

## The May 2018 Regular Meeting Synopsis

The May 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 approved on a motion by Supervisor Whitaker. The minutes for the April Regular Meeting and the April Continued Meeting were approved on a motion by Supervisor Whitaker. All financial reports were approved on a motion by Supervisor Gleason.

During the Public Comments, Matthew Brown questioned whether a new water tower was necessary. He said he was proud that 3 members of the Board voted to cut funding to the school board. Taylor Harvie read an email from Sean Flippen regarding the difficult access to sidewalks behind the Courthouse. A copy of the email is available upon request.

David Whitaker reported on activity from VDOT in the County.

A conditional rezoning for Greenleaf Properties and Amelia Industrial Development Authority were referred back to the Planning Commission for the 360 Overlay study.

An amendment to the Board of Equalization ordinance was approved and the Board proclaimed May 20-26, 2018 to be EMS Week.

Before the Board entertained a motion to adopt the FY2019 Budget Resolution, about a dozen residents spoke in favor of local level funding for the School Board. One resident asked that the County hold back school funding until the School could get a handle on appropriate spending. Supervisor Barnard motioned to approve the Budget Resolution as written. Supervisor Scott made a substitute motion to not approve the resolution and to schedule a public hearing on a tax increase. That motion was defeated on a vote of 1-4. The Board ultimately approved the Resolution as written on a vote of 4-1.

The Board also approved the required RFP contract for engineering services for the County.

Taylor Harvie reported the Waste Management host fee check for April was \$47,854.95. Southside Virginia Community College sent their latest newsletter and the Amelia Day Committee submitted their minutes for the April 23, 2018 meeting.

Commonwealth Regional Council submitted their *Items of Interest* and Piedmont Regional Juvenile Detention Center Commission submitted information on their April 20, 2018 meeting.

During Board member comments, Supervisor Gleason said he did not want anyone to leave the meeting thinking the Board doesn't care about the Schools. He said the school's overall budget had increased by \$200,000 over last years' budget.

Supervisor Scott said that when he ran for Supervisor, he made it clear that his primary interest was schools and economic development.

Supervisor Whitaker asked Supervisor Scott about the ACT testing and said he had a wonderful time attending Amelia Day and was especially impressed with Katie Stang's performance.

Supervisor Barnard mentioned that the school board turned in funds for 2013 through 2016 but overspent by \$458,000 in 2017. He also said the last year the Board of Supervisors approved \$50,000 for lights from the CIP fund and this year they approved \$100,000 for paving of parking lots and bus roads. He was frustrated that the conception is that the Board doesn't care about the schools.

Supervisor Harris thanked all that came out to speak and he hoped everyone could move forward.

With no other business, the May Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned.