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AMHERST COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board of Supervisors

Drew Wade, Chair
District 5
Claudia Tucker, Vice-Chair
District 2
David W. Pugh, Jr., Supervisor
District 4
Tom Martin, Supervisor
District 1
Chris Adams, Supervisor
District 3

MINUTES

June 18, 2024

Administration Building - 153 Washington
Street - Public Meeting Room
Amherst, Virginia 24521
Meeting Convened - 6:00 PM

County Administrator
Jeremy Bryant

County Attorney
Mark Popovich

I. Call to Order

At a regular meeting of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors held on June 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., the following members were present:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Drew Wade, Chair
Claudia D. Tucker, Vice-Chair
David W. Pugh, Jr., Supervisor
Tom Martin, Supervisor
Chris Adams, Supervisor (Arrived after the tour of 102 Mountain View Drive.)

ABSENT:

None

STAFF:

Jeremy S. Bryant, County Administrator
Stacey McBride, Deputy County Administrator/Finance Director
Mark Popovich, County Attorney
Kristen Freeman, Clerk

Chairman Wade called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

NOTE: All Board of Supervisors' meetings are now being streamed live on Facebook and on YouTube.

II. Approval of Agenda

By motion of Supervisor Wade and with the following vote, the Board approved the agenda with the amendment of removing Item VI (A) Special Exception 2024-222 Shimp Engineering (Campground) and directed staff to send Special Exception 2024-222 back before the Planning Commission for a recommendation.

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin

NAY: None

ABSENT: Mr. Adams

III. Walking Tour - 102 Mountain View Dr

The Board along with some staff walked to 102 Mountain View Drive to tour the home.

IV. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance (To begin at approximately 7:00 pm)

Vice-Chair Tucker led the Invocation and Supervisor Pugh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

V. Citizen Comment

Jones Stanley spoke to the Board on behalf of the Airport Commission. Mr. Adams directed the County Administrator to contact the Commission and have them attend a future meeting and provide an update.

H.B. Stinnett addressed the Board in opposition to the proposed campground zoning case 2024-222 on Burford Farm Rd.

Janell Stinnett addressed the Board in opposition to the proposed campground zoning case 2024-222 on Burford Farm Rd.

Josh Shoher addressed the Board in opposition to the proposed campground zoning case 2024-222 on Burford Farm Rd.

Adam Staton addressed the Board in opposition to the proposed campground zoning case 2024-222 on Burford Farm Rd.

Scott Camm addressed the Board in opposition to the proposed campground zoning case 2024-222 on Burford Farm Rd.

VI. Public Hearing

A. Special Exception 2024-222 Shimp Engineering - Campground
Removed by Agenda Amendment.

B. Ordinance 2024-3 Self-Service Mini-Storage in B-2 District
The proposed change would relocate self-service mini-storage and warehouse facilities from a permitted use in the B-2 District to a special exception.

The Planning Commission recommended approval of this amendment on May 16, 2024.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Martin and with the following vote, the Board adopted Ordinance 2024-3 as presented.

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Adams

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

C. Budget Presentation

Jeremy Bryant, County Administrator, presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Board.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Adams and with the following vote, the Board voted to convene on June 25, 2024 to consider approval of the FY25 O&M Budget and Capital Improvement Plan.

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Adams

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

VII. Consent Agenda

By motion of Supervisor Martin and with the following vote, the Board approved the Consent Agenda for June 18, 2024.

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Adams

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

A. Minutes - June 4, 2024

It was moved that the Board adopt the minutes of June 4, 2024.

B. Resolution 2024-5-R VDOT

It was moved that the Board adopt Resolution 2024-5-R as presented.

C. Appropriation of Revenue-Commonwealth's Attorney

It was moved that the Board appropriate funds from the State Compensation Board in the amount of \$4,280.00 to the Commonwealth's Attorney budget as presented.

D. Appropriation of Revenue - Amherst County Public Schools

It was moved that the Board appropriate the \$1,350,000.00 of additional revenue to the 2023-2024 School Operational Budget.

E. Appropriation of Revenue - Amherst County Public School Child Nutrition Program

It was moved that the Board appropriate the \$479,540.09 of additional revenue to the 2023-2024 Child Nutrition budget.

F. Appropriation of Revenue and Budget Transfer - Amherst County Public Schools

It was moved that the Board appropriate as needed \$750,000 from Health Insurance Reserve to the FY 2023-2024 School Operational Budget and approve the requested \$500,000 budget transfer.

VIII. New Business

A. Naming of Road - Madison Heights Town Center

By motion of Chairman Wade and with the following vote, the Board approved the naming of the road as: Town Center Parkway.

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Adams

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

IX. County Administrator's Report

A. Boards/Commissions/Committees - Social Services Board

By motion of Supervisor Pugh and with the following vote, the Board appointed Ben Bond to serve a four-year term on the Social Services Board.

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Adams

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

B. Boards/Commissions/Committees - Library Board of Trustees

By motion of Chairman Wade and with the following vote, the Board appointed Christina Woodburn to serve a four-year term on the Library Board of Trustees.

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Adams

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

X. County Attorney's Report

The County Attorney updated the Board on the ongoing nationwide opioid litigation issues. He stated that another defendant, Kroger and its affiliated entities, has now agreed to a nationwide settlement. It has agreed to a \$1.37 Billion nationwide settlement of which \$1.2 Billion is going to be directly set aside for local and state governments. He said Virginia is one of the states that has agreed to this and that the next step in the process is to obtain approval of the settlement agreement from each locality within Virginia. Mr. Popovich has spoken with outside counsel with regards to the settlement it is their recommendation and he concurs that Amherst County agreed to the settlement with Kroger and its affiliates. He stated staff will be providing the Board with a proposed resolution to officially act upon in upcoming meetings and that the Board has until August 12, 2024 to make that decision.

XI. Liaison and Committee Reports

A. Parks, Recreation & Cultural Development Board- Tom Martin

Supervisor Martin reported that the Seminole Park ribbon cutting has been delayed to July or August to finish some items. He also said that Mill Creek Park is getting a lot of use and that some life preservers have been installed around the lake. He also stated that there was a field day at Coolwell Park with up to 16 volunteers that worked there to clean up one of the ball fields and he expressed his appreciation to those volunteers. Mr. Martin also stated that the next senior social is July 16 and they are still going well.

B. Agriculture Committee - Claudia Tucker

Vice-Chair Tucker reported that Tyler Creasy took some of the members of the Agriculture Committee on a field trip to Augusta County to look at some chicken houses and he will be gathering some more information as Amherst County is working on modernizing our ordinances. She also stated that the Fair continues to consume volunteers and staff and that she is pleased with all the work that is being done.

XII. Citizen Comment

There was no public comment.

XIII. Matters from Members of the Board

Chair Wade wished all the teams playing in the All-Stars this weekend good luck.

Vice-Chair Tucker had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Pugh had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Martin had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Adams had no matter to discuss.

XIV. Adjournment

By motion of Chairman Wade and with the following vote, the Board adjourned at 7:45 pm.

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Adams

NAY: None

ABSENT: None



Drew Wade, Chair
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

Jeremy Bryant, County Administrator