

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FORMATION OF A JOINT ENTITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE MOUNT ROGERS CIGARETTE TAX BOARD AND BESTOWING ON SUCH ENTITY ALL POWERS NECESSARY AND PROPER FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES AS PROVIDED BY LAW

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted to localities under § 15.2-1300 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Bland has determined that it would serve the public interest to establish a joint entity to be known as the Mount Rogers Cigarette Tax Board (the "Board") in order to efficiently administer the collection, accounting, disbursement, compliance monitoring and enforcement of cigarette taxes assessed by the localities desiring to join the Board; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has reviewed an agreement establishing the Board and defining its' powers, duties, and other procedures, the text of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as "Exhibit A," and is in agreement with the terms as set forth therein; and,


WHEREAS, the aforementioned agreement provides that it shall become effective upon the approval by the governing bodies of at least two (2) localities within the Mount Rogers Planning District and the execution of said agreement by their authorized representatives; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to authorize the formation of the Board with the County of Bland as a member thereof, and authorize the execution of said agreement by the July 1, 2021 on its behalf.

NOW WHEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Bland hereby ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Under authority of 15.2-1300, and upon the approval and execution of two (2) or more localities within the Mount Rogers Planning District, there is hereby created and established the Mount Rogers Cigarette Tax Board, which shall act as the agent of the localities for the administration of their respective cigarette tax ordinances; and,
2. The agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby APPROVED and the County Administrator is authorized to execute the same on behalf of the governing body; and,
3. The powers and authority of the Board, as set forth in the agreement are hereby APPROVED.

This Ordinance shall be effective July 1, 2021.

Member	Vote	Adopted this the <u>23rd</u> day of <u>March</u> , 2021.
Stephen Kelley	<u>Yes</u>	Attest:  _____ Eric R. Workman, Ed.D. Clerk / County Administrator
Randy Johnson	<u>Yes</u>	
Karen Hodock	<u>Yes</u>	
K. Adam Kidd	<u>Yes</u>	