

Staff Briefing Meeting, Wednesday, September 25, 2024, 1:30 p.m., Government Center, Verona, VA.

PRESENT: Jeffrey Slaven, Chairman
 Pam Carter, Vice-Chair
 Michael Shull
 Butch Wells
 Gerald Garber
 Carolyn Bragg
 Scott Seaton
 Timothy K. Fitzgerald, County Administrator
 Jennifer M. Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator
 James Benkahla, County Attorney
 Doug Wolfe, Director of Community Development
 Julia Hensley, Planner II
 Misty Cook, Director of Finance

VIRGINIA: At an adjourned meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 249th year of the Commonwealth....

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VDOT ROADS

Timothy Fitzgerald, County Administrator, discussed the VDOT status report of September, 2024.

The Board accepted as information.

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FIRE AND RESCUE

- a. Greg Schacht discussed the Fire/Rescue monthly report.

The Board accepted as information.

- b. Chief Schacht discussed the Fire & Rescue Strategic Plan-Hub Model.

The Board authorized placing on the September 25, 2024 regular meeting agenda.

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YEAR-END FINANCIAL REPORT

Misty Cook, Director of Finance, discussed the following:

- a. County year-end financial report.

The Board accepted as information.

- b. The School Board year-end fund balance request.

The Board authorized placing on the September 25, 2024 regular meeting agenda.

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YEAR-END FINANCIAL REPORT (CONT'D)

- c. The infrastructure adds/deletes.

The Board authorized placing on the September 25, 2024 regular meeting agenda.

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PARKS AND RECREATION INFRASTRUCTURE

Jennifer Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator, discussed a funding request for the Mt. Sidney Ruritan replacement playground in the amount of \$36,464.00.

The Board authorized placing on the September 25, 2024 regular meeting agenda.

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PLANNING COMMISSION/PUBLIC HEARINGS

Julia Hensley, Planner II, discussed the following:

- a. A request to rezone from General Business to General Agriculture approximately 0.268 acres owned by Blakely Properties, LLC. The Planning Commission recommends approval.
- b. A request to rezone from Single Family Residential 15 to General Agriculture approximately 61.678 acres owned by Jason A. & Destiny D. Bartley. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

The Board authorized placing on the September 25, 2024 regular meeting agenda.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STAFF

- 1) Mr. Fitzgerald reminded everyone of the VACo Conference at the Homestead.
- 2) The Augusta Health meeting for County Officials is on October 7th at 5:30p.m.
- 3) Ms. Hensley discussed the following ordinance amendments to be advertised for public hearing:
 - a. Chapter 25, Section 25-4
 - b. Chapter 25, Section 25-70.4
 - c. Chapter 25, Section 25-70.8
 - d. Chapter 25, Section 25-70.10

All were authorized to advertise for public hearing.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD

Dr. Seaton requested that the Fishersville Library survey be placed on the September 25, 2024 regular meeting agenda for consideration.

Ms. Carter questioned the status of the property at 239 Long Meadow Road-Removal of Garbage.

Mr. Wolfe stated that the garbage has been removed and a level of compliance is being maintained.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD (CONT'D)

Ms. Carter also questioned the status of the property in Churchville.

Nicole Price, Assistant County Attorney, stated that this issue has gone to court. The respondents did not appear and the Judge granted an injunction for the County to enter and abate the portions of violations that had not been abated.

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CLOSED SESSION

On motion of Ms. Carter, seconded by Mr. Shull, the Board went into closed session pursuant to:

- (1) the economic development exemption under Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(5) [discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of its interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the county]:

- a) Proposed Office space, flex space, storage facilities, manufacturing facilities, utility and mixed-use development.

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On motion of Mr. Shull, seconded by Ms. Bragg, the Board came out of Closed Session.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Slaven, Carter, Shull, Garber, Wells and Bragg
 Nays: None

Motion carried.

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The Chairman advised that each member is required to certify that to the best of their knowledge during the closed session only the following was discussed:

1. Public business matters lawfully exempted from statutory open meeting requirements, and
2. Only such public business matters identified in the motion to convene the executive session.

The Chairman asked if there is any Board member who cannot so certify.

Hearing none, the Chairman called upon the County Administrator/ Clerk of the Board to call the roll noting members of the Board who approve the certification shall answer AYE and those who cannot shall answer NAY.

Roll Call Vote was as follows:

Yeas: Slaven, Carter, Shull, Garber, Wells and Bragg
Nays: None

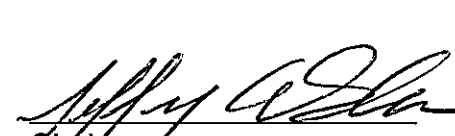
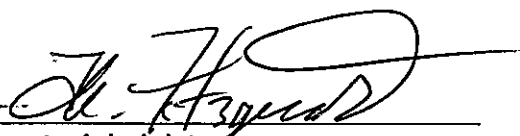
Motion carried.

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CLOSED SESSION (CONT'D)

The Chairman authorized the County Administrator/Clerk of the Board to record this certification in the minutes.

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Chairman	County Administrator