

February 25, 2014

County of Greene, Virginia

THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MET ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2014 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE COUNTY MEETING ROOM.

Present were:            Jim Frydl, Chairman  
                                David Cox, Vice Chairman  
                                Eddie Deane, Member  
                                Davis Lamb, Member  
                                Bill Martin, Member  
                                John C. Barkley, County Administrator  
                                Ray Clarke, County Attorney  
                                Patti Vogt, Deputy Clerk  
                                Andrew Wilder, Deputy County Attorney

RE:    WORKSHOP WITH GREENE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD

Mr. Frydl read a letter dated September 10, 2013 from the Board of Supervisors to the Greene County Rescue Squad. (See Attachment "A") He said the focus of the meeting today needs to be on meeting the current demands and planning for the future. We need a plan specific for Greene County that prepares us for the future.

Mr. Frydl said seven years ago, the County budgeted \$350,000 to support volunteers and augmented with paid crew. Now the budget is \$1 million. There is an ongoing need for a new building, new vehicles, etc. Question to be answered are how to move forward, manage costs and efficiency of operation.

Mr. Deane questioned if the Board received incorrect information, and if so, they need to know the truth. The Board needs current information and issues. Need to know the facts.

It was noted that Mr. Martin was not a member of the Board of Supervisors at the time the letter was sent.

Ms. Patti Wilson said the Squad had forwarded an operational review document, which includes up-to-date, accurate information, to the Board on December 10. The call numbers discussed in August are extremely different than those in operational document. Ms. Della Morris gathered data on call numbers for the document. The volunteers do not run 100% of calls. A number of volunteers have retired or had to go back to work. Training is much more in depth than it used to be.

Mr. Scott Haas, Rescue Squad Board of Directors, said no one is going to deny that two and a half years ago there was a problem. However, there has been an increase in membership at the Squad. Membership is up to 46 with more new members at each meeting. Mr. Haas gave the Board copies of an email from Dr. Perina indicating her support of the Squad.

Mr. Cox expressed his appreciation to Ms. Morris for the hard work in doing research. He said there are two different sets of facts being presented. The information the Board had at the time of letter was correct but it wasn't all the information.

Mr. Haas felt it would be premature to get rid of volunteer squad right now. He said they are willing to tell the Board if they can't produce or the situation goes downhill. The Squad is on an upswing and now is the time to support volunteers. He asked the Board to hold off on making a decision.

Mr. Frydl said the Board never said volunteers would be eliminated. A better way of saying what was in the letter is what was set up 30 years ago wasn't designed for the situation today. Waiting until something drastic happens is not the right solution. Working together to plan for future is solution. Look at the efficiency of cost.

Mr. Haas asked about the cost recovery program. Mr. Frydl said the program brings in less than \$350,000.

Mr. Frydl said he did not think the status quo is right solution for the future. This doesn't mean we're changing anything today but we need to move forward with a group that represents the Squad to work with professional staff. Lots of localities have hybrid which hasn't been discussed. Some type of hybrid with sharing and continued operation makes sense.

Mr. Frydl said the information the Board received was pulled from State figures. It wasn't inaccurate information but rather a different view of information. Mr. Cox commented that it wasn't the total information from Squad members.

Mr. Deane noted that at the time the Squad was close to losing its license. Mr. Cox said that was correct but members have since pulled together. The Squad realized that calls were not being properly reported.

Ms. Wilson agreed that two and a half years ago the number of volunteers had gotten extremely low. Members voted in January, 2012 not to dissolve the organization but to step up to restructure organization. They agreed to provide coverage for Thursday and Sunday nights; to redo bylaws; to improve the role of the Board of Directors and to actually fill all vacant positions. All of this has been accomplished.

Ms. Kathy Hatter said the Squad is on a consistent long-term upward trend. There was some misunderstanding about call sheet submission. The dollars spent on Medic 5 gets personnel to run calls. Volunteer still do a lot including taking vehicles for maintenance/repairs; writing grants; fund raising; standby at community events; membership services for volunteers; purchase supplies for buildings and medical supplies for trucks; make sure lights are on and internet works; utilities are kept on, etc. All this takes a lot of hours in addition to calls run by volunteers.

Mr. Deane apologized for not being more engaged and informed.

Mr. Martin said he personally witnessed service delivery of the Rescue Squad, along with the Stanardsville Volunteer Fire Department, in recent months. He said he is in awe of what the volunteers do every day.

Mr. Martin said change is not necessarily bad. Change can be good if it is planned and implemented correctly. The status quo doesn't work on any level if the desire is to change with the times to stay current with technology, new equipment, new medical services, etc.

Mr. Martin felt this meeting is very useful and suggested County staff and volunteers discuss a way to move forward to do things better, smarter, more cost effectively and more

efficiently. He also suggested a timeline be developed. Progress can be made if we think about the County and the recipients of services first.

Mr. Frydl said Ms. McDaniel has brought a level of experience and professionalism to Emergency Operations that we haven't had in the past. He said she is integral to communications and is the focal point as the County's operations person.

Mr. Lamb expressed his appreciation to the volunteers at the Rescue Squad and the Fire Departments. The volunteer firefighters have gone the extra mile with emergency medical training. He agreed with Mr. Martin to move slowly. The County needs volunteers.

Mr. Justin Lacey, Captain of the Rescue Squad, suggested the Board keep the volunteers as is. Volunteers take pride in the organization and have stepped up in time of need to keep emergency services here. If we all work together, we can reach agreement between County and volunteers.

Mr. Lou Hatter said he has volunteer for 27 years, 18 of those here in Greene. He is a Paramedic and EMT instructor. Greene already has a hybrid operation which could be an example for any locality in Virginia. The Rescue Squad asked for Medic 5 staff years ago because they realized they had a problem with coverage. It has been a tremendous asset, both in covering calls for the County and for the volunteer service. Medic 5 staff covers calls and provides opportunities for EMT students to run with them to learn how to be field providers. Volunteers are not capable of sustaining this service by ourselves but we would certainly like to be given the opportunity to continue serving. Being part of an organization is important.

Ms. Della Morris said she has been with the Rescue Squad for 12 years and has also joined the Ruckersville Volunteer Fire Department. Several members of her family also volunteer. The volunteers have worked hard to bring the Squad back up. She asked the Board to hold off on any decision.

Ms. Cary Thompson said she has been a member of the Rescue Squad for 5 years. She took the EMT class when she was 16 and is now a Paramedic. She asked the Board to give volunteers the opportunity to continue to do what they love.

Ms. Wilson said the Squad has plans for a new building developed with input from volunteers and Medic 5. The Squad has a building fund but stopped funding raising since August. Fundraising letters used to generate about \$40,000. Individuals aren't donating as much since they believe the Rescue Squad isn't a volunteer organization anymore. They are getting ready to send fundraising letter out in March.

Ms. Wilson said the Rescue Squad has spent almost \$4,000 in attorney fees responding to FOIA requests from Channel 29 News. We need some sort of statement that reflects the direction we're going in.

Ms. Wilson said the Squad does not have to control everything. There are things they are willing to give and share. They would be happy to discuss operations, funding and economics of the organization with the Board.

Mr. Haas said it would be cost effective to support volunteers in effort to increase the amount of shifts they can cover. He said this is a great meeting and should have been held a long time ago.

Mr. Martin said he liked the idea of a task force. Everyone needs to be open to some change. Can't do business as usual.

Mr. Doug Clay, Stanardsville Volunteer Fire Department, said he would be meeting with the Board next week about budgets. He said the focus needs to be on recruitment and retention.

It takes money to get volunteers involved. He thought the County needs to invest money in some type program recruiting for GCRS and fire departments. There are grants available from State to do this. SVFD is looking at grant to get iPads to do reports on to save time.

Mr. Frydl said there's never been any doubt about the passion and commitment from the volunteer organization. The Board of Supervisors does not have a plan or a time table. He suggested that a group from the Squad meet with County staff within next month. Mr. Frydl said a decision won't have to be made as long as we're working towards a common goal and future.

Mr. Haas and Ms. Wilson said they were under the impression that the Board was going to pull the Squad's license and shut the doors.

Mr. Barkley said he is happy to work together to come up with positive solutions that might become a model for region and state.

The workshop was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

RE: ADDED ITEM TO AGENDA

The Board added the resolution for declaration of a local emergency to the agenda.

RE: PUBLIC MEETING

The Chairman opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in memory of Chief Animal Control Officer Darrel Lawson.

RE: PUBLIC HEARING – ROBERT WINSLOW – SPECIAL USE PERMIT

Mr. Bart Svoboda, Zoning Administrator, reviewed the request from Robert Scott Winslow for a Special Use Permit for a two-family dwelling unit on 139.01 acres, zoned A-1, Agriculture, located on Beazley Road and identified on County Tax Maps as 49-(1)-A (SUP#13-008). The proposed two-family dwelling would be located on the existing barn location. The parcel is in the rural area of the future land use map.

The Planning Commission recommended approval with the condition that the permit is valid for a single two-family dwelling to be constructed.

The Chairman opened and closed the public hearing with no public comments.

Upon motion by David Cox and unanimous vote, the Board approved the request from Robert Scott Winslow for a Special Use Permit for a two-family dwelling unit on 139.01 acres, zoned A-1, Agriculture, located on Beazley Road and identified on County Tax Maps as 49-(1)-A (SUP#13-008) with the following condition:

- The permit is valid for a single two-family dwelling to be constructed at the location as shown on the concept plan.

Recorded vote:	Jim Frydl	-	Yes
	David Cox	-	Yes
	Eddie Deane	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes
	Bill Martin	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: FY 2013 AUDIT

Mr. Matthew McLearn, of Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates, was present to discuss the results of and review the FY 2013 audit. Reviewed significant audit findings and required

communications. The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent and clear. Two new accounting principles were adopted and implemented in a timely fashion. Mr. McLearen reviewed several of the spreadsheets contained in the audit.

Mr. Lamb noted that the change in net position of primary governmental activities was a negative \$1,603,899.

Mr. Frydl commented on the County having qualified finance staff and staff in the Treasurer's Office. Mr. McLearen agreed that the smooth audit process is a testament to the hard work by the Finance Director, Treasurer, Schools and Social Services Department.

RE: PROCLAMATION – THE BIG READ

Mr. Frydl read the proposed proclamation and noted the book for The Big Read this year is True Grit.

Ms. Ginny Reese, Librarian, distributed copies of True Grit to Board members and read a selection from the book. Mr. Cox donated his copy to the Middle School Library.

It was the consensus of the Board to approve the proclamation. (See Attachment "B")

RE: EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

Ms. Melissa McDaniel, Emergency Services Manager, was present to review the updated Emergency Operations Plan and request approval. The plan must be reviewed every four years. Information contained in the Plan has been verified and some revisions made.

Upon motion by David Cox and unanimous vote, the Board approved the resolution adopting the Emergency Operations Plan as presented. (See Attachment "C")

Recorded vote:	Jim Frydl	-	Yes
	David Cox	-	Yes
	Eddie Deane	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes
	Bill Martin	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: LIAISON FUNCTIONS

Mr. Lamb said the Sheriff's Department, Rescue Squad and Fire Departments would like to have a liaison. This would cover emergency services and public safety.

Mr. Cox felt a liaison at the monthly meeting with Emergency Services would be an opportunity to hear from all organizations when they are together. It is important for the Board to be active in emergency services and public safety.

Mr. Martin asked for clarification regarding the role of a liaison. He said he attends meetings to listen and/or offer input. He feels he is serving as the Board's ears more than as its voice. Then he would come to the Board with issues so they can be deliberated in public forum.

Mr. Frydl said the County has capable operational staff that attends meetings who can bring issues before the Board as necessary. Of course, Board members are always available to speak with citizens. Organizations can bring issues before the Board also. Mr. Frydl said the goal was to try to distinguish between the Board's role as executive, budgeting body vs. staff on an operations level. He felt the current liaison functions should be given more time to evaluate their effectiveness.

Mr. Lamb felt the time lapse between meetings could be a problem. Feels like bureaucracy moves too slow.

Mr. Deane said he understands both side and agreed with giving it some time to see how it works.

Mr. Martin agreed with waiting a few months to see how this works. Nothing is set in stone. Changes could be made if necessary.

Mr. Frydl said his goal in bringing this change up was to empower staff on an operational level. It is incumbent on Board to provide oversight, support, and discipline, if necessary, to the professional staff hired.

Mr. Lamb said he was not opposed to the delegation of authority. He noted the final judgment lies with the Board and the result of those decisions, good or bad, falls on the Board.

Mr. Martin pointed out that nothing precludes Board members from attending any meetings they choose.

The Board agreed to take no action at this time to change liaison functions.

RE: MATTERS FROM PUBLIC

Mr. David Underwood, resident of Wood Drive in Golden Hills Subdivision since 1998, was present to discuss road issues with Wood Drive and Haney Road. These roads are not currently in the State Secondary System and are not being maintained. The developer was to bring roads up to standard and then they would be accepted into State Secondary System. Oliver Lane was accepted into the State System in 1991.

Mr. Compton passed away several years ago which has left everything in limbo. Letters from the State indicates the developer was responsible for getting roads to state standards. Mr. Underwood said he understands it is now up to the County to improve the roads and have them accepted into the State System. He asked where they need to start the process.

Mr. Frydl said Mr. Barkley and staff could meet with Mr. Underwood to discuss the status of the roads.

RE: CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Davis Lamb and unanimous vote, the Board approved the following items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the February 11, 2014 meeting.
- Resolution to declare local emergency. (See Attachment "D")

Recorded vote:	Jim Frydl	-	Yes
	David Cox	-	Yes
	Eddie Deane	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes
	Bill Martin	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

See Attachment "E" for County Administrator's Report.

RE: OTHER MATTERS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

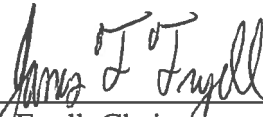
Mr. Deane commented on the continued decrease in the SNAP participation.

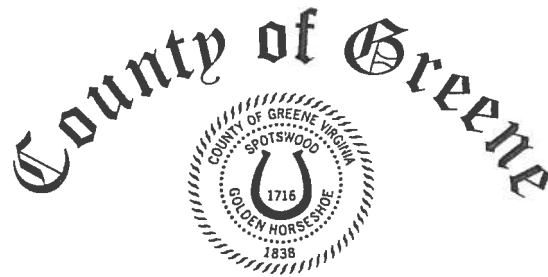
Mr. Frydl noted the School Board will be holding a meeting tomorrow night to consider proposed school budget.

Mr. Frydl commented on the County's reserve fund. The adopted policy indicates a 23.3% minimum. The balance is at 31%.

RE: ADJOURN MEETING

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m. The Board will hold a budget workshop on Wednesday, March 5. The next scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 in the County Meeting Room.

  
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Jim Frydl, Chairman  
Greene County Board of Supervisors



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
POST OFFICE BOX 358  
STANARDSVILLE, VIRGINIA 22973  
TELEPHONE: 434-985-5201

September 10, 2013

Greene County Rescue Squad Board of Directors  
PO Box 302  
Stanardsville, VA 22973

Dear Sirs:

The Greene County Board of Supervisors is and always will be appreciative and thankful to the volunteers of Greene County Rescue for their commitment and sacrifices. It is impossible to express the value of the dedicated service that the many volunteers have provided over the years. The time and energy contributed by each and every volunteer is a gift that has made Greene County a better place and has saved the County a considerable expense over the years.

The Board of Supervisors has worked with Greene County Rescue over the last couple years to find a path towards a sustainable future. Unfortunately, the changes in insurance requirements, training certification, the small local population, and the economy have all been detrimental to the growth and sustainability of Greene County Rescue.

The Greene County Board of Supervisors has made the difficult decision that the best possible future for the health and safety of the citizens of Greene is a County-funded and managed organization. The membership and relative percentage of call volume have dropped to a point where it makes no sense to continue under the management and control of Greene County Rescue. This is a reflection of the times and should not diminish the great contribution and efforts of Greene County Rescue.

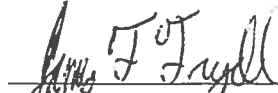
The Board of Supervisors is committed to the time and detailed planning required to transition in a way that honors and respects the history and contributions of Greene County Rescue. Accordingly, the Board of Supervisors is committed to the continued support of our volunteers. Any volunteer that is willing and meets the qualifications will always have a place and be given an opportunity.

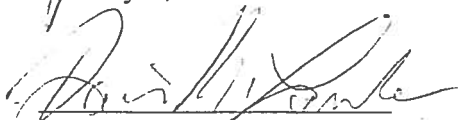
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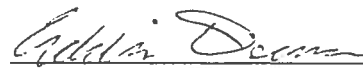
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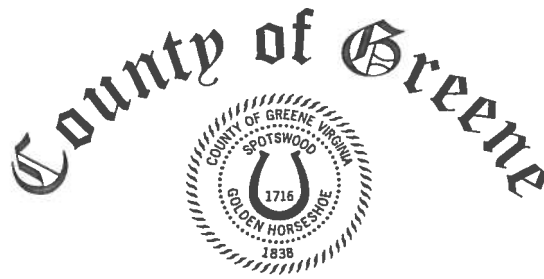
  
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***THE BIG READ 2014: True Grit***  
**by Charles Portis**

**Proclamation from Greene County**

**WHEREAS**, THE BIG READ is designed to restore reading to the center of American culture and provides our citizens with the opportunity to read and discuss a single book within our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library invites all book lovers to participate in THE BIG READ that will be held throughout March 2014. The Library's goal is to encourage all residents of Central Virginia to read and discuss TRUE GRIT by Charles Portis; and

**WHEREAS**, the novel recounts Mattie Ross' youthful quest to avenge the murder of her father with the aid of a down-at-the-heels federal marshal named Rooster Cogburn; and

**WHEREAS**, THE BIG READ is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest; and is supported by the Art and Jane Hess Fund of the Library Endowment;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Greene County Board of Supervisor proclaim THE BIG READ during March 2014 and encourages all residents to read TRUE GRIT during this time.

Adopted in Open Meeting this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.

  
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Jim Frydl, Chairman  
Greene County Board of Supervisors

## Board Resolution

WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors of Greene County, Virginia recognizes the need to prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural and man-made disasters, and

WHEREAS the County of Greene has a responsibility to provide for the safety and well being of its citizens and visitors, and

WHEREAS the County of Greene has established and appointed a Director and Coordinator of Emergency Services


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Greene, Virginia that this Emergency Operations Plan as revised February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 is officially adopted, and


IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Director of Emergency Services, or his/her designees, are tasked and authorized to maintain and revise as necessary this document over the next five year period or until such time it be ordered to come before this Board.

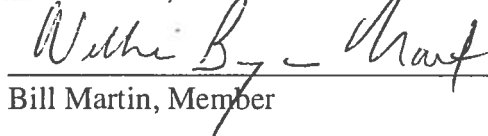
Adopted in Open Meeting this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.

  
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David Cox, Vice Chairman

  
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Eddie Deane, Member

  
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Davis Lamb, Member

  
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Bill Martin, Member

Attest:   
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Clerk, Greene County Board of Supervisors

**RESOLUTION FOR THE DECLARATION  
OF A  
LOCAL EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Greene, Virginia does hereby find that:

1. Due to the occurrence of the severe winter weather, the County of Greene is facing a condition of extreme peril to the lives, safety and property of the residents of Greene County;
2. That as a result of this extreme peril, the proclamation of the existence of an emergency is necessary to permit the full powers of government to deal effectively with this condition of peril as of 1200 hours on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Greene, Virginia, that a local emergency now exists throughout the County of Greene; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said emergency, the powers, functions and duties of the Director of Emergency Management and the Emergency Management organization and functions of the County of Greene shall be those prescribed by state law and the ordinances, resolutions and approved plans of the County of Greene in order to mitigate the effects of said emergency.

In order to carry out the effect of this resolution, a sum of money, not to exceed \$25,000, is hereby appropriated from the county's unappropriated fund balance to cover the reasonable operational cost of Emergency Management pending further report to this Board and such additional appropriations as shall be deemed necessary to cover the expected scope of this emergency.

Affirmed and adopted this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014 due to the emergency conditions caused by the severe winter storm.

  
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Jim Frydl, Chairman  
Greene County Board of Supervisors

Attest:   
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John C. Barkley, County Administrator



**County of Greene**  
County Administrator's Update

February 25, 2014 Board of Supervisors Meeting

1) Personnel

- a. Staff has received news of the passing of our Chief Animal Control Officer, Mr. Darrel Lawson. Mr. Lawson, who began his career with Greene County as a dispatcher, served the County for over 10 years. Memorial arrangement information will be distributed once received.

2) EDU Policy Committee

- a. The EDU Policy committee met on February 19<sup>th</sup> to further discuss a proposed change to a meter based rate structure along with a possible County user surcharge to be dedicated to the reservoir impoundment project. The committee has now finalized a meter based rate structure and will be forwarding a recommendation to the Board. Given the clear need to increase the County's water production and storage capacity, a surcharge will also be recommended to the Board in March. We have tentatively scheduled March 25<sup>th</sup> for a Board of Supervisors meeting to discuss the issue prior to the regular Board meeting. Any such surcharge would be required to be approved by both the Board of Supervisors and the Board of Directors of the Rapidan Service Authority. Preliminary estimates suggest that a reasonable Reservoir Surcharge (based on the County's median household income) could produce as much as \$500,000 - \$1,000,000 in additional revenue each year. The committee also discussed stream bank and wetlands mitigation credits with a local mitigation company that is currently doing projects in the Rappahannock watershed. This would entail the County making payments to a company for credits earned through the completion of mitigation projects within the watershed.

3) White Run Reservoir

- a. Staff is working on an agreement with a property owner adjacent to the reservoir who currently has a planned subdivision (Westover Estates), where a road will be constructed through Westover Estates to provide access to the County's reservoir site and water treatment facility. The private road has a 50 ft. right of way and is an extension of Vista Heights Drive, a VDOT road connected

to State Route 609. This would allow Greene County to upgrade and convert the private road through Westover Estates to VDOT standards during the construction of the reservoir, and then the private road will be converted to a public street by Greene County.

4) Stormwater Requirements

- a. Staff was interviewed On February 18<sup>th</sup> by channel 29 news concerning the County's current efforts to develop a stormwater management program, based on the presentation made by staff at the February 11<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors meeting. Over the course of the past year Greene County has been working to develop a new stormwater management program in response to a mandate imposed upon Virginia localities by the Commonwealth of Virginia in an effort to improve the overall health of the Chesapeake Bay watersheds. These new and more stringent regulations with respect to land disturbing activities will be required to be adopted by April 1, with a program to be prepared for implementation by July 1<sup>st</sup>. Enforcement of these regulation will require additional certification and staff resources for localities to able to implement them effectively. The management of stormwater focuses on long term protection of the watershed, whereas as local erosion and sediment control programs are more suited to regulating runoff during construction. The issue of stormwater management is also being discussed in the current General assembly session, where there is a provision pending that would allow smaller jurisdictions (non-MS 4) to have DEQ manage stormwater programs on their behalf.

5) Weeds and Grass Ordinance – Petition by Four Seasons

- a. Staff has researched the issue and concluded it would be difficult to enforce such a regulatory measure given the expansive amount of open space and the rural/agricultural heritage of the County. Therefore no such amendments to the zoning ordinance or general code of ordinances are recommended at this time. Staff has reported this to the Four Seasons Homeowners Association. We have received a follow up request to consider a high grass and weeds ordinance pertaining only to residential subdivisions.
- b. Staff is also having discussions with the State regarding the development of a wildfire mitigation program for the County designed to prevent wildfires in rural areas and undeveloped areas within or contiguous to subdivisions.

6) Board/Commission Vacancies

- a. Vacancies remain on several County Boards and Commissions. The next round of interviews with candidates for appointment are scheduled for March 11<sup>th</sup> with the Board of Supervisors.
- 7) FY 2015 Budget
- a. Draft budget proposals have been received from all agencies and are under review by staff. Budget review workshops are scheduled to begin the week of March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The following dates have been set for budget workshops:
    - Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.
    - Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. (Board Meeting to follow).
    - Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.
  - b. The Capital Improvement Program has been reviewed and forwarded by the Planning Commission for consideration by the Board of Supervisors during in the FY 2015 budget process. Staff will review the CIP and present a recommendation to the Board for approval of specific projects in FY 2015.
- 8) 2013-14 Re Assessments
- a. Staff met with Fred Pearson of Pearson Appraisals on February 25<sup>th</sup> to review the overall re-assessments process and the schedule. Staff will forward any specific requests from Board members regarding property re-assessments to Mr. Pearson for review.
- 9) Economic Development
- a. Staff is working on a draft business development incentives policy to accommodate business expansion in Greene County. A draft incentive package will be presented to the Board of Supervisors at the March 11<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. A local company (Performance Signs) is currently considering expansion and would be interested in any such tax incentives to encourage their business growth plans.
- 10) H.B. 1144 - Traffic Enforcement on Private Roads
- a. Legislation designed to allow for traffic enforcement on private roads in communities with 25 or more parcels has passed the Senate unanimously and is headed to the Governor for signature.
- 11) VDOT Coordination

- a. Simms Road Drainage Problems – staff has referred the issue to VDOT for inspection. VDOT has reviewed the area and is planning on installing a double culvert. They have received environmental clearance and construction will commence weather permitting, in the spring.
- b. Mt. Olive Rd. Conditions - VDOT representatives are researching the problems with the condition of the road presented at the February 11<sup>th</sup> Board meeting and will respond to staff with a proposed schedule for improvements.
- c. Mutton Hollow Road – Dust and damage from ice and snow have been reported along with a request for repairs.
- d. Walnut Way – Need for traffic calming measures.
- e. Wood Drive – Request for VDOT maintenance.
- f. Rosebrook Drive – Substandard conditions
- g. Ice House – Can't use rural rustic because of development
- h. Warmar – Private Street not in VDOT system

Staff will be discussing each of these issues, along with the six year program and rural rustic roads program, with the County's VDOT resident engineer on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### 12) Emergency Services

- a. Due to the winter storm conditions experienced February 13-14<sup>th</sup>, the County could be eligible for disaster assistance funding through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management under the Governors declaration of a state of emergency issued February 11<sup>th</sup>. A local resolution will be considered by the Board on February 25<sup>th</sup>.

#### 13) Water/Sewer Utilities

- a. Property at 32 Madison Rd. at the corner with Main St.
  - i. Staff received a report that the sewer line in the vicinity of 290 Judges Lane has been continually clogged and is causing many difficult problems for the residents there who share a private sewer line that connects to the Town sewer line. The sewer line is old and continually backs up. Staff will provide follow-up and discuss the issue with RSA to ascertain whether the line can be upgraded and brought into the system since these properties are subject to RSA water and sewer fees.

#### 14) Velocitel, Inc.

- a. A special use permit has been requested for a 199 ft. telecommunications tower and associated accessory equipment on a 183.90 acre tract which is zoned A-1,



Agricultural, located on Dyke Road and identified on County Tax Maps as 35-(A)-16. (SUP#13-006). The Planning Commission has recommended approval of the request, with a public hearing scheduled by the Board of Supervisors on April 8.

15) Gun Ordinance

- a. Delegate Bell has sent a letter to the Board regarding the development of a local gun ordinance after being contacted by County constituents about several incidents where gun fire was heard in close proximity to school bus stops and in certain subdivisions. Staff will follow up with Delegate Bell's office to get more specifics and report to the Board.