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AMHERST COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board of Supervisors

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

MINUTES

March 18, 2025
Administration Building - 153 Washington
Street - Public Meeting Room
Amherst, Virginia 24521
Meeting Convened - 7:00 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 March 18, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., the following members were present:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Claudia D. Tucker, Chair
Tom Martin, Vice-Chair
David W. Pugh, Jr., Supervisor
Chris Adams, Supervisor
Drew Wade, Supervisor

ABSENT: None

STAFF:

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

Chair Tucker called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 Vice-Chair Martin and with the following vote, the Board approved the agenda with the amendment of adding a Closed Session.

AYE: Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Adams and Mr. Wade
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

III. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Adams led the Invocation and Vice-Chair Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Citizen Comment

There was no public comment.

V. Consent Agenda

By motion of Supervisor Wade and with the following vote, the Board approved the Consent Agenda for March 18, 2025.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

A. Minutes - March 4, 2025

It was moved that the Board adopt the minutes of March 4, 2025.

B. Minutes - March 4, 2025 Budget Workshop

It was moved that the Board adopt the minutes of March 4, 2025 Budget Workshop.

C. Minutes - March 12, 2025 Budget Workshop

It was moved that the Board adopt the minutes of March 12, 2025 Budget Workshop.

VI. Old Business

A. Solid Waste Management Plan

By motion of Vice-Chair Martin and with the following vote, the Board approved the 20-year update to the Solid Waste Management Plan as presented on February 18, 2025.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

B. Landfill Financing

By motion of Vice-Chair Martin and with the following vote, the Board approved the Landfill Cell 2 financing with Truist bank for \$5.2 million, directed the County Administrator to execute all required documents, and awarded the contract to the lowest bidder.

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

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

VII. New Business

A. FY25 CIP Amendment (Victoria Drive)

By motion of Vice-Chair Martin and with the following vote, the Board directed staff to amend the FY25 CIP to include the 50% match (\$223,909.44) required under the Virginia Department of Transportation's Revenue Share program for the upgrade of Victoria Drive.

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

NAY: Mr. Pugh

ABSENT: None

VIII. County Attorney's Report

The County Attorney reported that the lawsuit against the Board of Supervisors and the Fishers has a hearing date in May for the demurrer.

IX. Liaison and Committee Reports

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

Vice-Chair Martin reported that Amherst County Day is April 5th at Sweet Briar College from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and that the Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt at 3:00 pm. He also stated that Soccer has started with over 300 participants and that Parks and Recreation is also planning an event at Mill Creek Lake from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm on July 26, 2025 with food trucks and some other great things and there will be more information on that event to come.

B. Emergency Services Council - Chris Adams

Supervisor Adams reported that the Emergency Services Council met on March 12th and that the SOGs and SOPs will be brought back before the Board of Supervisors for approval at their April 1, 2025 meeting.

X. Departmental Reports

A. Amherst County Museum & Historical Society - Annual Report

Octavia Starbuck, Director of Amherst County Museum and Historical Society, gave an annual report to the Board.

XI. Citizen Comment

There was no public comment.

XII. Matters from Members of the Board of Supervisors

Chair Tucker stated that the Fair Committee and the Agriculture Committee have been working really hard on the fair and that the County's Grants Administrator, Leslie Sprouse, put together a sponsorship guide and had done a wonderful job.

Vice-Chair Martin had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Pugh had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Adams had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Wade had no matter to discuss.

XIII. Closed Session

A. A closed session for the limited purpose of consultation with legal counsel pertaining to actual litigation where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the board regarding an opioid distributor pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(7) of the Code of Virginia.

Vice-Chair Martin motioned to go into closed session and was approved with the following vote:

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

NAY: None
ABSENT: None

Vice-Chair Martin motioned to come out of closed session and was approved with the following vote:

AYE: Mr. Wade, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, and Mr. Adams
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

XIV. Certification of a Closed Session

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

I move that the Amherst County Board of Supervisors certify by a recorded vote that, to the best of each Board member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and identified in the motion authorizing the closed session were heard, discussed, or considered in the closed session.

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

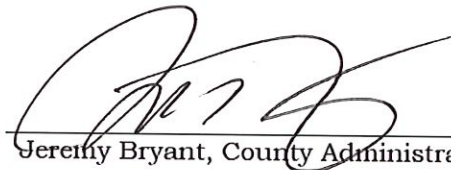
XIII. Adjournment

By motion of Supervisor Wade and with the following vote, the Board adjourned at 7:53 pm.

AYE: Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Adams and Mr. Wade
NAY: None
ABSENT: None



Claudia D. Tucker, Chair
Amherst County Board of Supervisors



Jeremy Bryant, County Administrator