February 13, 2013

At the special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Prince Edward County, held at the Farmville-Prince Edward Community Library, thereof, on Wednesday, the 13th day of February, 2013; at 12:00 noon, there were present:

Pattie Cooper-Jones
William G. Fore, Jr.
Don C. Gantt, Jr.
Robert M. Jones
Charles W. McKay
Howard F. Simpson
Jim R. Wilck

Absent: Howard M. Campbell

Also present: Wade Bartlett, County Administrator; Peggy Epperson, Director of the Farmville-Prince Edward Library; Gerry Spates, Farmville Town Manager; and members of Farmville Town Council.

The meeting was reconvened from Tuesday, February 12, 2013, for a presentation of Library Programs.

Ms. Peggy Epperson, Director, gave a brief history of the library and a presentation of Library Programs. She explained that the new programs offered and increased hours of operation have increased expenses. Ms. Epperson stated the library is open more hours than most in the state, and she could not find any open more hours. She stated the Library is facing a shortfall of approximately $18,761.

Discussion followed on solutions to make up the shortfall; a suggestion was to charge for the use of the meeting rooms at the library. Another suggestion was made regarding fund-raisers.

Dr. Edward Gordon, Town Council member, asked if this is an additional budget request for $18,761 from the Town and County. Ms. Epperson said it is, to be divided between the Town and County. Discussion followed.
Ms. Epperson said additional money given from the state is based on the formula that every dollar
given from the locality, another $0.40 is given in state aid.

Mr. Gerald Spates, Town Manager, stated the Library could be charged rent for the use of the
building, and then increase the contribution to the library by that same amount to offset the rent payment.
The increased contribution would allow the library to be eligible for more state funding. Further discussion
followed on the time-frame of receiving the funding from the state and the categories to which the funding
may be applied.

Discussion followed on private fund-raisers and private grants.

On motion of Supervisor Simpson and adopted by the following vote:

Aye: Pattie Cooper-Jones
      William G. Fore, Jr.
      Don C. Gantt, Jr.
      Robert M. Jones
      Charles W. McKay
      Howard F. Simpson
      Jim R. Wilck

Nay: None

Absent: Howard M. Campbell

the meeting was adjourned at 12:37 p.m.