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Cc: Thomas Mattis; Bill Johnson
Subject: RE: THIS THURSDAY: Call with Governor McDonnell

To whom it may concern,

I unfortunately have another meeting scheduled and cannot take part in the conference call today. It is my belief that all unfunded mandates should be reevaluated. Local government cannot continue to take cuts in funding such as 599 and other areas and still be forced to comply with mandates from the federal government or state. These are just a few that I have concerns moving forward or the other members of city administration.

Line of Duty Act - there is legislation that is passing this expense to the localities which will create more long-term liabilities on the localities while reducing 599 funding.

Road Maintenance Funds - There is proposed legislation to reduce the localities share of road maintenance funds. Once again, legislators are trying to take away the localities ability for revenue through BPOL. How are we to generate revenue to keep our roads maintained?

Water and Sewer Plant Upgrades - The Commonwealth needs to share more in the expense of this federal and state mandate or continue to delay the mandate. The total expense should not rest with the locality.

Reassessment Notices - The code specifies an exact font, location to be used in the newspaper, and wording. This makes these notices more expensive. Also, the wording that has to be used is very difficult for the average citizen to understand.

Payment of Localities to the Community College System - The code mandates that localities have to fund this system. Why should localities be MADE to help fund someone's higher education? It should be up to the locality to contribute if they so desire. Localities do not have to contribute to four year or junior colleges.

I look forward to the results of the commission. Thanks!

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