

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NEW KENT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WAS HELD ON THE 21ST DAY OF MAY IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWELVE IN THE BOARDROOM OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, NEW KENT, VIRGINIA, AT 8:31 A.M., HAVING BEEN CONTINUED FROM THE MAY 14 BUSINESS MEETING.

IN RE: CALL BACK TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Davis called the meeting back to order.

IN RE: ROLL CALL

Thomas W. Evelyn	Present
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Present
James H. Burrell	Absent
Ron Stiers	Present
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Present

IN RE: REGIONAL TECHNICAL CENTER

Before the Board for consideration was a request to award the HVAC contract for the Regional Technical Center to the lowest bidder.

Present were School Superintendent Robert Richardson, Jr., Executive Director of Finance & Budget Ralph Westbay, and Maintenance Manager Tim Pollock.

Mr. Pollock distributed a list of the bids that had been received and reported that the low bidder on the HVAC contract had been Southworth Mechanical at \$152,500.

Ms. Gowdy advised that she had briefly examined the bid and did not see any glaring problems.

Mr. Evelyn moved to approve an award of contract to Southworth Mechanical for the HVAC work at the Bridging Communities Technical Center. The members were polled:

Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
James H. Burrell	Absent

The motion carried.

Dr. Richardson reported that Bridging Communities would be formally presenting its request to the State Board of Education in the coming week, to be approved as a regional technical center. He confided that he did not have any reason to believe that anything other than approval would take place in light of the many comments and commendations that had been received from the Board of Education on how the localities had come together to create this program. He also announced that they had received confirmation of a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) government grant that would help them purchase computers and other hardware. Mr. Davis suggested that other industries should be asked to see if they could help out as well.

Dr. Richardson reported that the Center was still on track for opening in the fall and would be at capacity with around 102 students, 39-42 of whom would be from New Kent.

IN RE: CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Stiers moved to go into Closed Session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to Section 2.2-3711A.1 of the Code of Virginia involving assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, discipline, salary, compensation, resignation of employee, for consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 2.2-3711A.7 of the Code of Virginia regarding actual or probable litigation, and for discussion of award of public contract pursuant to Section 2.2-3711A.30 of the Code of Virginia involving the award of a public contract where discussions in open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the County. The members were polled:

C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
James H. Burrell	Absent

The motion carried. The Board went into Closed Session.

Mr. Evelyn moved to return to Open Session. The members were polled:

Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
James H. Burrell	Absent

The motion carried.

Mr. Evelyn made the following certification:

Whereas, the New Kent County Board of Supervisors has convened in a Closed Session on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such Closed Session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

Now there be it resolved that the Board hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from Open Session requirements by Virginia law were discussed in Closed Session to which this certification resolution applies and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the Closed Session were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

The members were polled on the certification:

W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye

James H. Burrell

Absent

The motion carried.

IN RE: PEST PROBLEM AT FIRE STATION FOUR

Mr. Stiers donated some pest control products for use at Station 4, as promised at a prior meeting.

IN RE: HISTORIC SCHOOL RENOVATION PROJECT

Mr. Tiller moved to reject all of the bids received for the Historic School PPEA and directed the County Administrator to advise all bidders and procure engineering services for the design of the South Building and Courtyard improvements. The members were polled:

Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
James H. Burrell	Absent

The motion carried.

IN RE: PROPOSED FY13 BUDGET

The Board discussed the proposed FY13 budget.

Mr. Davis stated that he would like to get the real estate tax rate to 81 cents, and give the schools a little more funding to help "ease their pain".

Mr. Evelyn stated that he would like to give the schools another \$1.1 million in light of their \$2.6 million shortfall, and he'd like to get the tax rate to either 81 or 82 cents.

Mr. Lawton advised that an 82-cent rate would be easy to accomplish.

Mr. Stiers spoke about the funding for outside agencies and suggested that cuts could be made to those to equal a penny on the real estate tax rate.

There was a review of the funding proposed for outside agencies. It was noted that the budget did not include any funding for West Point Fire Department or Providence Forge Volunteer Rescue Squad. There seemed to be consensus that West Point should not get any funding since it was now billing under revenue recovery, and that Providence Forge should receive some of what was received in revenue recovery for the calls that were billed for its service.

Mr. Lawton was asked to bring options for both an 81- and 82- cent real estate rate to the Board at the next meeting and to increase funding to the schools by \$1 million.

Mr. Lawton distributed information regarding rate increases in surrounding localities.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evelyn moved to adjourn the meeting. The members were polled:

C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
James H. Burrell	Absent

The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.