of Council*

Others Present:

Ben Bowman, Region 2000 Workforce Development Board, *Director*
Margaret Carmel, News & Advance
Gary Christie, Local Government Council, *Executive Director*
Nina Chambers, Local Government Council
Rosalie Majerus, Local Government Council, *Deputy Director of Finance*
Matt Perkins, Local Government Council, *Administrative Program Coordinator*

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome | Moment of Silence

In John Sharp's (Chair) absence, Carl Boggess (Treasurer) called for the appointment of a Temporary Chair. Upon a motion by Bonnie Svrcek to appoint Carl Boggess as Temporary Chair, duly seconded by Megan Lucas, and upon a voice vote the motion passed in favor of appointing Carl Boggess Temporary Chair.

Carl Boggess called the meeting of the Local Government Council to order at 5:02 p.m.; opened with introduction of new members; and, observed a moment of silence.

2. Appreciation of Council Officers of FY16

In the absence of Mayor Harvey, this matter was tabled until next meeting that Mayor Harvey is present.

3. Approval of Minutes: March 17, 2016 and April 21, 2016

Megan Lucas moved and Jack Hobbs seconded the motion to approve the minutes of March 17, 2016 and April 21, 2016 as presented. With no objections, Carl Boggess declared the motion carried with Bonnie Svrcek abstaining.

4. Finance Report

Rosalie Majerus, *Dep. Dir. of Finance*, presented the draft year-end financial report for period ending June 30, 2016. Noted that operating expenses and deductions from reserves were less than budgeted.

5. Consideration and Approval of Resolution Supporting the Central Virginia Training Center Course of Action for Adaptive Reuse

Gary Christie noted that in the April meeting that the Council talked about making some show of support for the more detailed planning at the CVTC after suggesting that greater dialogue between Senator Newman and Amherst County.

Megan Lucas provided a recap of the meeting with Amherst and Senator Newman noting that Senator Newman understood the Region's concerns and opportunities as the Council has discussed. Lucas noted that Senator Newman's objective was to keep the facility open and operating.

Christie presented a resolution supporting CVTC course of action for adaptive reuse and provided further details and explanation of components contained in resolution. Christie noted this resolution was presented to, and was passed unanimously by, the Amherst County Board of Supervisors.

Frank Rogers moved and Philipp Gabathuler seconded the motion to approve the Resolution Supporting the Central Virginia Training Center Course of Action for Adaptive Reuse. With no objections, Carl Boggess declared the motion carried.

6. Discussion on a Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Grant Application

Gary Christie noted that since 2006 the LGC has coordinated the regional hazard mitigation plan noting that the plan is necessary for localities to be eligible to receive Federal and State disaster assistance in the event of a declared natural disaster event.

Christie noted that Virginia Tech's Center for Geospatial Information Technology has quoted a cost of \$100,000. Christie noted that if all eleven participate, then sharing the match equally would cost each jurisdiction \$2,500. The grant application is due in October putting the start of the project Spring of 2017.

Staff proposes that the Local Government Council encourage localities to participate in the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan at a cost not to exceed \$2,500 by completing the Letter of Intent as presented. Additionally, Christie noted that the completed revised plan would then be presented to the localities governing body for formal adoption.

Christie noted that staff would distribute the Letters of Intent for the Council members to present to their jurisdictions.

Jack Hobbs moved and Bonnie Svrcek seconded the motion for Council members to survey their jurisdictions for participation in the plan update at a cost not to exceed \$2500 and should not all eleven jurisdictions participate then the Council will decide on next steps at a future meeting. With no objections, Carl Boggess declared the motion carried.

7. Discussion and Approval for Staff Reorganization

Gary Christie provided an overview of current staff levels and staffing needs as they relate to transportation and planning/grants management. Christie asked the Council for their authorization to create a "Planning Coordinator" position.

Frank Rogers moved and Jack Hobbs seconded a motion authorizing the creation of a "Planning Coordinator" position at a Grade 114 (\$57,033-\$88,400). With no objections, Carl Boggess declared the motion carried.

8. Discussion and Adoption of Council Mission Statement

Gary Christie noted that it was important, now that the Alliance has merged with the Chamber, that the Local Government Council be able to tell our customers, stakeholders and the community who we are and what we do as part of the ongoing communication initiative. Christie noted that a good first step in that process is establishing a mission statement and asks for the Council to discuss the options presented.

By consensus, the Council voted to adopt the following mission statement for the Local Government Council:

The Mission of the Local Government Council:

- Be a dynamic public forum for matters of regional significance
- Create regional solutions by coordinating regional plans and building coalitions
- Provide excellent local and regional services to localities and the Commonwealth

9. Workforce Center at Central Virginia Community College

Gary Christie and Ben Bowman provided an update on the discussions on creating a workforce center facility on the campus of CVCC and the continued dialogue on exploring funding, in the short term, for a feasibility study.

Additionally, Ben Bowman noted the new location of Region 2000 Workforce Center at Odd Fellows Rd noting that it complies with the new regulations for a comprehensive workforce center. Additionally, Bowman noted existing programming and plans to develop a functioning one-stop system throughout the region.

10. Matters from the Council

Gary Christie presented a brief update to GoVirginia and the impending development of state-wide board.

11. Adjourn

Bryan Moody moved and Bonnie Svrcek seconded the motion to adjourn. With no objections, Carl Boggess declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Signed: _____

By: _____

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