VIRGINIA: At an Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Accomack held in the Board Chambers in Accomac on the 14th day of April, A.D., 2011.

Members Present: Donald L. Hart, Jr., Chair

Laura Belle Gordy, Vice Chair

Wanda J. Thornton Ron S. Wolff Grayson Chesser

John Charles "Jack" Gray

Sandra Hart Mears Robert D. Crockett C. Reneta Major

Others Present: Steven B. Miner, County Administrator

Yvonne N. Pennell, Administrative Assistant

Mark B. Taylor, County Attorney

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and opened with the Lord's Prayer, after which the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

### **Redistricting Issues**

Mr. Tom Brockenbrough, GIS Coordinator, gave a brief overview of the results of the redistricting work session held on April 6<sup>th</sup>. He advised members about some of the changes made during the "tweaking" of the redistricting lines in order to create "good legal lines" by either him or County Attorney Mark Attorney.

A discussion ensued as Mr. Brockenbrough continued to discuss and respond to questions regarding redistricting issues and making district line changes.

## **District Precincts**

The Chairman recognized Mrs. Ann Loukx, Registrar, who offered comments related to number of precincts, equipment, voter registration notification, etc. and responded to questions.

Comments were also given by Mrs. Nancy Duncan, former member of the Electoral Board regarding voting machines, inability to find persons to work at the polls, etc.

Discussion continued concerning the location of polling places.

### **Precincts**

There was discussion concerning the number of voting precincts there should be

in each Election District. Members were polled as to how many precincts they recommend to have in their Election District:

Wanda J. Thornton – E. D. 1 – 1 - Chincoteague Community Center

Ron S. Wolff – E. D. 2 - 2 - Atlantic and Greenbackville

Grayson C. Chesser -E. D. 3 - 1 - Arcadia High School

Sandra Hart Mears – E. D. 4 – 3 - Bloxom Town Hall, Parksley, and

John C. Gray – E. D. 5 - 2 - Kegotank & Metompkin Elementary Schools

Robert D. Crockett – E. D. 6- 2 - Tasley and Tangier Combined School

Laura Belle Gordy – E. D. 7 – 2 - Onley Fire House and Onancock Town Hall

Donald L. Hart, Jr. – E. D. 8 - 3 - Melfa Fire Station – Pungoteague Elementary and Wachapreague Fire House

C. Reneta Major – E. D. 9 – 1 - Painter Fire House

Discussion continued with Mr. Brockenbrough and Mr. Taylor advising of the next steps the Board needed to take.

There was discussion concerning the existing voting place in Onancock.

Mr. Brockenbrough stated that members would have to make a decision regarding Election District boundary lines if they have more than one precinct.

Mrs. Thornton made a motion that the Board adopt a policy for there to be no more than three (3) voting precincts per Election District, excluding Tangier, to save taxpayers money. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. Ayes: Mrs. Thornton, Mr. Wolff, Mr. Chesser, Mr. Gray, Mrs. Mears, Mr. Crockett, Mrs. Gordy Ms. Major. Nays: Mr. Hart.

Mr. Crockett made a motion to adopt resolutions accepting the data for the Census for the towns of Tangier and Chincoteague. Mrs. Thornton seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Crockett made a motion to hold a Public Hearing beginning at 7:30 p.m. on May 12, 2011, in the Board Chambers to afford persons the opportunity to be heard or to present written comments concerning Accomack County, Virginia, Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 34, Elections, Article Ii, Election Districts, Sec. 34-32, District Populations, and Sec. 34-33, District Boundaries. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wolff made a motion to hold a Public Hearing beginning at 7:30 p.m. on May 12, 2011, in the Board Chambers to afford persons the opportunity to be heard or to

present written comments concerning Accomack County, Virginia, Ordinance

Amendment to Chapter 34, Elections, Article III, Precincts, Sec. 34-67, Polling Places
and Sec. 34-68, Map Adopted. Ms. Major seconded the motion. The motion passed
unanimously.

A brief discussion continued regarding precincts.

# **Adjournment**

Mr. Wolff made a motion to adjourn to May 12, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Chair