

At a special called meeting of the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held in the Administration Building of said county on March 30, 2022, at 8:00 AM.

Present: Gary D. Walker-Chairman
Will Garnett-Vice Chairman
Garland H. Hamlett, Jr.
Robert L. Shook, Jr.
Hazel Bowman Smith
Antony Reeves
Walter T. Bailey

Absent: Hazel Bowman Smith

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Walker.

The invocation was given by Supervisor Reeves.

Motion was made by Supervisor Bailey, seconded by Supervisor Garnett with all members present voting yes to approve the agenda.

County Administrator, Daniel Witt, provided an overview of staff changes to the requested funding. Changes included 2 new computer monitors instead of 4 for the Registrar's Office.

The full-time position requested by the Circuit Court Clerk's Office would remain part-time.

The requested vehicle for the 911 dispatchers would be purchased in FY 2024, instead of FY 2023.

The budget includes one new 911 dispatcher position. Mr. Witt explained that he met with Mr. Russell and Sheriff Freeman at the jail, where he observed that a door might be put to separate the jail from the E911 call center and still comply with the Department of Corrections rules and regulations. Mr. Russell is inquiring about this possibility.

Mr. Witt stated that he wanted to inform the Board that the Administrator's Office and the Department of Social Services had swapped vehicles to save the cost of buying a new vehicle for DSS.

In response to the Treasurer's request to raise her employees pay, all three employees would receive a \$2,000 raise, effective July 1, 2022.

Mr. Witt stated that everything was done to keep the tax rate at \$3.25/\$100 of assessed value and still balance the budget.

Supervisor Bailey stated that he wanted to address an additional \$5,000 for each Fire Department.

Supervisor Reeves stated that he believes that all Fire Departments should have be required complete an annual audit and that the same firm should audit all the fire departments, since the County is sending funds to each.

Supervisor Bailey stated that not everyone gets audited, but they are required to do a financial review, which is cheaper.

Supervisor Reeves stated that he doesn't care which one is completed, as long as someone is looking over the financial aspects of the departments.

Mr. Witt asked if all fire departments do a financial review, to which Supervisor Bailey stated Phenix FD does not, because they are part of the Town of Phenix audit.

Chairman Walker then addressed the Board to ask if everyone agrees with increasing the 7 Fire Department's allocation \$5,000. All members agreed.

Supervisor Reeves asked about the increase in funds going to the School Board. Mr. Witt responded that the State has increased the County's ability to pay approximately \$500K and that number is tied to the County's composite index.

Chairman Walker asked how much over the minimum the County was paying to which Mr. Witt replied, usually \$300,000. Chairman Walker suggested going in higher with a proposed budget, then reducing if needed.

Motion was made by Supervisor Garnett, seconded by Supervisor Reeves, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711.A.1, that the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors hold a closed meeting for the following purpose:

Contract for County Emergency Services provider.

Motion was made by Supervisor Garnett, seconded by Supervisor Hamlett, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3712.B, the Supervisor signing below certify that, to the best of each Supervisor's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the closed meeting of the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors.

Roll call vote as follows; Supervisor Garnett-Aye; Supervisor Smith-Aye; Supervisor Hamlett-Aye; Supervisor Shook-Aye; Supervisor Bailey-Aye; Supervisor Reeves-Aye and Chairman Walker-Aye.

Supervisor Hamlett made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Reeves to not appropriate the \$60,000, originally approved but not appropriated at the March 14th board meeting to the Charlotte County Rescue Squad.

Roll call vote as follows; Supervisor Garnett-Aye; Supervisor Smith-Aye; Supervisor Hamlett-Aye; Supervisor Shook-Aye; Supervisor Bailey-Aye; Supervisor Reeves-Aye and Supervisor Shook-Aye.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.