

**VIRGINIA:**

A FY06-07 Budget Work Session of the Lancaster County Board of Supervisors and the Lancaster County School Board was held in the courthouse of said county on Thursday, April 20, 2006.

Present: F.W. Jenkins, Jr., Chair  
Peter N. Geilich, Vice Chair  
B. Wally Beauchamp, Board Member  
Jack S. Russell, Board Member  
Ernest W. Palin, Jr., Board Member  
William H. Pennell, Jr., County Administrator

Others

Present: Randolph Latimore, Donald McCann, Jayne Grigsby, William Smith, Carl Failmezger, Sandra Walker, School Board; Jack Larson, Planning/Land Use; Charles Costello, Friends of Lancaster County; Joan McBride, Rappahannock Record

Mr. Jenkins called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING - SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET**

Chairman Jenkins opened the public hearing.

Mr. Charles Costello commended all individuals involved in the preparation of the FY07 annual budget; however, said he thinks 6.4% salary increase is too high and whenever the salary increase is decided, it should be across-the-board for all. He believes the Air Force Junior ROTC Program is a good program. He recommends two finance managers, one for the school system and one for the county, there should be a mid-year budget review, and put the school board budget online.

Mr. Earle Bartholomew had concerns about taxes.

Mr. Tony Callahan stated he cannot support 20% increase in taxes and thinks Mr. Palin should recuse himself since he works for the school administration.

Mr. Howard Blank said he had questions about real estate figures.

Mr. Frank Smith had questions about the cost per student.

Mr. Alex Stickler said the cost of health insurance is too high; however, he supports the increase in teacher salaries.

Cabell Westbrook stated he is a teacher at Lancaster Middle School and believes the teachers should receive a salary increase.

Mr. Howard Kyzer said he has questions and concerns about the cost of public education and its relationship to real estate taxes.

Chairman Jenkins closed the public hearing.

### **RESCIND LANCASTER COUNTY BURN BAN**

Mr. Pennell said, after consultation with Mr. Beauchamp, Lancaster County's Director of Emergency Services, he believes the burn ban should be rescinded as the county has received sufficient amount of rainfall to assuage the threat of wild fire.

Mr. Beauchamp made a motion to adopt the following resolution to Rescind Lancaster County Burn Ban:

**RESCIND LANCASTER COUNTY BURN BAN**

**WHEREAS**, sufficient rainfall has recently occurred to reduce the danger of uncontrolled fires.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the emergency prohibition on open burning in Lancaster County adopted on March 27, 2006 is hereby rescinded.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Commonwealth of Virginia’s 4:00 p.m. burning restriction remains in place until it expires on April 30, 2006.

VOTE:	F.W. Jenkins, Jr.	Aye
	Peter N. Geilich	Aye
	B. Wally Beauchamp	Aye
	Jack S. Russell	Aye
	Ernest W. Palin, Jr.	Aye

**TREASURER’S RETIREMENT**

Mr. Pennell stated he received a letter expressing Mrs. Anna Lee C. Haynie’s intent to retire as Lancaster County Treasurer effective July 1, 2006. Her term began January 1, 2004 and expires December 31, 2007 thus; an Interim Treasurer needs to be appointed by the Judge of the Lancaster Circuit Court.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Anna Lee Haynie, Lancaster County Treasurer and authorized the county administrator to take the proper steps to fill the unexpired term.

VOTE:	F.W. Jenkins, Jr.	Aye
	Peter N. Geilich	Aye
	B. Wally Beauchamp	Aye

Jack S. Russell	Aye
Ernest W. Palin, Jr.	Aye

**BUDGET WORK SESSION**

There were still concerns about the fuel prices and huge increase added to the school budget.

The school board's salary increase request of 6.4% was discussed to change to a step plus whatever additional amount was needed to achieve an overall 4% salary increase.

The school board will meet to discuss revisions to their budget.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Mr. Beauchamp to adjourn.

VOTE:	F.W. Jenkins, Jr.	Aye
	Peter N. Geilich	Aye
	B. Wally Beauchamp	Aye
	Jack S. Russell	Aye
	Ernest W. Palin, Jr.	Aye