

Staff Briefing Meeting, Monday, August 21, 2023, 1:30 p.m., Government Center, Verona, VA.

PRESENT: Jeffrey Slaven, Vice-Chair
Gerald Garber
Butch Wells
Carolyn Bragg
Pam Carter
Scott Seaton
Timothy K. Fitzgerald, County Administrator
Jennifer M. Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator
Doug Wolfe, Director of Community Development
James Benkahla, County Attorney

ABSENT: Michael Shull, Chairman

VIRGINIA: At an adjourned meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Monday, August 21, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 248th year of the Commonwealth....

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VDOT ROADS

Don Komara, Residency Administrator, discussed the VDOT monthly report.

The Board accepted the monthly report as information.

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FIRE AND RESCUE

Greg Schacht, Fire Chief, discussed the month Fire-Rescue report.

The board accepted the report as information.

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INFRASTRUCTURE ADDS/DELETES

Misty Cook, Finance Director, discussed the infrastructure account status.

The Board authorized placing on the Wednesday, August 23, 2023 regular meeting agenda.

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YEAR END FINANCE REPORT

Ms. Cook presented the Year End Finance Report.

The Board accepted the report as information.

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August 21, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

Doug Wolfe, Director of Community Development, discussed awarding the contract to Hill Studio.

The Board authorized placing on the Wednesday, August 23, 2023 regular meeting agenda.

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WEYERS CAVE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY FUNDING REQUEST

Timothy Fitzgerald, County Administrator, discussed a funding request from the Weyers Cave Volunteer Fire Company for a renovation project.

The Board authorized holding the request for a later meeting date.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD

Ms. Carter suggested that the Board respond to citizens comments that are incorrect.

Ms. Bragg stated that at the beginning of the public comment agenda section the Board can take time to respond to questions and comments from the previous meeting.

Ms. Carter asked to have a status update on the Jennings Branch Restoration Project at the Wednesday meeting.

The Board discussed changing the time limit for public comment from three minutes to four minutes and do away with the group time limit.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STAFF

Mr. Fitzgerald discussed the following:

1. Updated County Project list was provided to the Board.
2. The Economic Development report was provided to the Board.
3. Ms. Carter, Ms. Bragg and Mr. Fitzgerald attended the VACo County Officials Summit.
4. Ag Industry Board appointments regarding at large members verses magisterial district. It is recommended to have one representative from each magisterial district and possibly two at large members.
5. Eldon James' contract for legislative services is expiring. There is an opportunity to piggyback on a contract that he has with Fauquier County. Staff recommends doing this and updating his contract for the next legislative session.
6. The Registrars Senate bill requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt guidance for determining the recommended number of Deputy Registrars that serve in a County or City be based on the size of the population as of the most recent census. This is being pushed to be in the budget bill.
7. Appointments to the MPO and the CAPSAW are needed.

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County Administrator