

Staff Briefing Meeting, Monday, August 23, 2021, 1:30 p.m., Government Center, Verona, VA.

PRESENT: Butch Wells, Vice-Chair
 Pam Carter
 Michael L. Shull
 Jeffrey Slaven
 Scott Seaton
 Steven Morelli
 Timothy K. Fitzgerald, County Administrator
 Jennifer M. Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator
 John Wilkinson, Director of Community Development
 Leslie Tate, Senior Planner
 Misty Cook, Finance Director
 James Benkahla, County Attorney

ABSENT: Gerald Garber, Chairman

VIRGINIA: At an adjourned meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Monday, August 23, 2021, at 1:30 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 246th year of the Commonwealth....

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Rebekah Castle, Director of Economic Development and Marketing, discussed the Economic Development monthly report of July 2021.

The Board accepted the monthly report as information.

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VDOT

Josh Dunlap, Assistant Residency Administrator, discussed the VDOT monthly report.

The Board accepted the monthly report as information.

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FIRE AND RESCUE

Dave Nichols, Fire Chief, discussed the Fire and Rescue monthly report.

The Board accepted the monthly report as information.

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OPERATIONAL MEDICAL DIRECTOR CONTRACT

Misty Cook, Director of Finance, discussed awarding contract to Drs. Asher Brand and Scott Just.

The Board authorized placing on the August 25, 2021 regular meeting agenda.

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FINANCING UPDATE – MIDDLE SCHOOL PROJECTS

Dr. Eric Bond, School Superintendant, discussed the upcoming middle school projects at Riverheads and Buffalo Gap High School.

The Board accepted as information.

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FINANCIAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT

Ms. Cook discussed awarding contract for the Financial and Compliance Audit to PB Mares, LLP.

The Board authorized placing on the August 25, 2021 regular meeting agenda.

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YEAR END FINANCE REPORT

Ms. Cook presented to the Board the Year End Finance Report.

The Board accepted as information.

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CIGARETTE TAX ORDINANCE

Jennifer Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator, discussed an ordinance that would impose an excise tax on the sale of cigarettes.

The Board authorized placing on the August 25, 2021 regular meeting agenda.

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PROPERTY TRANSFER

Timothy Fitzgerald, County Administrator, discussed a property transfer between Augusta County Board of Supervisors and the Augusta County Service Authority.

The Board authorized placing on the August 25, 2021 regular meeting agenda.

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INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Mr. Fitzgerald discussed funding for bathhouse A and bathhouse B at Natural Chimneys Campground.

Funding Source: North River P&R Infrastructure 8023-45 \$1,400.00
South River P&R Infrastructure 8026-35 \$1,400.00

The Board authorized placing on the August 25, 2021 regular meeting agenda.

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PLANNING COMMISSION/PUBLIC HEARINGS

Leslie Tate, Senior Planner, discussed the following:

a) WITHDRAWN

A request to rezone from Rural Residential (single family residential - 2 acre lot minimum) to General Agriculture approximately 5.93 acres owned by Benjamin and Daniil Shumeyko (TMP 019B 1 24) located on the north side of Samuel Bears Road approximately 0.1 miles east of the intersection of Samuel Bears Road and Dices Spring Road (Rt. 994) in Weyers Cave in the Middle River district. The proposed general use of the property is agriculture and/or residential development with lots at least 1 acre in size. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS DENIAL OF THE REQUEST.

b) A request to rezone from General Business and Multi-Family Residential with proffers and General Industrial to General Industrial with amended proffers approximately 105 acres owned by Reality X, LLC % Franklin Federal Savings (TMP 066D 2 27 and TMP 066D 2 18) located in the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Tinkling Spring Road (Rt. 608) and Ramsey Road (Rt. 635) and at the southern terminus of Construction Lane in Fishersville in the Beverley Manor district. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

The Board authorized placing on the August 25, 2021 regular meeting agenda.

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ORDINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Ms. Tate discussed advertising for public hearing for the Bunkhouse and Farm Worker Housing Ordinance Amendments.

The Board authorized advertising for public hearing.

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BOARD OF SUPERVISOR POLICY #4 – NAMING PRIVATE STREETS

John Wilkinson, Director of Community Development, discussed naming a private street.

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WAIVERS -- NONE

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD -- NONE

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Mr. Fitzgerald discussed the following:

- 1) Animal Shelter issues.
- 2) Broadband contract on Wednesday.
- 3) VACo Conference is November 14-16, 2021 in Norfolk, VA
- 4) VACo legislative committee work.

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On motion of Dr. Seaton, seconded by Ms. Carter, 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 (a) prospective candidates for employment, or (b) assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific employees]:
 - a) Boards and Commissions: Youth Commission, Ag & Forestal Dist., Ag Ind. Brd., Recycling, Valley Community Services Board, Economic Development Authority
- (2) the real property exemption under Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A) (3)
[discussion of the acquisition for a public purpose, or disposition, of real property]:
 - a) Augusta County Courthouse
- (3) 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 Dr. Seaton, seconded by Ms. Carter, the Board came out of Closed Session.

Vote was as follows:

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

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.

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CLOSED SESSION (CONT'D)

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: Carter, Wells, Seaton, Slaven
and Morelli

Nays: None

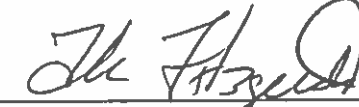
Absent: Garber and Shull

Motion carried.

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

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Chairman


County Administrator

