Bland County Board of Supervisors Public Hearing, June 12, 2008

VIRGINIA: At the Public Hearing of the Bland County Board of Supervisors held at the Bland County Courthouse located in Bland, Virginia, on the twelfth day of June 2008, 7:00 p.m., the following duly elected and qualified members were present or absent.

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PRESENT: Jason R. Ramsey, Henry Blessing, John C. Thompson, Karen H. Hodock

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator, Carol Hall, Deputy Administrator, Teresa L. Tolbert, Finance Manager

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mr. Ramsey called the meeting to order.

# **INVOCATION**

Henry Blessing offered the invocation.

#### PLEDGE TO FLAG

Chairman Ramsey led the pledge to the flag.

# 2008-2009 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

Chairman Mr. Ramsey opened the hearing to receive public comment on the proposed County's 2008-2009 budget.

County Administrator, Jonathan Sweet outlined the regular expenses, new investments, improvements and initiatives included within the County's 2008-2009 budget. Mr. Sweet advised of the Household Tax, and the Farm Equipment Tax being eliminated beginning the year 2008 and beyond.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Keith Myers, resident and speaking as a member of the Equalization Board expressed his opinion of the recent reassessment to which he felt was unfair and unjust to the citizens. Mr. Myers requested the Board meet with the Equalization Board.

Lonnie Keene, resident appeared with the suggestion that the Board take the 07-08 budget figures and increase by a moderate 5-10% for the 08-09 budget.

#### CLOSURE OF BUDGET HEARING

Chairman Mr. Ramsey closed the public hearing.

<u>ADJOURNED</u>	This meeting was ad	ljourned until	5:00 p.m. Ji	une 24, 2008.
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Jason R. Ramsey, Chairman
Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator