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AMHERST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA

October 2, 2018 Administration Building - 153 Washington Street - Public Meeting Room Amherst, Virginia 24521 Informal Luncheon – 12:00 p.m. Meeting Convened - 1:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Citizen Comment
- V. Ordinance First Read
 - A. Ordinance 2018-0004
- VI. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes September 4, 2018
 - B. ACSO Revenue Appropriation
 - C. Appropriation Request DSS
- VII. Special Presentation
 - A. Central Virginia Planning District Commission (R2000)
- VIII. Old Business
 - A. Special Exception Request #2018-297
- IX. New Business
 - A. Hermle Black Forest Clocks tax appeal
 - B. VACo Annual Meeting Proxy
- X. County Administrator's Report

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A. Projects Status Report

XI. County Attorney's Report

XII. Liaison and Committee Reports

A. Alliance Executive Board of Directors

B. Local Government Council

XIII. Citizen Comment

XIV. Matters from Members of the Board of Supervisors

XV. Adjournment

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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 2nd day of October, 2018, at 1:00 p.m., the following members were present:

ABSENT: None

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Claudia D. Tucker, Chair PRESENT:

> L. J. Ayers, III, Vice-Chair David W. Pugh, Jr., Supervisor Kenneth M. Campbell, Supervisor Jennifer R. Moore, Supervisor

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Gary Christie, Region 2000

Mr. Ben Bowman, Workforce Development Planning/Zoning Director Jeremy Bryant Animal Control Officer Amanda Aquirre

Call to Order

Chair Tucker called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda

By motion of Supervisor Pugh and with the following vote, the Board approved the Agenda for October 2, 2018.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Campbell led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizen Comment

Mr. Bill Peters of Amherst, Virginia, addressed the Board, thanking them for their hard work. Mr. Peters, as the liaison for the Amherst Chapter of the NAACP, encouraged the Board to work for social justice.

Ordinance - First Read

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A. Ordinance 2018-0004

County Administrator Rodgers reported on Ordinance 2018-0004, which would implement the rate changes proposed by the Service Authority Board of Directors. A Public Hearing has been scheduled for October 16, 2018 with a joint meeting between the Amherst County Service Authority Directors and the Board of Supervisors.

By motion of Supervisor Pugh and with the following vote, the Board directed staff to schedule a joint hearing with the ACSA Board of Directors and advertise Ordinance 2018-0004 for a public hearing on October 16, 2018.

AYE:

Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Campbell, and Ms. Moore

NAY:

None

ABSENT

None

VI. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes - September 4, 2018

B. ACSO Revenue Appropriation

C. Appropriation Request - DSS

By motion of Vice-Chair Ayers and with the following vote, the Board approved the Consent Agenda for October 2, 2018.

AYE:

Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Campbell, and Ms. Moore

NAY:

None

ABSENT None

VII. **Special Presentation**

A. Central Virginia Planning District Commission (R2000)

Mr. Gary Christie, Executive Director of Region 2000, reported that Region 2000 is retiring its The official name will be the "Central Virginia Planning District Commission" with implementation by February 2019.

Mr. Christie invited Board members to a reception on October 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the Academy Center in Lynchburg for a presentation regarding the economic impact of river development and tourism.

Mr. Christie reported on the Region 2000 Services Authority that conducts disposal of solid waste for four jurisdictions. The Authority is now looking at options including expansion of its landfill or construction of a transfer station. He said there are several additional options for consideration that include negotiation of pricing with jurisdictions, discussion with the private sector, and reconsidering a "members only" policy.

Mr. Ben Bowman of the Work Force Development Board, provided an overview of actions the board is currently doing. Mr. Bowman advised the Board will change its name to "Virginia Career Works Central Region" for this region. He anticipates working with the schools to build effective career pathways for middle school youth for an understanding of what skills would be needed for future careers.

VIII. Old Business

A. Special Exception Request #2018-297

Planning/Zoning Director Bryant reported a special exception request was submitted by Edward Dillard, Jr. that would allow breeding, raising and training of dogs in the A-1

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Agricultural Residential District. The property is located at 1325 Sugar Hill Tunnel Road, Tax Map # 50-A-24.

On August 16, 2018, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the request with three conditions: 1) no more than 20 dogs shall be kenneled at the facility at any one time; 2) compliance with the Noise ordinance; and 3) compliance with the Home Occupation ordinance.

Mr. Bryant explained that County Code regulates kennels and kennel licenses, allowing a number of dogs to be grouped together for a certain cause. The zoning issue would allow the applicant to turn a kennel into commercial kennel. He reported the Planning Commission reviewed this request and found the site was in compliance, however, there are additional issues that need to be addressed.

Mr. Bryant reported that on September 18, 2018, the Board of Supervisors postponed voting on the special exception request in order to seek further information from Animal Control.

Vice-Chair Ayers advised he had received a number of complaints regarding the issuance of a commercial kennel license to sell dogs. He provided a video of his walk through the site.

Amherst County Dog Warden Amanda Aquirre reported she revoked Mr. Dillard's kennel license due to her findings this morning at the property. She advised Mr. Dillard to contact a veterinarian regarding the conditions of five to six dogs at the property, and she recommended denial of the commercial kennel license.

By motion of Vice-Chair Ayers and with the following vote, the Board <u>denied</u> Special Exception #2018-297 with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission.

AYE:

Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Campbell, and Ms. Moore

NAY:

None

ABSENT None

IX. New Business

A. Hermle Black Forest Clocks - tax appeal

County Administrator Rodgers reported that Hermle Black Forest Clocks was incorrectly assessed taxes for machinery and tools during the last three years.

Ms. Jane Irby, Commissioner of the Revenue, completed her review and determined that Hermle Back Forest Clocks was due a refund of \$13,917.97. Ms. Irby certified to County Attorney Lockaby that her figures were correct. The refund would be taken out of the unobligated general fund.

By motion of Vice-Chair Ayers and with the following vote, the Board directed the Director of Finance be directed to issue a refund payment to Hermle North America in the amount of \$13,917.97.

AYE:

Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Campbell, and Ms. Moore

NAY:

None

ABSENT

None

B. VACo Annual Meeting Proxy

County Administrator Rodgers reported the annual VACo meeting will be held November 11-13, 2018 at Hot Springs, Virginia. The Board selected Mr. Rodgers to attend the meeting and carry the Board's proxy.

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By motion of Supervisor Pugh and with the following vote, the Board selected Dean Rodgers as its representative to the VACo Annual Meeting.

AYE:

Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Campbell, and Ms. Moore

NAY:

None

ABSENT

None

At this time during the meeting, Vice-Chair Ayers recognized Commissioner of the Revenue Jane Irby and Treasurer Joanne Carden for providing the bases and foundation for the County's ability to operate. He thanked both of them for their hard work.

X. County Administrator's Report

A. Projects Status Report

County Administrator Rodgers provided the following update:

- The Chair of the ADRG has resigned working on selection of a new chair.
- Demolition of the New Glasgow property site bids are due next week.
- CVTC working on meeting with member(s) of the Governor's staff to obtain more funding this year.
- Winton County Attorney working on a purchasing agreement; soliciting engineering firms for fees to perform a professional engineering report and the cost of a water system. When information is received, will bring back to the Board for funding request.
- Business Friendliness a report will be provided each month.

Chair Tucker requested an update on the new convenience center at Dodd's Store. Mr. Rodgers advised he is waiting on VDOT and DEQ approval.

Supervisor Campbell inquired about the demolition of the house across from the New Glasgow dumpster site. Mr. Rodgers reported the house will be torn down as soon as a contract can be let. The dumpster will be removed once the new Dodd's Store site is completed.

XI. County Attorney's Report

County Attorney Lockaby advised he is working on the Winton matter regarding details and collection of information; he is conducting title searches on leases with Region 2000 for the broadband project; and he is working with ACSA Director Hopkins on various water authority related issues, Board of Directors issues, and easement acquisition issues.

XII. Liaison and Committee Reports

- A. Alliance Executive Board of Directors
- B. Local Government Council

For Board information only.

XIII. Citizen Comment

There was no public comment.

XIV. Matters from Members of the Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Campbell thanked news reporter Justin Faulconer for articles published in both local newspapers.

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Supervisor Moore had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Pugh had no matter to discuss.

Vice-Chair Ayers commented that the church building has ivy growing under the slate roof that needs to be addressed.

Chair Tucker had no matter to discuss.

XV. Adjournment

By motion of Vice-Chair Ayers and with the following vote, the Board adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

AYE:

Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Ayers, Mr. Pugh, Mr. Campbell, and Ms. Moore

NAY:

None

ABSENT

None

Claudia D. Tucker, Chair

Amherst County Board of Supervisors

Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk