

TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: B. Clayton Goodman, III, County Administrator  
L. Carol Edmonds, Assistant County Administrator

DATE: October 14, 2008

**SUBJECT: AGENDA REPORT**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. INTO CLOSED MEETING**

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

- Section 2.2-3711 (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. Agency on Aging
  2. Alcohol Safety Action Program (ASAP)
  3. Office on Youth Advisory Board
  4. Towing Advisory Board
  5. Personnel
- (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 # 206001 – Blacksburg Industrial Park

### **III. OUT OF CLOSED MEETING**

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

### **IV. CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

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

NAYS

ABSENT DURING VOTE

ABSENT DURING MEETING

### **V. INVOCATION**

### **VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VII. DELEGATION**

**A. SUBJECT: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Virginia Department of Transportation**

David Clarke, VDOT Residency Administrator, will update the Board of Supervisors on road issues/concerns in Montgomery County.

**B. SUBJECT: MONTGOMERY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce**

Shane Adams, President/CEO & Director of Tourism, Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce, will provide a presentation on the Chamber's efforts in tourism.

**C. SUBJECT: TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG – HUCKLEBERRY TRAIL**

**Town of Christiansburg-Huckleberry Trail**

Representatives from the Town of Christiansburg will provide an update on the extension of the Huckleberry Trail.

**D. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Department of Social Services**

Representatives from the Department of Social Services will make a presentation on the State's mandated budget reduction for the Department of Social Services. See TAB M.

**VIII. PUBLIC ADDRESS**

**IX. ADDENDUM**

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. SUBJECT: ORDINANCE – CENTRAL ABSENTEE VOTING**

**ORD-FY-09-  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE USE OF THE  
CENTRAL ABSENTEE VOTING ELECTION PRECINCT  
BY PROVIDING FOR A  
CENTRAL ABSENTEE VOTING ELECTION PRECINCT  
IN ALL ELECTIONS**

BE IT ORDAINED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the use of the Central Absentee Voting Election Precinct shall be amended and reordained as follows:

**CENTRAL ABSENTEE VOTING ELECTION PRECINCT**

The Central Absentee Voting Election Precinct shall be located in the Multi-Purpose Room located on the First Floor of the Montgomery County Government Center, 755 Roanoke Street, in Christiansburg, Virginia. This Precinct shall be where all the absentee ballots shall be ~~gathered and~~ received, counted and recorded for each November General all elections.

This Ordinance shall not be effective until such time that the United States Justice Department provides the necessary approval Pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act.

ISSUE/PURPOSE: Ordinance amending the Central Absentee Voting Election Precinct where all absentee ballots shall be received counted and recorded for all elections, not just the November General election.

**B. SUBJECT: REZONING REQUEST – THOMAS/PENNY  
TAYLOR AND CHARLES/MARGARET  
TAYLOR**

**ORD-FY-09-  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION  
OF APPROXIMATELY 2.3 ACRES  
LOCATED AT 2971 PEPPER’S FERRY ROAD (SR 114)  
IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCEL NO(S) 064-A-141, 141E,  
PARCEL NO(S) 019068 AND 029370  
FROM AGRICULTURE (A-1) TO RESIDENTIAL (R-3)  
THOMAS & PENNY TAYLOR  
CHARLES & MARGARET TAYLOR**

BE IT ORDAINED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that it hereby finds that the proposed rezoning is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan and meets the requirement for public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practice and therefore the zoning classification of that certain tracts or parcels of land consisting of 2.3 acres of land is hereby amended and rezoned from the zoning classification of Agriculture (A-1) to Residential (R-3).

This action was commenced upon the application of Thomas A. & Penny L. Taylor and Charles A. & Margaret Taylor.

The property is located at 2971 Pepper’s Ferry Road and is identified as Tax Parcel No. 064-A-141, 141E (Account # 019068, 029370) in the Riner Magisterial District. The property currently lies in an area designated as Village Expansion in the Comprehensive Plan.

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

JUSTIFICATION: At a Regular Meeting on September 10, 2008 the Planning Commission, on a vote of 7-0 (Haynes and Miller absent), recommended **approval** of the rezoning request to the Board of Supervisors. See TAB C.

C. SUBJECT: SPECIAL USE PERMIT – CHARLES AND MARGARET TAYLOR

**R-FY-09-  
SPECIAL USE PERMIT  
CHARLES A. & MARGARET TAYLOR  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING  
A SPECIAL USE PERMIT ON  
APPROXIMATELY 1.479 IN  
A RESIDENTIAL (R3) ZONING DISTRICT  
TO ALLOW A CLASS A (DOUBLEWIDE) MANUFACTURED HOME  
TAX PARCEL NO. 064-A-141, PARCEL NO. 019068**

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the request by Charles A. & Margaret Taylor for a Special Use Permit on a 1.479 acre tract to allow a Class A manufactured home is consistent with the County's Comprehensive Plan and is hereby approved with the following condition:

1. Manufactured home shall be a Class A (multi-sectional) manufactured home only. No Class B (singlewides) shall be permitted.

The property is located at 2971 Peppers Ferry Road, and is identified as Tax Parcel No. 064-A-141 (Acct #'s 019068) in the Riner Magisterial District .

JUSTIFICATION: At a Regular Meeting on September 10, 2008 the Planning Commission, on a vote of 7-0 (Haynes and Miller absent), recommended **approval** of the Special Use Permit request to the Board of Supervisors. See TAB C.

**D. SUBJECT:**

**SPECIAL USE PERMIT – CHARLES LEWIS  
WHEELING (NTELOS) –  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER**

**R-FY-09  
SPECIAL USE PERMIT  
CHARLES LEWIS WHEELING, (AGENT: NTELOS)  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALLOWING  
A 130 FOOT TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER  
IN THE SHAWSVILLE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT  
PARCEL ID #028687, TAX MAP NUMBER 82-A-158**

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the Charles Lewis Wheeling (Agent: NTELOS) request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) on 24.9 acres in an Agriculture (A-1) zoning district to allow a 130 foot tall telecommunications tower is consistent with the County's Comprehensive Plan and is hereby approved with the following conditions:

1. Tower shall not exceed a total overall height of 135 feet inclusive of the proposed lightning rod with a ground elevation of 1,783 ft. Tower shall not have lighting unless required by the FAA. Tower shall have a base diameter not to exceed 30 inches and a top diameter of 22 inches.
2. Site development shall be in substantial conformance with the plans entitled, "NTelos Proposed 130' Monopole Tower, RN819 – Georges Run, Friendship Road, Shawville, VA 24162", prepared by Terradon, dated July 16, 2008 and last revised September 18, 2008.
3. Tower shall be of a "monopole stealth design" and all antennae shall be flush mounted (distance between face of pole and outer face of antennas not to exceed 12 inches) on the structure. Tower shall be painted brown (Wooden Cabin or similar). All wiring and cables shall be located inside the pole structure.
4. Engineering plans signed and sealed by a licensed engineer in the State of Virginia shall be submitted to and approved by the Building Official prior to issuance of a building permit.
5. No platforms or dishes shall be permitted on the structure above the tree line.
6. Tower shall meet all regulations found in Section 10-48(6) of the Montgomery County Zoning Ordinance.
7. Backup generator, if applicable, shall not be fueled by any liquid fuel source.

8. Owner/agent shall provide police, fire and rescue services antennae space on the proposed tower for the agreed upon rental rate of \$1 per year subject to the structural capacity of the tower and provided that emergency service antennae do not provide radio frequency interference to other antennae located upon the tower.
- Emergency service providers shall provide equipment.
  - Tower owner/agent shall install the antennae at market rate.
  - The second highest space on the pole shall be made available to the County. If the County declines the offered location, the tower owner will provide the County with the next lowest location on the tower. In no case shall the County be offered a height of less than one-hundred feet (100 feet) on the tower.

The property is located at 174 Friendship Road, and is identified as Tax Parcel No(s) 82-A-158 (Acct No. 028687), in the Shawsville Magisterial District.

JUSTIFICATION: At a Regular Meeting on September 10, 2008 the Planning Commission, on a vote of 7-0 (Haynes and Miller absent), recommended **approval** of the Special Use Permit request to the Board of Supervisors. See TAB **D**.

**E. SUBJECT: SPECIAL USE PERMIT – SARAH WALL  
LIFE ESTATE ( NTELOS)  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER**

**R-FY-09-  
SPECIAL USE PERMIT  
SARAH M. WALL, LIFE ESTATE (AGENT: NTELOS)  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALLOWING A  
130 FOOT TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER  
IN THE PRICES FORK MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT  
TAX MAP PARCEL NO. 52-A-100, PARCEL ID 020270**

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the Sarah M. Wall, Life Estate (Agent: NTELOS) request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) on 64 acres in an Agriculture (A-1) zoning district to allow a 130 foot tall telecommunications tower is consistent with the County's Comprehensive Plan and is hereby approved with the following conditions:

1. Tower shall not exceed a total overall height of 135 feet inclusive of the proposed lightening rod with a ground elevation of 2,051 ft. Tower shall not have lighting unless required by the FAA. Tower shall have a base diameter not to exceed 30 inches and a top diameter of 22 inches.
2. Site development shall be in substantial conformance with the plans entitled, "NTelos Proposed 130' Monopole Tower, RN-516 – Matamoros Lane, Blacksburg, VA 24062", prepared by Terradon, dated July 21, 2008 and received by Montgomery County on August 1, 2008.
3. Tower shall be of a "monopole stealth design" and all antennae shall be flush mounted (distance between face of pole and outer face of antennas not to exceed 12 inches) on the structure. Tower shall be painted brown (Wooden Cabin or similar). All wiring and cables shall be located inside the pole structure.
4. Engineering plans signed and sealed by a licensed engineer in the State of Virginia shall be submitted to and approved by the Building Official prior to issuance of a building permit.
5. No platforms or dishes shall be permitted on the structure above the tree line.
6. Tower shall meet all regulations found in Section 10-48(6) of the Montgomery County Zoning Ordinance.
7. Backup generator, if applicable, shall not be fueled by any liquid fuel source.
8. Owner/agent shall provide police, fire and rescue services antennae space on the proposed tower for the agreed upon rental rate of \$1 per year subject to the structural capacity of the tower and provided that emergency service antennae do not provide radio frequency interference to other antennae located upon the tower.
  - Emergency service providers shall provide equipment.
  - Tower owner/agent shall install the antennae at market rate.
  - If the County declines the offered location, the tower owner will provide the County with the next lowest location on the tower. In no case shall the County be offered a height of less than one-hundred feet (100 feet) on the tower.

Furthermore, the Special Use Permit is determined to be an acceptable use within the Agricultural and Forestal District (AFD).

The property is located at 1483 Matamoros Lane in Blacksburg, and is identified as Tax Parcel No. 52-A-100 (Account ID 020270), in the Prices Fork Magisterial District.

JUSTIFICATION: At a Regular Meeting on September 10, 2008 the Planning Commission, on a vote of 6-1 (Haynes and Miller absent; Cochran voting no), recommended **approval** of the Special Use Permit request to the Board of Supervisors. See TAB E.

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. SUBJECT: APPROPRIATION OF 2008 BOND PROCEEDS**

**A-FY-09-  
APPROPRIATION OF 2008  
BOND PROCEEDS**

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the School Capital Projects Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for the function and in the amount as follows:

Elliston/Lafayette Elementary School	\$19,400,000
Price's Fork Elementary School	\$19,400,000
Blacksburg High School Stadium Reimburse	<u>\$1,600,000</u>
Total	\$40,400,000

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

<u>Revenue Account</u>		
424244	Bond Proceeds - Lease Revenue	\$40,400,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the County Capital Projects Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for the function and in the amount as follows:

Cost of Issuance	\$887,140
Courthouse	\$19,800,000
Public Safety Building	\$5,200,000
Jail Renovation	\$2,500,000
Land	<u>\$3,000,000</u>
Total	\$31,387,140

The sources of the funds for the foregoing appropriation are as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>			
424244	Bond Proceeds - Lease Revenue		\$30,268,495
415105	Interest on Investments		<u>\$1,118,645</u>
		Total	\$31,387,140

Said resolution appropriates the bond proceeds from the 2008 lease revenue issuance for construction of two new elementary schools, reimbursement of advances for the Blacksburg High School Stadium, reimbursement of advances for land purchases, construction of a new County Courthouse, renovation of the existing Courthouse into a Public Safety Building and renovation of the County jail. The resolution also appropriates bond proceeds to be used for cost of issuance.

**ISSUE/PURPOSE:** Said resolution appropriates the bond proceeds from the 2008 lease revenue bond issuance as set forth in the bond official statement. It also appropriates a portion of the interest that will be earned on the bond proceeds.

**JUSTIFICATION:** Proceeds from the bond sale were received in August 2008. This resolution appropriates the proceeds into the School Capital Projects Fund and County Capital Projects fund as shown above. A portion of the projects will be funded by interest earned on the bond proceeds. The County’s financial advisors estimate that more interest will be earned than will be needed to cover the balance of the projects. The interest estimated to cover the balance is \$1,118,645.

The cost of issuance included costs for the entire issuance. For simplicity, the cost of issuance funds are accounted for in the County Capital Projects fund.

The issuance also requires a debt service reserve of \$7,107,171 be established in accordance with the bond indenture. These funds will be used to cover the final debt payment. This reserve is separate from the County’s debt service reserved fund balance. It is not necessary to appropriate the reserve at this time.

**B. SUBJECT:**

**ADOPT BUDGET REDUCTION PLAN AND  
COMPENSATION BOARD  
RECONCILIATION**

**A-FY-09-  
STATE BUDGET REDUCTION FY 09  
AND COMPENSATION BOARD RECONCILIATION**

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, 2009, for the function and in the amount as follows:

150	Commissioner of the Revenue – Comp	\$ 5,570
160	Treasurer – Comp	\$ 5,494
170	Registrar	\$ 2,627
200	Commonwealth Attorney	\$ 19,978
250	Clerk of Circuit Court	\$ 241
310	Sheriff – Comp Board	\$182,187
310	Sheriff – Jail Block	\$ 25,852
540	Social Services	\$ 167
710	Library – Regional	\$ 10,469
900	Revenue Refunds	<u>\$ 4,191</u>
	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$256,776</b>

The sources of the funds for the foregoing appropriation are as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>		
451205	Fund Balance	\$229,920
423100	Shared Expenses	\$ 12,196
416151	Library Fines	\$ 8,800
415211	Library Sale of Photocopies	\$ 1,669
422103	Motor Vehicle Carrier Tax	<u>\$ 4,191</u>
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$256,776</b>

Said resolution appropriates additional revenues and fund balance to cover the County's payment to the State of Virginia for the State's mandated reduction in state aid to localities for the fiscal year 2009.

ISSUE/PURPOSE: Payment to the State for state aid reduction.

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The 2008 Appropriation Act requires a \$50 million reduction in state aid to localities. Montgomery County's reduction for FY 09 is \$364,508. The State of Virginia provided three ways that the County could respond to this cut. At the August 25, Board meeting, the BOS agreed to send the State of Virginia a reimbursement payment in the amount of \$364,508. This resolution will provide the County with the resources necessary to make the reimbursement payment.

Part of the payment will be charged to the existing budgets as follows:

CSA	\$ 59,190
VJCCCA	\$ 2,808
Detention Home	\$ 26,982
Clerk Salary Savings	\$ 9,993
School Transfer	<u>\$ 8,759</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$107,732</b>
<b>Resolution</b>	<b>\$256,776</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$364,508</b>

This plan differs from the presentation made to the Board of Supervisors by County staff in September to reflect additional cuts released by the Governor's office on October 9, 2008.

See **TAB F** for a copy of the Budget Reduction Plan.

**C. SUBJECT:**

**ESCROW REQUESTS**

**A-FY-09-  
ESCROW REQUEST  
APPROPRIATION**

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, 2009, for the function and in the amount as follows:

100	Board of Supervisors	\$4,852
110	County Administration	\$52,870
120	County Attorney	\$34,460
130	Financial and Management Services	\$8,642
152	Assessing	\$11,000
180	Internal Services	\$63,500
210	Circuit Court I	\$895
230	Juvenile Domestic Relations	\$5,962
400	General Services	\$38,606
520	Human Services	\$6,725
700	Parks and Recreation	\$118,248
710	Regional Library	\$101,464
720	Floyd Library	\$17,169
910	Outside Agencies-Montgomery Museum	<u>\$54,000</u>
	Total	\$518,393

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

Revenue Account

451205 General Fund Balance \$ 518,393

Said resolution appropriates amounts recommended to be escrowed for use in the current year to complete projects and to provide funding for liabilities over and above those encumbered by purchase orders.

ISSUE/PURPOSE: Appropriates carryover dollars.

JUSTIFICATION: Some departments requested funds remaining from their FY 08 budget be escrowed for use in the current year. This resolution appropriates monies based on an analysis of these requests.

The requests and the recommendations are outlined in TAB G.



operating fund in FY 08 were not used. The School Board requests the balance be appropriated for capital improvements projects as approved by the School Board. See TAB H.

**E. SUBJECT: BUDGET CALENDAR  
FY 09-10**

**R-FY-09-  
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE  
BUDGET CALENDAR FOR FY 2009-2010**

SEE TAB I for a copy of the proposed Budget Calendar for FY 2009-2010

ISSUE/PURPOSE: Establish the budget calendar for FY 09-10.

JUSTIFICATION: TAB I includes a copy of the Budget Calendar for FY 09-10. Also included is a calendar showing possible budget work session dates. The Board of Supervisors establishes a budget calendar annually.

**F. SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES 2009**

**R-FY-09-  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY'S  
LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR 2009**

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia hereby adopts their 2009 legislative priorities as follows:

- 1) ***Projected State Budget Cuts*** The State of Virginia has announced a budget reduction plan with 5%, 10% and 15% reductions to be analyzed by State Agencies. As the State reviews these projected budget reductions, it is requested that public safety and education support to local governments be prioritized and budget reductions be minimized for the safety and welfare of all citizens.

- 2) ***Unfunded mandates*** Montgomery County continues to oppose unfunded mandates from the state or federal government.
- 3) ***Impact Fees*** Montgomery County supports legislation to provide local governments the authority to levy impact fees to pay for cost of capital facilities for new developments, including road construction and maintenance.
- 4) ***Portion of Income Taxes Returned to Localities*** Montgomery County supports legislation to distribute a percentage of individual income tax revenues to localities, or the authority to levy a local income tax.
- 5) ***Equal Taxing Authority*** Montgomery County supports legislation to eliminate the distinction in the taxing authority of Virginia's cities and counties.
- 6) ***Schools***. Montgomery County supports full funding of SOQ so that a redistribution of existing state aid among jurisdictions does not occur without an increase of state funds. Montgomery County supports state funding allocated for teacher pay raises based on actual positions, not just positions recognized in the SOQ. Montgomery County supports "cost for competing Add-on" funding for all Virginia School Districts.
- 7) ***Comprehensive Services Act (CSA)*** Montgomery County supports full state funding for 100% of the administrative costs of CSA, state vendor contracts for residential services paid through CSA and Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission's two-year study of the administration of the Comprehensive Services Act.
- 8) ***Water and Sewer availability fees*** Montgomery County supports legislation that would grant counties the authority to enact water and sewer availability fees, and mandatory water and sewer connection powers.
- 9) ***Voting Machines*** Montgomery County supports full state funding for 100% of the cost of providing optical scan voting machines as required by the General Assembly through HB 2707 and SB 840.

ISSUE/PURPOSE: To adopt the legislative priorities for 2009.

**G. SUBJECT:**

**VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF  
COUNTIES – VOTING CREDENTIALS  
2008 ANNUAL MEETING**

**R-FY-09-  
VACO 2008 ANNUAL MEETING  
VOTING CREDENTIALS**

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia authorizes \_\_\_\_\_ to cast its vote at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) on November 11, 2008.

ISSUE/PURPOSE: Designate a representative of the Board of Supervisors or a non-elected official to vote at VACo's 2008 Annual Business Meeting.

JUSTIFICATION: VACo's bylaws state that each county shall designate a representative of its board of supervisors to cast its vote(s) at the Annual Business Meeting. If a member of the Board of Supervisors cannot be present for the meeting, a county can designate a non-elected official or a member of a board of supervisors from another county to cast a proxy vote(s) for their county.

Last year, the Chair of the Board of Supervisors was designated as representative.

See **TAB J** for a copy of VACo's letter and the Voting Credentials Form.

**H. SUBJECT:**

**PROCLAMATION - GED DAY AND  
ADULT EDUCATION WEEK**

**R-FY-09-  
PROCLAMATION  
GED DAY AND  
ADULT EDUCATION WEEK**

*WHEREAS*, The foundation of democracy is based upon an educated citizenry, and education should be made available to people of all ages to gain knowledge and skills; and

**WHEREAS**, The Montgomery County Public Schools Adult Education Program facilitates adult education programs in Montgomery County and provides services to an average of 342 people annually; and

**WHEREAS**, Adult education offers classes to assist adults in improving basic reading, writing, and math skills, to pursue further education, to enter or advance in the job market, or to enhance their personal and family lives; and

**WHEREAS**, Adult education offers classes to prepare adults to take the General Educational Development (GED) Test; and

**WHEREAS**, Adult education serves students of diverse populations that include adults with learning disabilities, physical and emotional disabilities, and adult learners in family literacy programs and correctional institutions; and

**WHEREAS**, Adult education works cooperatively with local, state, and federal agencies such as the Montgomery County Department of Social Services, the New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Investment Board, and the Virginia Workforce Center in Radford to meet the goals and needs of mutual clients; and

**WHEREAS**, It is timely and appropriate that attention be focused on the special efforts and dedication of Montgomery County Public Schools Adult Education Program's adult educators who prepare individuals for productive employment and enriched lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** , The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia, does hereby proclaim **October 15, 2008** as

***GED DAY***

and the week of **October 12, 2008 through October 18, 2008** as

***ADULT EDUCATION WEEK***

in **Montgomery County** and urges all its citizens to become familiar with the services and benefits offered by adult education and to support and participate in these programs.

ISSUE/PURPOSE: Adopt a resolution proclaiming October 18, 2008 as GED Day in Montgomery County, and the week of October 12, 2008 through October 18, 2008 as Adult Education Week.

JUSTIFICATION: Adult Education Programs assist communities in raising the educational and skill levels of their adult citizens. In today's technology-

driven society, it is critical that adults have opportunities for life-long learning. Adult Education is a critical part of economic development because adults must be able to compete on the basis of skill now more than ever. As people gain greater self-sufficiency, they increase their earnings and contribute more to the tax base of the community. The skills provided by the Adult Education Program include:

- skills necessary to take and pass GED tests
- opportunity to attain a high school diploma
- opportunity to get a better job
- ability to function literally in our society

The New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Investment Board (WIB) is partnering with Carroll County Adult Education Program, Montgomery County Adult Education Program, Mount Rogers Regional Adult Education Program, and New River Community College Secondary Education Programs to inform and educate the government officials and citizens of WIA 2 about the adult education programs that serve their localities and the activities during the week of October 12, 2008 in celebration of GED Day.

This resolution is listed at the request of Supervisor Bill Brown.

### **XIII. INTO WORK SESSION**

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

1. Tax Relief for the Elderly and Disabled ( TAB   K   )

### **XIV. OUT OF WORK SESSION**

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

**XV. COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**XVI. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

1. Inmate Litter Cleanup Report ( TAB L )

**XVII. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT**

1. Supervisor Biggs
2. Supervisor Politis
3. Supervisor Muffo
4. Supervisor Creed
5. Supervisor Marrs
6. Supervisor Brown
7. Supervisor Perkins

**XVIII. OTHER BUSINESS**

**XIX. ADJOURNMENT**

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

Adjourned Meeting  
Monday, October 27, 2008  
6:00 p.m. – Closed Meeting Items  
7:15 p.m. Regular Agenda

Regular Meeting  
**Wednesday, November 12, 2008**  
6:00 p.m. – Closed Meeting Items  
7:15 p.m. Regular Agenda

Adjourned Meeting  
Monday, November 24, 2008  
6:00 p.m. – Closed Meeting Items  
7:15 p.m. Regular Agenda

Regular Meeting  
Monday, December 15, 2008  
6:00 p.m. – Closed Meeting Items  
7:15 p.m. Regular Agenda