

AT A BUDGET WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF APRIL, 2001, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARD ROOM, 101 MOUNTS BAY ROAD, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

A. ROLL CALL

John J. McGlennon, Chairman, Jamestown District
Bruce C. Goodson, Vice Chairman, Roberts District

Jay T. Harrison, Sr., Berkeley District
James G. Kennedy, Stonehouse District
Ronald A. Nervitt, Powhatan District

Sanford B. Wanner, County Administrator
Frank M. Morton, III, County Attorney

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. 2001 Redistricting Plan - none

Mr. Harrison called the James City Service Authority to order at 7:05 p.m.

C. WORK SESSION

1. James City Service Authority (JCSA) Proposed Budget

Mr. Robert Smith, Assistant General Manager of JCSA, gave an overview of the proposed budget for the James City Service Authority.

The Board and staff discussed the water-rate structure, the Newport News Water Works (NNWW) interconnect to be made this fiscal year, the phasing of NNWW water into the service area, the addition of positions, and discussed the sewer rates and the desalinization plant.

Mr. Harrison adjourned the Board of Directors of the James City Service Authority at 7:22 p.m.

2. Budget Follow-up Items

Mr. John McDonald, Manager of Financial and Management Services, presented the following items to the Board for discussion: the E-911 Tax, Consumer Utility Tax, contributions to outside agencies including the Volunteer Fire Department, the Homeownership Program, School Budget items, the Route 5 Transportation Improvement District, and the Real Estate Tax rate.

The Board and staff discussed opening the Homeownership Program to school employees, the rate at which the County would need to charge through the Consumer Utility Tax on phones to generate the same revenue as the proposed E-911 tax of \$2.20; and how the telephone and cellular companies track customers by jurisdiction.

Mr. Goodson made a motion to increase the E-911 tax to a rate of \$2.20 with the understanding that the Board will revisit the E-911 tax and consider moving it to the more equitable Consumer Utility Tax as part of the FY 03 budget discussions.

The straw vote passed 4-1.

AYE: Kennedy, Nervitt, Goodson, McGlennon

NAY: Harrison

The Board and staff discussed funding requests from outside agencies including the Colonial Soil & Water Conservation District, the Habitat for Humanity, and Friends of Greensprings.

The Board and staff discussed reducing the Real Estate tax rate by one cent, School Board Budget requests, impacts of State funding on the proposed School Budget, and the impact of the elimination of the Transportation Improvement District in FY 03 on the tax rate.

The Board discussed maintaining the Real Estate tax rate at 87 cents.

Mr. Wanner suggested a resolution be drafted to continue the Route 5 Transportation Improvement District (District) at the 10-cent per \$100 tax rate for FY 02 with the intent to eliminate the District in FY 03, and have the General Fund pick up the debt.

Mr. McGlennon requested a straw vote on Mr. Wanner's recommendation.

The straw vote passed 3-2.

AYE: Harrison, Nervitt, Goodson

NAY: Kennedy, McGlennon

Mr. McGlennon recessed the Board for a break at 8:52 p.m.

Mr. McGlennon reconvened the Board into session at 9:00 p.m.

The Board and staff discussed the proposed School Budget and the use of the fund balance, the County Administrator's proposal of allocation to the School's Budget.

Mr. Harrison proposed support of the County Administrator's proposal for School funding and wait to take further action until the State's funding is known.

Mr. McGlennon proposed an increase in the County Administrator's proposal for School funding by \$500,000.

The Board and staff discussed areas of contributions to the School's proposed Budget, and the Boards desire to see the schools be more proactive in collaborating to consolidate resources and reduce expenditures.

Mr. McGlennon amended his motion to increase the County's contribution to School funding to \$436,000.

The straw vote failed 1-3-1.

AYE: McGlennon

NAY: Harrison, Nervitt, Goodson

ABSTAIN: Kennedy

Mr. Goodson made a motion to increase the County's contribution to School funding by \$160,000.

The straw vote failed 2-3.

AYE: Goodson, McGlennon

NAY: Harrison, Kennedy, Nervitt

Mr. Nervitt made a motion to support the County Administrator's proposal for County contributions to the Schools.

The straw vote passed 5-0.

AYE: Harrison, Kennedy, Nervitt, Goodson, McGlennon

Mr. Wanner recommended the Board adjourn until April 24 after a 6:45 p.m. meeting for a Route 5 Transportation Improvement District Commission.

Mr. Harrison made a motion to adjourn until April 24, at 7:00 p.m.

On a roll call, the vote was:

AYE: Harrison, Kennedy, Nervitt, Goodson, McGlennon (5).

NAY: (0).

The Board adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Sanford B. Wanner
Clerk to the Board