AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 26th DAY OF JANUARY, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	William H. Brown	-Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Vice Chair
	Gary D. Creed	-Supervisors
	Matthew R. Gabriele	
	M. Todd King	
	Annette S. Perkins	
	Christopher A. Tuck	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Deputy County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Angie Hill	-Finance & Management Services Director
	Marc Magruder	-Budget Manager
	Emily Gibson	-Planning 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 Mary W. Biggs, seconded by M. Todd King 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 # 2014-047

(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. Economic Development Authority
2. Planning District Commission

(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. Former Blacksburg Middle School Property

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

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

OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by M. Todd King, seconded by Mary W. Biggs 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
M. Todd King	None
Mary W. Biggs	
Annette S. Perkins	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Gary D. Creed	
William H. Brown	

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by M. Todd King 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
Annette S. Perkins
Christopher A. Tuck
Matthew R. Gabriele
Gary D. Creed
M. Todd King
William H. Brown

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.

PRESENTATIONS

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014
John Aldridge with Brown, Edwards & Company, L.L.P., presented Montgomery County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2014. Mr. Aldridge reported that an annual audit is required by State Code. There were no findings and Montgomery County is given a clear opinion by Brown, Edwards, & Company.

Mr. Aldridge reported starting in FY 2015 all localities have to disclose Virginia Retirement System (VRS) liabilities. It is estimated that the County's VRS cost is $19.9 million, Montgomery County Public School's is estimated at $5.7 million for non-professional and $98 million for professional employees. He stated that Fairfax County's VRS liability is estimated at $2.7 billion.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

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

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda dated January 26, 2015 was approved. The vote was as follows:

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

Appropriations and Transfers

A-FY-15-61
COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM GRANT

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 for the function and in the amount as follows:

201	Commonwealth Attorney Grants	$19,831

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

Revenue Account		
992011-424401	Domestic Violence Victim Grant	$19,831

Said resolution appropriates the Domestic Violence Victim Grant funds.

A-FY-15-62
EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR
STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, for the function and in the amount as follows:

111	Emergency Services Coordinator Grants	$56,000

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

Revenue Account		
991111-434401	Federal Grants	$56,000

Said resolution appropriates the 2013 State Homeland Security Program grant award.

A-FY-15-63
TREASURER
DMV STOP FEES

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck 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, 2015 for the function and in the amount as follows:

162	Treasurer's Collections	$3,250

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

Revenue Account
411605 DMV Stop Fee $3,250

Said resolution appropriates DMV Stop Fees collected to pay the associated fee to the DMV and Commonwealth of Virginia.

A-FY-15-64
TREASURER
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL CONTINGENCIES

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, 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 is hereby authorized, as follows:

FROM:
950 General Contingencies ($18,000)

TO:
162 Treasurer Collections $18,000

Said resolution transfers funds from General Contingencies to the Treasurer's Office for the costs associated with Union First banking fees.

Appointments

R-FY-15-70
NEW RIVER COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS
AND PRETRIAL SERVICES
RE-APPOINT LT. BUDDY J. SMITH, JR.

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby reappoints **Lieutenant Buddy J. Smith, Jr.** of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office to the **New River Community Corrections and Pretrial Services** effective February 24, 2015 and expiring February 23, 2017.

R-FY-15-71
SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD
APPOINTMENT

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby appoints **M. Todd King** to the **Social Services Board** effective January 27, 2015 and expiring December 31, 2015.

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.

Said appointment fills the unexpired term of Annette S. Perkins, resigned.

INTO WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Annette S. Perkins and carried unanimously,

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

1. Regional Tourism Program Update
2. FY 16 Budget – Revenue Estimates
3. "Ban the Box" - National Movement to remove questions from employment application regarding criminal history.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

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

Regional Tourism Program

Lisa Bleakley, Executive Director of Tourism, provided an update on the focus and direction for the tourism program in Montgomery County and the Towns of Blacksburg and Christiansburg. Ms. Bleakley highlighted marketing strategies for promoting tourism development within the Towns and County and current efforts on developing an identity brand for the region.

Ms. Bleakley also provided information on tourism spending in Montgomery County. Tourism spending increased to $132.6 million in FY 2013 from $121.8 million in FY 2011. The Town of Christiansburg did increase their meals and lodging tax rate in FY 2012, which may skewer the increase amount in FY 12. According to the Virginia Tourism Corporation in 2013 visitors spent a total of $8,000,713 in combined state and county taxes. Revenue derived from tourism spending in Montgomery County generated $230.40 per household.

FY 16 Budget Update – Revenue Estimates

Marc Magruder, Budget Manager, provided an update on the County's revenue estimates for FY16. The County revenue is made up of the following:

Undesignated Revenue – 88% of County Revenue
- Real Estate
- Personal Property
- Sales and Use Tax

Designated Revenue – 12% of County Revenue
- Federal and State funding allocated for specific purposes.
- State designated revenue reductions have required more local support.

Projected Revenue Growth for FY 16, excluding the impact of the 2015 Reassessment, for undesignated revenue growth is estimated to provide $1.2 million as follows:

Real Estate	$0.4
Personal Property – MV	$0.7
Other Current Property	$0.3
Sales Taxes	$0.2
Recordation	($0.3)
Other Categories Undes.	($0.1)
Total	$1.2 million

Mr. Magruder reported on the County's reassessment process. The Board of Equalization will hold hearings over the next few weeks and finalized reassessment numbers will be provided around the first week of March. Final revenue projections will be provided (along with a revenue neutral calculation for the reassessment) with the proposed budget in March.

Revenue Growth Issues Looking Forward

Our current growth patterns are similar to prior years. Last year, preliminary revenue projections provided a projection of $1 million in growth. Over the last few years, the County has experienced and continues to experience, less construction growth, motor vehicle value swings (used and new vehicles) and recordation swings. To help balance the budget over the past several years the County has:

- Eliminated and froze positions
- Deferred operating requests
- Maximized revenue projections
- Eliminated the Revenue Stabilization Fund
- Changed the method of valuation on MV personal property
- Increased the RE and PP tax rates

Governor's Budget Highlights

- According to the schools, additional state funding for schools is estimated at $64,078 (excluding $213,600 for the e-backpack initiative).
- State Flexible Cuts are back for FY 15 and FY 16, impact to County revenues is ($159,844)
- Includes funds to support increasing the compensation board's entry level salaries of deputies – Impact is $19,862
- Additional funding is provided to replace voting equipment statewide. The Governor's Budget includes $29.6 million statewide to replace voting machines. The General Assembly would have to approve this initiative for the County to receive any revenue.

FY 2016 Budget – Next Steps

- Analyze Budget Requests as Received.
- Presentation of Proposed School Budget on February 9.
- Presentation of Proposed County FY 16 Budget on March 9.
- Establish Advertised Tax Rate and Budget on March 23.
- Public Hearing on Tax Rate and Budget on April 9.
- Adopt Tax Rate and Budget on April 20.

"Ban the Box" National Movement to remove questions from employment application regarding criminal history.

The County Administrator reported at the Board's meeting on December 15, 2014 the Board of Supervisors was requested to eliminate the box on the County employment application that ask individuals whether they have ever been convicted of a crime. It allows jobs applicants, who are qualified and otherwise eligible for employment, an opportunity to explain their criminal history and discuss whether it is relevant to the County's particular position requirements once a provisional offer has been extended. All County applicants are required to consent to a criminal background check. He asked the Board's direction on how they would like to proceed with the request.

The Board discussed the request at length. The Board supports the removal of the box asking individuals if they have ever been convicted of a crime; however, a few Board members do not support making it a requirement that vendors/contractors that do business with the County be required to follow suit.

It was the Board's consensus to direct the County Administrator to administratively change the County's application

OUT OF WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, 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 foregoing motion was as follows:

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

R-FY-15-76
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO IMPLEMENT "BANNING THE BOX" FROM THE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

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

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the County of Montgomery to provide equal employment opportunities for qualified individuals without discrimination, as defined by state and federal laws; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors desires to support the "Ban the Box" initiative by removing the criminal conviction question from the County's employment application; and

WHEREAS, The County of Montgomery will continue to conduct background checks for potential employees consistent with federal, state and local laws.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors hereby request that the County Administrator remove the criminal conviction question "Have you ever been convicted of a law violation, including moving traffic violation" from the County's employment application.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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

NEW BUSINESS

R-FY-15-72
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
APPROVING THE AMENDMENT TO BOND AND AGREEING THAT THE SUPPORT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA AND THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT DURING THE EXTENSION OF THE MATURITY DATE

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

WHEREAS**,** Pursuant to a Bond Purchase and Loan Agreement dated as of December 1, 2011, (the "Agreement") between the Economic Development Authority of Montgomery County, Virginia (the "Authority) and Union First Market Bank (the "Bank") (formerly known as StellarOne Bank), the Authority issued to the Bank its Taxable Revenue Bond, Series 2011, in the original principal amount of $9,385,000. (the "Bond"), which directly or indirectly refinanced prior borrowings of the Authority to finance the construction, renovation and equipping of the Technology Manufacturing Building located on certain land in the County **(together with such land and any other improvements located on such land, the "Project")**; and

WHEREAS**,** In order to provide monies to pay the principal and interest on the Bond, to the extent that the other funds of the Authority are not available therefor, the County has entered into a Support Agreement dated as of December 1, 2011, (the "Support Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, The Bond is set to mature on January 1, 2015, and the Authority has requested that the maturity of the Bond be extended; and

WHEREAS**,** The Bank has proposed and the Authority is in agreement to amend the Bond by extending the maturity date to February 1, 2020 and by reducing the interest rate from 3.75% to 3.40% by way of an Amendment to Bond; and

WHEREAS**,** The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County is willing to provide monies pursuant to the Support Agreement during the extended term of the Bond and the Board is willing to sign the Amendment to Bond in order to express their approval of the Authority extending the maturity date of the Bond and the Board's continued commitment to provide monies through the Support Agreement during the extended term of the Bond.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA:

1. The Amendment to Bond proposing to amend the Bond by extending the maturity date of the Bond to February 1, 2020 with a reduced interest rate of 3.4% as described in the preambles above is hereby approved. The Authority will continue to agree to repay the Bond pursuant to the Agreement. The Authority's repayment obligations will be sufficient to pay interest and principal due pursuant to the Agreement. The obligation of the County to make any payments under the Support Agreement will be subject to the Board of Supervisors making appropriations for such purpose.

2. The Board hereby approves Woods Rogers PLC serving as counsel for the Bank.

3. The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Amendment to Bond.

4. The Project is hereby declared to be essential to the efficient operation of the County, and the Board of Supervisors anticipates that the Project will continue to be essential to the operation of the County during the extended term of the Bond. The Board of Supervisors, while recognizing that it is not empowered to make any binding commitment to make appropriations beyond the current fiscal year, hereby states its intent to make annual appropriations in future fiscal years in amounts sufficient to make all payments pursuant to the Support Agreement and hereby recommends that future Boards of Supervisors do likewise during the extended term of the Bond.

5. All other acts of the Chairman and other officers of the County that are in conformity with the purposes and intent of this resolution and in furtherance of the plan to amend the Bond are hereby approved and ratified.

6. Any authorization herein to execute a document shall include authorization to deliver it to the other parties thereto and to record such document where appropriate.

7. Nothing in this Resolution or the Support Agreement, the Amendment to Bond, the Agreement or the Bond shall constitute a debt or a pledge of the faith and credit or the taxing power of the County with respect to any sums which are or may become payable under the Support Agreement. All obligations of the County and the Board of Supervisors under the Support Agreement are subject to and dependent upon appropriations of funds by the Board of Supervisors, and the Board of Supervisors shall have no legally binding obligation under this resolution or in the Support Agreement to make any such appropriation or the payments provided for in the

Support Agreement, the Support Agreement being a statement only of the present intent of the Board of Supervisors.

8. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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

R-FY-15-73
RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO GRANT MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND PULASKI COUNTY THE AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE A LOCAL TAX ON CIGARETTES

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

WHEREAS, Counties within the Commonwealth of Virginia share many of the same responsibilities as cities relative to the provision of services to their respective constituencies; and

WHEREAS, The Code of Virginia provides for more diversification in the types of local taxing authority afforded to cities and towns than for counties; and

WHEREAS, One of the areas of taxing disparity lies with the authority to impose local taxes on the sales of cigarettes; and

WHEREAS, Currently, only two counties in Virginia have the authority to enact a cigarette tax; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Yost has submitted a bill that would expire on June 30, 2025, adding Montgomery and Pulaski Counties to the list of counties with the authority to impose local taxes on the sales of cigarettes, provided the monies from this source be used for public education; and

WHEREAS, Delegate Morrissey and Senator Lucas have submitted HB 1994 and SB 784 respectively to allow all counties to impose local taxes on the sales of cigarettes with no restrictions on the uses of the monies collected; and

WHEREAS, Equal taxing authority relative to the imposition of a local tax on the sales of cigarettes would work toward addressing the disparity in taxing authority among counties, and cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County has repeatedly requested the General Assembly to provide the county with the authority to impose local taxes on the sales of cigarettes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia requests that the Virginia General Assembly adopt enabling legislation to provide Montgomery and Pulaski counties the authority to impose a local tax on the sales of cigarettes.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

AYE	NAY
Mary W. Biggs	M. Todd King
Annette S. Perkins	
Christopher A. Tuck	
Matthew R. Gabriele	
Gary D. Creed	
William H. Brown	

R-FY-15-74
RESOLUTION ADOPTING A
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING POLICY

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery is committed to allowing citizens the opportunity to offer comments and suggestions for the efficient and effective administration of government and address the Board on issues of concern; and

WHEREAS, In addition to public hearings, a time is set aside at each Board meeting for a public address session for the purpose of receiving such comments and suggestions on matters regarding the business of the County; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors desires that all citizens be afforded an equal opportunity to address the Board on matters of business, and that citizens are clearly aware of any action that may be taken following public hearing or other disposition of these matters by the Board; and

WHEREAS, To ensure that the Board's meeting agendas and meeting policies conform to these principles, the Board of Supervisors desires to revise the agenda format adding an action following public hearing entitled "Action From Public Hearing", by replacing the delegation section with a section entitled "Presentations, Recognitions, and

Awards, and adopt a public address policy and a visual presentations policy for public address.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the following agenda format changes and meeting policies:

AGENDA FORMAT:

1. Following the Public Hearing section of the agenda, a section entitled Action from the Public Hearing will be added.

2. During this section the Board may approve the ordinance from the public hearing or direct staff to place the item on a future agenda.

3. The Board may also choose to direct staff to investigate issues raised, discuss items with the applicant, refer issues back to the Planning Commission, or request additional information.

4. The Delegations section of the agenda will be eliminated and replaced with a section entitled "Presentations, Recognitions and Awards".

5. Following a presentation made to the Board under this section, a section will be added entitled Action from the Presentation.

6. During this section, the Board may direct staff to place the item on a future agenda as a work session topic, ask for additional information or request a resolution be added to a future agenda.

7. Following the Public Address section of the agenda, a section will be added entitled Action from Public Address.

8. During this section, the Board may direct staff to gather additional information regarding comments made during the Public Address session.

PUBLIC ADDRESS POLICY

All citizen comments addressed to the Board during the public address session shall be subject to the following procedures:

1. A public address sign-up sheet will be available outside the Board meeting room. Speakers are requested to provide their name, address and phone number, and list the subject matter on the sign-up sheet.

2. Those wishing to speak, who did not sign the sheet, will be allowed to address the Board following those speakers whose names are listed on the sign-up sheet.

3. Each speaker will be allowed five minutes during the public address session, whether speaking as an individual or a representative.

4. The speaker will be acknowledged by the Board Chairman and will address all comments to the Board. Speakers will address the Board from the speaker's lectern at the front of the room and will begin their remarks by stating their name and address. Debate between speakers and members of the audience will not be allowed.

5. Speakers may leave any written statements and/or comments to the Board with the Clerk.

6. The Chairman may direct appropriate staff to later respond to any questions posed by the speaker.

7. Public Address is for the purpose of allowing members of the public to present comments or public issues which in their opinion deserves the attention of the Board and shall not serve as a forum for debate with the Board. The Board will not generally respond to questions or provide answers during public address. Following the public address section, the Board may direct staff to follow up on issues or questions raised during public address.

8. Speakers will be judged to be out of order and will be asked to cease should the speaker engage in personal attacks, use profanity or abusive language, or debate with the audience and not address the Board.

9. Accepted etiquette at a Board meeting is to not applaud and no loud response after someone speaks.

VISUALS PRESENTATIONS FOR PUBLIC ADDRESS

The County welcomes visuals that support citizen comments made during Board of Supervisors' meetings. In order to ensure visuals are ready to present in a timely fashion and look their best for electronic recordings of the meetings, the Board of Supervisors adopts the following visuals presentation policy:

1. PowerPoint files along with your contact information (name, phone number and e-mail address) **Must be emailed to Vickie Swinney at swinneyvl@montgomerycountyva.gov** or delivered to the County Administration Suite, Suite 2E, 755 Roanoke St., second floor, **by noon on Friday** preceding the meeting. A confirmation email will be sent as soon as the presentation is received. County staff will follow up with the presenter if there are any technical issues.

2. Visual presentations **will not be accepted** the day of the meeting. If you wish to distribute copies of your statement or presentation to the Board of Supervisors, please provide 12 copies of the presentation and/or additional handouts when comments are presented.

3. Before the start of televised meetings, speakers with electronic presentations should consult with County staff in the Board Room's Control Room **at least 30 minutes before the meeting starts.**

4. Speakers are not allowed to use their own laptop, tablet or A/V equipment.

5. County staff will provide technical advice, but not assistance with visual preparation or presentation before or during the meeting.

6. Sound files on their own or embedded into PowerPoint or linked into presentations will not be supported.

7. You are also welcome to email your presentation to **Supervisors@montgomerycountyva.gov**.

8. Format requirements for visual quality are**:**
    - Minimum text size - 28 point.
    - Use Arial or Helvetica fonts.
    - Use contrasting colors between the text and background.
    - Avoid using red, orange, bright pink and bright purple

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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

R-FY-15-75
AMEND RULE 17 OF THE RULES OF ORDER

On a motion by Annette S. Perkins, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors amends Rule 17 of the Rules of Order, as follows:

Rule 17 ~~Staff and **Delegation** presentations~~ ***Presentations during the Presentations, Recognition and Awards section of the agenda*** will not exceed ~~20~~ ***15*** minutes unless prior approval is obtained from the Administrator.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The County Administrator reported on the following items:

- The County Administrator distributed copies of the Economic Development Authority 2014 Annual Report. He recognized the Economic Development staff, Brian Hamilton, Brenda Rigney, and Charlie Jewel, for all their hard work and dedication.
- The County Administrator recognized the County's Financial & Management Services Director Angie Hill and Budget Manager Marc Magruder on helping with the County's FY 2014 Audit.
- The County Administrator stated he was notified that Senator Bill Carrico (Galax) and Delegate Nick Rush have jointly filed bills in the Virginia House and Senate to name the I-81 New River Bridge the "Andrew Fox Memorial Bridge". According to the Virginia State Code all costs associated with naming the bridge are to be paid by the locality. Pulaski County and Montgomery County will share the costs associated with purchasing and installing the signs. The Virginia State Troopers Association stated they are willing to help with the costs.
- Upcoming Meetings:
    - Passenger Rail Service – February 3, 2015
    - VACo Legislative Day in Richmond will be held Thursday, February 5, 2015.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS

Supervisor King reported the dedication for the Auburn Middle School was held on Sunday, January 25, 2015. He appreciated everyone that attended. Supervisor Creed expressed his apologies or not attending as he had other plans. He stated he did tour the school and it is a very beautiful school facility.

Supervisor Biggs also thanked everyone for attending the Auburn Middle School dedication. She attended the Library Board meeting and the Library Board requested an update on when the Board of Supervisors will consider getting a capital needs plan started.

The Third Annual Dialogue on Race Summit was held on January 17, 2015 at the Government Center. The focus was on "Relationship between Protests against Police Killing and Dialogue on Race". Along with herself, Supervisor Brown, Supervisor Gabriele and the County Administrator attended.

The County/School Liaison meeting will be held Thursday, January 29, 2015. If any Board member has any agenda topics they would like to add to the agenda, please let her know.

Supervisor Tuck made a presentation on the proposed Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP). He stated he has yet to hear a compelling reason why or how the pipeline benefits Montgomery County, or even our region of the state, and that is why he has maintained his opposition. He discussed the idea of Montgomery County providing an alternative route for the proposed pipeline other than the one MVP has submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). According to FERC representatives, they would not develop an alternative route and stated if Montgomery County desires an alternative route, then the County needed to propose one.

Supervisor Tuck stated the County's GIS staff could prepare an alternative route; however, without the expertise then the County would be guilty of what MVP originally appeared to do, getting on a computer and drawing a line without understanding the ramifications of the pipeline and geological issue. He stated that the County Government lacks the expertise and does not have the time to obtain the needed expertise to develop a detailed alternative route. He suggested that County staff could speak with FERC and determine how detailed an alternative route has to be for FERC to consider it. Also, the County could try and work with MVP to work on an alternative route. If the County chooses to work with MVP, we are doing so on behalf of our fellow citizens. The County should work for an alternative route with the least impact on Montgomery County, but should also try to obtain any possible benefits. He feels that the County should try to make the best of a bad situation. If the County does work with MVP, he believes some people will view the County's efforts as giving approval of the pipeline and everything it stands for. He wanted to make it clear that the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors does not think this pipeline is "good" for Montgomery County. However, if the gas does not come out by a pipeline, he believes rail is the next logical method.

Supervisor Tuck asked fellow Board members if they could support directing staff to contact FERC to see what is needed to submit an alternative route. He does not support the pipeline; however, he believes that the County needs to work for the citizens of the County and help provide an alternative route that away from populated areas.

Board members discussed Supervisors Tuck's request at length. MVP has already provided alternative routes even though the original route was the one filed with FERC and still in the survey stages. The Board does not believe the County should propose an alternative route, who should say whose property the pipeline should go through. The Board did express their opinion that the pipeline should go through an area farther away from any populated area. The Board agreed that MVP needs to be the one that provides alternate routes. The Board does not want to give the impression that they are trying to negotiate with MVP.

Supervisor Tuck stressed that he would like to at least get some basic information from the FERC on what they will consider and how detailed of a map is needed.

The County Administrator stated he would contact the FERC for guidelines on what is required to submit an alternate route. He also reported that an invitation was forwarded to MVP representatives to attend the February 23, 2015 meeting to update the Board on the proposed pipeline.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to February 9, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

APPROVED_____ATTEST:_____

William H. Brown	F. Craig Meadows
Chair	County Administrator