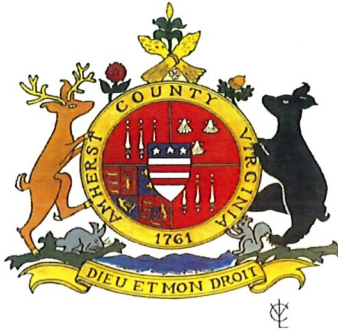


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AMHERST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



MINUTES

November 19, 2019
Board of Supervisors
Administration Building - 153 Washington Street - Public Meeting Room
Amherst, Virginia 24521
Meeting Convened – 7:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Agenda

III. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Citizen Comment

V. Call to Order of the Amherst County Service Authority Board of Directors

VI. Joint Public Hearing with the Amherst County Service Authority Board and the Board of Supervisors

A. Water and Sewer Rates and Fees Adjustments for 2020

VII. Adjournment of the Amherst County Service Authority Board of Directors

VIII. Public Hearing

- A. Special Exception 2019-385 Jacobs Telecommunications
- B. Special Exception 2019-396 Samuel & Janis Roskelley
- C. Special Exception 2019-419 J David McCormack
- D. Special Exception 2019-433 Dale W Kidd

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XIX. Adjournment

MINUTES

At a Regular Meeting of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors and held at the Amherst County Administration building, Amherst, Virginia, thereof on Tuesday, the 19th day of November, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., the following members were present:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

PRESENT:	L. J. Ayers III, Chairman Kenneth M. Campbell, Vice-Chair David W. Pugh, Jr., Supervisor Claudia D. Tucker, Supervisor	ABSENT: Jennifer R. Moore, Supervisor
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STAFF PRESENT: County Administrator Dean C. Rodgers
Deputy County Administrator David R. Proffitt
County Attorney Michael W. S. Lockaby
EA Clerk to Board Regina M. Rice

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: ACSA Director Robert Hopkins
Community Development Director Jeremy S. Bryant

I. Call to Order

Chairman Ayers called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda

By motion of Supervisor Tucker and with the following vote, the Board approved the agenda for November 19, 2019.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker
NAY: None
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

III. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Ayers led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Citizen Comment

The following citizens addressed the Board and spoke in favor of Resolution 2019-0018-R, Second Amendment Sanctuary for Amherst County. (See Attachment 1 and 2)

Proponents: David Martin, Benny F. Woody, Jr., Vance Wilkens, Ed Olivares, Sr., Steve Pafford, Greg Szalkewski, Maynard Plaster, Michael Bryant, Jeff Wade, B. J. Cash, Phillip VanCleve, Daryl Painter, Sandra Esposito, D. J. Neeley and Neal Mallor and Paul Routen.

Opponents: Randy Hoilman, Jr., (requested resolution language be re-written) and Ms. Gloria Witt

The Citizen Comment session was closed.

Chairman Ayers thanked all in attendance supporting Second Amendment rights.

V. Call to Order of the Amherst County Service Authority Board of Directors

Chairman Ayers called to order the ACSA meeting at 8:09 p.m.

VI. Joint Public Hearing with the Amherst County Service Authority Board and the Board of Supervisors

A. Water and Sewer Rates and Fees Adjustments for 2020

ACSA Director Robert Hopkins reported on an amendment of the Amherst County Code to revise Sections 15-122, 15-123, 15-124, 15-127, 15-128, and 15-129 to adjust the Service Authority water and sewer rates and fees effective January 1, 2020.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Opponents: None

Proponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

Supervisor Pugh motioned that the Board adopt Ordinance 2019-0012 to amend County Code to incorporate the new rates and fees.

Supervisor Pugh withdrew his previous motion.

By motion of ACSA Director Pugh and with the following vote, the ACSA Board adopted Resolution 2019-A-0002-R and attached "ACSA Rate Schedule Effective 1/1/2020" and recommended that the Amherst County Board of Supervisors adopt Ordinance 2019-0012.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker
NAY: None
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

By motion of Supervisor Pugh and with the following vote, the Board adopted Ordinance 2019-0012 to amend the County Code to incorporate the new rates and fees.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker
NAY: None
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

VII. Adjournment of the Amherst County Service Authority Board of Directors

By motion of ACSA Director Campbell and with the following vote, the Board of Directors adjourned.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker
NAY: None
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

VIII. Public Hearing

A. Special Exception 2019-385 Jacobs Telecommunications

Community Development Director Jeremy Bryant reported on the special exception request by Jacobs Telecommunications, Inc. to co-locate an antenna on an existing tower located at 143 Boxwood Circle. The proposed antenna would not increase the height of the current tower, which is at 192 feet. Mr. Bryant advised the Planning Commission recommended approval of this request with no conditions.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Vice-Chair Campbell and with the following vote, the Board accepted the Planning Commission recommendation to approve the request.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker
NAY: None
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

B. Special Exception 2019-396 Samuel & Janis Roskelley

Community Development Director Jeremy Bryant reported on special exception request by Samuel and Janis Roskelley to operate a short-term tourist rental located at 631 Buffalo Springs Turnpike.

The Planning Commission recommended approval of the request with the following conditions:

1. Lighting: All outdoor lighting will be glare-shielded and directed so as to prevent illumination across the property line.
2. Sewerage Facilities: The applicant shall follow all regulations prescribed by the Virginia Department of Health.
3. Short Term Tourist Rental: The applicant shall meet all requirements of Section 916 which regulates short-term tourist rental of dwellings.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: Ms. Janis Roskelley spoke in favor of Special Exception 2019-326 and was available to answer any questions.

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Pugh and with the following vote, the Board approved special exception request number 2019-396 with the recommended conditions.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker
NAY: None
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

C. Special Exception 2019-419 J David McCormack

Community Development Director Jeremy Bryant reported on the Special Exception 2019-419 request by J. David McCormack to add two additional units at Phelps Road Apartments located at 123 Phelps Road, Madison Heights, Virginia.

Mr. Bryant advised the Planning Commission recommended approval, and VDOT and the ACSA did not have any issues.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: Mr. Bob Hopkins, Director of the Amherst County Service Authority stated he was in favor of the apartments which would improve the neighborhood.

Opponents: Ms. Juanita Harlow, resident of Phelps Road, stated she was opposed the additional two apartments. She said she lives directly across from the school and has not seen any improvements to the building.

Mr. Ricky Gammon, resident of Phelps Road, advised he has spoken against this issue at previous meetings and was dismayed that the residents living there have not been considered. He said he has not seen any improvements to the building and asked the Board to “stick” to the original plan.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Supervisor Pugh commented he did not approve of this special exception request and has not observed any work on the building recently.

Supervisor Tucker said the developer has applied for tax credits that the government had to approve before he moves forward. Supervisor Tucker advised that Supervisor Moore asked her to express her support for this special exception because she was not present to voice her opinion.

Chairman Ayers said he observed some windows opened and it appears to be a slow moving project.

Mr. Bryant advised the developer needs 41 units and building plans have been submitted for review.

Vice-Chair Campbell remarked that the developer is using the entire building and has completed the asbestos and hazardous waste removal.

By motion of Supervisor Tucker and with the following vote, the Board approved the special exception request number 2019-419 with an amendment from 42 units to 41 units and with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell and Ms. Tucker
NAY: Mr. Pugh
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

C. Special Exception 2019-433 Dale W Kidd

Community Development Director Jeremy Bryant reported on a request by Dale W. Kidd for a special exception to operate a short-term tourist rental of a dwelling located at 507 Dixie Airport Road.

The Planning Commission recommended approval with the following conditions:

1. Lighting: All outdoor lighting will be glare-shielded and directed so as to prevent illumination across the property line.
2. Sewerage Facilities: The applicant shall follow all regulations prescribed by the Virginia Department of Health.
3. Short Term Tourist Rental: The applicant shall meet all requirements of Section 916 which regulates short-term tourist rental of dwellings.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Chairman Ayers and with the following vote, the Board approved the special exception request number 2019-433 with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker

NAY: None
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

IX. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes - October 15, 2019
- B. ACSO Revenue Appropriation
- C. Withdrawal of an Appointment to the Horizon Behavioral Health Board

By motion of Supervisor Tucker and with the following vote, the Board approved the Consent Agenda for November 19, 2019.

AYE: Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker
NAY: None
ABSENT: Ms. Moore

X. Special Presentation

- A. Creation of Regional Airport Authority

Lynchburg City Airport Director Andrew LaGala presented information to the Board on creating a Regional Airport Authority and participation by surrounding localities. **(See Attachment 3)**

- B. Central Virginia Planning District Commission Hazard Mitigation Plan

ACSA Director Robert Hopkins reported on the ACSA's participation in the preparation of the hazard mitigation plan by the CVPD.

Mr. Hopkins introduced Ms. Kelly Hitchcock of the CVPDC who provided additional information on the project.

Ms. Hitchcock said the purpose of the pre-mitigation plan is to plan for natural hazards and if adopted will provide eligibility in applying for pre-mitigation project funding from FEMA and VDEM.

She advised a public meeting will be held in Lynchburg on December 4, 2019 to present data to the public to develop a plan to outline strategies.

It was the consensus of the Board that the CVPDC conduct a public meeting in the City of Lynchburg on December 4, 2019.

XI. Old Business

- A. Amendment to Winton Farm Performance Agreement

County Administrator Rodgers addressed the Board with regard to the Performance Agreement. He advised that Winton Farm, LLC has requested the County make the conservation easement optional and to amend the agreement changing the wording from "shall" to "may" in order to obtain the tax credits, pursuant to IRS rules.

The Board discussed several issues including the condition of the Manor House.

Mr. Rodgers advised he would ask Mr. McCormack for an update at the next Board meeting.

It was the consensus of the Board to table this matter until the next meeting.

XII. New Business

A. Business Equity Tax Changes

County Administrator Rodgers reported on changes to the County's taxation addressing three problems:

- 1) Movement of inventory out of the county to avoid Merchant's Capital tax;
- 2) Institute more realistic depreciation rates for Machinery & Tools/Business Equipment tax;
- 3) Make changes that are revenue neutral and do not overburden small businesses with high gross receipts and low margins ("mom & pop shops").

Supervisor Pugh suggested Town Hall meetings and advertising to notify County citizens.

It was the consensus of the Board that information explaining the tax changes be included in next year's tax bills, and advertising for Town Hall meetings be scheduled to inform the public.

B. County Fair Funding

Mr. Jeff Floyd, Chairman of the AG Committee addressed the Board and asked for funding for the 2020 Amherst County Fair and Fair Director.

Supervisor Tucker stated that the County needed to give the Committee the tools to be successful.

Supervisor Pugh said he would like to see more agricultural pursuits and did not see any money paid to the Fair Director listed on the P&L, which should be included as part of the County's expenditures. He said the Fair should be self-supporting.

Chairman Ayers agreed and expressed reservations about another full time position, which would draw a substantial amount of money from the unobligated general fund.

Supervisor Tucker remarked the time is critical to have a plan in place.

Vice-Chair Campbell said it would take a substantial amount of money to prepare the golf course for the Fair and then repairing the course after the Fair.

Mr. Rodgers said it would be a one-day effort to fill in the ruts and damage to the golf course. He mentioned that arrangements have been made to accommodate overflow parking.

Chairman Ayers stated he would not like to see the Fair go away, however, the County is now faced with an \$80,000 expense. For that reason, he could not support this request.

Supervisor Tucker remarked that the Fair is a wonderful community event and agreed there should be more emphasis on agricultural aspects.

A motion was presented by Supervisor Tucker that the Board appropriate \$80,000 from the unobligated General Fund to prepare for the 2020 County Fair.

AYE:	Mr. Campbell and Ms. Tucker
NAY:	Mr. Ayers and Mr. Pugh
ABSENT:	Ms. Moore

Tie vote - Motion failed.

C. Second Amendment Sanctuary

It was the consensus of the Board to redraft Resolution 2019-0018-R for presentation at the December 3, 2019 meeting.

XIII. County Administrator's Report

A. Joint Meeting with Town Council

It was the consensus of the Board to schedule a Joint Meeting with Town Council for March 2020.

XIV. County Attorney's Report

XV. Liaison and Committee Reports

- A. Blue Ridge Regional Jail Board of Directors meeting, November 7, 2019
- B. Lynchburg Regional Business Alliance, Exec Board, November 8, 2019

For information only.

XVI. Departmental Reports

A. Treasurer's Monthly Report

For information only.

XVII. Citizen Comment

ACSA Director Robert Hopkins commented on the advertisement for two citizen members to serve on the ACSA Board. He suggested extending the November 30th deadline to December 31, 2019.

Supervisor Tucker said there has been adequate advertising through other avenues beside the newspaper.

Vice-Chair Campbell said if the deadline was extended, it would be a disservice to those who have submitted applications by November 30th.

Supervisor Pugh agreed that the advertisement period should be for 30 days.

Chairman Ayers stated he was in favor to leave the deadline as it is for November 30, 2019.

It was the Board's consensus that the November 30 deadline remain.

XVIII. Matters from Members of the Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Tucker advised that Mr. Edgar "Kinny" Kinnier advised he will resign from his seat on the Amherst Economic Development Authority effective January 2020. Supervisor Tucker read a letter from Mr. Kinnier. (See Attachment 4)

Supervisor Pugh said he has received complaints about speeding on Winesap Road and a suggestion to place speed bumps on the road. He asked the County Administrator to look into this matter with VDOT.

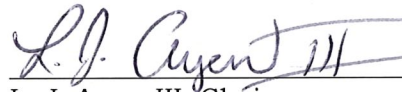
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Chairman Ayers had no matter to discuss.


XIX. Adjournment

By motion of Vice-Chair Campbell and with the following vote, the Board adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

AYE:	Mr. Ayers, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Pugh and Ms. Tucker
NAY:	None
ABSENT:	Ms. Moore



L. J. Ayers III, Chairman
Amherst County Board of Supervisors


Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk

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Amherst County Board of Supervisors
County Resolution No. 2019-0018-R

For consideration on November 19, 2019

A RESOLUTION, NO. 2019-0018-R

A resolution, declaring Amherst County a Second Amendment Sanctuary County

Approved as to form and legality by the County Attorney

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

I. That the Board of Supervisors of Amherst County hereby declares Amherst County a Second Amendment Sanctuary County, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution reads: “A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed”; and

WHEREAS, Article I, § 13 of the Virginia Constitution reads: “A well-regulated militia, composed of the body of the people, trained to arms, is the proper, natural, and safe defense of a free state, therefore, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed”; and

WHEREAS, the Board is concerned that certain legislation prefiled for introduction in the 2020 Virginia General Assembly, and certain legislation that has been introduced in the United States Congress, may have the effect of infringing on the rights of law-abiding citizens to bear arms, as guaranteed by the United States and Virginia Constitutions; and

WHEREAS, the Board is concerned that passage of these bills, imposing unnecessary burdens on law-abiding citizens and inviting further regulations and burdens, and if to be enforced by local officials, will impose on the County unfunded mandates, whether as a formal mandate or as a practical requirement of enforcing the law; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has expressed its intent, in Section 15.2-915 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, that rules, regulations, and administrative actions “governing the purchase, possession, transfer, ownership, carrying, storage or transporting of firearms, ammunition, or components or combination thereof,” other than workplace rules, is an exclusive preserve of State government, and that local law enforcement is the responsibility and

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preserve of the Sheriff and the Commonwealth's Attorney, who are independently elected officers under the Virginia Constitution; and

WHEREAS, nevertheless, the Board wishes to express its sentiments, together with the sentiments of the Amherst County community as a whole, with regard to this important matter, and its continuing intent to take lawful action to protect these important rights.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF AMHERST COUNTY, VIRGINIA, that:

1. Amherst County is hereby declared a Second Amendment Sanctuary County, wherein the rights of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms for the purposes of lawful self-defense, community defense, and hunting, as protected by the United States and Virginia Constitutions, is part of the fabric of the community since before the foundation of the Republic, and is and must be respected and celebrated; and

2. Amherst County urges the General Assembly, the United States Congress, and other agencies of State and Federal government not to adopt, accept, or enact any provision, law, or regulation that may infringe, have the tendency to infringe, or place any additional burdens on the right of law-abiding citizens to bear arms; and

3. Amherst County expresses its intent to continue to take lawful actions to protect and support the rights of its citizens to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the United States and Virginia Constitutions; and

4. Amherst County opposes, in particular, any provision, law, or regulation that may impose additional regulatory burdens on its citizens or result in mandates, whether mandatory or practical, to expend additional public funds on enforcement or administration of such laws, or to require the constitutional officers of the locality to do so; and

5. The County Administrator is directed to cause true copies of this resolution to be forwarded to the County's representatives in the General Assembly and the United States Congress, together with the Chairmen or Presidents of each chamber therein; and

II. This resolution shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

Adopted this 19th day of November, 2019.

L. J. Ayers III, Chairman
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

Ayes _____

Nays _____

Abstentions _____

CITIZEN COMMENTS - SIGN UP SHEET

ATTACHMENT 2

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AMHERST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOVEMBER 15, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.

PLEASE SIGN UP TO SPEAK DURING CITIZEN COMMENTS

PLEASE PRINT NAME AND ADDRESS

1	Edward Colivares, Sr 472 Crest of Pella Dr Maers
2	Stephen Rafter 1745 Cedar Gate Rd
3	Joseph C. Smith Sr 1338 Bowman Farm Rd.
4	GREG SZALKOWSKI 2736 ALHAMBRA
	Steve T. Martin 377 CHRISTIAN SPRING DR
	David L. Ligon, 126 Arrowhead Dr, Madison Heights VA
	Betty King 347 Kenton Farm Rd M. H.
	Tom Graves 18340 Forest Road Ltg. 24502
	Maynard Plaster 106 Howard Dr, 24572
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	Edgar Kinkler 201 Sunset Dr " "
	Bennie J. Wooten 172 Wellview Dr. M. H. Va
	KENDALL WOOD 194 ARROWHEAD DR, MAD HIGTS, VA
	Nate Caplinger 121 Oak Ridge Dr Mad Hts

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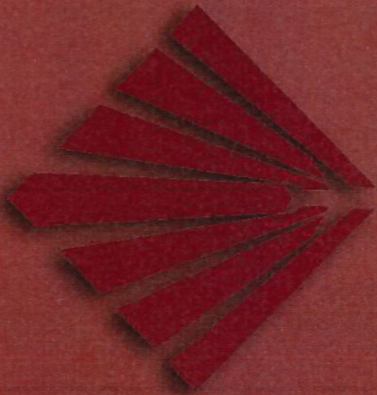
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Creating a Regional Airport Authority Lynchburg Regional Airport

November 2019

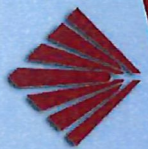


Lynchburg Regional Airport
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Amherst County's interest as Member of the Airport Authority

- Would Amherst County have an interest being involved in the creation of an airport authority
- Would Amherst County have an interest in joining the airport authority
- As a member of the Airport Authority, Amherst County will have a seat at the table and a voice regarding the growth and future development of the airport



Lynchburg Regional Airport Service Area

- LVH's Primary Service Area consists of:
 - 4 counties, city of Lynchburg and the town of Bedford, covering roughly 2,000 square miles
- Excellent highway system connects localities; two of the major four-lane highways intersect at LVH
- Home to several large corporations and educational institutions such as Framatome, BWX Technologies, Centra Health, Pacific Life, Fleet Laboratories, and Liberty University
- 2 private colleges, 3 universities, a community college and a number of private secondary schools.

- Key Air Service Metrics**
- Total Airline Departure Seats up 25% over Oct. 2018
 - Seats up 57% over Oct. 2017
 - Passenger traffic up 19% in Sept vs. last Sept.



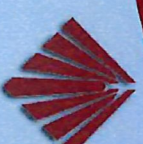
**Central and Southwest VA
MSA Population: update**
Lynchburg – 260,232
Roanoke – 313,698
Charlottesville – 231,349
Total Population: 805,279
Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis
www.bea.gov/regional/seefacts/

- Air Service Profile
(October 2019)**
- One airline: American Airlines
 - Seven daily departures
 - 4 CRJs, 3 ERJ 145s
 - Charlotte hub served non-stop



- **Most commercial airports (such as LYH) are a government-provided public service**
 - Unique “one-of-a-kind” regional asset
 - Services not duplicated by any other local government entity
 - Natural candidate for “regionalism”
 - LYH is only airport with scheduled airline service within the Central Virginia geographical footprint
 - Regional asset requires a regional approach
- **Most successful airports are governed by an independent airport authority**
 - Most responsive structure in a deregulated airline environment
 - Emphasis on private-sector business principles
 - De-emphasis on government bureaucracy
 - Can respond more quickly to need for innovation and more efficient operations than a governmental governed entity

Virginia Commercial Service Airport Governance Structures



Code	Commercial Service Airports	Governance	Enplanements
RIC	Richmond International Airport	Authority/Commission	1,822,486
ORF	Norfolk International Airport	Authority	1,694,329
CHO	Charlottesville–Albemarle Airport	Authority	334,347
ROA	Roanoke Regional Airport	Authority/Commission	309,341
PHF	Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport	Authority/Commission	197,994
LYH	Lynchburg Regional Airport	City	82,489
SHD	Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport	Authority/Commission	6,605

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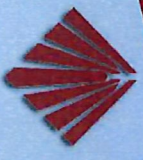
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Key Benefits & Advantages



- Regionalism
- Authority fits unique airport business model
- Improved operating environment
- Greater efficiency
- Clearer lines of authority
- Enhanced decision making
- Higher productivity

Key Benefits & Advantages (cont'd)

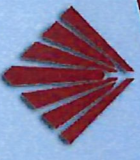


- Eliminates administrative conflicts
- Lowers direct costs
- Financial incentives to attract more air service
- Air service market responsiveness
- Innovation

Potential Disadvantages



- **No financial “backstop” in the event of a total loss of scheduled airline service**
 - Airport Fund has sufficient operating and capital reserves to operate in excess of one year or until conversion to a general aviation airport operating/financial structure (no Federal Aviation Regulation Part 139 air carrier operating requirements)
 - Airport Fund has generated operating surplus every year since 2016. This is attributed to growing the airport’s revenue base, managing expenses, minimizing the use of new debt while paying off existing debt
 - Airport capital reserves and retained earnings are approximately \$1.2 million
 - If necessary, a “safety net” could be incorporated into the Agreement
 - A set amount of reserve can be maintained in the Airport Fund



LYH is a Significant *Regional* Economic Asset

- Economic impact of \$180 million in the City of Lynchburg and the Counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, and Campbell
- Supports 1,774 jobs
- Generates wages totaling \$61 million
- Generates state and local taxes of \$3.2 million

Source: *The Virginia Airports Economic Impact Study of 2017*, by Virginia Department of Aviation



Why Amherst County should Become a Member of the Airport Authority

- As a member of the Airport Authority, Amherst county will have a seat at the table and a voice regarding the growth and future development of the airport.
- The airport is a Regional Economic Asset which supports numerous jobs, economic impact/growth for the entire region.
 - Primary – Airport businesses, Hotels, Rent-a-Cars
 - Induced – Multiplier effect (turnover of money spent in the region)



Questions / Comments

Mrs Moore
Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Tucker[↑] and Gentlemen

I was appointed to the board of the Amherst Economic Development Authority thirteen years ago, serving as Member, Chairman, extended time as Treasurer and as an at large Member. I can say it has been an interesting trip from the time when the EDA Board was given limited information. The first several years of the EDA, the County of Amherst had a Director of Economic Development who was responsible to the County Administrator not the Board of the EDA. We were not able to receive any ^{comprehensive} financial information and the Development officers were instructed by the County Administration not to tell the EDA Board what work was being done by the officer. An example of the lack of communication is shown by the fact the Board was presented a rental contract for CVCC after the school had moved into its rental space. The Board had no part in the negotiations of the rental agreement but the contract was with the EDA and it sublet space to CVCC.

When Mr. Crosby was appointed as interim County Manager things started to turn around. We were given financial reports and found we had enough funds to hire an EDA Director. Under Mr. Warren Teats leadership, we engaged Mr. Lee Cobb to be a consultant and he, Mr. Cobb, gave the EDA a first class education on how a well run EDA functions. From that time on, the Authority made great progress.

The Authority developed and presented to the Board of Supervisors, strategic plans, proposed new "Branding" for the

County, assumed ownership of the Amelon Business Park where it owns and manages rental property, has completed environmental studies on a pad in the Amelon Business Park, leveled the land to the point that the pad is ready for sale and construction, conducted classes in Leadership Amherst, met with many County businesses and prospects, granted incentives when deserved, established working relationships with Commonwealth and regional development agencies and the Amherst County Board of Supervisors.

On November 24, I will reach the age of 88 and it is time for a younger person to fill my shoes so please accept this as my notice that I will not request reappointment when my term expires in January 2020. I appreciate the opportunity to serve Amherst County and if the Board wishes and directs, I will remain serving for a limited time until a replacement is sworn into office.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edgar O. Kinnier, Jr.".

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