#### King and Queen County Board of Supervisors Meeting Monday, February 28, 2022

#### 6:00 P.M.

## Regular Meeting King and Queen County Courts and Administration Building Second Floor Conference Room

#### **Minutes of the Meeting**

## CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Morris called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken with member Sherrin Alsop being absent.

## APPROVAL OF RECURRING WARRANTS

A motion was made by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mr. Bailey to approve the recurring warrants, subject to audit.

AYES: J.L. SIMPKINS, D.H. MORRIS, R.F. BAILEY, J.M. BURNS NAYS: NONE ABSENT: S.C. ALSOP

## BUDGET PRESENTATIONS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS

The following department heads were present to provide additional information on their requests and to answer questions from the Board.

- Vanessa Porter, Clerk of Circuit Court Requested funding for Comp Board approved third staff position as well as a salary increase for current deputy in order to have that person be ahead of the new person on the salary scale. She also advised that the Compensation Board has allowed her to use up to \$16,000 of the salary funding for operational needs within her office.
- Dr. Carol Carter, School Superintendent Advised that the school division is requesting level funding from the County and provided information on the overall school budget utilizing anticipated increased state funding.
- Betty Dougherty, Director of Social Services Advised that the only change in her budget, other that new match requirements for state funded programs, is the addition of an Assistant Director position which would help towards continuity of operations in senior staff positions.
- Meredith Adkins, Commonwealth Attorney Advised that she was not asking for any additional funding and that she has been able to utilize additional Compensation Board funds for the Paralegal position in her office.
- John Charboneau, Sheriff and Rob Balderson, Chief Deputy Expressed concern over the need to convert the ACO position back to full time in order to keep the

position filled and to keep up with the demand for service. They also provided information on the need for the two new dispatcher positions requested. Further, it was advised that they have received used tasers from another agency and are only asking for funding for maintenance and supplies.

- Tina Ammons, Director of Finance Provided explanation for the request to allow her to give up to a \$3,000 salary step increase to her assistant when she reaches her one-year anniversary. This increase is requested as a merit increase based on her performance up to this point and will only be given when conditions mentioned are met.
- Greg Hunter, Emergency Services Coordinator Provided an update on the concerns relating to the continued decrease in response from volunteer agencies for fire calls. The creation of the fire/rescue apparatus capital fund would help prepare for the need to replace expensive and specialized equipment that the volunteer agencies may not be able to sustain. He also provided additional information on the dispatch staffing comments made by the Sheriff's office.

## PERSONAL PROPERTY UPDATE/DISCUSSION

Mr. Swartzwelder advised that the Commissioner of the Revenue has reached out to him regarding the overall increase in values on personal property. Most specifically, affected vehicles are relatively new used vehicles (5 years old and newer). Popular vehicles such as pickup trucks, SUVs and mid-sized cars are showing the highest value increase at approximately 40%. There is concern that the value increase will have a significant impact on the tax paid on these vehicles and will affect the PPTRA percentage applied to qualifying vehicles. It was the consensus of the Board to have staff work with the Commissioner to have more information at the next meeting.

# IT IS ORDERED THAT THIS BOARD BE ADJOURNED

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Burns to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Doris H. Morris, Chairman

Clerk of the Board