

Regular Meeting, Wednesday, May 11, 2022, 7:00 p.m. Government Center, Verona, VA.

PRESENT: Butch Wells, Vice-Chair
Pam Carter
Michael Shull
Scott Seaton
Steve Morelli
Jeffrey Slaven
Timothy K. Fitzgerald, County Administrator
Jennifer M. Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator
John Wilkinson, Director of Community Development
James Benkahla, County Attorney
Angie Michael, Executive Assistant
Misty Cook, Director of Finance

ABSENT: Gerald Garber, Chairman

VIRGINIA: At a regular meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 246th year of the Commonwealth....

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Vice Chair Wells welcomed those present for the meeting.

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The following students from Stuart Draft Middle School led the Pledge of Allegiance:

Lydia Piner is in 6th grade and plays basketball.
Michaila Ocheltree is in 6th grade and plays softball.
Trinity Buchanan is in 6th grade and loves history.
John Hayes is in 6th grade and plays soccer and enjoys soccer.
Mitzn Gallo is in 6th grade and enjoys reading.

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Ms. Carter, Supervisor for the Pastures District, delivered the invocation.

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APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY PROCLAMATION

Mr. Fitzgerald read the proclamation, as stated below.

WHEREAS, May 14, 2022 marks Childhood Apraxia of Speech Day during which awareness will be raised throughout Augusta County about childhood apraxia of speech, an extremely challenging speech disorder that affects 1-in-1,000 children.

WHEREAS, childhood apraxia of speech (CAS) causes children to have significant difficulty learning to speak and is among the most severe speech deficits in children.

WHEREAS, the act of learning to speak comes effortlessly to most children, those with apraxia require early, appropriate, and intensive speech therapy, often for many years to learn to speak.

WHEREAS, without appropriate speech therapy intervention, children with apraxia will have diminished communication skills, but are also placed at high risk for secondary impacts in reading, writing, spelling, and other school-related skills.

WHEREAS, that such primary and secondary impacts diminish future independence and employment opportunities and challenge the ability to become productive, contributing, citizens if not resolved or improved.

WHEREAS, public awareness about childhood apraxia of speech in Augusta County is essential for families of children with this neurological disorder and the professionals who support them to achieve the needed services for those learning to use their own voice.

WHEREAS, our highest respect goes to these children, as well as their families, for their effort, determination, and resilience in the face of such obstacles.

LET IT BE IT RESOLVED, that May 14, 2022 is “Apraxia Awareness Day” and citizens of Augusta County and surrounds are encouraged to work within their communities to increase awareness and understanding of childhood apraxia of speech.

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board adopt the following proclamation.

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

Motion carried.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2022-2023

The Board considered the proposed budget for FY 2022-23.

APPROPRIATIONS

On the motion of Mr. Shull, seconded by Mr. Slaven, the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Augusta, Virginia, that the following appropriation be made for the fiscal year 2022-2023 from the funds and for the functions or purposes indicated:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer be, and is hereby authorized to transfer to other funds from the GENERAL OPERATING FUND from time to time as money becomes available, sums equal to, but not in excess of the appropriations made to these funds from GENERAL OPERATING FUND for the period covered by the appropriation.

BE IT STILL RESOLVED that the County Administrator is authorized, pursuant to a resolution adopted by this Board of Supervisors on November, 11, 1959, to pay all normal and routine claims, when presented for which appropriations are hereinafter made, with his own warrant.

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PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2022-2023 (CONT'D)
GENERAL OPERATING FUND

11010 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	162,667
12010 COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR	1,072,913
12030 HUMAN RESOURCES	323,102
12040 LEGAL SERVICES	507,498
12090 COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE	1,163,779
12100 REASSESSMENT	535,185
12130 TREASURER	652,436
12150 FINANCE	427,415
12200 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	1,085,354
13010 BOARD OF ELECTIONS	450,663
21010 CIRCUIT COURT	192,965
21020 GENERAL DISTRICT COURT	13,241
21030 MAGISTRATE	4,457
21060 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT	1,181,482
22010 COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY	1,815,996
31020 SHERIFF	9,140,719
31040 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	2,277,330
32010 FIRE DEPARTMENT	10,698,832
32020 EMERGENCY SERVICES - VOLUNTEERS	1,952,919
32030 FIRE & EMS TRAINING	623,159
33030 J&D COURT	40,617
33040 COURT SERVICES	4,436
33050 JUVENILE & PROBATION	2,846,265
34010 BUILDING INSPECTIONS	449,106
35010 ANIMAL CONTROL	567,816
35050 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	99,492
41020 HIGHWAYS & ROADS	20,000
41040 STREET LIGHTS	121,000
42010 SANITATION & WASTE	2,388,530
42020 RECYCLING	158,600
43010 FACILITIES MANAGEMENT	2,245,021
51010 HEALTH DEPARTMENT	628,127
51020 TAX RELIEF FOR THE ELDERLY	363,115
71010 PARKS & REC INCL. NATURAL CHIMNEYS	930,685
73010 LIBRARY	1,678,937
81010 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	1,241,098
81020 TOURISM	361,767
81050 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	330,304
83010 EXTENSION OFFICE	141,194
83050 AGRICULTURAL OUTREACH	6,760
92020 OTHER OPERATIONAL FUNCTIONS	1,314,636
92030 CONTRIBUTIONS	493,160
92040 CONTINGENCIES	55,000
94000 TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	<u>63,959,812</u>
GRAND TOTAL - GENERAL OPERATING FUND (11)	114,727,590

FROM: Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12)

TO: Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12)

50000 - Disbursement of Loans & Gear Purchases 605,000

Grand Total - Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12) 605,000

FROM: Asset Forfeiture Fund (13)

TO: Asset Forfeiture Fund (13)

31030 - Operations 48,000

Grand Total - Asset Forfeiture Fund (13) 48,000

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PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2022-2023 (CONT'D)

FROM: Economic Development Fund (14)

TO: Economic Development Fund (14)

53000 - Payments to E.D.A. 402,400

Grand Total - Economic Development Fund (14) 402,400

FROM: Revenue Recovery Fund (15)

TO: Revenue Recovery Fund (15)

32020 - Payments to Agencies 743,624

94000 - Transfers to Other Funds 1,241,376

Grand Total - Revenue Recovery Fund (15) 1,985,000

FROM: ARPA Fund (20)

TO: ARPA Fund (20)

31020 Sheriff 380,100

32010 Fire Department 103,125

92000-Nondepartmental 7,599,800

Grand Total - ARPA Fund (20) 8,083,025

FROM: Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23)

TO: Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23)

For the operation of the Augusta County Department of Public Welfare, Virginia Public Assistance Fund and to be expended only on order of the Board of Welfare for the functions and objects as outlined in the budget requests as presented to the Board of Supervisors for informative and fiscal purposes only:

53010 - Administration 11,517,060

53020 - Public Assistance 2,902,705

Grand Total - Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23) 14,419,765

FROM: Children's Services Act Fund (24)

TO: Children's Services Act Fund (24)

53060 - Children's Services Act 5,500,000

Grand Total - Children's Services Act Fund (24) 5,500,000

FROM: School Operating Fund (41)

TO: School Operating Fund (41)

For the operation of the Public Schools of the School Operating Fund (41) and to be expended only on order of the Augusta County School Board of Augusta County, Virginia, for the functions and objects as contained in their budget requests as presented to the Board of Supervisors for financial and fiscal purposes:

11000 - Instruction 105,619,319

20000 - Admin/Attend/Health 5,259,480

30000 - Pupil Transportation 7,754,854

40000 - Operation/Maintenance 11,526,585

50000- School Food Service 44,700

Grand Total - School Operating Fund (41) 130,204,938

FROM: School Cafeteria Fund (43)

TO: School Cafeteria Fund (43)

To be expended on order of the Augusta County School Board for the operation of the School Cafeteria Fund:

50000 - School Food Services 6,700,858

Grand Total - School Cafeteria Fund (43) 6,700,858

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PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2022-2023 (CONT'D)

FROM: School Capital Improvement Fund (44)

TO: School Capital Improvement Fund (44)

13800 -	Technology	434,763
34000 -	Transportation	1,080,000
62020 -	Valley Career & Technical Center	1,900,000
62400 -	Buffalo Gap Middle School Wing	12,257,998
62410 -	Riverheads Middle School Wing	<u>12,257,998</u>
Grand Total - School Capital Improvement Fund (44)		27,930,759

FROM: School Debt Fund (45)

TO: School Debt Fund (45)

92040 -	Debt Service - County	732,946
92050 -	Debt Service - School	<u>7,447,865</u>
Grand Total - School Debt Service (45)		8,180,811

FROM: Head Start Fund (47)

TO: Head Start Fund (47)

10000 -	Instruction	3,195,065
20000 -	Admin/Attend/Health	444,568
30000 -	Pupil Transportation	86,598
40000 -	Maintenance Services	<u>41,925</u>

Grand Total - Head Start Fund (47)		3,768,156
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FROM: Governor's School Fund (48)

TO: Governor's School Fund (48)

11000 -	Instruction	1,838,482
20000 -	Health Services	31,482
40000 -	Operations/Maintenance	61,200
66000 -	Building Improvement	<u>50,005</u>

Grand Total - Governor's School Fund (48)		1,981,169
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FROM: County Capital Improvement Fund (70)

TO: County Capital Improvement Fund (70)

8005 -	Landfill	400,000
8011 -	Infrastructure - Beverley Manor	50,000
8012 -	Infrastructure - Middle River	50,000
8013 -	Infrastructure - North River	50,000
8014 -	Infrastructure - Pastures	50,000
8015 -	Infrastructure - Riverheads	50,000
8016 -	Infrastructure - South River	50,000
8017 -	Infrastructure - Wayne (includes VDOT project)	50,000
8021 -	Matching Grants - Beverley Manor	15,000
8022 -	Matching Grants - Middle River	15,000
8023 -	Matching Grants - North River	15,000
8024 -	Matching Grants - Pastures	15,000
8025 -	Matching Grants - Riverheads	15,000
8026 -	Matching Grants - South River	15,000
8027 -	Matching Grants - Wayne	15,000

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8049 - Electoral Board - Voting Machines	25,000
8053 - Library - Automation	17,000
8057 - Fire Apparatus & Equipment	570,500
8058 - Emergency Communications	1,156,164
8060 - Sheriff/K-9	50,000
8135 - Regional Correction Center	1,064,124
8139 - Tourist Information Center	10,000
8142 - Parks & Recreation/Community Center	100,000
8144 - Information Technology	245,562
8145 - Economic Development	753,926
8146 - Firing Range	40,000
8148 - County Courthouse	600,000
8149 - A.C.S.A.Contribution	100,000
8152 - Fire & Rescue Equipment	200,000
8153 - Haz Mat Grant	10,000
8155 - Dupont Settlement Grant	800,000
8161 - Blue Ridge Community College	137,585
8162 - Secondary Roads - Revenue Sharing	1,800,000
8164 - Storm Water Management	2,224,874
8165 - Government Center Security	25,000
8166 - Vehicle Sinking Fund	275,500
8167 - Agricultural Development	0
8198 - Building Sinking Fund	261,460
8199- Contingencies	(1,995)
94000 - Transfers To Other Funds	<u>1,506,155</u>
Grand Total - Capital Improvement Fund (70)	12,825,855

GRAND TOTAL - APPROPRIATIONS (All Funds) 337,363,326

Timothy Fitzgerald, County Administrator, summarized Dr. Seaton’s motion that included personnel requests for the Sheriff’s office and the consolidation of the addition of two school resource officers every year for the next five years. The motion was seconded but not voted upon.

Mr. Slaven moved, seconded by Mr. Shull, for the Board to call for the question on Dr. Seaton’s motion.

Ms. Carter strongly objected to lack of further discussion.

Mr. Slaven disagreed with Ms. Carter stating that there was sufficient discussion in the previous meeting and the need for the meeting to move forward.

Dr. Seaton also disagreed with Mr. Slaven and believed that debate is necessary.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Wells, Shull, Slaven, And Morelli
 Nays: Carter And Seaton
 Absent: Garber

Motion carried.

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board approve the amount of \$341,714 requested by the sheriff for two deputies, the training Sergeant, evidence Sergeant, and a part-time evidence room assistant and to direct the budget office and county administrator to add two more school resource officers each year of 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027.

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PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2022-2023 (CONT'D)

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Carter And Seaton
 Nays: Wells, Shull, Slaven, And Morelli
 Absent: Garber

Motion failed.

Mr. Shull moved, seconded by Mr. Slaven, that the Board approve the budget for the fiscal year 2022-2023 with the following changes:

- 1) Appropriate \$16,822 to be transferred from contingency to cover the General District and Juvenile Relations Court Clerk supplements.
- 2) Remaining contingency amount of \$430,889 to be allocated for the Courthouse Capital Account.

Mr. Slaven moved to call the question on Mr. Shull's motion.

Dr. Seaton objected to Mr. Slaven's call the question of Mr. Shull's motion and insisted on the need for debate.

Vice-Chair Wells acknowledged Mr. Slaven but left time for Board discussion.

Ms. Carter restated the adamancy for funding for the cost of body cameras if the Sheriff requested them and asked where that funding would fit into the proposed budget.

Mr. Fitzgerald informed Ms. Carter that at the last Board Meeting the vote was 2-5 against the funding of body cameras.

Ms. Carter thought the matter was postponed.

Dr. Seaton answered that the Board had already voted on the camera issue but had not voted on the funding of the extra staff for the Sheriff's office and the annual addition of two school resource officers in the budget.

Ms. Carter asked for clarification from the other Board members that they voted against the funding of the extra staff for the Sheriff's office and the annual addition of two school resource officers.

Vice-Chair Wells confirmed and asked the Board if there was need for more discussion.

Dr. Seaton affirmed the need for more discussion and stated his inability to vote for the budget and his wish for a unanimous vote for the budget. He believed the need for more personnel and body cameras as requested by the Sheriff should be fulfilled by the County. He used a card that cost \$5.99, which Dr. Seaton's son gave him, to show how much funding would be gained if each citizen of the County spent \$5.99 for body cameras. He believed that cost would be worth the protection of the police and the safety of the schools. Dr. Seaton claimed the Board failed two out of six requirements of local government with the rejection of his previous motion. He proclaimed his love for Augusta County. He shamed

the four members of the Board for not voting for the motion and called for a vision for the future of Augusta County. Dr. Seaton again stated his lack of support for the proposed budget because of its lack of vision.

Vice-Chair Wells asked if there were further comments from the Board. There being none, he asked Mr. Shull to read his proposed motion before the Board voted.

Mr. Shull restated his motion that the FY 22-23 budget be approved with the following changes:

Appropriate \$16,822 to be transferred from contingency to cover the General District

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- 1) and Juvenile Relations Court Clerk and supplements.
- 2) Remaining contingency amount of \$430,889 to be allocated for the Courthouse Capital Account.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Wells, Shull, Slaven, And Morelli
 Nays: Carter And Seaton
 Absent: Garber

Motion carried.

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board request for the County Attorney to make a resolution that would be brought to the Board for approval to place the question of body and dash cameras on the general election ballot in November 2022.

Mr. Slaven asked Dr. Seaton if he wished to also add the needs of the Emergency Center on the general ballot or any and all other departments' requests.

Dr. Seaton said the Board is able to put any other request on the ballot but his motion is specifically for the body and dash cameras.

James Benkahla informed the Board that there are some advisory referendums that are allowed by law and some that are not but that he would investigate the issue further.

Dr. Seaton restated his call for a vision for the County and berated the Board members that did not wish to attend a vision meeting before the budget was approved. He remarked that he did not think an unlabeled contingency fund should exist in government. He also called into question the actual positive opinion of body cameras within the Board. Dr. Seaton asked why the Board denied the public the opportunity to speak on the issue of body cameras except for public comment.

Mr. Slaven asked Dr. Seaton if the referred to vision meeting was not the day long budget meeting held by the Board prior to the current meeting.

Dr. Seaton said that the budget meeting was not solving problems and asked the Board if the County would be the last local government to adopt body and dash cameras. He said that there were same size counties that have already purchased body and dash cameras. He wanted things to be fixed like the fire flow in the County instead of staying broken. He believed that had the County had body and dash cameras that local payers would not be able to call into question police actions. He stated government should exist to solve problems.

Mr. Shull moved, seconded by Mr. Slaven, that the Board table this issue to work session to give time for the County Attorney to review requirements and then vote on Dr. Seaton's motion in the next regular meeting.

Mr. Morelli commented that he agreed and disagreed with Dr. Seaton. He stated he is one of the most pro Sheriff's Department members on the Board and that the Board has done much for the Sheriff. Mr. Morelli stated that the biggest need for the Sheriff was a tactical vehicle.

He reminded Dr. Seaton that Dr. Seaton, Ms. Carter, and Mr. Shull voted against the funding of a tactical vehicle so the other members of the Board took money out of infrastructure to pay for the tactical vehicle and that the Board gave pay raises to the deputies. He assured the Sheriff will get body cameras but not in this budget.

Dr. Seaton asked what budget would include body cameras and when there would be a plan for the purchasing of cameras, additional personnel, and school resource officers.

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Mr. Morelli referenced the five-year plan that was presented by Jennifer Whetzel. He found fault with Dr. Seaton for throwing the issue upon the Board members without previous discussion.

Dr. Seaton claimed the Board members knew he would propose his motion.

Mr. Morelli denied such knowledge.

Vice-Chair Wells closed the debate.

Ms. Carter replied to Mr. Morelli and asked that he give the reason for her voting against the tactical vehicle.

Mr. Morelli said that the reason was to give her six weeks to think about the motion.

Ms. Carter disagreed with Mr. Morelli and told him to read the minutes of the meeting before making accusations.

Mr. Morelli stood by his statement.

Ms. Carter denied that being the cause and said it was because she wanted to see what the economy would do because of the pandemic.

Vice-Chair Wells allowed Ms. Carter to make her second point but did not want to make the point into an argument.

Ms. Carter claimed the calling for the question is not following rules of order.

Mr. Slaven corrected Ms. Carter's definition of what calling for the question does, which lets the Board vote on whether or not to further discuss the motion before the vote on the motion itself is made.

Mr. Fitzgerald summarized Mr. Shull's motion to table Dr. Seaton's motion to be voted on the next regular meeting.

Mr. Shull said he is not against body cameras but the Board needs more information before approving funds for body cameras in a future budget and the correlating rise in tax rates of the County.

Vice-Chair Wells added his personal commitment to only supporting body cameras if they are given to all deputies to value all personnel equally.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Wells, Carter, Shull, Slaven, And Morelli
 Nays: Seaton
 Absent: Garber

Motion carried.

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ARCHITECTURE/ENGINEERING SERVICES- CONTRACT AMENDMENT-
COURTHOUSE

The Board considered a contract amendment.

Candy Hensley, Assistant County Administrator, summarized the proposal's contents, which included the finishing of the downtown schematic and Verona schematic, temporary courthouse location, schematic construction estimates, and updating of space needs. The additional work by Mosely Architects totals \$558,795 to be added to the \$116,440 in the current contract. The County already paid \$1.3 million in services and allocated \$5.8 million so there is not a need for more funds just approval of project.

Mr. Shull asked how much will have been spent in total.

Candy Hensley answered that a bit more than \$1.9 million would be spent.

Ms. Carter was uncomfortable with voting on the amendment without the Governor's approval of the courthouse ballot.

Mr. Fitzgerald highlighted the importance of meeting the deadlines for the project to keep things moving forward and the ability to amend the contract again with Mosely Architects.

Mr. Slaven thought the time sensitivity should be considered and the Board should be wise about moving the project forward.

Mr. Shull pointed out the wording might change but the whole contract would not have to be removed.

Dr. Seaton asked what would be done with the Zapton house purchased in 2020 for the courthouse.

Mr. Fitzgerald said the house would have to be destroyed to build the courthouse downtown with city approval. If the courthouse is built in Verona the house might be sold. If we build down town we will work to keep the façade of the Zapton house.

Mr. Slaven moved, seconded by Dr. Seaton, that the Board approve the contract amendment as presented.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Wells, Shull, Slaven, Morelli and Seaton
 Nays: Carter
 Absent: Garber

Motion carried.

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WAIVERS --NONE

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CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

MINUTES

Consider minutes from the following meeting:

- Regular Meeting, Wednesday, March 23, 2022

CLAIMS

Consider Claims paid since April 1, 2022

CONSENT AGENDA (CONT'D)

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Wells, Carter, Shull, Slaven, Morelli
And Seaton

Nays: None

Absent: Garber

Motion carried.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC

Bonnie Chapman, 120 Windsor Dr, supported body cameras to be put on the voting ballot. She would not vote for anyone not supporting body cameras.

Sam Orlando, 475 Windsong Court, supported body cameras and thanks Dr. Seaton and Ms. Carter for supporting them.

Antione Suiter, 207 Gray Avenue, Staunton, supported body and dash cameras and thanked Dr. Seaton and Ms. Carter. He claimed people were arrested for exercising first amendment right and that the Board and the sheriff's office needs an education on the constitution.

Dave Zimmerman, 120 Lee Highway, asked for an ordinance or enhancing of the Noise Ordinance for the County to control protesting such as bullhorns that would require a permitting process. He proposed the protestors only be allowed if they are local citizens and a fee be charged if protestors are not following regulations.

Danny Link, Mt. Sidney, asked why the body cameras are the main equipment asked for and believed the cameras can be used against the deputies. He stated his trust in the Sheriff's Department and the lack of standard that requires body cameras, which are expensive. He said he would vote no to body cameras as a taxpayer.

Cortez Nathan, 30 South West Concord, asked why the Board does not view body cameras as important. He supported body cameras because they save lives and thanks Dr. Seaton and Ms. Carter for supporting them. He said if anyone gets shot the blood is on the Board's hands.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD

Ms. Carter said her representation is for the Pastures District and supports the body cameras to be on the voting ballot. She also thought the rules of order should be reviewed and claimed that Board members did not follow the proper procedures. She ask for the rules to be brought up in staff meetings.

Mr. Slaven stated that the call for the question is in the Robert's rule of orders.

Dr. Seaton claimed it was improper procedure and is in direct contradiction to the Robert's rules of order. He asked Mr. Shull to confirm that the rules were to be followed at every meeting.

Mr. Shull denied that being the case stating that the Robert's rules of order would only be in effect for the regular meetings.

Dr. Seaton stated he never called for the question in his time of service and believed the calling for the question was rude. He also thought people should be heard in the polls because they are not being heard in the meetings. Dr. Seaton asked the County Attorney if the ordinance changes Mr. Zimmerman asked for would be constitutional.

Mr. Morelli thanked the fire department and deputies. He stated that everyone who holds a firearm must have a body camera.

Mr. Shull agreed with Mr. Slaven that the call for the question is correct procedure. He also said the cameras needed would have to be double the number of people that need to have one. Mr. Shull showed a picture of the market animal show that takes place in the County and thought the story should have been shown on news media. He proposed to include the information on the County website.

Mr. Morelli asked if Mr. Shull could explain the difference between the 4H and the FFA. Mr. Shull answered that the 4H is for younger children and the FFA is for middle and high schoolers. He also stated that the cameras would be on every officer if the Board approved body cameras.

Mr. Shull added that with inflation and the cost of housing the ordinance committee should look at the the minimum housing size of 900 square feet.

Ms. Carter asked how that minimum housing size applied to apartments.

John Wilkinson answered that it does not pertain to apartments.

Mr. Shull said the rise in price of housing would make starter homes harder to purchase for first-time home owners.

John Wilkinson said the limit is 900 square feet unless the developer presents to the Board that the square footage in the area is smaller.

Vice-Chair Wells put the protocol procedure of the Board on the Staff Briefing agenda.

Vice-Chair Wells stated he did not want the Board to be unprofessional or appear improper.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STAFF

Mr. Fitzgerald reminded the Board of the VACo Region Meeting on June 9th at 5:00 pm at Valley Pike and the County Officials Summit in Roanoke on August 18th. He said the Market Animal Show was getting attendance numbers closer to pre-COVID times.

Mr. Shull said the buyers should be in the website because the same information used to be in the newspaper.

Mr. Fitzgerald and Vice-Chair Wells met with the Governor on the courthouse and felt confident on the future of the courthouse bill.

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CLOSED SESSION

On motion of Dr. Seaton, 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 (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, Library, Broadband Committee, Library Board, Augusta County Service Authority, Valley Community Services Board, Shenandoah Valley Partnership, Planning Commission, Parks & Recreation, Community Policy Management Team

On motion of Dr. Seaton, seconded by Ms. Carter, the Board came out of Closed Session.

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

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.

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CLOSED SESSION (CONT'D)

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Wells, Shull, Carter, Slaven, Morelli 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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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board appoint the following.
Effective July 1, 2022 and to expire June 30, 2026:

Louis Miller	Broadband Committee
Stephanie Huffman	Valley Community Services Board

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

Motion carried.

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board re-appoint the following.
Effective immediately and to expire June 30, 2026:

Jeremy Shifflett	Ag Industry Board
William Schindler	Planning Commission
Ernie Landes	Parks & Recreation Commission
Ray Cline	Recycling
William Ruleman	Ag Industry Board
Caleb Kramer	Blue Ridge Criminal Justice Board
Donald Smith	Blue Ridge Criminal Justice Board
Linda Jones	Blue Ridge Criminal Justice Board
Ginny Newman	Community Policy Management Team

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

Motion carried.

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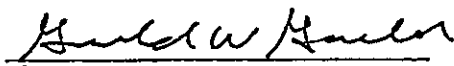
May 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Ms. Carter that the Board adjourn subject to call of the Chairman.

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

Motion carried.


Chairman


County Administrator