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County Property Maintenance

In 2015 the Board of Supervisors adopted part three of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code. The State Property Maintenance Code allows counties to enforce a minimum safety standard and work with property owners to remedy code violations. Since that time the County has been working hard to address citizen concerns regarding structures that endanger public safety, welfare, and health.

Over the past year the County has been able to address a number of community concerns and work toward keeping Amherst County a safe and beautiful place to live. In many cases property owners have been quick and eager to respond once they are aware of a code violation.

Since January 1, 2019 the Building and Inspections Department has handled one hundred and twenty-one cases. They have been able to address issues with a shopping center on Route 29, the Phelps school, numerous rental properties, several noncompliance business locations, and other issues brought to their attention. By listening to the community and working with property owners Building and Inspections has enforced the codes that keep our county safe, healthy, and beautiful.



Unsafe structure off of Route 151 in Northern Amherst County.



Preparations underway for a new dwelling.

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