



**AMHERST COUNTY
ROUTE 29 BUSINESS
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**



MINUTES

DATE: July 28, 2026
TIME: 4:00 PM
PLACE: Administrative Office Comp

1. Call to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Jones (Chair), Nate Young, Lori Saunders, Teresa Brooks, Calvin Kennon, Aaron Ferro, SW Martin, Dottie Rucker, Tony McBride

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved with no changes.

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to approve the agenda

Motion made by: Brooks

Second: Saunders

Motion carried by an 8-0 vote.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A. May 26th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for May 26th, 2026.

Motion made by: Saunders

Second: Brooks

Motion carried by an 8-0 vote.

4. Old / New Business

A. Membership Applications

The Committee had a discussion regarding the (4) new membership applications.

The Committee made the decision to invite the applicants for an interview at the following August 25th, 2026 meeting.

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to interview the applicants at the August 25th, 2026 meeting.

Motion made by: Saunders

Second: Martin

Motion carried by an 8-0 vote.

B. Replacing Flag Pole

The Committee had a discussion about replacing the flag pole at the Madison Heights sign.

The Committee directed staff to consult with VDOT regarding their requirements.

Staff will bring their findings to the following meeting on August 25th, 2026.

C. FY27 Goals & Objectives

The Committee reviewed and established their priorities for the 2027 fiscal year.

The following are the agreed upon top four priorities:

- Maintenance
- Mini-Grants
- Decorations
- Community Outreach

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm.

Route 29 Business Beautification Committee Recommendation:

Motion to adjourn.

Motion made by: Martin

Second: Saunders

Motion carried by an 8-0 vote.


Chairman

