

**CONSENT AGENDA
November 26, 2012**

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED AUGUST 27, 2012

ISSUE/PURPOSE: The above listed minutes are before the Board for approval. See TAB C.

B. APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS

1. SUBJECT: FIRE AND RESCUE – GRANT APPROPRIATION

**A-FY-13-
FIRE AND RESCUE
FEMA GRANT APPROPRIATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia that the County Capital Projects fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013 for the function and in the amount as follows:

123301	Fire and Rescue	\$336,000
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The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

<u>Revenue Account</u>		
434401	FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant	\$336,000

Said resolution appropriates grant monies awarded to Montgomery County Emergency Services for the purpose of obtaining new self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for all five fire departments in the County.

ISSUE/PURPOSE: Grant appropriation.

JUSTIFICATION: On January 27, 2012 the County received notification of a \$336,000 grant award to obtain new SCBA. This grant was administered by FEMA under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program.

The Emergency Services Coordinator, representatives from each of the five fire departments and the County Purchasing Manager

worked together to find one solution for SCBA throughout the County. This cooperative effort provided cost savings by purchasing a larger quantity of items from the same vendor. All packs can also be maintained by the vendor during one trip to the County, resulting in additional cost savings compared to multiple vendors making multiple trips to service the equipment. It is also a significant step toward the departments obtaining more uniform and compatible equipment throughout the County. This will allow departments to easily share packs at major incidents.

The grant funds cover a portion of the requested SCBA for all five fire departments throughout the County

C. 2232 REVIEW

1. SUBJECT: 2232 REVIEW – AEP FALLING BRANCH – MERRIMAC 138 kV TRANSMISSION LINE

R-FY-13-

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND CONCURRING WITH THE FINDING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION THAT THE PROPOSED APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY 138 KV POWER LINE IS SUBSTANTIALLY IN ACCORD WITH THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY 2025 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, On February 9, 2012, Appalachian Power Company (APCO) filed with the State Corporation Commission an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity seeking Commission approval to construct a new above ground 138kV electrical transmission line in Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors have adopted a resolution indicating that the Board supports the preferred corridor identified by APCO in its application; and

WHEREAS, The Hearing Examiner with the State Corporation Commission has made a finding recommending that the Commission approve APCO's request to construct and operate the 138 kV line within the identified preferred corridor; and

WHEREAS, Section 15.2-2232 of the Code of Virginia requires that the Montgomery County Planning Commission review and approve any public building, structure, facility including 138 kV lines prior to its construction, establishment or authorization as being substantially in accord with the adopted comprehensive plan or part thereof; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission held a public hearing on November 14, 2012, and made a finding by a vote of 7-0 that the preferred corridor of APCO's proposed above ground 138kV electrical transmission line is substantially in accord with the County's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, In making its finding the Planning Commission suggested the following recommendations be forwarded to APCO and the Virginia State Corporation Commission to ensure compliance with County land use goals and objectives of the Plan during design and construction of the proposed transmission line within the preferred corridor:

- Proposed line should be routed to have the least amount of impact on existing businesses, residences and view sheds.
- Proposed line should follow railroad and power line rights of way wherever possible to minimize additional negative impacts particularly when crossing an Agricultural and Forestall District (AFD).
- The proposed line should be located along property lines to the maximum extent possible to avoid bisecting parcels and existing subdivisions such as the Blake Forest Subdivision.
- APCO should coordinate with the Montgomery Regional Solid Waste Authority for any pole placements within the landfill property.
- Proposed power line structures should be designed and located to have the least visual impact and to accommodate telecommunication antennae placement by telecommunication providers to further the goals of the County's Comprehensive Plan for co-location.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby concurs with and accepts the finding of the Planning Commission that the preferred route of the proposed above ground 138kV electrical transmission line is substantially in accord with the Montgomery County 2025 Comprehensive Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, that the Board of Supervisors hereby directs the County Administrator to send a copy of this resolution to the Virginia State Corporation Commission for their consideration during the ongoing review of the APCO application.

ISSUE/PURPOSE: Accept the Planning Commission findings on the proposed AEP Falling Branch-Merrimac 138 kV Transmission Line.

JUSTIFICATION: At their October 22, 2012 meeting, the Board of Supervisors requested the Planning Commission to review the proposed AEP Falling Branch-Merrimac 138 kV Transmission Line and report its finding to the Board of Supervisors. See TAB D.