

April 25, 2023
County of Greene, Virginia

THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MET ON TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023, BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M. IN PERSON IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING MEETING ROOM AND BY ZOOM VIDEO COMMUNICATION

Present were: Dale Herring, Chair
Marie Durrer, Vice Chair
Steve Bowman, Member
Abbey Heflin, Member
Davis Lamb, Member

Staff present: Kelley Kemp, Assistant County Attorney
Kim Morris, Deputy Clerk
Jim Frydl, Director of Planning and Zoning
Melissa Meador, Director of Emergency Services

RE: CLOSED MEETING

Ms. Kemp read the proposed resolution for Closed Meeting.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Greene County desires to discuss in Closed Meeting the following matter(s):

- Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body concerning the county administrator position and the process of filing that position; the contract of the interim county administrator; and the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by the public body and briefings by staff members pertaining to actual or probable legal litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body, regarding specific legal matters, namely, the RSA litigation and withdrawal agreement and also a breach of contract.

WHEREAS, pursuant to: §2.2-3711(A)(1) and (A)(7) of the Code of Virginia, such discussions may occur in Closed Meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Greene County does hereby authorize discussion of the aforesated matters in Closed Meeting.

Upon motion by Davis Lamb, second by Marie Durrer and unanimous roll call vote, the Board entered into Closed Meeting.

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: OPEN MEETING

Upon motion by Davis Lamb, second by Marie Durrer and unanimous roll call vote, the Board returned to open meeting.

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.

By unanimous roll call vote, members certified that only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirement and only such matters as identified by the motion to enter into closed meeting were discussed.

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: APPOINTMENT OF ARTHUR MORRILL TO BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Upon motion by Steve Bowman, second by Davis Lamb and unanimous roll call vote, the Board voted to petition the Circuit Court to appoint Arthur Morrill as an alternate on the Board of Zoning Appeals to finish out the term of Thomas Moruza, which expires July 31, 2027.

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Chair opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

RE: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Marie Durrer, second by Davis Lamb and unanimous roll call vote, the Board adopted the agenda as presented.

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ms. Gwen Baker asked the Board for more information regarding the roof for the animal shelter, originally approved by the Board in 2022. She also asked what the Board has planned for an unused trailer at the Solid Waste Facility that was supposed to be utilized as a location for staff who do not have a satisfactory building.

RE: PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED GREENE COUNTY BUDGET FOR FY 2023-2024

Mr. Frydl, serving in his role as Interim Deputy County Administrator, presented the budget to the Board. He explained it is a real estate reassessment year and the professional hired did a mass appraisal to determine the value. The current tax rate is 82 cents per \$100 of assessed value and the equalized tax rate is 66 cents per \$100 of assessed value. Mr. Frydl explained the equalized tax rate is simply the tax rate that is the equivalent to the amount of money collected in the prior year with the increased assessment amount. Ms. Garton and staff took the estimated revenue and compared it to the requests from the departments. Mr. Frydl noted that the FY 2022-2023 budget included \$945,000 in revenue under fines and forfeitures that did not materialize. Additionally, when the transfer happens from RSA, the facility fee income will disappear for a drop in revenue of \$1.39 million. These together have the County starting out the new fiscal year with a \$2.3 million drop in revenue year over year, which equates to about 8 cents on the real estate tax.

Last year, the budget only included half the year expenses for Jaunt and the staff is recommending full year funding for the transit provider. The CSA fund has an increase required by \$87,500 and the juvenile detention center has an increase of \$72,000. Those increases equal 1 penny on the real estate taxes. Other changes are requested increases for the local transfer for the schools and a 5% pay increase for County staff. The state recommended an increase for all state-funded of 5% in last year's budget and this year's budget per the General Assembly. Mr. Frydl said the Board has recommended that we don't separate people between the positions that are State paid and those that are completely funded by local dollars. Additionally, there is \$1.2 million in the contingency fund to adjust staff pay once the compensation and classification study is completed, which could cost more and could cost less than that.

The Board requested the creation of a Capital Fund and find ways to put money into it to begin funding the future, Mr. Frydl said. More than 17 positions were requested, but the budget recommendation does not include any of the requested positions. Mr. Frydl said staff reviewed the budget in a modified zero-based budgeting process so that they do not only review the requests for funding but also whether previous amounts were used or if could be cut from. The budget proposal includes putting the \$177,000 return from Jaunt into the Capital Fund. Additionally, the proposed budget includes the use of \$1,541,773 in fund balance and an increase in real estate revenue of \$2,037,340 with a 7-cent tax levy increase over the equalized rate to 73 cents per \$100 of assessed value. A half-cent on the real estate assessments will be transferred to the Capital fund.

Mr. Frydl said there are concerns about the proposed budget including needed positions are not funded and the transfer to the Capital Fund is not sufficient for what needs to be done. Ms. Garton's presentation included comments related to capital funding with recommendations that a thorough analysis of fund balance each year be done to determine if any amounts can be transferred to the Capital fund and creating an automatic revenue stream, such as the 2 cents in real estate tax that was originally proposed. She further recommended using the cigarette tax for Capital Fund and appropriate any one-time revenues or other undesignated revenue streams to Capital.

The Chair opened the public hearing for comments from citizens.

Ms. Stephanie Hammer, a teacher at William Monroe Middle School, said she supports the Board supporting the full school budget request. She said the children deserve a strong and robust educational program and that as citizens we are obligated to fund and provide that program. She said the modern classroom expects more and more from students and therefore more and more from teachers. She noted that teachers' education programs are seeing sharp declines in enrollment, saying teacher candidates for next year dropped 66% from roughly five years prior. Teachers compare salaries when looking for jobs in other districts, she said.

Dr. Andrea Whitmarsh, Greene County Public Schools Superintendent, said the foundation of student success is teachers and support staff. She said there were roughly 800 vacant positions prior to the coronavirus pandemic, but there were 3,300 vacant positions by August 2022. She said that is why the FY24 budget proposals focus and priorities are on maintaining the exceptional workforce that delivers curriculum and experiences that will prepare students for a 21st century workforce.

Mr. James Higgins requested the Board consider reducing the proposed 5% pay increase for Greene County employees to 2% as Fairfax County Board of Supervisors did. He said that lowering the pay will not translate into a property tax reduction of the magnitude that many residents seek but would provide a lessening of the tax burden confronting Greene County homeowners.

Mr. Doug Roberts said one of the reasons the County is facing this situation is because of a miscalculation under fines and forfeitures that will cost taxpayers about 3 cents on the tax rate. He said the Board has made the pay study a priority for this year at \$1.2 million, which is more than 4 cents on the tax rate. Since the pay study is not completed, it's just a placeholder, Mr.

Roberts said. He said he thinks the deputies need the pay study and increase, but thinks the County is going about it backwards. He said one of the risks is overtaxing residents or even under-taxing residents and neither is good. He said he doesn't want to see the County end up in a hole again because of a miscalculation.

Mr. Steven Kortepeter thanked Ms. Garton for the transparency offered during the budget discussions. He said that he also has misgivings about the pay study but does understand the need to retain highly qualified individuals. He asked that everyone be respectful of those who take their time to offer comments and possibly respond to them. He requested the Board look at the least expensive option for taxpayers.

The public hearing was closed.

Mr. Lamb said he thinks the County needs the pay study and wishes there was a way to get a more exact fixed cost for possible implementation. Mr. Herring asked whether he was advocating for the removal of the \$1.2 million for implementation. Mr. Lamb said he believes it will help with retention. Mr. Herring said it seemed Mr. Lamb was advocating that it remains in the budget, and he said yes. Mr. Bowman said he is also concerned about what might happen if it comes in at a higher number but said it could be implemented over two years if needed. He said he thinks setting aside \$1.2 million is reasonable given everything so far. He said he believes Ms. Garton took the most informed guess when coming up with that number and is comfortable with it remaining. Mr. Lamb noted that the Sheriff's Office, the schools, and emergency services have given up a lot so the County could do the pay study. Mr. Herring said the issue came from the Sheriff's Office noting that everyone who came into the department had to start at the lowest pay level no matter their personal experience. Ms. Durrer added that along the same lines that the Sheriff's Office has seen numerous hires come through and get trained but move on to higher-paying jobs elsewhere. She said we're spending extra money to train them and then they leave. She said she's comfortable leaving that within the budget.

Mr. Bowman asked Ms. Meador about the radio technician position she requested and updated increase in revenues due to an increase in EMS fees and whether that person could be paid for using that increase in revenue if they don't start until October or November. Ms. Meador said yes that October 1 is reasonable. Mr. Bowman made the recommendation to maintain the budget and move the additional EMS recovery revenue of \$50,000 into the personnel line item as well as find the remaining \$38,000 from the overtime budget that's already there. Ms. Heflin said she supports the position but is worried they are squeezing pennies and that concerns her. She asked how they came up with the salary for the position. Ms. Meador said they are working on the official job description with HR now. Ms. Heflin said she thinks they can do it this way but would like the Board to review it prior implementing the position to see if the revenue is tracking with the increased fee recovery.

The vote on the budget will take place on May 9.

RE: PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF GREENE COUNTY TAX RATES FOR 2023

Mr. Frydl noted that proposed tax levies for the tax year beginning January 1, 2023, are as follows per \$100 assessed valuation:

Real Estate	\$0.73
Public Service Corp.	\$0.73
Personal Property	\$5.00
Except Farm Machinery & Livestock	\$0.00
Industrial Machinery & Tools	\$2.50

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Mr. Greg Pumphrey told the Board he's lived in Greene for about 20 years and volunteered with Ruckersville Volunteer Fire Company for 14 years. He said he's concerned about management with projects such as the roof for the Animal Shelter.

Mr. Dennis Turgeon said the 25% increase in property value of his house was a shock when they only purchased it a year and a half ago.

Mr. Aaron Moyer told the Board he is against the proposed increase in real estate taxes for this coming year. He said he understands the Board is proposing a 73-cent tax rate, but that is still 10.6% higher than year over year if using the equalized rate of 66 cents. He said he wanted to give the Board a different number, that of 91 cents per \$100 of assessed rate. He said if everyone's real estate assessments had remained the same that is the rate that'd be necessary for the current budget proposals.

Ms. Gwen Baker said she does not get a 5% increase in her salary every year at her employer but was recently told to expect between a 1-3% increase. She said taxpayers cannot continue to fund the County with their taxes.

Mr. Doug Roberts said that after speaking to Commissioner of Revenue Ms. Kim Tate he thinks the personal property tax bills will be closer to normal than last year, though still inflated.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

Ms. Heflin said the County is in a tough position this year, noting that almost a million dollars was written into the budget last year that they're paying for now. She said the County has been kicking the can down the road on the pay for the staff and that's hitting the County and the State has a \$204 million hole that is hitting us with the school's budget. She said there is a lot hitting the County at once. She said she's been through the budget thoroughly and talked with staff and citizens and doesn't know how to make it better this year. She said she heard the comment about lowering the pay raise from 5% to 2% and it sounds like a great idea and may save us about a penny on the tax rate, but it is still kicking the can down the road.

Mr. Bowman said he understands the concerns of the citizens but can look back and see that past boards did not plan for the future. Previous boards did not try to address long-term issues this Board has and at some point, the bill will come due. While he said you can't go back to fix the problem, you can look forward. He said he supports 73 cents for the tax levy.

Mr. Lamb agreed, saying he supports the 73-cent tax rate. Ms. Durrer said she supported the 73-cent tax rate. She said she understands the pain people are going through and the Board went through the budget numerous times trying to cut as much as possible.

Mr. Herring said this has been one of the most open budget discussions he's even seen. He said he looked at whether the County could lower the personal property tax rate from \$5, but the revenue projections are based on that. He said he believes the County is closer than ever in having meaningful values for revenue projection and thanked everyone for that.

Upon motion by Steve Bowman, second by Marie Durrer and unanimous roll call vote, the Board approved resolution setting the tax rates as presented. (See Attachment "A")

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: RESOLUTION – PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT

The Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998 and the amendment by the 2005 Appropriation Act require the County to provide tax relief to owners of qualifying vehicles. The tax relief computation provided by the Commissioner of Revenue is 32.9% for 2023.

Upon motion by Steve Bowman, second by Marie Durrer and unanimous roll call vote, the Board approved resolution as presented. (See Attachment "B")

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE NECESSITY OF THE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS TOWER TO BE LOCATED ON POCOSON MOUNTAIN

Mr. Frydl shared the presentation regarding the Pocoson Mountain 911 Tower Site with the Board. He said the radio partner worked with Greene County to identify the appropriate site for the tower by first looking at the existing towers that might work for the 911 communications

needs and selecting three that could meet the need. Mr. Frydl said the County and radio partner Motorola looked at five different sites on Pocoseon Mountain for the new tower site and four were eliminated due to site distance or geotechnical concerns. The tower will only be utilized for emergency communications and will not allow commercial use. The tower site is at the end of the state maintained Pocoseon Mountain Road onto a private driveway. The tower is a lattice tower of 125 feet. Mr. Frydl showed the Board photos from the balloon test at the site. The County had a 30-day comment period with comments received from the public within the Board packet.

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Ms. Anne Murphy, a property owner adjacent to the tower site, was present to request a different site be chosen for the tower as the access to the site lies on a shared driveway easement that leads to her home.

Mr. Bill Murphy said he and his wife have had their place on Pocoseon Mountain for 10 years and love to visit there and unplug and reconnect with nature. He said they understand the need for the emergency communication tower, but requested a different site for the tower that does not impact their driveway.

Ms. Karen McKee, a property owner on Middle River Road, said she will be able to see the tower from her property. She also requested a different location for the tower and asked for a guarantee that it will not become a cell tower.

Mr. Rich Downey, who also lives on Middle River Road, said homeowners in the Middle River Valley will be able to see the tower. He also said that he believed the owner of property was not permitted to lease the easement that is on the property that the Murphy's use for their driveway.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

Mr. Bowman asked Ms. Kelley Kemp if the owner of the property had the legal authority to lease the property for the tower site. Ms. Kemp told the Board the tower is completely on his land, and he has the authority to lease that to the County.

Mr. Lamb asked whether the tower could become a cell phone tower and Mr. Frydl said no it is not designed correctly for that.

Mr. Bowman asked how long the new radio system has been under design. Ms. Meador said conversations began in 2016-2017 and the contract was signed with Motorola in 2020. She said the project is a year behind schedule but hoping to be online by spring 2024.

Ms. Heflin asked how often people will have to go to the tower site. Mr. Frydl said most of the traffic will be in the site preparation and construction and after that it'll be once per month for maintenance. She asked why a monopole design was not used. Mr. Frydl said a monopole tower would not work due to the movement of the wind. The system is a beam signal and if it moves the communication connection is cut off.

Mr. Bowman thanked the Downeys for inviting him to their property. He said this tower is the link to the Madison core and provides the 95% coverage 95% of the time for emergency services that is needed in the County.

Upon motion by Steve Bowman, second by Davis Lamb and unanimous roll call vote, the Board approved ordinance change as presented. (See Attachment “C”)

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Steve Bowman, second by Marie Durrer and unanimous roll call vote, the Board approved the consent agenda as presented.

- a. Minutes of previous meeting
- b. Request from Commissioner of revenue for refund in the amount of \$2,837.02. (See Attachment “D”)
- c. Proclamation declaring May 2023 Older Americans Month. (See Attachment “E”)
- d. Resolution in support of the Region Ten grant application to the Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA), authorize the County’s OAA allocation to go toward the project if the grant is approved, and authorize the County Administrator to sign the cooperative agreement needed for the grant application. (See Attachment “F”)
- e. Resolution authorizing revision of EMS billing rates effective May 1, 2023. (See Attachment “G”)
- f. Ratify agreement with Orange County to provide water service to homes located in Orange County. (See Attachment “H”)

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.

RE: BOARD LIAISON REPORTS

Mr. Bowman said he attended the Jaunt meeting April 12. He said Jaunt is working to match the funding to the cost that it takes to deliver service in each jurisdiction and matching up the grant money they receive for both rural and urban transportation. Additionally, Jaunt instituted a no-show policy for riders and adjusted when it can take reservations. Also on April 12, Mr. Bowman attended the School Board meeting where it voted to amend the school calendar to May 24 as the last day of school. Dr. Kyle Pursel was also voted in as the Assistant Superintendent of Schools. The staff spotlighted William Monroe High School that night. Mr. Bowman attended the

Planning Commission meeting on April 19 where there was a public hearing on the Agricultural and Forestal District Program. Ms. Heflin and Mr. Lamb sat on the committee. A public hearing will be held May 9 at the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Bowman attended the April 20 RSA meeting where Ms. Terry Lynn said she could sign a letter about the RSA transition to send to the State Corporation Commission. The RSA Board of Members also wondered about changing the lease of the building from December 31, 2023, to one year after the transition is official.

RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Frydl presented Ms. Garton's written administrator report in her absence. The County is working with the other two counties and RSA to complete the assignments needed for the transition.

RE: OTHER ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Herring thanked the Board members regarding the work they put in for this year's budget and tax discussions. He said he hopes decisions made this year will make it easier going forward for future boards. He thanked the staff and said that the information provided was honest and straightforward and as transparent as possible. He said he felt like he had all the information necessary to decide even if it was a difficult one.

Mr. Bowman asked Mr. Frydl and Ms. Meador to investigate whether a special event ordinance is needed for the County as more and more special events are being sponsored in Greene, bringing in large crowds. He said it's a positive that people come into the County and spend their money, but there is a public safety concern.

RE: ADJOURN

Upon motion by Davis Lamb, second by Marie Durrer and unanimous roll call vote, the Board meeting was adjourned.

Recorded vote:	Marie Durrer	-	Yes
	Dale Herring	-	Yes
	Steve Bowman	-	Yes
	Abbey Heflin	-	Yes
	Davis Lamb	-	Yes

Motion carried.



Dale Herring, Chair
Greene County Board of Supervisors



Brenda G. Garton, Clerk
Greene County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH CALENDAR YEAR 2023 TAX RATES

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2023 the Board of Supervisors of Greene County, Virginia authorized advertising the Calendar Year 2023 tax rates; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2023 a notice of public hearing was published in the Daily Progress; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2023 a notice of public hearing was published in the Greene County Record; and

WHEREAS, notice was advertised of proposed tax levies pursuant to the Code of Virginia, Section 58.1-3007, and a public hearing was held on April 25, 2023 by electronic means and hosted live in the Greene County Administration building; and

WHEREAS, at the public hearing, all those who wished to speak for or against the tax rates were heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Greene, establishes the tax levies as follows for the tax year beginning January 1, 2023:

Levies on \$100 Assessed Valuation:

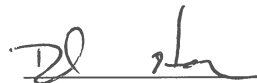
Real Estate	\$0.73
Public Service Corp.	\$0.73
Personal Property	\$5.00
Except Farm Machinery & Livestock	\$0.00
Industrial Machinery & Tools	\$2.50

Adopted this 25th day of April, 2023.

Motion: Steve Bowman
Second: Marie Durrer

Recorded Vote:

Steve Bowman	<u>Yes</u>
Marie C. Durrer	<u>Yes</u>
Abbey Heflin	<u>Yes</u>
Dale R. Herring	<u>Yes</u>
Davis Lamb	<u>Yes</u>



Dale R. Herring, Chair
Greene County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: 

Kimberly L. Morris, Deputy Clerk
Greene County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PERCENTAGE OF TAX RELIEF FOR 2023

WHEREAS, the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998, VA Code Section 58.1-3523 et. seq. ("PPTRA"), has been substantially modified by the enactment of Chapter 1 of the Acts of Assembly, 2004 Special Session I (Senate Bill 5005), and the provisions of Item 503 of Chapter 951 of the 2005 Acts of Assembly (the 2005 revisions to the 2004-06 Appropriations Act, hereinafter cited as the "2005 Appropriations Act"); and

WHEREAS, these legislative enactments require the County to take affirmative steps to implement these changes, and to provide for the computation and allocation of relief provided pursuant to the PPTRA as revised; and

WHEREAS, these legislative enactments provide for the appropriation to the County, of a fixed sum to be used exclusively for the provision of tax relief to owners of qualifying personal use vehicles that are subject to the personal property tax on such vehicles.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Greene County Board of Supervisors that:

qualifying vehicles obtaining situs within the County during tax year 2023, shall receive personal property tax relief in the following manner:

- Personal use vehicles valued at \$1,000 or less will be eligible for 100% tax relief;
- Personal use vehicles valued at \$1,001 to \$20,000 will be eligible for 32.9% tax relief;
- Personal use vehicles valued at \$20,001 or more shall only receive 32.9% tax relief on the first \$20,000 of value; and
- All other vehicles which do not meet the definition of "qualifying" (business use vehicles, farm use vehicles, motor homes, etc.) will not be eligible for any form of tax relief under this program.

ADOPTED BY THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON APRIL 25, 2023.

Motion: Steve Bowman

Second: Marie Durrer

Votes:

Bowman: Yes

Durrer: Yes

Heflin: Yes

Herring: Yes

Lamb: Yes


Dale R. Herring, Chair
Greene County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: 
Kimberly L. Morris, Deputy Clerk
Greene County Board of Supervisors

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING A PUBLIC NECESSITY
FOR A COMMUNICATIONS TOWER**

WHEREAS, Greene County, Virginia has a responsibility to respond to emergency calls received by the Greene County emergency call center; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County emergency call center is tasked with receiving emergency calls from citizens and then communicating details of the emergency to first responders, including fire, rescue, and law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, first responders and the emergency call center rely on radio communications throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Board of Supervisors previously determined that its radio system did not cover large parts of the county and left dead spots where first responders could not communicate with each other or the call center; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors entered into a contract with Motorola to update its radio communication system in order to get better radio coverage throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, in order for the updated radio system to work effectively, additional towers must be installed; and

WHEREAS, in working with Motorola, it was determined that for effective coverage a new tower must be placed on Pocosan Mountain, and shall be located near the end of state maintenance of RT 637, Pocosan Mountain Rd, Stanardsville, VA 22973 also identified as parcel 8-(A)-28, which is owned by The Schmoker Family Trust and a portion of which is leased by the County; and

WHEREAS, the tower will be 120 feet tall and placed on a wooded poortion of the parcel; and

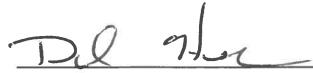
WHEREAS, in accordance with Greene County Ordinance 21-2-14, the Greene County Board of Supervisors made all specifications of the project available to the public and accepted comments from the public regarding this project for not less than 30 days; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Board of Supervisors has determined that for public safety purposes, this telecommunications tower is a public necessity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Greene County Board of Supervisors hereby resolves that the tower to be built near the end of state maintenance of Rt 637, Pocosan Mountain Road Stanardsville, VA 22973 (tax map parcel 8-(A)-28 shall be built as a matter of public necessity.

APPROVED BY THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON

April 25, 2023



**Dale Herring, Chairman
Greene County Board of Supervisors**

ATTEST:



**Kim Morris, Deputy Clerk
Greene County Board of Supervisors**

Recorded Vote:

MOTION: Steve Bowman
SECOND: Davis Lamb

Steve Bowman ~~Yes~~

Marie Durrer ~~Yes~~

Dale Herring Yes

Davis Lamb Yes

Abbey Heflin Yes

Board of Supervisors

April 25, 2023

Attachment D

Greene County Commissioner's Office

P. O. Box 438
Stanardsville, VA 22973-0438

Phone 434-985-5211

Fax 434-985-5283

Date: April 17, 2023

TO: Greene County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Kimberly Tate, Commissioner of Revenue

RE: Refund Request of \$2,837.02 for personal property

Taxpayer updated their DMV garaging information for a travel trailer which is in a campground in Augusta County all year and her vehicle is there 8 months of the year. Because the move date was changed to 2021 it resulted in an overpayment of \$2,837.02 for the 2022 personal property taxes.

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Older Americans Month, May 2023

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Greene County includes a growing number of older Americans, currently 18.3 percent of the population, who contribute their time, wisdom, and experience to our community; and

Whereas, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds have the opportunity to participate and live independently; and

Whereas, the theme of Older Americans' Month is "Aging Unbound", recognizing the importance of:

- Not limiting our thinking about aging,
- Exploring and combating stereotypes,
- Emphasizing the many positive aspects of aging,
- Inspiring older adults to push past traditional boundaries, and
- Embracing our community's diversity; and

Whereas, Greene County recognizes the need to create a community that offers the services and supports older adults may need to make choices about how they age; and

Now, therefore, we, the Greene County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim May 2023 to be Older Americans Month. We urge every resident to celebrate our older citizens, help to create an inclusive society, and accept the challenge of flexible thinking around aging.


Dale Herring, Chair
Greene County Board of Supervisors

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF REGION TEN FY 2024 OPIOID
ABATEMENT AUTHORITY GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the County of Greene, Virginia, signed a Memorandum of Understanding in 2021 to be included in allocations from the opioid-related settlements; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia established in 2021 the Opioid Abatement Authority (OAA) to allocate and use proceeds from opioid-related settlements in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, the OAA will be accepting applications for fiscal year 2024 proposals until May 5, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Region Ten Community Services Board has drafted a proposal for a grant from the OAA; and

WHEREAS, the County of Albemarle has agreed to serve as the fiscal agent; and

WHEREAS, the OAA has set aside funding for the County of Greene for grant projects; and

WHEREAS, the Region Ten Community Services Board serves residents within Greene County; and

WHEREAS, the County of Greene, Virginia, supports the use of OAA allocated funding to treat, prevent, and reduce opioid use disorder; and

WHEREAS, if awarded the fiscal year 2024 OAA grant, the County of Greene, Virginia, proposes to have its share of those funds be put toward the proposed project; and

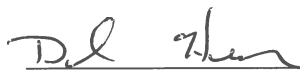
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Greene, Virginia, that Greene County supports the proposed application, and that the County Administrator is authorized to execute the Cooperative Agreement for submittal with the grant application, following review by the County Attorney.

Adopted this 25th day of April, 2023.

Motion: Steve Bowman
Second: Marie Durrer

Recorded Vote:

Steve Bowman	<u>Yes</u>
Marie C. Durrer	<u>Yes</u>
Abbey Heflin	<u>Yes</u>
Dale R. Herring	<u>Yes</u>
Davis Lamb	<u>Yes</u>



Dale Herring, Chair
Greene County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: 
Kimberly L. Morris, Deputy Clerk
Greene County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION TO AMEND EMERGENCY SERVICES FEES

WHEREAS, Section 32.1-111.14 of the Code of Virginia, 1950 as amended, enables local governments to bill patients for emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, Section 43-3 of the Greene County Ordinances allow for fees for emergency medical services and transports; and

WHEREAS, these fees are enumerated in a fee schedule that can be amended by a resolution of the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the cost to transport patients has risen over the years; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services proposes the attached amendment to the Emergency Services fees schedule in order to continue to ensure a high quality of rescue services in the county.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT:

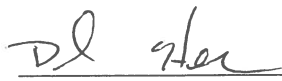
The attached amended fee schedule for Emergency Services will be effective on May 1, 2023.

APPROVED BY THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON APRIL 25, 2023
AND EFFECTIVE ON MAY 1, 2023.

Motion: Steve Bowman
Second: Marie Durrer

Recorded Vote:

Steve Bowman	<u>Yes</u>
Marie C. Durrer	<u>Yes</u>
Abbey Heflin	<u>Yes</u>
Dale R. Herring	<u>Yes</u>
Davis Lamb	<u>Yes</u>



Dale Herring, Chair
Greene County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: 

Kimberly L. Morris, Deputy Clerk
Greene County Board of Supervisors

Greene County- VA	2023 Medicare Allowable (Urban)	130% above MFS Current Charge (Urban)	150% above MFS Current Charge (Urban)	Current Charges	Proposed New Rate
ALS E A0427	\$500.99	\$651.29	\$751.49	\$650.00	\$751.49
BLS E A0429	\$421.89	\$548.46	\$632.84	\$466.66	\$632.84
ALS 2 A0433	\$725.12	\$942.66	\$1,087.68	\$802.07	\$1,087.68
Specialty Care Transports A0434	\$856.96	\$1,114.05	\$1,285.44	\$0.00	\$1,285.44
Mileage	\$8.54	\$11.10	\$12.81	\$9.48	\$12.81

**RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SUPPORT FOR THE AGREEMENT WITH
ORANGE COUNTY TO ADD THIRTEEN ORANGE COUNTY RESIDENTS TO THE
GREENE COUNTY WATER SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, Greene County is transitioning away from Rapidan Service Authority (RSA); and

WHEREAS, Greene County has passed a comprehensive water and sewer ordinance which created the Greene County Department of Water and Sewer and set water rates; and

WHEREAS, during the transition it was discovered that there are thirteen (13) current RSA water customers who are Orange County residents, but are provided water from a Greene County water line; and

WHEREAS, there are more than thirteen houses on these two streets that have water meters, but are currently vacant, and as such are included in this agreement which will enable Greene to provide water if the houses are inhabited in the future; and

WHEREAS, this water line originates in Greene County and serves these thirteen homes in Orange County on Ridgeway Drive and Willy Miser Lane; and

WHEREAS, these thirteen homes in Orange County are miles away from a water line that originates in Orange County; and

WHEREAS, these homes need water and the most logical solution is for these Orange County residents to become Greene County water customers; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Code Section 15.2-2109(A) allows a locality to maintain and operate public utilities outside of the locality; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Code Section 15.2-2112 allows two or more localities to enter into agreements to create a service area for water service.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Greene County Board of Supervisors approves the agreement with Orange County which will allow these Orange County residents to become Greene County water customers.

ADOPTED BY THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON APRIL 25, 2023.



Dale Herring, Chairman
Greene County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Kimberly Morris, Deputy Clerk
Greene County Board of Supervisors

Recorded Vote: Motion: Steve Bowman
Second: Marie Durrer

Steve Bowman Yes

Marie Durrer Yes

Abbey Heflin Yes

Dale Herring Yes

David Lamb Yes