



VIRGINIA: A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HELD IN THE GENERAL DISTRICT COURTROOM OF THE SURRY COUNTY GOVERNMENT
CENTER ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022, AT 7:00 PM.

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR JUDY LYTTLE
SUPERVISOR ROBERT ELLIOTT, JR.
SUPERVISOR WILLIAM (TIM) CALHOUN
SUPERVISOR JANET MONAHAN
SUPERVISOR BRENTON BYRD

ABSENT:

ALSO

PRESENT: MS. LOLA PERKINS, COUNTY ATTORNEY
MS. MELISSA ROLLINS, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MR. DAVID HARRISON, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MS. DOREATHA PIERCE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
MR. DELON BROWN, NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR, IT DIRECTOR
MR. HORACE WADE, PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
MR. RAY PHELPS, CHIEF OF EMERGENCY SERVICES
MS. KELLY KUHN, EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER
MS. PAT BERNSHAUSEN, TOURISM COORDINATOR
SHERIFF CARLOS TURNER, SURRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

INVOCATION

The invocation for tonight's meeting was given by Stelita Hardy of Tree of Life Church.

CALL TO ORDER/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ADOPT AGENDA

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lyttle, who then asked for a moment of silence. Following the moment of silence, she asked those present to stand and say the pledge of allegiance. Chair Lyttle then asked for any changes to the agenda. There being none, Supervisor Byrd made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Elliott. All present voted affirmatively; the agenda was adopted by roll call vote. **(Approved)**

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CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of Draft BOS Minutes - October 6, 2022
2. Approval of Draft BOS Special Work Session Minutes - October 6, 2022
3. Approval of Accounts Payables for the Month of September 2022 in the amount of \$994,571.86
4. Resolution: Senior Recognition - Dr. Lawrence L. Beale
5. Virginia Association of Counties (VACO) Voting Credentials

Chair Lyttle read the items listed for consent and asked Board members if any items needed to be pulled for discussion. Supervisor Elliott made a motion to approve the consent items as enumerated, with consent item number 4, the recognition of Dr. Lawrence Beale being read aloud being that he was present. Supervisor Byrd seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

Melissa Rollins, County Administrator read aloud the resolution honoring the age and accomplishments of Dr. Lawrence L. Beale.

Supervisor Elliot made a motion to adopt the resolution recognizing Dr. Beale as presented. Supervisor Monahan seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

REPORTS

1. VDOT Quarterly Transportation Report - Mr. Rossie Carroll

Mr. Carroll reported the core projects, construction, and maintenance that are being conducted within Surry County.

Details of the UPC 115511 Rte. 31 Smart Scale Project were also discussed.

Supervisor Elliott made a motion to cancel the Current UPC 115511 Smart Scale Project with a future option of reapplying for Smart Scale funding using updated estimates, during upcoming Smart Scale application periods. Supervisor Calhoun seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Amendment to ordinance Chapter 20, Article III, Section 2: Prohibiting the Possession or Carrying of Firearms, Ammunition, or Components or Combination thereof Inside County Government Buildings, Recreation Centers, and Community Centers.



Lola Perkins, County Attorney, summarized the clarifying amendments to the existing language of the ordinance, considering comments that were received from the public during last month's public hearing. Those amendments were less restrictive than what was originally advertised for the public hearing, therefore, a second public hearing on this matter was legally not required.

Supervisor Calhoun made a motion to remove the presented ordinance permanently. There being no second, the motion failed. Supervisor Calhoun made another motion to move the vote of the presented ordinance to February 2023. There being no second, the motion failed.

*Supervisor Elliott made a motion to approve the amendment to ordinance Chapter 20 as presented. Supervisor Lyttle seconded the motion. **(Approved)** All present voted as follows:*

SUPERVISOR JUDY S. LYTTLE	AYE
SUPERVISOR ROBERT ELLIOTT, JR.	AYE
SUPERVISOR WILLIAM "TIM" CALHOUN	NAY
SUPERVISOR JANET MONAHAN	AYE
SUPERVISOR BRENTON BYRD	AYE

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution: Support of the Virginia America 250 Commission

Mrs. Pat Bernshausen, Tourism Coordinator, presented details of a resolution supporting the Virginia America 250 Commission commemorating the 250th anniversary of Virginia's participation in American independence. Surry County will form a committee consisting of representatives from tourism, education, economic development, museums, and historic sites, local historical and cultural groups, tribal representatives, and the Board of Supervisors to aid in planning for the commemoration period focusing on Revolutionary events in 1775 and 1776.

*Supervisor Elliott made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented and appoint Mrs. Pat Bernshausen as the liaison for this project. Supervisor Monahan seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. **(Approved)***

2. Resolution: Updated Building Code Fee Schedule

Lola Perkins, County Attorney shared corrections on the previously updated fee schedule for the Building Department and presented a resolution to adopt those changes.



Supervisor Elliott made a motion to adopt the resolution to update the Building Code Fee Schedule as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Lyttle. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

3. Termination of Agreement with Sheriff Turner on Management & Operations of Emergency Communications Center

Sheriff Carlos Turner, presented before the Board a request to terminate the current agreement with Surry County, where the Management and Operations of the Emergency Communications Center will no longer be supervised by County Administration, but will now be supervised by the Sheriff's Department.

Supervisor Byrd made a motion to approve the request to terminate the current agreement with Surry County, which would allow the Emergency Communications supervisor position to be transferred under the supervision of the Sheriff's Department. Supervisor Elliott seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

4. Authorization to Apply for Federal Local Assistance & Tribal consistency Funds

The County received notification from the U.S. Department of Treasury regarding the availability of Federal Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency funds. Surry County is entitled to apply for and receive \$100,000 payable in two equal tranches of \$50,000. The County is seeking authorization for staff to apply for the \$100,000 in Federal Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds (ARP) and provide all required certifications and documentation.

Supervisor Elliott made a motion to authorize staff to apply for the \$100,000 in Federal Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds (ARP). Supervisor Byrd seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed disposition of the County's interest in real property located at 633 Marina Drive Surry VA 23883

1. Presentation by Staff – Renae Chaplin, Economic Development Consultant
2. Open the Floor for Public Comments



Mike Eggleston, Dendron District: Asked who would now be responsible for the bathhouse.

Susan Corvello, Claremont District: Thanked the board for agreeing to sell the restaurant.

3. Close the Public Hearing – Supervisor Lyttle Closed the Public Hearing
4. Comments from Board Members

Supervisor Elliott, Thanked the previous board members for having the vision to acquire the Marina and restaurant.

5. Closing Remarks by Staff

Supervisor Elliott made a motion to adopt the resolution authorizing the sale of County-owned property, specifically a restaurant building and parking lot, located at 633 Marina Drive Surry VA 23883, a portion of Parcel ID 15-8 H, to Surry Seafood Company LLC. Supervisor Byrd seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

APPOINTMENTS

1. Youth Services Citizens Board: Reappointments

Mr. George Fauntleroy, Sr.'s term has expired on 9/30/22 and he would like to be reappointed to the Youth Services Citizens Board to serve another four-year term, which will be until 9/30/26.

Supervisor Byrd made a motion to reappoint Mr. George Fauntleroy, Sr. to the Youth Services Citizens Board to serve another four-year term. Supervisor Elliott seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

2. Youth Services Citizens Board - Student Recommendations

The following students were recommended to serve on the Youth Services Citizen Board:

- Surry County High School recommends Amiya Shears, Grade 11, to the Surry County Youth Services Citizens Board for the 2022-2023 school year.
- L.P. Jackson Middle School recommends Bryson Livesay, Grade 7, to the Surry County Youth Services Citizens Board for the 2022-2023 school year.

Supervisor Byrd made a motion to appoint the named students to the Youth Services Citizens Board for the 2022-2023 school year. Supervisor Monahan seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)



COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

1. Gray's Creek Nature Trail Opening Ceremony
2. Operation Green Light for Veterans
3. Crater Health District: Community Health Assessment
4. Community Events

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Samantha Donnelly, Surry District: Spoke on her opposition to the Amendment to the Firearm Ordinance.
- Robert Chandler, Bacons Castle District: Advised the board of a Veteran's organization that he is a founding member of and how it could be beneficial to veterans in the County.
- Terry Marr, Claremont District: Spoke of there not being an exemption for antique firearms included within the Firearm Ordinance.
- James Munsell: Spoke of his opposition to the action on the Amendment to the Firearm Ordinance.
- Helen Eggleston, Dendron District: Spoke of her opposition to more solar farms coming into the county.
- Mike Eggleston, Dendron District: Shared his desire to have a County Administrator that lives in the County, concerns with the "grocery store," rooftops, and the industrial park being underutilized.
- Susan Corvello, Claremont District: Spoke of the opening of the nature trail and its steepness; suggested having handrails implemented along the steps. Also spoke on the need for housing in the county and there not being an exemption for antique firearms included within Firearm Ordinance.
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BOARD COMMENTS

- Supervisor Elliott: Shared his understanding of the Firearms Ordinance being a hotbed issue for the county and stated 100 citizens out of 6,000 does not make up the majority of the county constituents he received comments from in favor of the ordinance.
- Supervisor Byrd: Thanked citizens for their comments and thanked Dr. Beale for his contributions to the county.
- Supervisor Calhoun: Thanked citizens for their comments, thanked Dr. Beale for his contributions to the county, announced a special thank you to those veterans



that were present and those attending virtually, expressed the need for citizens to attend Board meetings, and thanked Mrs. Monahan for her service on the board.

- Supervisor Monahan: Recognized Dr. Beale for his contribution and service to the county. She thanked the board and staff for allowing her to be a part of the Board. She also encouraged citizens' participation.
- Supervisor Lyttle: Thank Mrs. Monahan for her service on the Board.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

1. Blackwater Regional Library September 2022 Report
2. LGIP Investment Letter
3. Building Official's Monthly Report

CLOSED SESSION

1. Motion to Enter into a Closed Session

Supervisor Elliott made a motion to enter a Closed Session. Supervisor Byrd seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

2. Motion to Return from a Closed Session

Supervisor Calhoun made a motion to return from a Closed Session. Supervisor Byrd seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)

3. Certify Closed Session Resolution

The Board returned to the open session and Supervisor Elliott made a motion, certifying by roll call vote that in the closed session just concluded, nothing was discussed except the matters specifically identified in the motion to convene in closed session and lawfully permitted to be discussed. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Byrd. All present voted affirmatively. (Approved)



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*Supervisor Elliott made a motion to accept the contract amendment between the Surry County Board of Supervisors and the County Administrator. Supervisor Lyttle seconded the motion. All present voted affirmatively. **(Approved)***

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Supervisor Elliott made a motion that the Board continues their meeting on December 1, 2022, at 7 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:55 PM.

This meeting can be viewed in its entirety through the Surry County Government YouTube Channel: [Surry County Government - YouTube](#)