

Regular Meeting, Wednesday, March 24, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Government Center, Verona, VA.

PRESENT: Gerald Garber, Chairman
 Butch Wells, Vice-Chair
 Pam Carter
 Michael Shull
 Scott Seaton
 Jeffrey Slaven
 Steven Morelli
 Timothy K. Fitzgerald, County Administrator
 Jennifer M. Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator
 John Wilkinson, Director of Community Development
 Angie Michael, Executive Assistant

VIRGINIA: At a regular meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 245th year of the Commonwealth....

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Chairman Garber welcomed those present for the meeting.

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Mr. Morelli, Supervisor for the South River District, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – MEALS AND LODGING TAX

This being the day and time advertised to consider an ordinance amendment to Augusta County Code Section 22-62, which would change the rate for lodging tax from four percent to six percent and an ordinance amendment to Augusta County Code Section 22-72, which would change the rate of meals tax from four percent to six percent.

Jennifer Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator, stated that the County has advocated for fair taxation in the annual legislative package for the past three years. Legislation was passed in 2020 that allows Counties the taxation rights of Cities for meals and lodging taxes. Ordinance update include Meals Tax will go from 4% to 6%, which is max per State Code. The Lodging Tax will go from 4% to 6%. Three percent of the Lodging Tax will benefit Tourism per State Code and 3% will benefit the General Fund. Meals and Lodging ordinance would be effective July 1, 2021 to coincide with the FY22 budget.

The Chairman declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

Dr. Seaton spoke against the ordinance amendment. He is against raising the Meals and Lodging taxes. Patrons have suffered a great deal during this time and the timing is wrong to increase this tax. Hospitality and restaurant facilities have been affected by the pandemic and it has caused many of them to close.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – MEALS AND LODGING TAX (CONT'D)

Predicted models do not show revenue increases when taxes are raised on these industries.

Mr. Shull agrees with Dr. Seaton's statement.

Ms. Carter questioned the statement about the burden resting on the business owners. The patron ordering the food would feel the burden of an increased tax.

Mr. Wells has been involved in preliminary budget discussions. There are challenges to be faced over the next couple of weeks. These two taxes are a choice that people choose to utilize. Mr. Wells supports the tax increases in question.

Mr. Morelli stated that Dr. Seaton makes good points, however he agrees with Mr. Wells. Taxes are not a playing factor in determining whether or not to go out to eat and where to go.

Mr. Wells moved, seconded by Mr. Slaven, that the Board approve the ordinance amendment as presented.

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

Motion carried.

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MAYBELLE R. ALEXANDER -- REZONING

This being the day and time advertised to consider a request to rezone from Single-Family Residential 10 to General Business approximately 4.16 acres owned by Maybelle R. Alexander, Estate of David D. and Donald Alexander located on the north side of Laurel Hill Road approximately 0.3 miles east of the intersection of Lee Highway and Laurel Hill Road. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

ORDINANCE

A request to rezone from Single-Family Residential 10 to General Business approximately 4.16 acres (northern portion of property) owned by Maybelle R. Alexander, Estate % David D. and Donald Alexander (TMP 046 51) in Verona in the Beverley Manor District.

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 25 "Zoning" of the Code of Augusta County, Virginia.

WHEREAS, application has been made to the Board of Supervisors to amend the Augusta County Zoning Maps,

WHEREAS, the Augusta County Planning Commission, after a public hearing, has made their recommendation of approval to the Board of Supervisors,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has conducted a public hearing,

WHEREAS, both the Commission and Board public hearings have been properly advertised and all public notice as required by the Zoning Ordinance and the Code of Virginia properly completed,

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MAYBELLE R. ALEXANDER – REZONING (CONT'D)

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has considered the application and record, the Planning Commission recommendation and the comments presented at the public hearing,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has determined that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice requires such amendment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors that the Augusta County Zoning Maps be amended as follows:

The zoning for the following Tax map and parcel number: 046 51 containing approximately 4.16 acres be changed from Single-Family Residential 10 to General Business.

Leslie Tate, Senior Planner, stated that the proposed general use of the property is business. The general use of the property as stated in the Comprehensive Plan is Business, where business uses of varying scale and scope would be appropriate. If the 4.16 acres are rezoned to General Business, the adjacent Single Family Residential zoned property to the east could be impacted by increased traffic, congestion, noise, lights, dust, odor, fumes, vibration, and visual impacts from permitted business uses such as motor vehicle repair, machine shops, gasoline retail outlets, dog kennels, or fast food establishments. Zoning feels the surrounding properties currently zoned General Business should not be adversely affected by the change. The zoning ordinance requires a buffer yard to be provided adjacent to any property line not entirely zoned business or industrial subject to the requirements. The request is in keeping with the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map, which designates the property for future Business use. The property is located in an Urban Service Area, where the County wants to encourage future commercial growth and public water and sewer are both available to serve the property. The property is mostly surrounded by general business zoning along the corridor and general industrial across the street. The 4.16 acreage does not have frontage on the roadway and it is adjacent to the Blue Area Food Bank. If rezoned, the 4.16 acres will be boundary line adjusted into the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank's property and the zoning would match their property to allow for additional expansion.

Dan Hansen, Balzer and Associates, is present representing the applicant. The goal is to rezone as business with the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank purchasing this property in hopes of expanding their operation.

The Chairman declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

Mr. Wells moved, seconded by Dr. Seaton, that the Board approve the rezoning request as presented.

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

Motion carried.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – 25-4 -- JUNKYARDS

This being the day and time advertised to consider an ordinance to amend Chapter 25.Zoning.DivisionA. In General.Article I.General Provisions.Section25-4.Definitions.Junkyards. The amendment to the definition of junkyards will include vehicles in the list of items considered to be a junkyard, which meets the original intent of the definition. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 25. ZONING.
DIVISION A. IN GENERAL.
ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

WHEREAS, the Augusta County Board of Supervisors has determined that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice requires an amendment to include vehicles in the definition of junkyards.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors for Augusta County that Section 25-4 of the Augusta County Code be amended as follows:

CHAPTER 25. ZONING.

DIVISION A. IN GENERAL.

ARTICLE I. General Provisions

§ 25-4. Definitions.

Junkyard. Any lot, land, parcel, building, or structure, or part thereof, used for the storage, collection, processing, purchase, sale, salvage, or disposal of any scrap, waste, reclaimable material, vehicles, or debris. The term "junkyard" shall not include motor vehicle storage/towing lots or any of the things recited herein which are incidental and accessory to any agricultural or commercial use. The term does include motor vehicle junkyards.

Ms. Tate stated that this is an amendment to the definition of junkyards to include vehicles in the list of items considered to be a junkyard, which meets the original intent of the definition. This amendment is for zoning enforcement. There is a separate definition that applies to a motor vehicle junkyard. When the Judge orders that a property be cleaned up, vehicles need to be included along with the other debris and scrap existing on the property. Staff recommends approval as the amendment further clarifies the definition, strengthens the County's ability to enforce code, and meets the original intent of the ordinance.

The Chairman declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Mr. Wells, that the Board approve the ordinance amendment as presented.

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

Motion carried.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – 25-134 – USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL USE PERMIT

This being the day and time advertised to consider an ordinance to amend Chapter 25.Zoning.Division C. Single Residential Dwelling Districts.Article XIII.Single Family Residential Districts.Section 25-134. Uses permitted by Special Use Permit H. Attached accessory dwelling units where the owner of record does not personally reside in either the principal or accessory dwelling unit on the property. Amendment removes a requirement that an apartment being considered as an attached accessory dwelling unit be legally established with an Administrative or Special Use Permit. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 25. ZONING.**

**DIVISION C. SINGLE RESIDENTIAL DWELLING DISTRICTS.
ARTICLE XIII. SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (SF) DISTRICTS.**

WHEREAS, the Augusta County Board of Supervisors has determined that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice requires an amendment to remove a requirement that an apartment being considered as an attached accessory dwelling unit be legally established with an Administrative or Special Use Permit.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors for Augusta County that Section 25-134 of the Augusta County Code be amended as follows:

CHAPTER 25. ZONING.

DIVISION C. SINGLE RESIDENTIAL DWELLING DISTRICTS.

Article XIII. Single Family Residential (SF) Districts.

§ 25-134. Uses permitted by Special Use Permit.

H. Attached accessory dwelling units where the owner of record does not personally reside in either the principal or accessory dwelling unit on the property.

A Special Use Permit for an attached accessory dwelling unit where the owner of record does not personally reside in either the principal or accessory dwelling unit on the property may be granted provided:

1. The accessory dwelling unit will not be out of character with the neighboring properties; and
2. All other provisions of §25-133.C are met

Ms. Tate stated that the amendment intends to correct an inaccuracy in the code. A Special Use Permit for an attached accessory dwelling unit where the owner of record does not personally reside in either the principal or accessory dwelling unit on the property may be granted provided the accessory dwelling unit will not be out of character with the neighboring properties and all other provisions of 25-133.C are met.

The Chairman declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

Ms. Carter moved, seconded by Mr. Wells, that the Board approve the ordinance amendment as presented.

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**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-25-134-USSES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL USE PERMIT
(CONT'D)**

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

Motion carried.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – 25-4 – ACCESSORY BUILDING OR USE

This being the day and time advertised to consider an ordinance to amend Chapter 25.Zoning.Division A.In General.Article I.General Provisions.Section 25-4.Definitions.Accessory building or use. The amendment to the definition of accessory buildings or uses intends to create internal consistency within the County code and clarify that enclosed and unenclosed breezeways are not considered a common wall for the purposes of attaching an accessory building to a principal building. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 25. ZONING.
DIVISION A. IN GENERAL.
ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

WHEREAS, the Augusta County Board of Supervisors has determined that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice requires an amendment to the definition of accessory building or use to state that enclosed and unenclosed breezeways are not considered a common wall for the purposes of attaching an accessory building to a principal building.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors for Augusta County that Section 25-4 of the Augusta County Code be amended as follows:
CHAPTER 25. ZONING.

DIVISION A. IN GENERAL.

ARTICLE I. General Provisions

§ 25-4. Definitions.

Accessory building or use. A building or use subordinate to the principal building or use on the same lot and serving a purpose naturally and normally incidental to the principal building or use. Where an accessory building is attached to the principal building by a common wall, it shall be considered part of the principal building. In no case shall an enclosed or unenclosed breezeway be considered a common wall for the purposes of attaching an accessory building to a principal building.

Ms. Tate stated that this is an amendment to the definition of accessory buildings to clarify that when the ordinance states that the dwelling is attached to a principle building by a common wall, the common wall does not constitute an enclosed or unenclosed breezeway.

The Chairman declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Mr. Morelli, that the Board approve the ordinance amendment as presented.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – 25-4 – ACCESSORY BUILDING OR USE (CONT'D)

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

Motion carried.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – 25-4 – GROUP HOMES

This being the day and time advertised to consider an ordinance to amend Chapter 25.Zoning.Division A.In General. Article I. General Provisions.Sections 25-4. Definitions. Group Homes. The amendment seeks to change the reference to the updated Virginia State Code provision for group homes in order to ensure consistency and accuracy. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 25. ZONING.
DIVISION A. IN GENERAL.
ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

WHEREAS, the Augusta County Board of Supervisors has determined that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice requires an amendment to update the Virginia State Code reference in the definition of group home. NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors for Augusta County that Section 25-4 of the Augusta County Code be amended as follows:

CHAPTER 25. ZONING.

DIVISION A. IN GENERAL.

ARTICLE I. General Provisions

§ 25-4. Definitions.

Group home. A single family dwelling that is occupied as:

A. A residential care facility for adults and/or children licensed by the State Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services, designed to provide resident services to individuals who are physically handicapped, mentally ill, mentally retarded, or developmentally disabled, in which no more than eight (8) such individuals reside with one or more resident counselors or other staff persons. For the purposes of this section, mental illness October 2019 and developmental disability shall not include illegal use of or addiction to a controlled substance as defined in Code of Virginia, §15.2-2291.

B. A residential facility in which no more than eight aged, infirm or disabled persons reside, with one or more resident counselors or other staff persons, as residential occupancy by a single family. For purposes of this ordinance, "residential facility" means any assisted living facility or residential facility in which aged, infirm or disabled persons reside with one or more resident counselors or other staff persons and for which the Department of Social Services is the licensing authority §15.2-2291.

Ms. Tate stated that this is referencing the correct state code section which applies to group homes, their definition and permitting licensing which is done by state department.

The Chairman declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-25-74-USSES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL USE PERMIT
(CONT'D)

5. The owner of record shall provide to the Zoning Administrator proof of the current lease agreement between the owner and facility operator as a pre-condition of the permit. The owner shall submit subsequent lease agreements, within 10 days of signature, when the lessee changes; and

6. The Building Inspection Department has indicated that either a Building Permit is not required, or a Building Permit can be issued for the use once the Special Use Permit has been approved; and

7. If the principal and/or detached accessory dwelling unit is not connected to public sewer, the Virginia Department of Health has confirmed that the sewage disposal system is adequate for the proposed use; and

8. All parking shall be accommodated on-site.

Ms. Tate stated that this code section was last updated in June 2019 to create additional flexibility for facility operator/resident manager situations while still achieving the original intent of the provision, which was to have someone living in the rental. The proposed update to the amendment seeks to maintain this intent by allowing the facility operator or resident manager to reside across the street or immediately adjacent to the rental property.

The Chairman declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

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

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

Motion carried.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – 25-52

This being the day and time advertised to consider an ordinance to amend Chapter 25.Zoning.Division A.In General.Article V.Accessory Buildings and Uses.Section 25-52. Accessory uses on undeveloped lots and other lots not used for agriculture, residential, business or industrial purposes. Amendment to include tents, campers, or recreation vehicles for personal use, so as long as the time period in which such uses are parked and occupied on the property does not exceed more than twenty-one days within any two month period or more than forty-five days within any twelve month period, and so as long as such a vehicle is not used for living, housekeeping, or business purposes. The Planning Commission recommends approval, with the additional recommendation that the Board of Supervisors consider increasing the amount of time that tents, campers, or recreational vehicles for personal and accessory use on undeveloped lots may be parked and occupied on the property from twenty-one days within two months to thirty-one days in two months, and forty-five days in a twelve-month period to sixty days in a twelve-month period.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – 25-52 (CONT'D)

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 25. ZONING.
DIVISION A. IN GENERAL.
ARTICLE V. ACCESSORY BUILDINGS AND USES.**

WHEREAS, the Augusta County Board of Supervisors has determined that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice requires an amendment to include tents, campers, or recreation vehicles for personal use, so as long as the time period in which such uses are parked and occupied on the property does not exceed more than twenty-one (21) days within any two month period or more than forty-five (45) days within any twelve month period, and so as long as such a vehicle is not used for living, housekeeping, or business purposes.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors for Augusta County that Section 25-52 of the Augusta County Code be amended as follows:

CHAPTER 25. ZONING

DIVISION A. IN GENERAL.

ARTICLE V. ACCESSORY BUILDINGS AND USES.

§ 25-52. Accessory uses on undeveloped lots and other lots not used for agricultural, residential, business or industrial purposes.

The following uses are permitted in any zoning district when accessory to an undeveloped lot or any lot not used for agricultural, residential, business or industrial use:

A. Utility sheds and similar storage facilities for the storage of materials and equipment customarily associated with the maintenance of undeveloped lots, provided that the aggregate area of such buildings or structures on any lot does not exceed two hundred fifty-six square feet (256 sq. ft.). (Ord. 9/28/11) (Ord. 8/22/18)

B. Tents, campers or recreation vehicles for personal use may be parked and occupied on the property only for a limited time not to exceed more than twenty-one (21) days within any two month period or more than forty-five (45) days within any twelve month period. Such vehicle shall not be used for living, housekeeping or business purposes.

C. Stormwater management facilities as an off-site accessory to neighboring properties, subject to the requirements of chapter 18 of this code.

Ms. Tate stated that this amendment relates to undeveloped lots. This is an addition to the ordinance including an accessory use on an undeveloped lot. The amendment states that tents, campers or recreation vehicles for personal use may be parked and occupied on the property only for a limited time not to exceed more than twenty-one days within any two-month period or more than forty-five days within any twelve month period. Such vehicle shall not be used for living, housekeeping or business purposes.

The Chairman declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed.

Dr. Seaton asked if there had been complaints about this.

John Wilkinson, Director of Community Development, stated that there have been complaints about people living in tents and campers on a property.

Dr. Seaton moved, seconded by Mr. Wells, that the Board approve the ordinance amendment as presented.

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – 25-52 (CONT'D)

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

Motion carried.

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MS4 CHESAPEAKE BAY TMDL IMPLEMENTATION

Doug Wolfe, County Engineer, stated that this is recommendations on the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit and the associated Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL). Augusta County was first required to apply for an MS4 permit in 2013. In accordance with the permit, the County developed an MS4 program with the six required components. Additionally, the County is required to determine, develop and implement a TMDL plan to address existing untreated areas of runoff from the regulated area. Staff determined that there is 2,826 acres of regulated area and thus are required to reduce the nutrient runoff. There is a requirement of 40% reduction by 2023 and 100% reduction by 2028. The initial plan to meet the 40% goal included a number of projects within subdivisions to convert existing dry detention basins to wet ponds or bio-retention basins. These projects reduce nutrient, but are expensive on a per pound of Phosphorous basis. As presented in June 2020, through research and networking with other local governments and through organizations like the Virginia Municipal Stormwater Association, it is found that stream restoration is the most cost effective method of achieving the required nutrient reductions. Staff solicited proposals to address the nutrient reduction requirements. An invitation for bids was issued. Four bids were received and Cold Springs, LLC was the most responsive and lowest cost bidder. The only bidder with the ability to meet 100% of the 2023 requirement and their unit price is the lowest. The County is able to purchase credits at their lowest unit price at any level from 50-100% of the 2023 need. In addition to the credit purchases, staff separately interviewed firms to identify and design stream restoration projects. Four firms were interviewed and staff recommends Ecosystem Services, LLC.

Ms. Carter questioned the timeframe of the contract.

Mr. Wolfe reviewed the invitation for bids and they did not have a deadline.

Mr. Slaven recalled issues with easements, has this problem been handled?

Mr. Wolfe stated that for the most part this issue has been solved.

- a. The Board considered authorizing the County Administrator to contract with Ecosystem Services LLC to identify sites, preliminary engineering and develop SLAF applications for potential county projects (stream restoration/land conversion). Fee proposal \$30,411.00 plus contingency of \$3,044.10 for a total of \$33,485.10.

Funding Source: SWM Capital 80000-8164

Mr. Wells moved, seconded by Mr. Slaven, that the Board authorize the County Administrator to contract with Ecosystem Services, LLC to identify sites, conduct preliminary engineering, and develop Stormwater Local Assistance Fund applications for County projects.

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MS4 CHESAPEAKE BAY TMDL IMPLEMENTATION (CONT'D)

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

Motion carried.

- b. The Board considered authorizing the County Administrator to contract with Cold Springs, LLC for nutrient credits to meet the county's 2023 TMDL requirement at \$805,480.00 and apply for Stormwater Local Assistance Fund (SLAF) funding (50/50).

Funding Source: SWM Capital 80000-8164 (\$402,740.00)

Mr. Wells moved, seconded by Mr. Slaven, that the Board authorize the County Administrator to sign the contract with Cold Springs LLC for two separate purchases of nutrient credits to meet the County's 2023 MS4 (TMDL) requirements in the amount of \$805,480.00 as specified in the staff memo dated March 16, 2021 from the County Engineer.

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

Motion carried.

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VERONA PEDESTRIAN PROJECT

Mr. Wolfe stated that this is a grant based Federally Funded program and locally administered. The reimbursement program is 80/20. This grant was originally applied for in 2017 for the FY19/FY20 cycle. Construction funding was applied for in 2019 for the Route 612 section and construction funding for the US11 section will be applied for later this year. The next step is to develop a bid package, advertise for bids in summer 2021 and begin construction in the fall of 2021. This project will take approximately three months to complete.

Mr. Wells moved, seconded by Mr. Shull, that the Board authorize the County Administrator to enter into project agreement with Timmons Group for construction phase services. Fee Proposal \$123,384.59 plus a contingency of \$12,338.46 for a total of \$135,723.05.

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

Motion carried.

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EASEMENT FOR SHENTEL

Timothy Fitzgerald, County Administrator, stated that Shentel has issued an easement request due to the need of higher speed fiber for the Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Detention Center. Shentel can provide the higher speed, but will need to come from Mill Place Commerce Park which would require an easement on County property.

Mr. Wells moved, seconded by Dr. Seaton, that the Board approve the allocation of funds for Schneider Park.

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

Motion carried.

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WAIVERS – NONE

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC -- NONE

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD

Ms. Carter stated that the County has been notified of being a recipient of the VATI Grant in partnership with MGW. This grant will focus on Deerfield, Morris Mill, part of Highland County and Middlebrook. She also stated that the resolution to dedicate the bridge in memory of K9 Cara did not make it to the General Assembly in time to be approved.

Mr. Fitzgerald will continue the process through the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

Ms. Carter stated that the question was raised as to whether to charge the public a fee to use the Government Center meeting rooms. The Board has no interest at this time of charging a fee.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STAFF

Mr. Fitzgerald discussed the following:

- 1) The budget book is available for the Board's review. Budget Worksession will be Monday, March 29 at 8:30a.m.

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ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Motion carried.


Chairman


County Administrator

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