



**AMHERST COUNTY
ROUTE 29 BUSINESS
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**



MINUTES

Administrative Office Complex
153 Washington St.
Amherst VA, 24521
Administration Conference Room

1. Call to Order

Members Present: Beverly Jones, Ruth Martineau, Jeremy Bryant, Calvin Kennon, Lori Saunders, Benita Unrue

Members Attending Virtually: Teresa Brooks, Dottie Rucker

Members Absent: John Ruff

Staff Present: Stacey Stinnett

Chairwoman Jones called the Meeting to Order at 4:00 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion: To amend the agenda by adding Mr. Joe King Discussion under Approval of the Minutes.

Motion made by: Calvin Kennon

Second: Ruth Martineau

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

3. Approval of Minutes for March 24, 2021

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion: Motion to approve meeting minutes for March 24, 2021

Motion made by: Calvin Kennon

Second: Benita Unrue

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

A. March 24, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion: Motion to approve meeting minutes for March 24, 2021

Motion made by: Calvin Kennon

Second: Benita Unrue

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

Mr. Joe King spoke, stating that he had recently noticed in the News Paper an article about the Route 29 Business Corridor Mini-Grant. Mr. King presented the committee with pictures of where he had put a new roof on both of his buildings that are in the corridor and located at 4116 and 4121 South Amherst Highway. Mr. King is submitting two (2) separate Mini Grant Applications. Mr. King was in agreeance with the committee and stated that he would be happy to put a banner advertising the Rt 29 BBC Mini Grant Program on his property for thirty (30) days.

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion: Motion to approve Mini Grant application for Joe Kings property at 4116 South Amherst Highway, Madison Heights.

Motion made by: Calvin Kennon

Second: Lori Saunders

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion: Motion to approve Mini Grant application for Joe Kings property at 4124 South Amherst Highway, Madison Heights.

Motion made by: Ruth Martineau

Second: Lori Saunders

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

4. Bill Lewis with VDOT to Discuss Signs

Mr. Bill Lewis with Virginia Department of Transportation came and spoke to the committee about the rules, regulations and permitting process for the sign program.

5. Prioritizing Route 29 List of Ideas/Discussion of Survey

The committee discussed the results from the online survey and requested staff to condense and email the revised copy to them to rank prior to the next meeting.

6. Old/New Business

Staff updated the committee on Cook Out interests in the old Long John Silvers Building, the status of the new storage unit project on Amelon Road and Waffle House.

Lori Saunders stated that the Amherst Economic Development Authority is still actively trying to sell the old Burger King lot.

The committee asked staff to correlate a date that they could go a field trip to look for ideal areas along the corridor for the sign program.

7. Adjournment

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

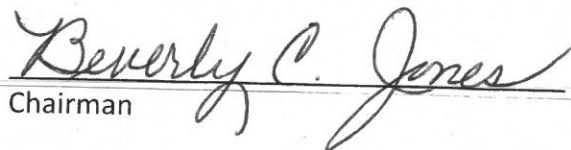
Motion: Motion to adjourn.

Motion made by: Saunders

Second: Benita Unrue

Motion carried by a 8-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm


Chairman

