



Amherst County Board of Supervisors  
County Resolution No. 2021-0004-R

**For consideration on March 2, 2021**

**A RESOLUTION, NO. 2021-0004-R**

A resolution, formalizing the establishment of the Amherst County Redistricting Committee, and instructing staff as to the immediate actions related thereto, and detailing the structure and actions of the Redistricting Committee.

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Approved as to form and legality by the Amherst County Attorney

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

**I. That the Amherst County Board of Supervisors ("Board") establishes the Amherst County Redistricting Committee, and instructing staff as to the immediate actions related thereto, and detailing the structure and actions of the Redistricting Committee, as follows:**

**WHEREAS**, Article VII, Section 5 of the Virginia Constitution requires local governments that elect their governing body members from districts to redistrict every ten (10) years in response to the decennial census; and

**WHEREAS**, the decennial census has been conducted; and

**WHEREAS**, the County elects its members from five (5) electoral districts and therefore either must find that its electoral districts are currently structured to meet all applicable legal requirements, or must redistrict via a decennial redistricting ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board expresses its intention to establish the Amherst County Redistricting Committee and to instruct staff as to actions related to redistricting; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution formalizes that intention and further details the nature and actions of the Redistricting Committee.

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

1. That the Board of Supervisors ("Board") hereby establishes the Amherst County Redistricting Committee ("Redistricting Committee") consisting of at least one Amherst County

citizen from each electoral district, the Chair of the Board of Supervisors ("Board Chair"), a second member of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors, who shall be appointed by the Board, the County Attorney, the County Registrar, the Director of Community Development, and the Director of Information Technology.

2. That the Board Chair shall be the Chair of the Redistricting Committee ("Committee Chair").

3. Each Board member shall recommend a citizen from their district to the Redistricting Committee, which appointment shall be approved by the Board.

4. The Committee Chair shall communicate with the Amherst County Electoral Board to request the Registrar's appointment to the Committee.

5. The Director of Community Development will identify and access the TIGER/Line Shape files that the Census has released on the internet to determine the population of all County electoral districts and precincts and other relevant information.

6. The County Attorney shall develop an outline of critical tasks and timeframes in the redistricting process, and identify any legislation passed in the General Assembly relating to redistricting.

7. The County Attorney shall ask that the County Registrar identify the timeframe for state action on redistricting and determine whether state redistricting will have an impact on the County's process.

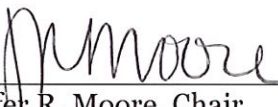
8. The Redistricting Committee shall meet to discuss progress on the above-referenced tasks on or around March 29, 2021, and shall meet at least monthly thereafter, at the call of the Committee Chair.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the County Administrator is directed to provide any supporting action necessary to ensure that all communications and actions referenced in this resolution, other than those attributable to the County Attorney, are undertaken and completed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is directed to supply a copy of this resolution to each member of the Redistricting Committee.

## **II. That this resolution shall be in force and effect upon adoption.**

Adopted this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2021.

  
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 Jennifer R. Moore, Chair  
 Amherst County Board of Supervisors

<b>Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Jennifer R. Moore, Chair.....	<u>AYE</u>
David W. Pugh, Jr., Vice-Chair.....	<u>AYE</u>
Tom Martin .....	<u>AYE</u>
L. J. "Jimmy" Ayers, III. ....	<u>AYE</u>
Claudia D. Tucker .....	<u>AYE</u>

**ATTEST:**



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Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk  
Board of Supervisors of the County of Amherst, Virginia

