AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 25th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2013 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	James D. Politis	-Chair
	William H. Brown	-Vice Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	Gary D. Creed	
	Matthew R. Gabriele	
	Annette S. Perkins (arrived 6:40 p. m.)	
	Christopher A. Tuck	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Deputy County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Brian Hamilton	-Economic Development Director
	Ruth Richey	-Public Information Officer
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary, Board of Supervisors

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

INTO CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following:

Section 2.2-3711 (5) Discussion Concerning a Prospective Business or Industry or the Expansion of an Existing Business or Industry Where No Previous Announcement Has Been Made of the Business or Industry's Interest in Locating or Expanding Its Facilities in the Community.

1. Project # 2013-028

(3) Discussion or Consideration of the Acquisition of Real Property for Public Purpose, or of the Disposition of Publicly Held Real Property, Where Discussion in an Open Meeting Would Adversely Affect the Bargaining Position or Negotiating Strategy of the Public Body

1. Motor Mile Park

(7) Consultation with Legal Counsel and Briefings from Staff Members or Consultants Pertaining to Actual or Probable Litigation, Where Such Consultation or Briefing in Open Meeting Would Adversely Affect the Negotiating or Litigating Posture of the Public Body; and Consultation with Legal Counsel Employed or Retained by a Public Body Regarding Specific Legal Matters Requiring Provision of Legal Advice by Such Counsel

1. Inorganic Ventures

(1) Discussion, Consideration or Interviews of Prospective Candidates for Employment; Assignment, Appointment, Promotion, Performance, Demotion, Salaries, Disciplining or Resignation of Specific Officers, Appointees or Employees of Any Public Body

1. Planning Commission

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE	NAY	ABSENT DURING VOTE
Matthew R. Gabriele	None	Annette S. Perkins
Christopher A. Tuck		
Mary W. Biggs		
William H. Brown		
Gary D. Creed		
James D. Politis		

OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Closed Meeting to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Christopher A. Tuck	None
Mary W. Biggs	
William H. Brown	
Annette S. Perkins	
Gary D. Creed	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
James D. Politis	

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County has convened a Closed Meeting 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 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion conveying the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

VOTE

AYES
Mary W. Biggs
William H. Brown
Annette S. Perkins
Gary D. Creed
Matthew R. Gabriele
Christopher A. Tuck
James D. Politis

NAYS
None

ABSENT DURING VOTE
None

ABSENT DURING MEETING
None

INVOCATION

A moment of silence was led by the Chair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

DELEGATIONS

Virginia Cooperative Extension

Michelle Dickerson, Unit Coordinator and 4-H Director, presented the Montgomery County Extension's Quarterly Report. Ms. Dickerson reported the Cooperative Needs Assessment Report that is required to be updated every five (5) years was completed in November. 4-H summer programs have ended and fall programs have started at various schools throughout the County.

Kelli Scott, Agriculture & Natural Resources, reported on training programs and educational programs for homeowners and farmers. Ms. Scott reported the New River Valley Mastering Gardening have offered educational classes through-out the summer and a community garden in Christiansburg was developed.

Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley

Janet Kester, Program Coordinator, provided an update on the Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley program. The LVNRV provides tutoring in both basic literacy (reading and writing) and English as a second language (conversational and basic English skills) to adults in the New River Valley. They also promote public awareness, cooperative partnerships, information sharing and referrals between literacy programs and communities.

Ms. Kester reported that LVNRV has reorganized by cutting staff to just one part-time position and doubling the number of volunteers. They added a new program providing computer skill classes to meet the need for citizens who need computer skills, such as filling out job applications. LVNRV has partnered with the New River Community College to provide tutoring and they have access to the computer labs.

Ms. Kester thanked the Board for their support and stated that local government support and volunteers provide the core that is needed for volunteering.

Meth Lab Cleanup

John Tutle, an employee of Servpro, a company involved in the clean-up of meth labs in the area, presented information to the Board of Supervisors to help in the understanding of the magnitude of involvement in cleaning up meth labs. Mr. Tuttle provided background on the history of methamphetamine, and pointed out items/chemicals that may indicate the presence of a meth lab, including photographs of actual meth labs. Mr. Tuttle reviewed the general guidelines for cleanup of meth labs that includes replacement of ventilation system, contamination removal and disposal, cleaning of all surfaces, and testing and clearance done by a third party to assure the home/apartment can be lived in. Mr. Tuttle also discussed the cost of meth lab clean-up, which varies depending on each situation, and can be from fifteen hundred dollars up to ten thousand dollars. There are no standards and no State funding available to cover these costs, and that it is left to each locality to be responsible for these costs. Mr. Tuttle reported that he has cleaned up ten meth labs in the New River Valley over the past year.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

There being no speakers, the public address session was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda dated November 25, 2013 was approved. The vote was as follows:

AYE	NAY
William H. Brown	None
Annette S. Perkins	
Gary D. Creed	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Mary W. Biggs	
James D. Politis	

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously, the minutes dated June 10, 2013 were approved.

Appropriations and Transfers

A-FY-14-56
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
TECHNOLOGY TRUST FUNDS

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, for the function and in the amount as follows:

251	Clerk of Circuit Court	$61,272

The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

Revenue Account	
02251-423100 Shared Expenses	$61,272

Said resolution appropriates Technology Trust fund monies to cover information technology support for the Clerk's land records system - International Land Systems.

A-FY-14-57
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
TECHNOLOGY RESERVE
FOR LAND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE SOFTWARE

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 for the function and in the amount as follows:

140	Information Technology	$60,000

The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

Revenue Account	
451205 Designated Fund Balance – Technology Reserve	$60,000

Said resolution appropriates funds from the Technology Reserve for Land Development Office software costs.

A-FY-14-58
COUNTY CAPITAL TRANSFER
FIRE AND RESCUE CAPITAL PROJECTS

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that a transfer of appropriation within the County Capital Projects Fund is hereby authorized, as follows:

FROM:			
123302BB	Blacksburg Rescue Capital Projects		($ 2,440)
123301	Fire and Rescue Reserve		($176,361)
		Total	($178,801)
TO:			
123301LM	Long Shop McCoy Fire Capital Projects		$178,801

Said resolution transfers appropriated CIP funds within existing Fire and Rescue Capital Projects to purchase equipment approved by the Fire and Rescue Commission.

R-FY-14-59
APPOINTMENT
ADJUSTMENT AND APPEALS BOARD

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby re-appoints **Jason C. Boyle** to the **Adjustment and Appeals Board** effective November 26, 2013 and expiring November 25, 2017.

R-FY-14-60
APPOINTMENT
ADJUSTMENT AND APPEALS BOARD

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby re-appoints **Robert W. Pilkington** to the **Adjustment and Appeals Board** effective November 26, 2013 and expiring November 25, 2017.

R-FY-14-61
APPOINTMENT
NEW RIVER VALLEY EMERGENCY
COMMUNICATIONS REGIONAL AUTHORITY

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby re-appoints **F. Craig Meadows** to the **New River Valley Emergency Communications Regional Authority,** and re-appoints **L. Carol Edmonds** as his alternate effective January 1, 2014 and expiring December 31, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That employees appointed to boards/commissions/authorities as a representative for Montgomery County, such appointment is contingent upon their continued employment with the County and that any such termination or resignation from employment would also constitute a voluntary resignation from such board/commission/authority.

R-FY-14-62
APPOINTMENT
PLANNING COMMISSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby re-appoints **Cynthia Wells Disney** to the **Montgomery County Planning Commission** effective December 20, 2013 and expiring December 19, 2017.

R-FY-14-63
APPOINTMENTS
WESTERN VIRGINIA REGIONAL JAIL AUTHORITY

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby appoints/reappoints the following individuals to the Western Virginia Regional Jail Authority effective January 1, 2014 and expiring December 31, 2014:

Sheriff Tommy Whitt	Chief Deputy Robert L. Hall (alternate)
William H. Brown, Board of Supervisors	Gary D. Creed (alternate)
F. Craig Meadows, Staff Member	L. Carol Edmonds (alternate)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That employees appointed to boards/commissions/ authorities as a representative for Montgomery County, such appointment is contingent upon their continued employment with the County and that any such termination or resignation from employment would also constitute a voluntary resignation from such board/commission/authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The expiration of a Board of Supervisors term in office shall constitute a voluntary resignation from any board/commission/authority appointment as a representative of Montgomery County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all annual appointments to the Western Virginia Regional Jail Authority shall be made by the Board of Supervisors prior to January 1 of the effective year.

NEW BUSINESS

A-FY-14-59
SCHOOL CAPITAL TRANSFER
SCHOOL SECURITY EQUIPMENT

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that a transfer of appropriation within the School Capital Projects Fund is hereby authorized, as follows:

FROM:		
196616	Price's Fork Elementary School	$ (388,000)
TO:		
196633	School Security Upgrades	$ 388,000

Said resolution transfers a portion of the remaining Price's Fork Elementary School bond funds to the School Security Upgrade Project.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Annette S. Perkins	None
Gary D. Creed	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Mary W. Biggs	
William H. Brown	
James D. Politis	

R-FY-14-64
RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED CONVEYANCE OF A STORMWATER MANAGEMENT EASEMENT ACROSS A PORTION OF THE CHRISTIANSBURG MIDDLE SCHOOL PROPERTY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER B&B STORAGE, LLC

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to schedule a public hearing for Monday, December 16, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter in the Board Chambers in the Montgomery County

Government Center, 755 Roanoke Street, Christiansburg, Virginia for the purpose of receiving citizen comment on the proposed conveyance of a 20' stormwater management easement across a portion of the Christiansburg Middle School property located at 1205 Buffalo Street, N.W. Christiansburg, for the benefit of the adjacent property owner, B&B Storage, LLC.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Gary D. Creed	None
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Mary W. Biggs	
William H. Brown	
Annette S. Perkins	
James D. Politis	

The Chair turned the meeting over to the Vice-Chair Brown at this time. The Vice-Chair read the following resolution of appreciation to Chair Politis for serving on the Board of Supervisors for sixteen years.

R-FY-14-65
RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
JAMES D. POLITIS – BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Gary D. Creed and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, James D. (Jim) Politis has served the citizens of Montgomery County since January 1, 1998 when he began his term on the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Jim Politis served as Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors in 2009 and 2010, and as Chair of the Board of Supervisors in 2004, 2011, 2012, and 2013; and

WHEREAS, Jim Politis also served on the AFD Advisory Board, was Chamber of Commerce Liaison, served on the County/School Liaison Committee, Economic Development Alliance, Fairview District Home Board of Directors, Finance Board, alternate on the Fire and Rescue Commission, Montgomery County Improvement Council, Montgomery Tourism Development Council, New River Valley Planning District Commission, Real Estate Committee, Resource Conservation & Development District (RC&D), Road Viewers, Social Services Board, Transportation Safety Commission; and

WHEREAS, Jim Politis served on the Public Service Authority (PSA) from 1998 through 2013, and was Chair of the PSA 2000-2004, 2006, 2007 and 2010; and

WHEREAS, Jim Politis has been an active participant of the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) and served on VACo's Transportation Steering Committee in 2012 (Vice Chair) and 2013; VACo's Resolutions Committee in 2012; and VACo's Environment & Agricultural Steering Committee in 2012 and 2013; and

WHEREAS, During his sixteen years on the Board of Supervisors, ***Jim Politis*** has evidenced his commitment to the citizens of Montgomery County by his efforts to complete the Joinder Study and establish the NRV Regional Water Authority; to expand existing capacity to house the inmates for their respective jurisdictions by working with Franklin County, Roanoke County, and the City of Salem to create the Western Virginia Regional Jail Authority; to establish a jointly sponsored tourism program by working with the Towns of Blacksburg and Christiansburg to establish a jointly sponsored tourism program; to provide a responsive and efficient means of handling 911 emergency communications within the County by establishing a regional 911 Authority with the Town of Blacksburg, the Town of Christiansburg, and Virginia Tech; and

WHEREAS, In 2012 ***Jim Politis*** was appointed to the Board of Directors of Virginia CARES, the only statewide provider of offender re-entry services which assists offenders and ex-offenders in safely and responsibly transitioning from incarceration to a productive, normal life; and

WHEREAS, Jim Politis has worked diligently with state legislators and congressional representatives on issues to improve economic conditions and generate additional revenue for the County, including support for federal legislation that would grant state legislators the authority to license and regulate the commercial production of hemp as an agricultural and industrial commodity; and

WHEREAS, Jim Politis' tenure on the Board of Supervisors included the undertaking of numerous capital projects, including: a new courthouse, a public safety building, a new Prices Fork Elementary School, Eastern Montgomery Elementary School, Eastern Montgomery High School, Blacksburg High School, Auburn High School and Auburn Middle School; and

WHEREAS, The members of this body recognize his years of service have been marked by dedication to the best interests of Montgomery County, and has earned the admiration and high regard of his fellow public servants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the entire citizenship, hereby extends a unanimous vote of appreciation and gratitude to ***James D. Politis*** for his outstanding public service and dedication , with best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the original of this resolution be presented to ***James D. Politis*** as a testimonial of the high esteem and appreciation in which he is regarded by the Board of Supervisors and that a copy be a part of the official minutes of Montgomery County.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Matthew R. Gabriele	None
Christopher A. Tuck	
Mary W. Biggs	
William H. Brown	
Annette S. Perkins	
Gary D. Creed	
James D. Politis	

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The County Administrator reported on the following:

- Planning Director Vacancy: The Planning Director's position has been advertised. There are quite a few qualified applications received to date.
- Received a letter from Floyd County requesting Montgomery County's support requesting that the Virginia General Assembly and the Governor should enact changes to the Virginia Stormwater Management Regulations that would adjust the land disturbance threshold in non-Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act (CBPA) localities to 5 acres or more. This issue to be added to the Board's December 16, 2013 agenda for discussion.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS

Board members wished everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving and expressed appreciation to all county employees.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to Monday, December 2, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

APPROVED_____ATTEST:_____

James D. Politis
Chair

F. Craig Meadows
County Administrator

AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 2nd DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	James D. Politis	-Chair
	William H. Brown	-Vice Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	Gary D. Creed	
	Matthew R. Gabriele	
	Annette S. Perkins	
	Christopher A. Tuck	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Ruth Richey	-Public Information Officer
	Bob Pearsall	-GIS Director
	Randy Wertz	-Voter Registrar

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

INTO WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Work Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. On-Campus Polling Precinct

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Gary D. Creed	None
Annette S. Perkins	
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
James D. Politis	

On-Campus Polling Precinct

The County Administrator provided a brief history on investigating a more conveniently located on-campus polling place at Virginia Tech. The Student Government Association has requested Montgomery County Electoral Board and Virginia Tech work together to establish a suitable location after the 2012 Presidential Election that left students in lines for hours at the Virginia Tech Montgomery Executive Airport polling place. The Electoral Board and Virginia Tech have been in discussions since early 2013 regarding the request.

The Virginia Tech Student Government Association adopted a resolution in November 2013 as follows:

VirginiaTech

Student Government Association (SGA)
321 Squires Student Center
Blacksburg, VA 24060
(540) 231-8631
E-mail: sga@vt.edu
www.sga.vt.edu

(Fall Semester 2013)
Senate Sponsor: Amanda Lemons
House Sponsor: Paul S. Rice

Resolution for On-Campus Voting

Whereas, over nine thousand students live on Virginia Tech's campus, a large number of whom have no cars; and

Whereas, voters aged 18-24 have historically low turnout rates, and a more accessible polling place will increase student voter turnout; and

Whereas, the need for a more accessible polling place became abundantly clear to the SGA Legislative Branch after the 2012 Election Day left over 2000 students in lines for hours, which discouraged voters from voting; and

Whereas, the current polling place for most residential students is almost two miles away from campus at the Virginia Tech Montgomery Executive Airport forcing students to bike, carpool, or take shuttles to vote; and

Whereas, having an easily accessible place to vote would increase student civic engagement and political efficacy in the Virginia Tech community; and,

Whereas, Virginia Tech's campus could readily support the Election Day operations for its residential students; and,

Whereas, Montgomery County has pledged to not create precinct lines dividing communities, but the campus community, one of the most identifiable communities in the county, has been divided, as made clear by the Montgomery County "Street File Listing by Locality" document; and,

Whereas, political student organizations from across the spectrum, including College Republicans at Virginia Tech and Young Democrats at Virginia Tech, have stated their support for this nonpartisan civic engagement effort; and

Whereas, having a polling place on campus has received support from organizations including the Montgomery County Board of Elections, Office of the President of Virginia Tech, Blacksburg Town Council members, as well as, multiple professors and students; then

Therefore be it resolved, that the Student Government Association at Virginia Tech solemnly endorses:

i. Virginia Tech administration and the Montgomery County Board of Elections work together to establish a suitable location for a polling location in accordance with Election Day rules set forth by the Federal Election Commission, the Commonwealth of Virginia, Montgomery County, and Virginia Tech; and

ii. The Montgomery County Geographic Information Systems (GIS) staff to establish a new precinct only for on-campus students that are registered Virginia voters for the purposes of increasing the student civic engagement and voter turnout.

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November 30, 2013
On-Campus Polling Place Talking Points

A more conveniently located on-campus polling place will better serve student voters.
An increase in the distance between a voter and the voter's polling place can greatly reduce turnout, which is especially important for students who may not have the same transportation options as other local residents.[1]

Helping college students vote is especially important because of the unique barriers to voting that affect them. In the 2010 midterm election, census data showed that more college students who did not vote cited reasons that have more to do with a lack of information and accessibility than a lack of interest[2].

Putting a polling place on a college campus can help to ensure a lifetime of participation in elections. Studies consistently show that young people who vote early make it a lifelong habit.[3]

Voting off-campus may be particularly challenging for students who have hectic class schedules, limited transportation options, or limited knowledge of the local area.

On-campus polling places have been successful at other institutions in Virginia.
In July 2011, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the creation of a precinct to serve George Mason University students on campus[4]. Since then, seven elections have been held on the campus manned by dozens of student volunteers. Of the 6,000 precinct residents, approximately 3,000 are registered to vote.[5]

In October 2011, Lynchburg City Council decided to redraw voting lines, creating a new precinct at Liberty to be used by the 4,122 students living on campus and registered to vote in the city at that time. Over 590 votes, the most at any precinct in the state, were cast at that location for the first election it held, the Republican presidential primary in March 2012. [6]

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[1] Joshua J. Dyck and James G. Gimpel, "Distance, Turnout, and the Convenience of Voting," Social Science Quarterly 86 (2005): 531-548.
[2] "Why Young People Don't Vote," The Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement, accessed November 30, 2013, http://www.civicyouth.org/why-young-people-dont-vote/.
[3] "Voting is a Habit," Young Voter Strategies, February 2007, accessed November 30, 2013, http://www.rockthevote.com/assets/publications/research/rtv_voting_is_a_habit-2007.pdf.
[4] Erin Cushing, "Student Convince Fairfax Board to Create Mason Polling Place," November 2, 2011, accessed November 30, 2013, http://news.gmu.edu/articles/7947.
[5] Buzz McClain, "Mason's Busy Polling Place Gives Voice, and Hope, for 'Future of Democracy,'" November 7, 2013, accessed November 30, 2013. http://newsdesk.gmu.edu/2013/11/masons-busy-polling-place-gives-voice-hope-future-democracy/.
[6] Liberty University News Service, "Students vote on campus for first time," March 6, 2012, accessed November 30, 2013, http://www.liberty.edu/news/index.cfm?PID=18495&MID=49636.

Invent the Future

VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY

The County Attorney and the County's GIS staff have been working to identify a new polling place on Virginia Tech's Campus. Bob Pearsall, GIS Director, provided a map of the current precincts and a map of proposed changes to precincts surrounding the VT Campus that include changes to the A-2, A-3, E-3 and F-1 polling places. The proposed change creates a smaller E-3 polling precinct which includes only students. A location for the polling place is still to be determined.

OUT OF WORK SESSION

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Work Session to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Annette S. Perkins	None
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Gary D. Creed	
James D. Politis	

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to Monday, December 9, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

APPROVED_____ ATTEST:_____

James D. Politis
Chair

F. Craig Meadows
County Administrator

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 9th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM #2, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	James D. Politis	-Chair
	William H. Brown	-Vice Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	Gary D. Creed	
	Matthew R. Gabriele	
	Annette S. Perkins	
	Christopher A. Tuck	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Deputy County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary, Board of Supervisors
	John Edwards	-State Senator
	Larry "Nick" Rush	-House of Delegates
	Joseph Yost	-House of Delegates

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order and welcomed the State Legislators and representatives. The purpose of the meeting was to hold discussions with State Legislators regarding 2014 legislative priorities.

Montgomery County Board of Supervisors Legislative Priorities

Chair Politis thanked the legislators for the opportunity to address issues of concerns for Montgomery County. Of particular concern to Montgomery County is the continued shift of state responsibilities to localities through mandating services without full or partial funding, along with what has become an annual reduction of state funding to localities, whether the dollars are generated at the state or local levels. Another major concern is the Virginia Stormwater Management Program mandate. The Board requeststhat changes to the regulations to adjust the land disturbance threshold not in the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act area be increased to 5 acres or more for single family homes or other small building projects. This modification would remove these types of projects from unreasonable regulatory impact.

A copy of the 2014 Legislative Priorities adopted by the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors for consideration during the upcoming General Assembly session was distributed. Montgomery County's legislative priorities are as follows:

- ***Ending Unfunded Mandates on Local Government*** by reducing state mandates in proportion to state revenue reductions. Also, shifting the delivery of state services such as transportation should end. **RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECONDARY ROADS SHOULD NOT BE SHIFTED TO LOCALITIES.**

- ***Ending Future State Funding Reductions*** in the two areas where the state has served as a partner with local government: public education and public safety.

- ***Strengthening the Diversity of Local Revenues by Sharing Income Taxes or Other Revenue Sources in Support of Local Services*** by distributing a percentage of individual income tax revenues, providing the authority to levy a local income tax, or allowing other sources to generate revenue locally for locally delivered services.

- ***Strengthening the County's Revenue Base by Enacting Equal Taxing Authority*** by eliminating the distinction in the taxing authority of Virginia's cities and counties.

- ***Recognizing the State's Role in Funding Quality Education*** by fully funding the state Standards of Quality (SOQ), basing teacher pay raises on actual positions, not just SOQ.

- ***Ensuring 100% of Administrative Funds for the Comprehensive Services Act (CSA)*** and increasing state matching share for all CSA costs.

- ***Providing State Funding for 100% of the Costs of Optical Scan Voting Machines, 100% of the Costs of Electronic Pollbooks and 100% of the Operating Costs of the Electoral Board/General Registrar.***

- ***Increasing State Aid to Library System*** and ensuring no new cuts in state aid to the library system.

- ***Processing and Marketing of Industrial Hemp*** Montgomery County supports efforts by all levels of government to allow cultivation, processing and marketing of industrial hemp.

- ***Mandatory Water and Sewer Connections*** Montgomery County requests legislation adding Montgomery County to the list of counties who can require mandatory water and sewer connections pursuant to the authority contained in Section 15.2-2110 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended.

- ***Eliminate Split Voting Precincts in Montgomery County*** Montgomery County requests that technical adjustments be made to the boundaries of House Districts 7, 8, and 12 in Montgomery County in order to eliminate split voting precincts in Montgomery County

Each Board member had the opportunity to speak on issues or concerns they had and the State Legislators were given the opportunity to address the Board on their thoughts.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

APPROVED_____ATTEST:_____

James D. Politis
Chair

F. Craig Meadows
County Administrator

AT A SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA AND THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON THE 10TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE CROSSPOINTE CONFERENCE CENTER, 900 LIFE DRIVE, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	James D. Politis	-Chair
	William H. Brown	-Vice Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	Gary D. Creed	
	Matthew R. Gabriele	
	Annette S. Perkins	
	Christopher A. Tuck	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Deputy County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary, Board of Supervisors
	B. Wendell Jones	-Chair, School Board Member
	Penny Franklin	-Vice Chair, School Board Member
	Phyllis Albritton	-School Board Members
	Jamie Bond	
	Drema Foster	
	Joseph Ivers	
	Sarah Woolsey	
	Brenda Blackburn	-Superintendent, MCPS
	John Staten	-Assistant Superintendent
	Lois Graham	-Assistant Superintendent
	Jason Garretson	-Supervisor of Student Intervention Services
	Dan Berenato	-Director of Facilities and Planning
	Brenda Drake	-Clerk, School Board

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order. The purpose of the meeting was to hold discussion with the Montgomery County School Board regarding mutual concerns and interest.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

INTO WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Work Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. MCPS Capital Improvement Plan
2. Status of Former School Properties
3. School Security Equipment
4. Other Items of Mutual Interest

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Gary D. Creed	None
Annette S. Perkins	
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
James D. Politis	

OUT OF WORK SESSION

On a motion by Gary D. Creed, seconded by Matthew R. Gabriele and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Work Session to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Annette S. Perkins	None
William H. Brown	
Mary W. Biggs	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Gary D. Creed	
James D. Politis	

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to Monday, December 16, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

APPROVED_____ATTEST:_____

James D. Politis
Chair

F. Craig Meadows
County Administrator