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## **Public Service Announcement**

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## **Getting Involved in Local Government**

Amherst County has many citizen boards, commissions, and committees that advise the Board of Supervisors on a wide range of topics and issues. Members are appointed to serve by the Supervisors. The County is currently seeking five citizens to serve on boards and committees.

The Amherst County Board of Zoning Appeals ("BZA") is responsible for conducting public hearings of appeals of administrative decisions made by the Zoning Administrator, applications for variances regulated by the Zoning Ordinance, and interpretation of the Zoning Map when there is uncertainty as to the location of a zoning district boundary. The BZA is looking for a citizen to fill one vacancy.

The Amherst County Building Appeals Board is responsible for rendering fair and competent decisions regarding the application of the United States Building Code (USBC). There are currently three openings on this board. This committee is currently looking for someone with a building or fire fighting background to serve.

If you are interested in serving on one of these boards or committees, please apply by letter stating your name, address, contact number, and qualifications. Please mail, fax, or e-mail your letter of intent to the Amherst County Attorney's Office, P. O. Box 390, Amherst, Virginia, 24521; fax 434-946-9370; e-mail <a href="mmrice@countyofamherst.com">mmrice@countyofamherst.com</a>.

For more information on these boards and commissions, please visit the county website at https://www.countyofamherst.com/category/?categoryid=10

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