

The Appomattox County Board of Supervisors held a Special Called meeting on Monday, October 17, 2016 at 5:15 p.m. at the Board of Supervisors meeting room located at 171 Price Lane, Appomattox, Virginia.

Appomattox County Board of Supervisors:

Present:

Samuel E. Carter	Chairman Courthouse District
Sara E. Carter	Vice-Chair Piney Mountain District
William H. Hogan	Appomattox River District
Chad E. Millner	Falling River District
Bryan A. Moody	Wreck Island District- arrived late

Also Present:

Susan M. Adams, County Administrator
John K. Spencer, Information Systems Manager/Purchase Agent
Anne H. Dixon, Director Parks, Recreation and Tourism
Linda Lipscomb, Museum of the Confederacy
Kelvin Moore, Moore's Architect
William Jamerson, Jamerson –Lewis Construction
Vicky Phelps - Finance

Mr. Spencer provided those in attendance with a tour of the auditorium in the Old Elementary School.

Lynchburg Humane Society Lease

Ms. Adams provided the Board with a copy of the draft lease agreement with Lynchburg Humane Society for review and discussion.

Ms. Adams explained that last fall she began discussions with Lynchburg Humane Society (LHS) regarding the possibility of having LHS run the Appomattox County Animal Shelter. She explained that the Board would need to determine the cost and responsibilities for each entity.

Chairman Carter opened the floor for discussion.

Ms. Adams stated that Lynchburg Humane Society has stated that the County qualifies to have them according to their mission, which is medical care and 24 hour veterinarian service. Ms. Adams explained that the first ten days the animal will remain in the custody of Appomattox County. She explained that after the ten days the animals will go to Lynchburg. She stated that the Humane Society will provide medical care and will be responsible for all other shelter operations.

There was lengthy discussion of the cost it currently takes to run the shelter verses the cost to have Lynchburg Humane Society to run shelter. Ms. Adams stated that the FY17 budget for the shelter is \$65,171 not including the additional \$5000 that is given to AWAG.

After lengthy discussion, Ms. Carter made a motion to hold a public hearing at the regular scheduled meeting in November. She stated that she is in support of approving the lease with Lynchburg Humane Society. Mr. Moody seconded Ms. Carter's motion. Chairman Carter called for a vote: Chairman Carter, aye; Ms. Carter, aye; Mr. Hogan, aye; Mr. Millner, aye; Mr. Moody, aye.

Ms. Adams stated that she would like for the Board to visit the Lynchburg Humane Society and tour the facility to see what services they provide before making a final decision.

Mr. Hogan stated that he wanted to make sure that the Board is making this decision for the right reason. He questioned if consideration has been made for the current shelter manager.

Chairman Carter stated that this has been discussed with the current shelter manager. He stated that after speaking with staff of the Lynchburg Humane Society, the current shelter manager feels more comfortable if the decision is made to have Lynchburg Humane Society run the shelter.

Mr. Moody stated that he has visited the Lynchburg Humane Society and in doing so, he gained more confidence in the transition after meeting with their staff. He stated that it was a good experience to see the facility. He stated that our staff has been working on this for months and he is very comfortable with LHS running our shelter.

Mr. Overstreet stated that he may need to investigate further the ten day rule. Ms. Carter stated that we needed to reference the State Code.

Chairman Carter reiterated the following decisions that have been discussed:

- 1- The Board will be holding a public hearing at the regular scheduled meeting in November.
- 2- The members of the Board will convey to Ms. Adams their availability to tour the Lynchburg Humane Society facility.
- 3- Mr. Overstreet will verify and clarify what is stated in the State Code regarding holding animals for ten days.

Hearing no further discussion, Chairman Carter closed the Special Called meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Samuel E. Carter, Chairman