



**AMHERST COUNTY
ROUTE 29 BUSINESS
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**



MINUTES

DATE: May 20, 2025
TIME: 4:00 PM
PLACE: Administrative Office Comp

1. Call to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Jones (Chair), Calvin Kennon, Dottie Rucker, Benita Unrue, Teresa Brooks, Aaron Ferro, S.W. Martin, Tony McBride, and Nate Young

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lori Saunders, Stacey Stinnett

Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to approve the agenda

Motion made by: Brooks

Second: Unrue

Motion carried by a 9-0 vote.

3. Approval of Minutes for April 22, 2025

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to table the April 22, 2025, minutes.

Motion made by: Unrue

Second: Brooks

Motion carried by a 9-0 vote.

A. Minutes

4. Geographical Extension of Corridor

Mr. Young provided information regarding the proposed geographic change to the Route 29 Business Beautification Charter: The proposed changes include:

- Dillard Road

- Route 130 West to Dillard Road.
- Route 29 Business to the intersection of Route 29 (near Sweet Briar College).
- Section of the Monacan Parkway from the Route 130 Intersection to the intersection with the James River.

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to recommend the geographic change as presented to the Planning Commission

Motion made by: Unrue

Second: Martin

Motion carried by a 9-0 vote.

A. Charter Language change

5. Old/New Business

A. Chamber of Commerce Dinner

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to approve the Committee purchasing a gold table for the Amherst County Chamber Dinner

Motion made by: Jones

Second: Brooks

Motion carried by a 9-0 vote.

B. Matters from Committee Members

Several items were discussed by the Committee members:

- Mr. Kennon brought up the trash can at the intersection of CVS and Food Lion. Mr. Martin informed the Committee that VDOT has been made aware of the issue.
- The Committee discussed making the mini-grant easier to fill out. Staff indicated they would look into this.
- Mr. Young discussed the demolitions that have been happening in Old Town Madison Heights.
- Ms. Brooks discussed the shed places along Route 29 Business. Staff informed her that one had been removed.
- Mr. Young indicated that a few trees need to be replaced along the Corridor. He indicated he would come up with what trees to be presented to the Committee.
- Mr. McBride and Mr. Ferro indicated they would be decorating the MH Community Sign on May 31, 2025.

6. Adjournment

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to approve adjourn at 4:53 pm

Motion made by: Brooks
Second: Young
Motion carried by a 9-0 vote.


Chairman

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