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Board of Supervisors Budget Workshop

The Amherst County Board of Supervisors held their first Budget Workshop of 2020 on January 21. At this workshop the Board established their priority of the capital projects needed by the county. Capital projects are projects that cost \$50,000 or more to finance.

The number one priority for the Board is the purchase of new accounting software. This software would be used by the county administration, its constitutionals, and agencies, including the School Division. The Supervisors continue to seek additional information to understand the high cost of the software and data transfer. While all the projects have been prioritized in importance, none have received final approval. The priority shown below demonstrates the order of need as agreed upon by the supervisors at this time.

- 1. Replace current financial software.
- 2. Replace an Ambulance for Amherst Rescue Squad.
- 3. Make repairs to the Percival Island foot bridge including installing new decking and railings.
- 4. Replace or refurbish a tanker located at the Monelison Fire Department.
- 5. Madison Heights Master Planning.
- 6. Upgrade the controls for the Health Department's HVAC system.
- 7. Resurface the parking lot for the Social Services offices.
- 8. Replace the Mini Bus used by Recreation and Parks.
- 9. Resurface the parking lot at the Coolwell Community Center.

The Board of Supervisor's next budget workshop will be held February 4, 2020 at 5:00 pm and will be used to discuss the prioritization of the supplemental budget requests. All meeting agendas can be found on the Board of Supervisors' website three business days prior to the meeting.

https://www.countyofamherst.com/supervisors/

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