

Staff Briefing Meeting, Monday, May 22, 2023, 1:30 p.m., Government Center, Verona, VA.

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

VIRGINIA: At an adjourned meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Monday, May 22, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 247th year of the Commonwealth....

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VDOT ROADS

Don Komara, Residency Administrator, discussed the VDOT status report of May 21, 2023.

The Board accepted the report as information.

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FIRE AND RESCUE

Bryan Mace, Deputy Chief of Operations, discussed the month Fire-Rescue report.

The board accepted the report as information.

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BROADBAND PRESENTATION

All Points Broadband gave a presentation on the VATI 2022 project.

The Board accepted the presentation as information.

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DOMINION ENERGY EASEMENT

Candy Hensley, Assistant County Administrator, discussed a request from Dominion Energy to grant power easement in order for DISH Network to gain access to a transformer on County property.

The Board authorized placing on the May 24, 2023 regular meeting agenda.

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MS4 UPDATE

Doug Wolfe, Director of Community Development, presented an MS4 update.

The Board accepted the update as information.

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PLANNING COMMISSION/PUBLIC HEARINGS

Alidia Vane, Senior Planner II, discussed the following:

1. Section 25-12 – Ordinance Amendment
2. Section 25-492 – Ordinance Amendment
3. Augusta County Board of Supervisors – Rezoning
4. National Developers, LLC - Rezoning

The Board authorized placing on the May 24, 2023 regular meeting agenda.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD

Ms. Carter would like online media a priority regarding zoning announcements for public hearings.

Ms. Vane stated that they are in the process of getting this information on the website.

Ms. Carter also suggests changing the yard sign placement rules from immediately adjacent neighbors to some measured point. This will allow the neighborhood, not just the adjoining neighbors would know about the proposed changes.

Ms. Carter invited everyone to attend the Craigsville Memorial Service at 2:00 p.m. on Monday.

Dr. Seaton would like the website improved when searching for minutes. He also asked about the policy and procedures manual for the animal shelter. Dr. Seaton questioned what ordinance authorized the County to charge the Shenandoah Valley Animal Services Center fees and animal fines?

Mr. Fitzgerald stated the website is currently being evaluated and realizes there are issues with it. The policy and procedures manual for the animal is completed and is currently being reviewed before being submitted for approval. The County Attorney is currently looking into the question of fees and fines for the animal shelter.

Ms. Bragg reminded everyone of Draft Days on June 3rd.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STAFF

1. Ms. Vane discussed release of ordinance amendments for public hearing.

The Board authorized advertising for public hearing.

2. Amazon ribbon cutting was a success.

3. Kathleen Keffer, Assistant County Attorney, discussed the ordinance amendment regarding recovery of expenses for emergency response.

4. The County-wide project update was provided to the Board for information.

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

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

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CLOSED SESSION (CONT'D)

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:

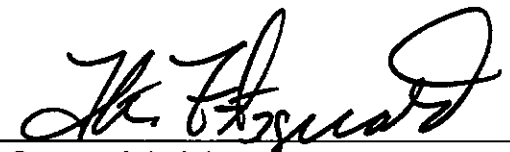
Yeas: Shull, Slaven, Wells, Carter, Bragg,
and Seaton
Nays: None
Absent: Garber

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