AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 28th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 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	-Financial & Management Services Director
	Marc Magruder	-Budget Manager
	Brea Hopkins	-Planning- Development Planner
	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 Christopher A. Tuck, 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 (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. Riner Public Safety Site
2. Former Blacksburg High School
3. Former Blacksburg Middle School

(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. Public Safety Building
2. Mountain Valley Charitable Foundation –Shawsville Middle School Athletic Facilities
3. Gallows Dead Oak Hollow

(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. Personnel

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 Mary W. Biggs, seconded by M. Todd King 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 M. Todd King, seconded by Gary D. Creed 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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Rezoning Request – SHAH Development, LLC
Request by SHAH Development, LLC (Agent: Gay and Neel, Inc.) to rezone approximately 8.01 acres from Residential Multi-Family (RM-1) to Residential (R3) compact development, with possible proffered conditions, to allow a single family dwelling subdivision. The property is located at 5201 Tango Lane; identified as Tax Parcel Nos. 060-1 A, (Parcel No. 070690) in the Shawsville Magisterial District (District C). The property currently lies in an area designated as Village Expansion in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan and further described as Mixed Use within the Elliston/Lafayette Village Plan.

Brea Hopkins, Development Planner, provided a summary of the rezoning request. The applicant is requesting rezoning of approximately 8 acres from Residential Multi-Family (RM-1) to Residential (R3) to allow a subdivision with up to 38 single-family residential dwellings. The property is known as the former Elliston-Lafayette Elementary School site. On October 28, 2013, the Board of Supervisors approved the rezoning of the property to allow construction of up to 64 townhomes. Since that time, the applicant has revised the proposed development plans based on current market conditions. Ms. Hopkins reported that SHAH Development is still requesting private streets within the development, which will be maintained by a homeowners association. The roads will be constructed to VDOT's standards.

At their September 9, 2015 meeting, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the request with conditions.

Supervisor Creed asked how the proposed Norfolk Southern Intermodal facility will impact the request. Ms. Hopkins stated that there have been no recent updates on the proposed intermodal facility.

John Neel, Agent: Gay and Neel, Inc, explained that the applicant revised the development plans due to the positive economic growth. They believe the revised plans are a better project to meet the housing demands in the area. Mr. Neel also provided additional information on the projects pertaining to roads and private streets.

Thom Rutledge with SHAH Development clarified issues with the request to abandon a portion of SR 603 (North Fork Road) adjacent to the property which would allow the installation of a T-turnaround or cul-de-sac to accommodate school buses. Mr. Rutledge stated that Norfolk Southern Railroad's proposed plans for an intermodal facility will not be an issue with their request to abandon the front portion of the property as SHAH Development's property is located farther down the road.

There being no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 10, Sections 10-24, 10-25, 10-26, 10-32.1, 10-35, and 10-41 – Residential Beekeeping

An Ordinance amending Chapter 10, entitled Zoning of the Code of the County of Montgomery, Virginia by amending sections 10-24, 10-25, 10-26, 10-32.1, 10-35, and 10-41 respectively by allowing residential beekeeping as a permitted use under urban agriculture pursuant to certain restriction in the R-1 Residential, R-2 Residential, R-3 Residential, Traditional Neighborhood Development infill and PUD-Res Planned Unit Development districts and by amending section 10-61 definitions by adding a definition for residential beekeeping and by amending definition of animal unit to include two beehives.

Brea Hopkins, Development Planner, provided a summary of the proposed changes to the County's Ordinance by adding language to allow residential beekeeping as a permitted use in residential zoning districts of the County. It is allowed in Agriculture zoning district. At the request of the Board of Supervisors the Planning Commission reviewed the request by the Beekeepers Association to allow the keeping of bees in residential areas. The Planning Commission created a subcommittee, comprised of staff, Planning Commission members and citizens to learn about the issue of residential beekeeping in Montgomery County. The subcommittee agreed that the County should move forward to allow for beekeeping in the County's residential districts.

The draft ordinance is as follows:

> Residential beekeeping as defined in section 10-61 of this chapter, is permitted in the Residential (R-1), (R-2), (R-3), (TND) and (PUD-RES) zoning districts subject to the following requirements:
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> 1. A minimum lot size of one half (1/2) acre is required.
> 2. A density of two (2) hives per one half (1/2) acre is permitted in residential zoning districts, with an equal number of nucleus hives.
> 3. Beehives shall be located in the rear yard only and shall be setback at least twenty five (25) feet from side and rear property lines.

4. Water supply for bees. Every person owning, possessing, or keeping any beehive shall maintain, within fifty (50) feet of each beehive, an adequate, accessible, and useable supply of water for the bees.
5. Bees shall be kept for the household's personal use and enjoyment only. On-site commercial uses such as sales of honey, beeswax, or bees shall be prohibited.
6. A zoning permit shall be obtained by the owner of the bees.
7. Residential beekeeping shall comply with chapter 7, article III of the County Code.

Ms. Hopkins reported that four speakers spoke in support for the zoning amendment during the Planning Commission's public hearing; however, they expressed concerns with the 25' setback and the requirement for a zoning permit being too restrictive.

The Planning Commission recommended approval of the draft ordinance to allow residential beekeeping.

James Hill, Vice President of the New River Valley Beekeepers Association, spoke in support for the proposed ordinance to allow residential beekeeping. Mr. Hill requested the Board modify the ordinance presented to them to in order to make the ordinance less restrictive. He asked that the setback be revised to a 10 foot setback or at least consider a 15 of 20 foot setback. Mr. Hill also asked the Board to delete the requirement that a beekeeper must apply for a zoning permit. He believes that a permit does not serve an important public interest.

Jerry Borger, past President of the New River Valley Beekeepers Association, spoke in support for the proposed ordinance. Mr. Borger agreed with Mr. Hill's comments and asked if there really is a need to require a citizen to obtain a zoning permit to raise bees. He indicated that there is a decline in commercial beekeeping and they are starting to see an increase in residential beekeeping.

Bill Turner spoke in support for the proposed ordinance. He asked the Board to consider amending the proposed ordinance by changing the require setback from 25 ft. to 15 ft. and to consider striking out the requirement to obtain a zoning permit.

Javad Torabinegad spoke in support for the proposed ordinance. As a master gardener he can confirm the reduction in bees and the impact of lack of pollination. Allowing residential beekeeping may help increase the bee population.

There being no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 7, Entitled Offenses, by Creating Sections 7-85 through 7-91, Entitled Removal or Disposal of Trash, Cutting of Grass and Weeds

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7 Entitled Offenses – Miscellaneous of the Code of the County of Montgomery, Virginia by Creating Article V, Entitled Removal or Disposal of Trash, Cutting of Grass and Weeds, Sections 7-85 through 7-91, Making it Illegal to Accumulate Trash and Weeds in Excess of Twelve (12) Inches on any Parcel in Areas Zoned Residential, Business, Commercial or Industrial or in Areas Within the Boundaries of Platted Subdivisions.

The County Attorney provided a summary on the proposed ordinance. The Board of Supervisors directed staff to look into the issues of overgrown property in the County. The majority of the properties are normally foreclosures that are left unattended. The ordinance will allow the County to step in to clean the property. The County can place a lien on the property and charge the owner for the cleanup. The ordinance would not apply within the town limits or to agricultural zoning districts.

Several Board members expressed concern that the height of 12 inches may be too restrictive as there are those who do keep a manicured landscaped yard. The County Attorney stated that staff would only go out and inspect property on a complaint basis only.

There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Intent to Abandon old School Access Roads

Intent to abandon the following school access route roads that are no longer necessary because the school facilities served by the roads have been deemed surplus by the School Board and no longer need an internal school access road:

- State Route 9262 (Ironto Head Start School Road), Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, Secondary Route 9262 from Route 647 to 0.20 miles north of Route 647 for a distance of .020 miles, serving former Ironto Head Start, serves no public necessity and is no longer necessary as part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

- State Route 9263 (Shawsville Elementary School Road), Shawsville Magisterial District, Secondary Route 9263 from Route 11/460 to 0.38 miles west of Route 11-460 for a distance of 0.38 miles, serving former Shawsville Elementary School, serves no public necessity and is no longer necessary as part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

- State Route 9265 (Elliston Elementary School Road), Shawsville Magisterial District, Secondary Route 9265 from Route 631 to 0.12 miles north of Route 631 for a distance of 0.12 miles, serving former Elliston Elementary School Road, serves no public necessity and is no longer necessary as part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

- State Route 9547 (former Price's Fork Elementary School Road), Price's Fork Magisterial District, Secondary Route 9547 from Route 685 to 0.08 miles east of Route 685 for a distance of 0.08 miles, serving former Price's Fork Elementary School, serves no public necessity and is no longer necessary as part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

- State Route 9658 (Bethel Elementary School Road), Riner Magisterial District, Secondary Route 9658 from Route 177 to 0.07 miles north of Route 177 for a distance of 0.07 miles, serving former Bethel Elementary School, serves no public necessity and is no longer necessary as part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

- State Route 9815 (Elliston Lafayette Elementary School Road), Shawsville Magisterial District, Secondary Route 9815 from Route 11/460 to 0.24 miles south of Route 11/460 for a distance of 0.24 miles, serving former Elliston Lafayette Elementary School, serves no public necessity and is no longer necessary as part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

The County Attorney reported that VDOT sent a request to the County to abandon the above listed roads that are no longer needed by the school system. These roads were the internal access roads on school property. The majority of the school access roads are no longer in existence as the school property has been sold and developed. For example, the Bethel Elementary School is now the Motor Mile Ballpark and the road does not exist.

There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Dane Webster addressed his concerns with the proposed Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) Alternate Route 200. Mr. Webster stated this route will go through the back of his property. He asked if the Board of Supervisors is considering a new resolution of opposition since MVP has released new routes. He also asked the Board to urge the Governor to grant the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) the authority needed to have oversight over the proposed pipeline.

Jennifer Henderson addressed her concerns with the proposed Mountain Valley Pipeline. Ms. Henderson stated she is just now learning of the project and is concerned about the impact of having a pipeline being routed through Montgomery County. She asked if the Board of Supervisors has a safety contingency plan for possible explosions and fire. How will the Board address issues with failed water sources and other issues.

Karen Ellingson addressed her concerns with the proposed Mountain Valley Pipeline. Ms. Ellingson reported that Roanoke County adopted a resolution requesting the Governor to provide additional resources to DEQ in order to oversee the pipeline. She asked the Board to consider adopting a similar resolution. Ms. Ellingson asked the Board to address the following issues that will be impacted by the pipeline: noise, pollution and roads.

Javad Toravinejad asked the Board of Supervisors to request the Virginia Department of Transportation to fix the U.S.460/North Main Street Intersection in Blacksburg. He reported the Town of Blacksburg adopted a resolution requesting funds to help eliminate left turns until a more permanent project can be funded. Mr. Torvinejad believes this is a band-aid approach and a long-term plan needs to be in place.

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

The County Attorney commented that he has been working with Roanoke County officials and a resolution will be on a future agenda to request the Governor to grant DEQ the authority needed to provide the appropriate plan review and construction oversight of the proposed pipeline.

ADDENDUM - ADD TO WORK SESSION

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

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby amends the agenda dated September 28, 2015 to add the following to Work Session:

3. Revenue Sharing FY 17

The vote on the forgoing motion was as follows:

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

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Matthew R. Gabriele, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda dated September 28, 2015 was approved. The vote 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	

Appropriations and Transfers

A-FY-16-34
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
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	($4,540)

TO:

910	Cooperative Extension	$4,540

Said resolution transfers funds from General Contingencies to the Cooperative Extension Office for the increase in the local share of the program cost.

A-FY-16-35
COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY
FORFEITED ASSET SHARING PROGRAM

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, 2016, for the function and in the amount as follows:

200	Commonwealth's Attorney	$1,246

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

Revenue Account

419104	Confiscations	$1,246

Said resolution appropriates monies received as part of the Forfeited Asset Sharing Program from the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

A-FY-16-36
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
FORFEITED ASSET SHARING PROGRAM

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, 2016 for the function and in the amount as follows:

321	Sheriff County	$1,059

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

Revenue Account		
451501	Designated Fund Balance	$ 190
419104	Confiscations	$ 869
	Total	$1,059

Said resolution appropriates monies received as part of the Forfeited Asset Sharing Program from the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

R-FY-16-17
VACO 2015 ANNUAL MEETING
VOTING CREDENTIALS

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 authorizes William H. Brown, Chair, to cast its vote at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) on November 10, 2015 and designates Mary W. Biggs as the alternate.

R-FY-16-18
MBC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION-
RE-APPOINT MARY W. BIGGS

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 **Mary W. Biggs** to the **MBC Development Corporation** effective September 11, 2015 and expiring September 10, 2018.

INTO WORK SESSION

On motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by M. Todd King and carried unanimously,

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

1. Treasurer
    a. Delinquent Real Estate Taxes, Bills in Equity Tax
    b. Proration-Personal Property
2. Proration - Personal Property Tax
3. Revenue Sharing FY 17

The vote on the forgoing motion 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	

Treasurer

Delinquent Real Estate Taxes, Bills in Equity Tax: Richard Shelton, Montgomery County Treasurer, reported that as of June 30, 2015, the total amount of delinquent real estate taxes for tax years 1995 through 2012 including principal, penalty and interest is $259,258.21. He has pursued all legal actions available to the Treasurer for collection of the delinquent taxes. He has contacted an attorney to proceed with further collection through the judicial sale (Bills in Equity) and non-judicial sale processes. Mr. Shelton is seeking $15,000 from the Board of Supervisors to enter into a contract with an attorney to start the judicial proceedings to cover upfront costs associated with the tax sales. He stated that once the delinquent properties have been sold then the County will be reimbursed.

Proration-Personal Property: The Treasurer presented the following reasons as to why he believes proration of personal property tax is not in the best interest of the County.

- Believes that proration is a form of a tax increase as the personal property tax relief percentage will decrease.
- There are no new positions funded in the FY 2016 Budget for the Treasurer's Office. Mr. Shelton indicated he will need two positions and believes the Commissioner of

the Revenue's Office will need two additional positions as well, costing the County $140,000.
- Increase in operating costs for additional expenses for postage, computers, etc.
- Increase MUNIS support for proration will be expensive.
- Supplemental billing will increase. He stated one change in the computer system requires 15 steps.
- The delinquent tax collection process will slow down as employees time will be working on proration.

Proration - Personal Property Tax

Carol Edmonds, Deputy County Administrator, reported that the County's Finance staff has provided data analysis on the Commissioner of the Revenue's information provided to the Board at their last meeting. Ms. Edmonds provided a timeline if the Board desires to move forward with changing the method of personal property taxes from calendar year to proration as follows:

- October 13, 2015– Schedule Public Hearing

- November 11, 2015 – Hold Public Hearing

- December 14, 2015 – Approve Ordinance

- January 1, 2016 – Effective Date

Additional work sessions could be held prior to the PSA meetings on October 5, November 2 and the regular Board of Supervisors meeting on October 26, 2015.

Ms. Edmonds turned the presentation over to Marc Magruder, Budget Manager.

Marc Magruder, Budget Manager, provided the following information:

The Current Process:

- Motor vehicle property assessments are based on vehicles owned on January 1 of each year.

- The value of each vehicle is assessed based on National Automotive Dealers Association (NADA) valuations for the calendar year.

- Each year, this value is reported on the September 1 personal property book.

Current Method vs. Proration:

	Current	**Proration**
Lapse between when a vehicle is purchased and/or sold and when a citizen is taxed	Up to 23 months	Up to 11 months
Vehicle purchased January 20, 2015	Tax paid 12/5/16	Tax paid 12/5/15
Vehicle sold	Full year's tax paid 12/5/15	Prorated tax paid 12/5/15
Assessed value of vehicle	Valued a year later	Valued when purchased

EXAMPLE:	**Current Method**	**Proration**	**Difference**
Citizen keeps the same vehicle all year 2009 Honda Accord	$165.00	$165.00	$ 0
Citizen Purchases Higher Valued Vehicle and Disposes of Lower Valued Vehicle 2009 Honda Accord owned 1/1/15 – 2/1/15 2015 Jeep Cherokee owned 2/1/15- 12/31/15 Total	 $165.00 $0 $165.00	 $14.00 $434.00 $448.00	 $283.00
Citizen Purchases Lower Valued Vehicle and Disposes of Higher Valued Vehicle 2015 Jeep Cherokee owned 1/1/15 – 2/1/15 2009 Honda Accord owned 2/1/15- 12/31/15 Total	 $473.00 $0 $473.00	 $39.00 $151.00 $190.00	 ($283.00)
These examples are based on actual personal property records			

How does proration affect revenues?

- A full year of growth in assessed values occurs when the personal property book is generated.

- In addition to this growth, in the first year of proration, growth that was previously delayed until the next year is recognized in the current year. This results in additional growth in the first year.

- After the first year of proration, the personal property records are all current, and normal yearly growth occurs.

Methodology

- The data from the current personal property book and "prorated" personal property book test were used as the basis of this analysis.

- The data was analyzed to estimate additional revenue that may occur in the first year due to proration.

- With no history on the new method, the new growth trend is not known, making future revenue estimation difficult.

- Given this limited data history on proration, the numbers in this analysis are estimates.

Data Analysis

- As requested by the Board of Supervisors, the Commissioner of Revenue provided data on assessed values assuming proration as of January 1, 2015. This data is prepared on a calendar year basis.

- The following revenue estimates vary from these amounts:
    - Prepared on a fiscal year basis
    - Growth is already built into the base revenue; that growth is not included in the following estimates
    - Collection rates are applied to revenue estimates

- It is estimated that the County would have received $1 million in new revenue if proration had begun on January 1, 2015 – this would be an 8.35% increase in FY 16 revenue.

- The first year of proration results in additional revenue added to the base. This only occurs in the first year.

- After the first year, the County would have a new growth trend which cannot yet be estimated. Ongoing growth will depend on a variety of factors, including changes in assessed values, buying patterns, market supply, etc.

The County Administrator in closing stated that staff reviewed the Commissioner of Revenue's report on proration. It is estimated that the County would receive $1 million in new revenue for only the first year of proration. The County Administrator asked the Commissioner of the Revenue if she would clarify the questions regarding the billing process.

Helen Royal, Commissioner of the Revenue, stated that her office will still process the personal property tax bills one time a year in September. Any changes to the personal property book occurs after September then supplemental bills will be sent out as they do now. Nothing will change in the billing cycle.

Supervisor Perkins left the meeting at 11:00 p.m.

The County Administrator stated if Board members are still interested in moving forward he will place on the next agenda a resolution to schedule the public hearing. There was Board consensus to schedule a public hearing on the proration of personal property tax.

Virginia Department of Transportation Revenue Sharing Program for FY 17

The County Administrator reported that the County received a letter from Sherwood Wilson, Virginia Tech Vice-President of Administration, requesting the County to consider partnering with Virginia Tech to submit an application for VDOT revenue sharing funds for the design and construction of the Western Perimeter Road project on Virginia Tech's main campus. The total cost of this project is estimated at $34 million. Virginia Tech is proposing to request $5 million in revenue sharing funds with at total project cost of $10 million, assuming the project would receive a 50-50 match.

The County Administrator stated that according to VDOT's Revenue Sharing Program guidelines each locality can request up to $10 million. He recommended supporting Virginia Tech's request with the understanding that any county road projects the Board of Supervisors may approve for FY 17 will be funded first.

By consensus, the Board expressed their support with partnering with Virginia Tech to apply for VDOT revenue sharing funds for the Western Perimeter Road project with the understanding that any County road projects will be funded first.

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

OLD BUSINESS

R-FY-16-19
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA, AFFIRMING A BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA AND THE TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA, AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A JOINT PETITION PURSUANT TO SECTION 15.2-3106, ET SEQ., OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA, 1950, AS AMENDED TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT

On a motion by Gary D. Creed, seconded by Christopher A. Tuck and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The County of Montgomery, Virginia and the Town of Christiansburg, Virginia have entered into negotiations regarding a voluntary change of the boundary line between them for the purpose of moving approximately 12.117 acres from the incorporated Town boundary into the unincorporated area of the County of Montgomery located on the Town's northeast border adjacent to Cinnabar Road and U.S. Route 460 Bypass shown more particularly on the plat entitled "Boundary Adjustment Survey for Montgomery County, situated in the Town of Christiansburg, Virginia" dated 19 Aug. 2015; and

WHEREAS, The moving of 12.117 acres from the incorporated Town boundary will not adversely affect the ability of the County or the Town to meet the needs of its residents, both within and without the Town corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, The proposed changes of the boundary line between the County and the Town will further the interest of the Commonwealth of Virginia in promoting the orderly growth and the continued viability of its local governments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that:

1. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, hereby approves the Boundary Line Adjustment Agreement between the County of Montgomery and the Town of Christiansburg, (the "Agreement"), a copy of which is attached hereto and hereby authorizes and directs its Chair William H. Brown to execute the Agreement on behalf of the County.

2. The County Administrator and County Attorney are hereby directed to petition the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia, to affirm and validate the Agreement and to establish the new boundary line between the County and Town pursuant to Section 15.2-3106 et seq., of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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

BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY AND THE TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 28th day of September 2015, by and between the County of Montgomery, Virginia ("the County") a County of the Commonwealth of Virginia and the Town of Christiansburg, Virginia ("the Town") a municipal corporation of the Commonwealth of Virginia, (collectively referred to as "Owner").

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, the County and Town hereunto have entered into negotiations regarding a voluntary change of the boundary line between the Town and the unincorporated portion of the County for the purpose of removing from the Town approximately 12.117 acres located on the Northeast boundary of the Town and the unincorporated area of the County adjacent to Cinnabar Road and the U.S. Route 460 By-Pass as shown on the attached Plat entitled "Boundary Adjustment Survey for Montgomery County, Situated in Town of Christiansburg, Virginia", dated 19 AUG 2015 ("the Boundary Adjustment Plat"); and

WHEREAS, the removal of the 12.117 acres from the Town into the unincorporated area of County will not adversely affect the ability of the County and/or the Town to meet the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, there are no citizens residing or conducting business within the area proposed to be removed from the Town in to the unincorporated area of the County's; and

WHEREAS, the County intends to construct a new animal shelter on a portion of the area subject to this proposed boundary adjustment that is located adjacent to County owned property located outside the Town in the unincorporated area of the County.

WHEREAS, by removing 12.117 acres from the incorporated boundary of the Town enables the County to comply with one set of regulatory processes when constructing the new animal shelter because the shelter will not be partially located in the Town and in the unincorporated area of the County and it clarifies the Town/County boundary for emergency services in the area along the U.S. Route 460 By-Pass.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

1. The County and Town agree that a new boundary line shall be established between the County and the Town by removing approximately 12.117 acres from the Town incorporated boundary to the unincorporated area of the County. The area to be removed from the Town incorporated boundary into the unincorporated area of the County is shown more particularly upon a plat entitled "Boundary Adjustment Survey For Montgomery County Situated in the Town of Christiansburg, Virginia", dated 19 AUG 2015, prepared by Charles H. Forbes, IV, L.S., for Thompson & Litton, a copy of which plat is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part of this Boundary Adjustment Agreement.

2. The County agrees to be responsible for the County's and the Town's expenses for the notices of the public hearings required to be held by the Town Council and by the County Board of Supervisors for the consideration of this Agreement.

3. The County and Town agree that the 12.117 acres shall remain in the Christiansburg water and sewer services area.

4. Pursuant to Section 15.2-3108 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the Town and the County shall promptly petition the Circuit Court of Montgomery County to have this common boundary line changed as agreed herein.

5. The County and Town agree to perform any and all requirements of Section 15.2-3107 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, which may be necessary to accomplish the agreed upon boundary change.

6. The new Town incorporation boundary line shall become effective once a final order has been entered by the Circuit Court of Montgomery County or other Court on final appeal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date written above.

County of Montgomery, Virginia

By: _____
William H. Brown, Chair

Town of Christiansburg, Virginia

By: _____
D. Michael Barber, Mayor

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF _____, to-wit:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 2015, by William H. Brown, Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia.

_____
Notary Public

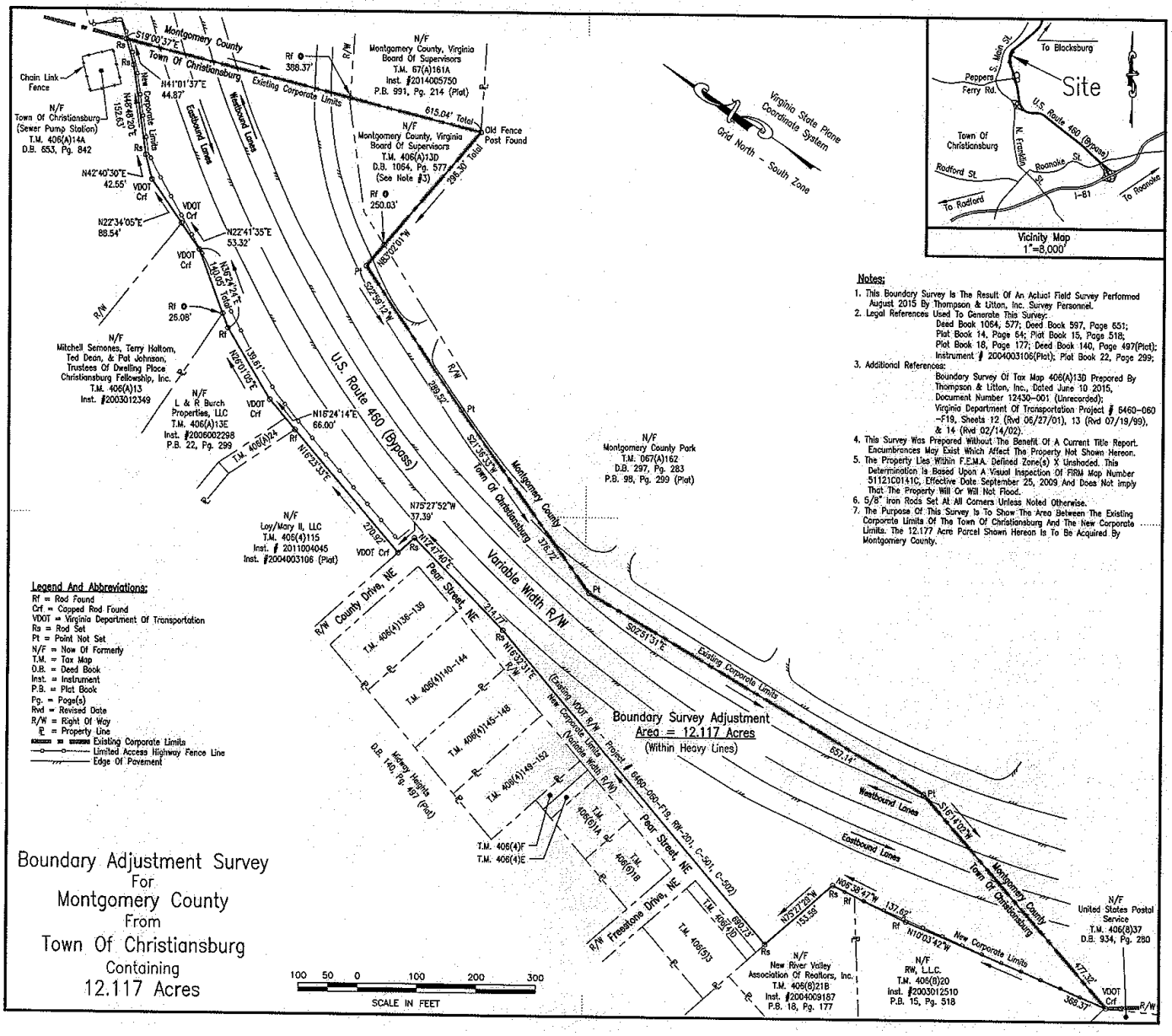
My commission expires: _____
Registration Number: _____

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF _____, to-wit:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 2015, by D. Michael Barber, Mayor of the Town of Christiansburg, Virginia.

_____
Notary Public

My commission expires: _____
Registration Number: _____



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Boundary Adjustment Survey For Montgomery County Situated In Town Of Christiansburg, Virginia

Drawn:	JLN/DEH
Checked:	CHF
Date:	19 AUG 2015
Project No:	12430-90

Document No: 12430-002

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NEW BUSINESS

R-FY-16-20
RESOLUTION AMENDING THE
COUNTY'S FISCAL POLICIES

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

WHEREAS, On March 27, 2000, the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia adopted a Fiscal Policy which includes Capital Improvement Policies, Debt Policies, Reserve Policies, and Investment Policies; and

WHEREAS, On September 14, 2015, the County's financial advisors presented updates to these policies in response to changing credit markets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby adopts Fiscal Policies which includes Capital Improvement Policies, Debt Policies, Reserve Policies, and Investment Policies as attached.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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

FISCAL POLICY GUIDELINES - OBJECTIVES

This fiscal policy is a statement of the guidelines and goals that will influence and guide the financial management practice of Montgomery County. A fiscal policy that is adopted, adhered to, and regularly reviewed is recognized as the cornerstone of sound financial management. Effective fiscal policy:

- Contributes significantly to the County's ability to insulate itself from fiscal crisis,
- Enhances short term and long term financial credit ability by helping to achieve the highest credit and bond ratings possible,
- Promotes long-term financial stability by establishing clear and consistent guidelines,

- Directs attention to the total financial picture of the County rather than single issue areas,

- Promotes the view of linking long-run financial planning with day to day operations, and

- Provides the Board of Supervisors and the citizens a framework for measuring the fiscal impact of government services against established fiscal parameters and guidelines.

To these ends, the following fiscal policy statements are presented.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET POLICIES

1. The County will consider all capital improvements in accordance with an adopted capital improvement program.

2. The County will develop a five-year plan for capital improvements and update each annually.

3. The County will enact an annual capital budget based on the five-year capital improvement plan. Future capital expenditures necessitated by changes in population, changes in real estate development, or changes in economic base will be calculated and included in capital budget projections.

4. The County will coordinate development of the capital improvement budget with development of the operating budget. Future operating costs associated with new capital improvements will be projected and included in operating budget forecasts.

5. The County will use intergovernmental assistance to finance only those capital improvements that are consistent with the capital improvement plan and County priorities, and whose operating and maintenance costs have been included in operating budget forecasts.

6. The County will maintain all its assets at a level adequate to protect the County's capital investment and to minimize future maintenance and replacement costs.

7. The County will project its equipment replacement and maintenance needs for the next several years and will update this projection each year. From this projection a maintenance and replacement schedule will be developed and followed.

8. The County will identify the estimated costs and potential funding sources for each capital project proposal before it is submitted for approval.

9. The County will attempt to determine the least costly financing method for all new projects.

DEBT POLICIES

1. The County will confine long-term borrowing to capital improvement or projects that cannot be financed from current revenues except where approved justification is provided.

2. When the County finances capital improvements or other projects by issuing bonds or entering into capital leases, it will repay the debt within a period not to exceed the expected useful life of the project.

3. Net debt as a percentage of estimated market value of taxable property should strive to be below 3.0% but not exceed 4.0%.

4. The ratio of debt service expenditures as a percent of governmental fund expenditures (General Fund plus School Operating Fund expenditures less the General Fund transfer to the School Operating Fund) should strive to be below 10% but not exceed 12%.

5. The County will review the 10 year tax supported debt and lease payout ratio on an annual basis, and intends to maintain the ratio at 60% over a five year period, with the ratio being no less than 55% in any one year during the period.

6. The County recognizes the importance of underlying and overlapping debt in analyzing financial condition. The County will regularly analyze total indebtedness including underlying and overlapping debt.

7. Where feasible, the County will explore the usage of special assessment, revenue, or other self-supporting bonds instead of general obligation bonds.

8. The County will retire tax anticipation debt, if any, annually and will retire bond anticipation debt within six months after completion of the project.

9. On all General Fund support, debt-financed projects, the County will attempt to make a down payment of at least 5% of total project costs in the aggregate from current resources. The long term goal is to annually designate a portion of General Fund cash for one time capital projects.

RESERVE POLICIES

1. The County will establish an emergency reserve to pay for needs caused by unforeseen emergencies, including unanticipated expenditures of a nonrecurring

nature, or to meet unexpected small increases in service delivery costs. This General Contingency will be budgeted at not less than 1.0% of the General Fund.

2. Unassigned fund balance at the close of each fiscal year should be at least 12% of the General Fund plus School Operating Fund revenues, excluding the General Fund transfer to the School Operating Fund. Should the County find it necessary to access these funds in an emergency situation the Unassigned Fund Balance would be allowed to fall below the target described above. Any appropriation which causes Unassigned Fund Balance to drop below 12% will occur only after the County Administrator presents to the Board of Supervisors a plan and timeline for replenishing the balance to a minimum of 12%.

INVESTMENT POLICIES

OVERVIEW

The County Board of Supervisors recognizes that it is the explicit constitutional responsibility of the County Treasurer to invest County Funds in accordance with Virginia Law. It is the desire of the County Board of Supervisors to provide the Treasurer with the most timely information in order to best execute the powers of the Treasurer's Office. To that end, the following Investment Policies are intended as a guide for the County Board of Supervisors to facilitate this relationship.

POLICIES

1. The County will attempt to provide a cash-flow analysis of all funds on a continuous basis. Disbursement, collection, and deposit of funds will be scheduled to insure maximum cash availability.

2. The County will develop an annual cash-flow budget for County Operations to be reviewed quarterly with the Treasurer.

R-FY-16-21
A RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE REFUNDING OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF RELATED FINANCING DOCUMENTS

On a motion by Gary D. Creed, seconded by M. Todd King and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Authority of Montgomery County, Virginia, formerly the Industrial Development Authority of Montgomery County, Virginia (the "Authority"), was created under and is authorized to exercise all the powers set forth in the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond Act, Title 15.2, Chapter 49, Code of Virginia, as

amended (the "Act"), which include, among other things, the powers (a) to make loans in furtherance of the Act, (b) to finance or refinance facilities and lease facilities, (c) to issue its revenue bonds, notes and other obligations from time to time for such purposes and (d) to pledge all or any part of its revenues and receipts derived from payments received by the Authority in connection with its loans or from the leasing by the Authority of such facilities or from any source, as security for the payment of principal of and interest on any such obligations; and

WHEREAS, The Authority previously issued its $9,385,000 Taxable Revenue Bond, Series 2011 (the "Series 2011 Bond"), pursuant to a Bond Purchase and Loan Agreement dated as of December 1, 2011 (the "2011 Loan Agreement"), between the Authority and Union Bank & Trust, as successor in interest to StellarOne Bank (the "Bank"); and

WHEREAS, The Authority used the proceeds of the Series 2011 Bond to refund the outstanding principal of its $10,567,876 Taxable Revenue Bond, Series 2007, the proceeds of which had been used to refinance prior borrowings of the Authority undertaken to finance the construction, renovation and equipping of the Technology Manufacturing Building located on certain land in the County of Montgomery, Virginia (the "County") (together with such land and any improvements located on such land, the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, The Series 2011 Bond is primarily secured by and payable from the revenues and profits received from the Project (the "Project Revenues"); and

WHEREAS, The Series 2011 Bond is further secured by and payable from appropriations made by the County (the "Support Agreement Revenues") pursuant to a Support Agreement dated as of December 1, 2011 (the "2011 Support Agreement"), between the County and the Authority, to enable the Authority to make any payments due under the Series 2011 Bond for which the Project Revenues are insufficient; and

WHEREAS, The Authority executed an Assignment of Rents and Leases dated as of December 1, 2011 (the "2011 Assignment"), assigning the Project Revenues and Support Agreement Revenues to the Bank to be applied to its payment obligations under the Series 2011 Bond and the 2011 Loan Agreement; and

WHEREAS, The Authority executed a Deed of Trust dated as of December 1, 2011 (the "2011 Deed" and, together with the 2011 Loan Agreement, the 2011 Support Agreement and the 2011 Assignment, the "2011 Documents"), for the benefit of the Bank, to further secure its payment obligations under the Series 2011 Bond and the 2011 Loan Agreement; and

WHEREAS, The Authority and the Bank entered into an Amendment to Bond dated as of January 1, 2015, to amend certain terms of the Series 2011 Bond; and

WHEREAS, The Authority previously issued its $1,100,000 Promissory Note dated January 23, 2015 (the "2015 Note"), to the Bank of Floyd to finance certain capital improvements related to the Project and other facilities of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, The Authority desires to issue a taxable revenue refunding bond (as further described hereinafter, the "Series 2015 Bond") to (a) refund the outstanding principal of its Series

2011 Bond (such refunded portion, the "Refunded Bond"), (b) refund the outstanding principal of the 2015 Note (such refunded portion, the "Refunded Note") and (c) pay the costs of issuing the Series 2015 Bond and refunding the Refunded Bond and the Refunded Note (together, the "Refunded Obligations"); and

WHEREAS, The Authority desires to amend the 2011 Documents or to enter into substantially similar agreements (such amended 2011 Documents or any substantially similar agreements shall be collectively referred to as the "Amended Documents") to effectuate the purposes and provide for the security of the Series 2015 Bond; and

WHEREAS, The plan of refinancing described below and presented to the Board of Supervisors of the County (the "Board of Supervisors") would not create debt of the County for purposes of the Virginia Constitution, and the Board of Supervisors has determined that it is in the best interests the County to facilitate such plan of refinancing; and

WHEREAS, The County and the Authority have requested Davenport & Company LLC, as the County's financial advisor (the "Financial Advisor"), to solicit bids from banking and other financial institutions for the purchase of the Series 2015 Bond; and

WHEREAS, The Authority has determined to award the Series 2015 Bond to the Bank pursuant to the terms of its proposal and within the parameters set forth below.

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

1. The following plan of refinancing is hereby approved. The Authority shall issue the Series 2015 Bond to refund the Refunded Obligations and to pay the related costs of issuance and refunding. The Authority shall sell the Series 2015 Bond to the Bank and agree to repay the same pursuant to the terms of an amended 2011 Loan Agreement or a substantially similar loan agreement (collectively, the "Amended Loan Agreement"). The County shall undertake, subject to appropriation by the Board of Supervisors, to provide for the payment of any amounts due under the Series 2015 Bond for which the Project Revenues are insufficient, pursuant to the terms of an amended 2011 Support Agreement or a substantially similar agreement (collectively, the "Amended Support Agreement"). The obligation of the Authority to make payments under the Series 2015 Bond and the Amended Loan Agreement shall be limited to the Project Revenues and the Support Agreement Revenues, if any are appropriated, all of which shall be assigned to the Bank pursuant to an amended 2011 Assignment or a substantially similar agreement. The Series 2015 Bond shall be further secured by an amended 2011 Deed or a substantially similar agreement. As an alternative to issuing a new Series 2015 Bond, the Authority may, at the request of the Bank, agree to effectuate the refunding of the Refunded Obligations and the payment of related costs by amending the terms of the existing Series 2011 Bond and modifying the loan amount and the repayment terms thereof. This plan of refinancing shall contain such additional requirements and provisions as the County Administrator (which term for purposes of this Resolution includes any Deputy County Administrator), in collaboration with the Authority, may approve and determine to be in the best interests of the County and the Authority.

2. Subject to the pricing parameters of the Series 2015 Bond or, in the alternative, the amended Series 2011 Bond provided for in the resolution adopted by the Authority on September 15, 2015, the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Administrator, in consultation with the Financial Advisor, to collaborate with the Authority in setting the final terms of the Series 2015 Bond or the amended Series 2011 Bond, all as such officers determine to be in the best interests of the County and the Authority.

3. The Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors and the County Administrator, any of whom may act, are hereby authorized and directed to approve, execute and deliver (a) any amendments to the 2011 Support Agreement or (b) a substantially similar agreement necessary to complete the plan of refinancing outlined in Section 1 above and not inconsistent with this Resolution, such officer's execution and delivery of such document to constitute conclusive evidence of his or her approval thereof.

4. The Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors and the County Administrator, any of whom may act, are hereby authorized and directed to acknowledge and consent, as necessary, to the provisions of the Amended Documents and any other instruments executed by the Authority in connection with the issuance of the Series 2015 Bond, including designating and confirming the final provisions and other terms of the Series 2015 Bond.

5. Nothing in this Resolution, the Amended Documents or the Series 2015 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 that are or may become payable under the Amended Support Agreement. All undertakings by the County and the Board of Supervisors under the Amended 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 the Amended Support Agreement to make any such appropriation or the payments provided for in the Amended Support Agreement.

6. 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 any payments due under the Series 2015 Bond for which the Project Revenues are insufficient, pursuant to the Amended Support Agreement and hereby recommends that future Boards of Supervisors do likewise during the term of the Series 2015 Bond.

7. 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.

8. All other actions of the officers of the County that are in conformity with the purposes and intent of this Resolution and in furtherance of the plan of refinancing, the issuance and sale of the Series 2015 Bond and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations are hereby approved and ratified.

9. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are repealed.

10. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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

R-FY-16-22
FIRE PREVENTION WEEK-"HEAR THE BEEP WHERE YOU SLEEP" OCTOBER 4-10, 2015

On a motion by M. Todd King, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, Fire Prevention Week was established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire of 1871 that tragically killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures, and burned more than 2,000 acres; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 369,500 home structure fires which caused 2,755 deaths, 12,200 civilian injuries, and $7 billion in direct damage; and

WHEREAS, Half of home fire deaths result from fires reported between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. when most people are asleep, and most of these home fire deaths happen from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, One quarter of home fire deaths were caused by fires that started in the bedroom; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries, and encourage citizens to install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home; and

WHEREAS, The ***2015 Fire Prevention Week*** theme **"*Hear the Beep Where You Sleep"*** effectively serves to remind us that we need working smoke alarms to give us the time to safely escape a burning building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim ***October 4-10, 2015*** as ***Fire Prevention Week*** throughout Montgomery County, and urges all our citizens to test their smoke alarms at least every month, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Montgomery County Fire and Emergency Services during ***Fire Prevention 2015.***

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia recognizes the 175 Volunteer members of the Blacksburg, Christiansburg, Elliston, Long Shop/McCoy, and Riner Volunteer Fire Departments.

The vote on the forgoing resolution was as follows:

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The County Administrator reported on the following:

- Legislative Priorities for 2016: A work session will be scheduled for the next meeting to discuss the County's legislative priorities for 2016. The Virginia Association of Counties would like to have the list to include in their program in November.

- November Board Meetings: In the past, the Board has held their first meeting in November on Wednesday instead of Monday due to attending the VACo Annual Conference. This year the Veteran's Day holiday falls on Wednesday, November 11, 2 015. The County Administrator suggested either holding the first meeting on Thursday, November 12 or hold one meeting only in November on Monday, November 16, 2015. A joint meeting with the School Board is scheduled for Monday, November 30, 2015. The Board agreed to schedule one meeting in November on November 16, 2016.

- Mountain Valley Pipeline Resolution: Staff will be meeting with Roanoke County officials to discuss the need of more oversight on the pipeline project environmental issues with the proposed pipeline. A resolution will be drafted and be before the Board for consideration at a future meeting.

- HOME Consortium Funding: A letter was forwarded to Senator John Warner, Senator Tim Kaine and U.S. Representative Morgan Griffith on the HOME Consortium funding cuts. The County Administrator received a call from Senator Kaine and Congressman Morgan Griffith's office expressing their concern as well.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS

Supervisor Biggs reported on the following:

Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce Meeting: Supervisor Biggs attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting where they discussed the efforts to bring passenger rail service to the New River Valley. In 2013, leaders from throughout Virginia's New River Valley region formed a partnership to bring passenger rail service to the area by 2020.

The New River Valley Rail 2010 group, which is comprised of officials from the counties of Montgomery and Pulaski; towns of Pulaski, Christiansburg and Blacksburg; the city of Radford; Radford University and Virginia Tech; Virginia Tech Foundation; New River Valley Regional Commission; New River Valley Economic Development Alliance; The Blacksburg Partnership; Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce; and the New River Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization.

A study was conducted to evaluate a potential passenger rail stop in the New River Valley region and potential sites were selected, two sites in Christiansburg and one in Radford.

Montgomery County Employee Service Awards: Supervisor Biggs, Supervisor Perkins and Supervisor Tuck attended the Annual Employee Service Awards luncheon. Employees were recognized for their years of service for 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years of service. Years of all employees who were recognized totaled 781 years.

Help Save the Next Girl Foundation , a non-profit organization designed to educate the public on the importance of keeping young girls safe, and to educate young girls on the importance of safety awareness, a chapter was created at Christiansburg High School with nearly 80 members.

Supervisor Tuck asked that Board members consider adding to the County's legislative priorities the need for internet access to rural areas where service in not available. Supervisor Tuck believes that fiber lines could be installed at the same time water/sewer lines are installed.

The County Attorney stated he would draft language for the Board to review.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

APPROVED_____ATTEST:_____

William H. Brown	F. Craig Meadows
Chair	County Administrator