

The February 2018 Regular Meeting Synopsis

The February Regular meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Chairman Harris and determined there was a quorum. Supervisor Whitaker offered the invocation and everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. The agenda was amended to include a supplemental appropriation from the School Board, a request for salary approval by the Registrar's Office and the decision on the RFP for Audit. The amended agenda was approved on a motion by Supervisor Gleason. The minutes for the January Organizational meeting and January Regular Meeting were approved on a motion by Supervisor Whitaker. All financial reports were approved on a motion by Supervisor Whitaker.

During the Public Comments, Lloyd Lenhart from Southside Electric introduced himself and explained what Amelia County can expect from him and his company. Mr. Costley and Mark Costley spoke to the Board regarding their support of the Amelia County Public School.

David Whitaker, Director of Planning and Zoning, announced that a conditional rezoning request by Betty Barnard had been withdrawn. The Amelia County Zoning Ordinance was amended to allow update of the definition of wireless support and the 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan was approved.

David Whitaker also reported on activity from VDOT in the County.

Several Committee appointments were made.

The 2018 Amelia County Spring Green/Clean-Up resolution was approved along with Special Exception Permit applications for the annual Bluegrass Festival and the 2018 Farmers Market. The Board extended their support for the Virginia Homeless Solutions Program funding that STEPS, Inc receives from the State.

The Commissioner of the Revenue submitted a refund request for overpayment of real estate taxes and the request was approved. The Commonwealth Regional Council Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan resolution was approved.

Mr. Harvie reported the Waste Management host fee check for December was \$55,309.97. Commonwealth Regional Council submitted their January Items of Interest and Southside Virginia Community College shared their latest newsletter.

The Prospect Volunteer Fire Department sent a note of thanks for the donation of the 1991 International tanker. The Amelia Day Committee submitted its minutes for the October 23, 2017 and the January 22, 2018 meetings. Feedmore shared their Impact Report covering July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Virginia's Growth Alliance submitted their expenditure report covering November 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 and Virginia Association of Counties announced the appointment of A. Taylor Harvie to serve on the 2018 Environmental and Agriculture Steering Committee. Virginia's Crossroad included their 2017 yearend financial report with a letter thanking the County for their support.

During the amended agenda items, the Board deferred action on a request for supplemental appropriation request by the School Board. The Board approved a request for a salary supplement for the General Registrar. Finance Director, Carla Cave, reported that the County has hired Robinson, Famer and Cox as County auditors but requested auditors from the Charlottesville office for a "fresh set of eyes".

Supervisor Whitaker made a motion for closed session pursuant to Code of Virginia §2.2-3711.7, allowing legal counsel. On a motion by Supervisor Whitaker the Board returned to open session.

A motion by Supervisor Whitaker certifying only matters allowed by Code of Virginia §2.2-3711.7 were discussed during closed session.

Supervisor Whitaker motioned to move to authorize the Commonwealth's Attorney to hire the auditing firm of Robinson, Farmer, Cox to conduct an internal audit of the Amelia County School Division's financial records and transactions and provide a report, and to appropriate \$10,000 for this purpose. The motion was unanimously approved.

During the Board Members comments, Supervisor Barnard mentioned that the County decal would be moved because of the State law moving the inspection sticker to the left of the windshield. He also mentioned an article in the Times Dispatch regarding Arthur Lehman gifting 400 acres to the County for a park.

The Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned on a motion by Supervisor Scott.