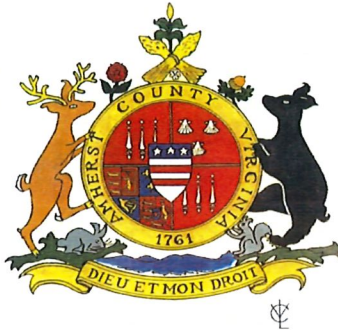


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**AMHERST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SPECIAL MEETING**

AGENDA  
AUGUST 22, 2017

Pleasant View Elementary School  
229 Dancing Creek Road  
Monroe, Virginia 24574  
7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Board of Supervisors to receive public comment on the future of Pleasant View Elementary School
- IV. Adjournment

**MINUTES**

At a Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Amherst County, Virginia and held at the Pleasant View Elementary School building thereof on Tuesday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., the following members were present:

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

**PRESENT:** Claudia D. Tucker, Chair  
David W. Pugh, Jr., Vice-Chair  
Kenneth M. Campbell, Supervisor  
L. J. Ayers, III, Supervisor  
John A. Marks, Jr., Supervisor

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** County Administrator Dean C. Rodgers; Deputy County Administrator David R. Proffitt; and PIO Layney Sandifer

- I. Call to Order
- Chair Tucker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Approval of Agenda

By motion of Supervisor Ayers and with the following vote, the Board approved the Agenda for August 22, 2017.

AYE: Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell and Mr. Marks  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**III. Board of Supervisors to receive public comment on the future of Pleasant View Elementary School**

Chair Tucker invited the public to comment on proposed uses for the Pleasant View Elementary School building. (See Attachment 1)

Citizen comments:

Mr. Jim Vanderhaar of Lynchburg, Virginia, asked several questions concerning the building.

Mr. Chris Nixon of Madison Heights, Virginia, suggested the development of an archery park.

Mr. Sammy Mays of Amherst, Virginia, provided a list of ideas for the building and spoke of the pride of the community for this school building.

Mr. Joe Albert, Treasurer of the Pedlar Ruritan Club, requested that the Ruritan Club be responsible for finding uses for the facility and managing the property.

Mr. Doug Tanner of Monroe, Virginia, supported the Pedlar Ruritan Club's use of building.

Mr. Raymond Lloyd of Monroe, Virginia, spoke in support to allow more than two (2) years to find a use for the building.

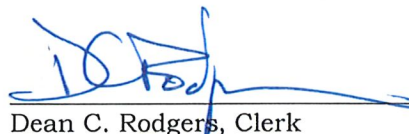
**IV. Adjournment**

By motion of Supervisor Marks and with the following vote, the Board adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

AYE: Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell and Mr. Marks  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: None



Claudia D. Tucker, Chair  
Amherst County Board of Supervisors



Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk

### Pleasant View School Maintenance Costs and Related Issues

The Amherst County Building Committee met on January 9, 2017 to discuss plans for the Pleasant View Elementary School, when declared surplus property by the School Board. There was a committee consensus to request County staff to research maintenance costs required to maintain the PVES in a non-public, non-deteriorating condition. These costs would consider temperature setting of minimum 50° and maximum 80°; continuation of the security monitoring system; grass cutting; HVAC Maintenance; insurance; weekly drive-by inspections; and an interior/exterior inspection on a monthly basis by the County's Building Department.

These costs estimates are for an annual basis as follows:

Service	Direct Cost	Indirect Cost
Security Monitoring	\$ 400	
Electric Service	\$11,900	
Propane	\$ 4,500	
HVAC Maintenance	\$12,871	
Insurance	\$ 1,400	
Grass Cutting	\$ 9,950	
Monthly Building Inspection		\$3,658
Total	\$41,021	\$3,658

\* Sheriff's Department will monitor exterior at least once weekly

I have spoken with Wayne Cocke about his thoughts on PVES Maintenance. H recommends interior inspections of the building on a more frequent than monthly basis, especially during the heating season. The pump house for the buildings' water supply is heated to prevent freezing. The hot water heating system throughout the building is deteriorated and susceptible to leaks.

Wayne also recommends leaving windows partially opened at strategic places throughout the building for ventilation as our anticipated range of temperature settings could still lead to high humidity levels. Wayne also recommends boarding up of windows.

# Pleasant View School Building Use Ideas

## Possible Community Services:

- Mammogram bus
- Red Cross Blood Drive
- Library
- Field office for Cooperative Extension office
- Field office for Sheriff
- Field office for Game Warden
- Public Safety Training Facility

## Possible Income Producing:

- Cooperative Farming (rent/membership co-op)
- Rent Gym/Kitchen/Classrooms to community organizations (Music Instructors, 4H, Scouts, Ruritan, Garden Club, Aerobics Classes, churches, sport clubs etc.)
- Rent Gym/Kitchen to private individuals (birthday parties, reunions, etc.)
- Archery/Sporting Tournaments
- Business Center (membership-based services to small area businesses that could include clerical/accounting services, use of business machines such as copier, fax, laminator, etc.)
- Day Care facility
- Senior Care facility
- Farmers Market (example: rent out spaces first/third Saturday of the month)
- Rotating business satellite center (example: H&R Block, DMV, UPS, Doctors, Counselor, Attorney, etc. on certain days/week/month)
- Agricultural Theme Summer Youth Camps (contract with 4H, YMCA, or individuals to do day camps during the summer)
- Home School Hub (membership based services using educational resources already in the building)
- Higher Education Center (GED tutoring/testing, CVCC, Liberty, ODU satellite campuses)



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**August 22, 2017**

### Amherst County

On May 12<sup>th</sup> 2016, the Amherst County School Board voted to close the doors to Pleasant View Elementary School. In June 2017 the school had its final day of classes. Now the School sits on Dancing Creek Road empty with no future plans.

The Amherst County Board of Supervisors is having a special meeting on August 22<sup>nd</sup> to discuss the future of the Pleasant View School building. As of right now the Pleasant View School building is not being used for anything. Amherst County is currently paying approximately \$41,000 per year for utilities and maintenance. The board members want to hear from the public about what the building should be used for and get some insight on what the citizens of Amherst County want.

This special Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Tuesday August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm at Pleasant View Elementary School in the Gymnasium.

Additional information may be obtained from Layney Sandifer at [lesandifer@countyofamherst.com](mailto:lesandifer@countyofamherst.com) or (434)-946-9400.