

Staff Briefing Meeting, Tuesday, May 27, 2025, 1:30 PM Government Center Main
Board Room

1. **ROLE CALL:**

Gerald Garber
Butch Wells
Jeffrey Slaven
Pam Carter
Michael Shull
Carolyn Bragg
Timothy K. Fitzgerald County Administrator
James Benkahla, County Attorney
Angie Michael, Executive Assistant

ABSENT: Scott Seaton
Jennifer M. Whetzel

VIRGINIA: At an adjourned meeting of the
Augusta County Board of
Supervisors held on Tuesday,
May 27, 2025, at 1:30 PM at the
Government Center Main Board
Room, and in the 249th year of
the Commonwealth...

Chairman Garber welcomed those present at the meeting.

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2. **VDOT**

a. Report by VDOT

Don Komara, Residency Administrator, discussed the VDOT status report of May 27, 2025.

The Board accepted the report as information.

b. 6-Year Plan Public Hearing

Mr. Komara discussed the VDOT 6-Year Plan public hearing.

The Board authorized placing on the Wednesday, May 28, 2025 regular meeting agenda.

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3. **Fire-Rescue**

- a. Report by Staff.

Chris Shaver, Fire-Rescue Deputy Chief of Support Services, discussed the Fire and Rescue year-end report.

The Board accepted the monthly report as information.

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4. **FY26 Resolution for Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (VJCCCA)**

- a. Discuss updated FY26 Resolution

Ginny Newman, Director of Office on Youth, discussed the updated FY26 Resolution.

The Board authorized placing on the Wednesday, May 28, 2025 regular meeting agenda.

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5. **Spottswood Polling Place Roof Replacement**

- a. Discuss Riverheads Infrastructure funding for roof replacement for the Spottswood Ruritan Club, which also serves as a polling place.

Mr. Fitzgerald discussed a Riverheads Infrastructure funding request for roof replacement at the Spottswood Ruritan Club, which also serves as a polling place.

Funding Source: Riverheads Infrastructure \$39,886.00

The Board authorized placing on the Wednesday, May 28, 2025 regular meeting agenda.

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6. **Government Center Storm Sewer Improvements**

- a. Discuss authorization for the spending of previously allocated ARPA funds to improve the stormwater at the Augusta County Government Center.

Doug Wolfe, Director of Community Development, discussed authorization for the spending of previously allocated ARPA funds to improve the stormwater at the Augusta County Government Center.

The Board authorized placing on the Wednesday, May 28, 2025 regular meeting agenda.

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7. Planning Commission/Public Hearings

Ms. Hensley discussed the following:

- a. Discuss an ordinance to amend Chapter 9. Environment. Amendment brings Chapter 9 of the Augusta County Code into compliance with recent Code of Virginia changes, including combining Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Management regulations per the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act.
- b. Discuss a request to rezone from Single Family Residential-10 to General Agriculture with proffers approximately owned by Luke Hart located off Bald Rock Road in Verona in the North River District. The Planning Commission recommends approval with proffers.

The Board authorized placing both items on the Wednesday, May 28, 2025 regular meeting agenda.

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8. Matters to Be Presented by Staff

The following was discussed:

1. Mr. Fitzgerald expressed appreciation to the community regarding the parade that was held for Lincon Hines.
2. Mr. Fitzgerald informed the Board that there is a deed of easement needed for water lines at the new animal shelter.

The Board authorized placing on the Wednesday, May 28, 2025 regular meeting agenda.

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9. Matters to Be Presented by the Board

Ms. Bragg would like to add a funding request from the South River Infrastructure

account for the Sherando Ruritan Club to replace the roof.

Funding Source: South River Infrastructure up to \$25,000.00

The Board authorized placing on the Wednesday, May 28, 2025 regular meeting agenda.

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10. **Closed Session**

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

(1) the personnel exemption under Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1)

[discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body]:

a. Boards & Commissions: Economic Development Authority

(2) 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.

(3) the legal counsel exemption under Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(19)

[A discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity in accordance with §2.2-3711 (A)(19) of the Code of Virginia]:

a. Security -Augusta County Government Center

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Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Wells, Slaven, Shull, Bragg and Carter

Nays: None
Absent: Seaton

Motion carried.

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

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

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: Garber, Wells, Slaven, Shull, Bragg and Carter
Nays: None
Absent: Seaton

Motion carried.

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

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Minutes approved by the Board on Wednesday, June 25, 2025. The signed minutes can be reviewed in the County Administrator's Office.

Chairman

County Administrator