

At a regular meeting of the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held in the Administration Building of said county on August 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Garland H. Hamlett, Jr. Chairman
 Gary D. Walker, Vice Chairman
 Kay M. Pierantoni
 Tony Reeves
 Donna Fore
 Will Garnett

Absent: Robert L. Shook, Jr

Chairman Hamlett called the meeting to order.

Chairman Hamlett gave the invocation.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Will Garnett and carried Robert L. Shook, Jr. absent and all other members present and voting yes to approve the agenda as amended.

Amendments to the agenda are as follows: Remove Sheriff Freeman, add additional invoices for payment and consider and/or approve a building permit refund.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Tony Reeves and carried with Robert L. Shook, Jr. absent and all other members present and voting yes to approve the minutes as presented.

After due notice was given the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to hear comments for proposed amendment to the FY2020/21 Charlotte County Budget.

Chairman Hamlett called the Public Hearing to order.

The proposed amendment to the budget are as follows:

		Expenditure	Revenue
10-3103-5413	DARE Program-Operating Supplies	11,667.88	
10-3105-5413	Project Lifesaver-Operating Supplies	5,382.92	
10-3107-5413	Fed. Asset Forfeiture Funds-Operating Supplies	3,123.69	
10-3106-5413	State Asset Forfeiture Funds-Operating Supplies	4,073.22	
10-9902-9006	Transfer to School Capital Projects	422,680.16	
10-3101-8203	Public Safety-Communications	266,971.92	
10-4302-7001	Bldg & Grounds-Equipment (CIP postponed-COVID)	18,000.00	
10-510030	Funds from General Fund Balance (carry over FY20)		731,899.79
10-3104-5811	E-911 Grant	30,000.00	
10-240202	E-911 Grant		30,000.00
10-1303	Election CARES 2020 Cycle	51,450.00	
10-330302	Election CARES 2020 Cycle		51,450.00
10-2106-1001	Circuit Court Clerk-Salaries and Wages	9,272.00	
10-230801	Clerk's Office		9,272.00
Fund 11	Federal CARES COVID-19	967,926.63	
11-330301	Federal CARES COVID-19 Relief (carry over FY20)		967,926.63
70-9400-8236	School Renovations	<u>422,680.16</u>	
70-410010	Transfer From General Fund (carry over FY20)		<u>422,680.16</u>
Total		2,213,228.58	2,213,228.58
	School Budget	Expenditure	Revenue
Fund 30	School Operations (expended by order of School Board)	1,766,431.54	
State Funds	Carry over & additional Appropriations		269,110.68

Federal Funds	Carry over & additional Appropriations		1,497,320.86
Fund 39	Virtual Virginia (Charlotte County Schools-Fiscal Agent)	<u>3,415,292.95</u>	
State Funds	Carry over & additional Appropriations		<u>3,415,292.95</u>
Grand Total	Consolidated Budget Amendments	7,394,953.07	7,394,953.07

Public Comment: - None

Being no further comments the Public Hearing was closed.

After due notice was given the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to hear comments for a proposed Second Amendment Resolution.

Chairman Hamlett called the Public Hearing to order.

Daniel Witt addressed the Board. Mr. Witt stated this item was continued from the July meeting at the request of the Board. On July 1, 2020 new legislation, § 15.2-915(E) became law that permits a County to ban otherwise lawfully possessed and transported firearms from certain public spaces. The Virginia Citizens Defense League, VCDL, has asked the Board to consider adopting the attached resolution expressing its continued opposition to any law that would unconstitutionally restrict the rights of the citizens of, and visitors to, Charlotte County to keep and bear arms.

As pointed out by the County Attorney, Russell Slayton, if the resolution is adopted, it can be changed at any time with another vote of the Board.

Public Comment:

George Toombs addressed the Board and requested the Board pass the Second Amendment Resolution as he feels his Second Amendment rights need to be protected.

Michael Lucas addressed the Board and requested the Board pass the Second Amendment Resolution. Mr. Lucas feels his Second Amendment rights should not be infringed upon.

Being no further comments the Public Hearing was closed.

After due notice was given the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to hear comments for a proposed Court Filing Fee of \$5.00.

Robert L. Shook, Jr. arrived at 6:15 p.m.

Public Comment:

George Toombs signed up but declined to comment.

Being no further comments the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Will Garnett and carried with all other members present and voting yes to approve and the appropriate the amended budget as presented.

Motion was made by Kay M. Pierantoni to approve the Second Amendment Resolution with a revision to post signs to ban long rifles in Government buildings.

Due to a lack of a second, the motion failed.

Motion was made by Will Garnett, seconded by Donna Fore and carried with Kay M. Pierantoni voting no and all other members present and voting yes to approve the following Second Amendment Resolution:

WHEREAS, in acknowledgment of its deep commitment to the rights of all citizens of, and visitors to, Charlotte County to keep and bear arms, Charlotte County Board of Supervisors previously declared Charlotte County to be a ‘Second Amendment Sanctuary’, and

WHEREAS, certain legislation has been passed in the Virginia General Assembly that allows localities to, by ordinance, ban otherwise lawfully possessed and transported firearms from certain public spaces, causing law-abiding citizens to be exposed to a patchwork of local ordinances as they travel throughout the Commonwealth, and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors acknowledges the significant economic contribution made to our community by tourists and visitors and does not wish to discourage travel to Charlotte County, and

WHEREAS, Charlotte County wishes to welcome all law-abiding citizens who wish to live in, visit, or otherwise participate in the economy of our community, including those citizens and visitors who choose to legally carry a firearm for personal protection, and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors does not wish to infringe on the rights of the citizens of, or visitors to, Charlotte County to keep and bear arms, and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors wishes to express its continued opposition to any law that would unconstitutionally restrict the rights of the citizens of, and visitors to, Charlotte County to keep and bear arms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Charlotte County Virginia:

That the Charlotte Board of Supervisors hereby declares Charlotte County, Virginia shall not exercise any authority granted to it by § 15.2-915(E) of the Code of Virginia to regulate or prohibit the otherwise legal purchase, possession, or transfer of firearms or ammunition.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Tony Reeves and carried with all other members present and voting yes to approve adoption of the ordinance referencing State Code Section 17.1-279.1 authorizing Charlotte County Courts to charge a \$5.00 fee for electronic summons effective September 1, 2020.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Tony Reeves and carried with all other members present and voting yes to amend the ordinance for Assessment of Court costs in criminal or traffic cases for Courthouse security to include the effective date of September 1, 2020.

Committee Reports:

Kay M. Pierantoni – Supervisor Pierantoni stated Social Services is continuing to see clients with restrictions and their request for services is increasing. Supervisor Pierantoni reported on the Tax Referendum Committee.

During this year’s legislative session the Board of Supervisors asked our Delegate Edmunds to introduce a bill that would allow Charlotte County to hold a referendum on increasing sales tax by 1 cent on certain items with all revenue going exclusively for school renovations and construction. The bill passed.

We knew we had to wait until our July meeting to pass the resolution to have this on the ballot. I was asked to be the liaison from Board of Supervisors to work with School Board liaison and County Staff and School Administration Staff in organizing the work to be done.

I was willing to help because I knew it was our County's best hope for having the additional revenue that is urgently needed for our schools. I hoped that it would also be a way to take off the unrealistic burden we have placed on other taxes, especially real estate.

Here's the logic... these repairs at schools have been ignored in this County too long. I don't know why but I know it has to do in part with, in my opinion, poor decisions in the past regarding building a too expensive courthouse, and other wasteful and questionable spending. The school repairs can no longer wait and we had to raise real estate taxes in 2019 twenty percent just because of past decisions. So, here are our choices, we can continue to raise real estate and personal property taxes to pay for these needs.....or we can try to find other revenue sources. A one cent sales tax increase that was estimated to bring in 650,000 per year seemed like a very worthwhile solution.

During this pandemic I knew it would be an uphill battle to accomplish the work that was needed to raise public awareness so hopefully this would pass. I spoke to this at our June BOS meeting and how I would need the support of Staff and all Supervisors. At our July meeting, where the resolution to pass the Referendum was passed 6-1, I spoke to this again. The dissenting vote to the Resolution, Supervisor Walker, accused me falsely of some "agreement" we had. He said I was being misleading and stated "go back and listen to the tape". I did, and I encourage others to do so to see who was being misleading. June meeting time marker 56:55 and accusations at July meeting, time marker 2:19:07.

The reason I bring this up is what transpired since and brought us to the place we are today. As stated previously an effort like this requires a lot of people helping. People on this Board and others. But I especially needed Staff support. In order to buy signs and hopefully do a mailing we needed funds. In Halifax they sent \$40,000; half of the funds came from the IDA, with Town of South Boston, Service Authority and Higher Learning Center contributing the rest. I learned last Monday that Staff had not followed up with our IDA so I did so. Unfortunately, the IDA declined our request for help, and they did so in a very disheartening manner. Perhaps they could have a change of heart now that they know the facts. At our Committee meeting last Thursday Administrator Witt admitted he had not been involved even though he was aware Halifax's Administrator was heavily involved in their efforts. He stated he had remained apart from the Committee's efforts at the direction of a couple of Supervisors. While making me extremely upset, this also broke my spirit. I asked him in the meeting and later sent an email to all Supervisors and Mr. Witt. If anyone would like a copy I will provide. One, or even two, Supervisors shouldn't give direction to Administrator outside of public view and against what has been decided by majority in the meeting. I'm not trying to be disrespectful to anyone here but all of us on this Board and Staff needs to know we are to be looking out for the citizens and our actions are to be transparent. We are accountable to the Citizens.

So, bottom line on this, I believe our efforts to possibly bring this forward this year have been severely hampered. But if we give up, our County has lost the opportunity for potential revenue increase of \$650,000. The Committee made up of Kathy Liston, Hazel Bowman-Smith, Treasurer Diane Hubbard, Gloria Talbott, Superintendent Mason, Brette Arbogast and myself, have done our best. I thank all for being willing to serve. I thank Ms. Liston for her efforts to bring this to our attention and get it started. I want to especially thank Superintendent Mason and Mr. Arbogast. This pandemic has been a crushing workload for many but none more than School Administration. They both have done everything they could to help with this effort.

Our Citizens need to take a hard look at what happened here and asked some pointed questions. Do we want our children to continue to not have the facilities they deserve? Do you want leaders that do things like put a fancy courthouse (had

to build a courthouse but not a fancy one) above its school buildings? Do you want a School Board to continually have to beg and plead for what they desperately need and forever be at the mercy of BOS on repairs?

Hazel Bowman-Smith is in support of going forward; Kathy Liston is not. We have had an offer of \$1,000 to buy some signs. Hopefully, the IDA will have a change of heart and vote to give us some funds as well. Superintendent Mason and Mr. Arbogast, with all that they are facing have asked us to go forward and try to get this passed. I can't turn them down.

I certainly hope our Board members who voted to support this Referendum will now speak up now as to their intentions to support, or not. This is for the children.....the schools in which they are educated now and the better financial future we will have for this County if Referendum is successful.

Will Garnett – Supervisor Garnett stated he is in support for the Sales Tax Referendum. Supervisor Garnett stated Tri County Community Action is up and running offering all services by appointment. Supervisor Garnett also stated if any citizen experienced any problems with Tri County Community Action to feel free to reach out to him. Supervisor Garnett stated Tri County did receive a favorable audit report and are moving in the right direction financially.

Robert L. Shook, Jr. – None

Donna Fore – Supervisor Fore gave her support for going forward with the Sales Tax Referendum and requested assistance for the Committee.

Tony Reeves - None

Gary D. Walker – Supervisor Walker reported the Commonwealth Regional Council is working with the Town of Phenix on their water system and is continuing to work with the County. Supervisor Walker recognized Carmelita Escato, Crossroads representative and requested time permitting, Ms. Escato to make a report to the Board.

Garland H. Hamlett, Jr. – Chairman Hamlett stated he supports the Tax Referendum. Chairman Hamlett stated he attended the Chief Elected Local Officials meeting. Chairman Hamlett stated unemployment was the main issue discussed with concerns over the extra money being received thru unemployment benefits. Chairman Hamlett stated the extra benefits were posing problems for employers getting their employees to return to work.

Public Comment:

Monique Williams addressed the Board. Ms. Williams spoke in reference to the monuments located in Charlotte County. Ms. Williams represents the Citizens from the Community Days of Action. Ms. Williams stated she believes all history should be remembered, talked about and understood.

The Chairman read the following comments submitted:

Robert W. Martin – “I understand you are considering adopting a "Resolution" that states the County will not ban otherwise lawfully possessed and transported firearms from certain public spaces, as now permitted by State Code. “I want to encourage you all to pass the Resolution to show your support for the Virginia and US Constitution and most importantly the 2nd Amendment.”

“Today it's seems fashionable for people in and out of government to shred the United States Constitution and thus not allowing our citizens right to protect our homes, state and country from those who would do us harm. With the senseless violence going on in Seattle, Portland, NYC, Baltimore, Chicago, other cities and states going now, the 2A is required to protect ourselves.”

“Please pass this resolution and send a message to those in Richmond and Washington, DC who wish to eventually take away our rights and the 2A is the keystone of those rights.”

Joe Montenero – “In proposing any ordinance similar to that recently passed in Alexandria prohibiting lawful peaceable gun owners with permits to carry a firearm from entering most of the locality, you are attacking the right of the citizens of Charlotte and Virginia to protect themselves and their families. Southern Maryland has 4 times the murder rate of Northern Virginia and Washington D.C. has 8 times the murder rate of Northern Virginia. Both localities have some of the strictest gun laws in the country. With the miniscule amount of crime in Charlotte, Charlotte is looking at a solution to a non-existent problem and that solution is to make criminals out of peaceful gun owners who carry a firearm for self-defense. You express concern in wishing to be consistent with neighboring communities, but your proposed action achieves exactly the opposite, flying in the face of state-wide legislation and imposes an unnecessary burden on visitors to Charlotte. With over 600,000 peaceful firearm owners in VA having carry permits, you are excluding a huge class of persons from conducting business in Charlotte. Please focus your attention and efforts on legislation that attacks criminals, not law-abiding citizens. “

Belinda & Zan Strom – “We ask that you stand by the 2nd amendment to the constitution that does not limit or restrict our right to protect and defend ourselves and our families by adopting the resolution that Charlotte County will NOT ban lawfully possessed firearms from public spaces, as currently permitted.”

Diane Clemens addressed the Board with concerns over removal of the Confederate Monument from the Court House Square. Ms. Clemens stated this is a part of our history and is a valuable tourist attraction. Ms. Clemens suggested instead of tearing down statues, a curriculum could be developed to teach our children the importance of all history.

George Toombs addressed the Board concerning the removal of the Confederate Monument. Mr. Toombs requested the Board not act for removal of any monuments representing history in the County.

Michael Lucas addressed the Board with concerns over removal of the Confederate Monument. Mr. Lucas feels it is important to preserve history and encourage conversations for better understanding.

Lawrence Clark addressed the Board with concerns over not removing the Confederate Monument. Mr. Clark feels the monument represents a bad part of our history.

Chairman Hamlett read the following comments submitted:

Sonya Carwile – “First let me say I am thankful to live in a time and place where monuments may be retired by thoughtful consideration rather than removed by angry mobs. In no way do I support those who unlawfully destroy monuments. Those who loot, damage property, and violently clash with police are criminals.”

“We do not need memorials in Charlotte County that divide us and serve as painful reminders to some. Simply put Confederate memorials are divisive. As we have recently seen all across the United States, they produce discord. They are controversial and the subject of nationwide debate. What we do need is a government that not only represents all people, but one that carefully balances the needs of all people. I believe the majority in Charlotte County values unity in the community more than memorializing anything, especially something that divided our nation.”

‘Some will say the memorial is necessary to preserve history. I believe our great grand children will learn about the Civil War with or without these memorials. The Confederate monument was not originally erected to educate future generations about the evils of slavery. As we have recently seen throughout our country, there are many opposing viewpoints when it comes to Confederate memorials. It is a topic that stirs great emotion and heated encounters. The memorials are divisive, and divisiveness weakens rather than strengthens our country. If we Charlotte County, are going to have monuments in our community shouldn’t we have monuments that strengthen the community?’

Ned Lock – “I commend you for publicly discussing the statue honoring local citizens who served in the Confederate Army. Thank you for not meeting secretly and removing this statue in the dark of night, as has been done in some localities.

I would encourage you to let the citizens of Charlotte County vote on this issue. If the law allows, get it on the ballot for the November 3 election. There are many strong opinions on the subject among local citizens. A vote would give everyone a voice in the decision. It would also put an end to various factions trying to claim that everyone feels the same way that they do.”

Carmilita Escato addressed the Board with an update on the Crossroads Services Board. Ms. Escato stated from correspondence from Dr. Baker there has been limited staff in the office and expects to possibly return staff on or around August 24th. Limited contact will be expected with clients with social distancing and zoom meetings and session.

Patricia Berkeley, Treasurer addressed the Board with a financial revenue update. Ms. Berkeley stated Real Estate collections were at 96% and Personal Property collection are at 91%. The prior fiscal year for Personal Property was at 98% and for Real Estate was 99%. Ms. Berkley stated her, and her staff are actively working to collect past due taxes, and liens have been issued. Ms. Berkeley provided a breakdown of revenue from March – July 2020 by department as a result of Covid. Ms. Berkeley also stated sales tax collections had increased.

Chris Russell, E911 Coordinator, addressed the Board to continue the discussion of applying for a RSAF grant for E911 for Emergency Medical Directive (EMD) Equipment. Mr. Russell stated the grant cycle opened 8/1/2020 and closes 9/15/2020 with an award date of January 2021. Mr. Russell stated this is a competitive matching grant that funds on a 50/50 up to 80/20 match, few cases of 90/10 or 100% match but mostly under extenuating circumstances. Mr. Russell stated if the Board agreed upon the County E911 would be applying for approximately \$65,362.00 in funding. The exact figure will depend on the cost of the CAD/EMD interface build. Mr. Russell state the County’s matching cost would be \$13,072.40 on an 80/20 award and \$32,681.00 on a 50/50 award.

Mr. Russell gave an overview of the of what the grant money would be used for.

“Power Phone trains and certifies 911 dispatchers in EMD to provide medical care instructions over the phone to callers in emergency situations until a squad or qualified person arrives on scene. It also provides training and certification in Law Enforcement Dispatch (LED) and Fire Service Dispatch (FSD) which ensures the right questions are being asked, the right information is being gathered, interpreted and relayed in a timely manner no matter what type of 911 call or situation.”

Motion was made by Kay M. Pierantoni, seconded by Donna Fore and carried with all other members present and voting yes to support the local match for funding for the E911 Coordinator to apply for the RSAF grant.

Robbie Mason, Superintendent Charlotte County Schools addressed the Board with an update on the PPEA projects for Phenix and Bacon Elementary Schools. Mr. Mason stated the Charlotte County School Board was presented with proposed changes to the original plans at the May 2020 meeting, the School Board approved the plans and Mr. Mason and Mr. Arbogast conducted a public meeting for the

citizens at Bacon District Elementary since the majority of the changes were at that location. Mr. Mason recommends once the Comprehensive Plan has been reviewed by the County Attorney, a joint meeting be scheduled with the Board of Supervisors and the School Board to review the changes made.

Brett Arbogast addressed the Board. Mr. Arbogast stated the Comprehensive Agreement with the Schools is an agreement to make sure the cost doesn't exceed the anticipated amount. Mr. Arbogast provided a Power Point showing the proposed changes to the plan for Bacon and Phenix Elementary Schools. Mr. Arbogast stated it would be cheaper for Bacon Elementary to tear down existing parts and rebuilding with new instead of remodeling the existing parts.

Strategic Plan Discussion:

Supervisor Fore suggested asking Mr. Chandler return to meet with the Board to revamp what has already been discussed.

Supervisor Pierantoni recommends discussing one thing each month at the Board meetings. Supervisor Pierantoni also suggested Board members could suggest a topic to discuss each month, and revisit at the end of 2020.

Supervisor Fore requested Mr. Witt put together a town hall meeting to discuss issues.

Broadband Discussion:

Daniel Witt addressed the Board. Mr. Witt included in the board packet a summary of the Broadband work session. Mr. Witt recommends a County wide plan. Mr. Witt and Chandler Vaughan had a conference call with RiverStreet and discussed a County wide plan in which RiverStreet offered for \$60,000.00. Mr. Witt suggested a unique plan for Charlotte County in which RiverStreet agreed to offer for \$40,000.00 including the CAF 2 area. Mr. Witt stated Campbell County is also using RiverStreet for their County wide broadband plan.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Tony Reeves and carried with all other members present to approve the Fiber Broadband Engineering plan offered by RiverStreet Networks, Inc.

Event Permit Discussion.

Daniel Witt addressed the Board. Mr. Witt stated the Board continued this matter until the August meeting and requested that staff draft a permit that is used only for events held on public property. Board members expressed concerns that the permit, as drafted, would impact events conducted on private property. Staff has drafted the permit, per the board's directions; however, the County Code Section 10-11-3 provides very specific and very few instances where a permit would be required on private property. That language is contained in the attached zoning ordinance and to change the code would require a Planning Commission review, recommendation and a public hearing. Staff is not aware of any instance in the past 4 years, since the board adopted the ordinance, where a permit would have been required. Mr. Witt suggested the Board allow the use of a temporary zoning permit and not to create issues where there haven't been any problems.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Tony Reeves and carried with all other members present and voting yes to continue with the temporary zoning permit with no fee as presented.

Confederate Monument Discussion.

Supervisor Pierantoni stated at the last meeting it was discussed to set up an informal group to discuss the monument. The committee was set up but after the meeting was disbanded. Supervisor Pierantoni thinks discussions should be continued by Chairman Hamlett.

Chairman Hamlett suggested using the Randolph Henry auditorium for a public discussion location.

Supervisor Walker pointed out the recommendations and requirements the County Attorney provided for removal of the Confederate Monument.

After discussion and consensus of the Board, it was agreed to table the Confederate Monument discussion until January 2021.

Daniel Witt gave the Administrator's report.

By consensus of the Board Mr. Witt was asked to inform VDOT the Board would like a public hearing on the roundabout.

Administrator Witt presented a proposal from Ted Cole, Financial Advisor for Davenport & Co. to refinance the Eureka loan, which was estimated to save over \$400,000 in interest after paying all fees which included a \$150,000 estimated issuance fee. Supervisor Pierantoni suggested getting a proposal from VML/VACo for cost comparison. After discussion, Chairman Hamlett requested Mr. Witt contact VML/VACo.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Kay M. Pierantoni and carried with all other members present to authorize Mr. Witt to advertise for a position in the County Administration Office.

Public Comment:

Chairman Hamlett read the following email from Kathy Liston:

"Ms. Pierantoni earlier spoke about the proposed sales tax referendum. She left the impression that I am opposed to it. That is inaccurate; I am a big proponent of the tax. I have simply asked that we postpone putting it on the ballot until next year.

Halifax took nine months to plan a 6-week campaign; we now have approximately 5 weeks until absentee voting starts to begin planning and start the campaign.

"Halifax was successful because they mounted a strong, personal campaign that depended largely on one-to-one interaction. They had tables set up at every sporting event, fair, farmer's market, etc. They knocked on doors. In the age of Covid we can't do any of that. Some members of the committee believe we can be successful using just social media /Facebook. A large number of citizens do not have internet access. If they do, they may not use social media. Halifax also had large donors.

People have lost their jobs, they can't pay their rent or mortgages, they can't feed their kids. If the decision is to go forward with the sales tax referendum this year, I will do what I can to help the committee sell it but I am not hopeful that the referendum will pass. I would prefer to have a year to plan and raise money for a successful campaign.

One final item I would like to clear up. Ms. Pierantoni accused Mr. Witt and Ms. Elder of not doing anything to help with the referendum, specifically in regards to the IDA. At the first meeting of the sales tax committee (in July) it was decided that no one should do anything in regard to the referendum (including ask anyone for money) until we met again in August and firmed up what our message was to be.

Ms. Pierantoni obviously forgot what had been decided and just before last week's meeting she blasted Mr. Witt for not having contacted the IDA. Mr. Witt rightly said he didn't think he was supposed to yet. He offered to call Mr. Moore, the chairman, that day but Ms. Pierantoni refused saying she would handle it. She wrote to the IDA without the knowledge of the rest of the committee. Her letter was worded in such a way that it was almost certain of a negative response, which

is what happened. While Mr. Witt did say he had been told by certain supervisors that he could work on the referendum, not be "the face" of it, it is unfair to blame him or Ms. Elder for the fiasco with the IDA."

George Toombs addressed the Board. Mr. Toombs provided information on Communist goals which were read into Congressional record. Mr. Toombs feels this is valuable information to read.

Michael Lucas addressed the Board with concerns over removing the Confederate Monument.

Motion was made by Robert L. Shook, Jr., seconded by Will Garnett and carried with all other members present and voting yes to approve the following appropriations for 2021:

10-1209-7001	Commissioner of Revenue – Office Equipment	1048.00	Ependiture
10-510030	Funds from General Fund Balance	1048.00	Revenue

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Will Garnett and carried with all other members present and voting yes to approve the invoices for August FY-2020 and FY2021 in the amount of \$255,745.37.

Motion was made by Kay M. Pierantoni, seconded by Tony Reeves and carried with all other members present and voting yes to approve the CARES Expenses as presented.

By consensus of the Board the September meeting date was moved to September 8, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

By consensus of the Board at 5:05 p.m. on September 8, 2020 there will be a joint public hearing for consideration of a conditional use permit application for Charlotte County's proposed telecommunications tower on Vincent Store Road and for the proposed Shepherd's Tavern Retreat at 11540 Thomas Jefferson Hwy Pamplin.

Board Member Other Comments:

Robert L. Shook, Jr. – None

Will Garnett – Supervisor Garnett suggest that staff should continue to work on providing hot spots for the children who don't have internet access to be able to do their work provided by the Schools.

Kay M. Pierantoni – Supervisor Pierantoni responded to Kathy Liston's email. Supervisor Pierantoni stated she didn't mean to mis-speak regarding Mrs. Liston. She read portions of emails she had received from Mrs. Liston that day regarding Mrs. Liston's wish not to go forward. Supervisor Pierantoni requested Chandler to look into the white space for internet. Supervisor Pierantoni addressed the issue of Body Camera's. Supervisor Pierantoni stated there is room to work with the Commonwealth's Attorney's office to put into place Body Camera's for the Sheriff's Department. Supervisor Pierantoni addressed the face mask issue. Supervisor Pierantoni stated if you are unable to wear a face mask provisions should be made or she will report to the Attorney General's office for noncompliance.

Gary D. Walker – Supervisor Walker suggested the Recycle Center workers go back to helping citizens using the proper PPE for safety. Requested Mr. Witt notify Public Works and all employees of the Recycle Centers.

Garland H. Hamlett, Jr. – Chairman Hamlett stated in reference to Supervisor Pierantoni's email concerning wearing face coverings, he is not in agreement with her comment that it is a disability if you can not wear a face mask.

Donna Fore – Supervisor Fore stated the CARES money should be spent wisely and agrees with Supervisor Garnett on providing more hot spots for internet in the County.

Tony Reeves – Supervisor Reeves suggested installing hot spots at the Fire Departments. Supervisor Reeves stated the Cheese Factory is coming along well.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.