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Board Designates New Freedom of Information Act Officer

At their July 18, 2022, meeting, the Amherst County Board of Supervisors designated Joy Niehaus as the new Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer for Amherst County. Ms. Niehaus will take over FOIA responsibilities from the former FOIA Officer, Kristen Freeman, and add them to her current role as Public Information Officer.

The FOIA Officer serves as the public's point of contact when requesting public records and ensures the County complies with FOIA regulations. The County Attorney and the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council provide initial training. Additional training takes place at least once every twenty-four months.

Ms. Niehaus can be contacted at jlniehaus@countyofamherst.com or (434) 9460-9400.

Information on FOIA, how to request information, and Amherst County's FOIA responsibilities can be found on the County website: <https://www.countyofamherst.com/topic/index.php?topicid=18&structureid=3>.



Additional information may be obtained from Joy Niehaus at jlniehaus@countyofamherst.com or (434) 946-9400.