At an electronic meeting of the Southampton County Board of Supervisors via teleconference based from the Southampton County Office Center, 26022 Administration Drive, Courtland, Virginia, on April 27, 2021. 6:00 p.m. Meeting archived on the County website.

SUPERVISORS PRESENT
Dr. Alan W. Edwards, Chairman (Jerusalem District)
William Hart Gillette, Vice Chairman (Capron District)
Christopher D. Cornwell, Sr. (Berlin/Ivor District)
Carl J. Faison (Boykins/Branchville District)
Dallas O. Jones (Drewryville District)
Lynda T. Updike (Newsoms District)
Robert White (Franklin District)

SUPERVISORS ABSENT
None

OTHERS PRESENT
Michael W. Johnson, County Administrator (Clerk)
Lynette Lowe, Deputy County Administrator/Chief Financial Officer
Susan Wright, IT Director
Pat Smith, Assistant Director of IT
Beth Lewis, Planning Director
Richard E. Railey, Jr., County Attorney
Nora Atkins, Administrative Assistant
Tommy Catlett, VDOT Resident Engineer

OTHERS ABSENT
None

On April 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., Mr. Mike Johnson, Southampton County Administrator, says, good evening, everyone. Pursuant to the declared state of emergency in Virginia and in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and for the health and safety of our Board members, staff, and the general public, tonight’s Board meeting is being conducted electronically. I’d like to thank everyone for their attendance and their patience during tonight’s electronic meeting. First, I’d like to remind everyone to please place your devices on mute and remain on mute before and after providing input. For members of the Board of Supervisors, please remember to identify yourself when you are speaking, making a motion, or offering a second. I’ll remind everyone that all votes in an electronic meeting must be conducted by roll call vote and recorded in the minutes. In accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, tonight’s meeting notice, agenda, and supporting documentation were posted on the county website last Thursday for public review. The public is welcome to speak tonight during agenda item #1 which is the Citizens Comment Period, as well as agenda item #7 which are three scheduled Public Hearings. You may request the floor to speak at those times, but please wait until Dr. Edwards acknowledges your request to speak before offering your comments. We are recording tonight’s proceedings, and the audio transcript will be made available on the county website later this week.

Mr. Johnson continues, Mr. Chairman, with your permission, I will call the roll to establish a quorum before you officially call the meeting to order.

Chairman Alan Edwards says, you have the floor, Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Johnson says, all right. Supervisor Edwards?

Chairman Edwards says, here.

Mr. Johnson says, Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor William Hart Gillette says, here.
Mr. Johnson says, Supervisor Cornwell? [No response.] Supervisor Cornwell? [No response.] Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Carl Faison says, here.

Mr. Johnson says, Supervisor Jones? [No response.] Supervisor Jones? [No response.] Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Lynda Updike says, present.

Mr. Johnson says, and Supervisor White?

Supervisor Robert White says, here.

Mr. Johnson says, one more time. Supervisor Cornwell? [No response.] Supervisor Jones? [No response.] Mr. Chairman, we have 5 of 7 members present tonight.

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Chairman Edwards says, okay. Thank you, Mr. Johnson. We have quorum and maybe the other two will drop in on us. They may have technical difficulties. Welcome, everybody, to the April 27th Board of Supervisors meeting. Good seeing everybody here. And we will start off with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.

Chairman Edwards continues, very good. Is there a volunteer from the audience to give us the Invocation? [No response.] Did somebody volunteer? [No response.] If not, let’s have a minute of silent prayer with the individual.

Chairman Edwards says, we’ll go ahead and start the agenda. The first item is the Citizens Comment Period. If anybody would like to talk about any business concerning the county, you are welcome to talk. Just give your name and address for the record, please.

Mr. John Burchett says, Dr. Edwards?

Chairman Edwards says, would anybody like to speak?

Mr. John Burchett says, Dr. Edwards?

Ms. Cindy Edwards says, Dr. Edwards, I would like to speak. But somebody else is also trying to speak.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Is that Mr. Burchett, I believe? John? Hello?

Mr. Burchett says, can you hear me now? Dr. Edwards, can you hear me?

Chairman Edwards says, got you. We got you.

Mr. Burchett says, okay. All right. I wanted to comment on what happened at last month’s meeting as far as the comment on the school’s budget and the request they made for, if I’m not mistaken, an additional over $1 million. And the truth, it’s not good if you’ve got two groups that are responsible for supporting our children that apparently don’t get along too good. I base that on the competition over the roof and the article in the paper about trying to get information from the school board. And it wasn’t readily available. And I have always supported the schools. Mr. Faison, Mr. Jones, and I have always been on board with the schools, but I think it also – if someone asks for over $1 million
in extra funding, they need to tell us what it’s for. The taxpayers have the right to know what we’re paying for. I know that there’s a division of power, I guess, between the school board and the Board of Supervisors. The school board makes the request, the Board of Supervisors approves the money. But I think the citizens have the right to know what the additional over $1 million is for.

Mr. Burchett continues, also I want to make a comment real quick about one of the Public Hearings. I have a meeting later, and I will not be able to be online for the Public Hearings. But I want to make a comment on David Williams’ request for a commercial hunting preserve. One thing, it just doesn’t sound right for it to be that close to the schools. I know that it’s certainly not dangerous for birdshot, but for the children to hear shots all through the school day – I have a problem with that. And also, several years ago (and I am sure you remember) David Williams had that intersection of Ridley Road and Route 35 zoned for a strip mall or gas station or fast-food place. And it was inaudible and you can see the towers just where they let out the animals to be shot. And they’re really close to where there may someday be a business there. But anyway, I just wanted to go on record as opposed to a commercial aspect of a hunting preserve.

Mr. Burchett says, and also, Mike Johnson, if you can do this. Is there any way that we’re going to be able to have the May Budget Hearing face to face? Things are starting to loosen up now, hopefully, and really there’s not a lot of people that come to those. I think that we can work out something to have a face-to-face where we can look at the Board of Supervisors and tell them what we think. And I appreciate your time and you all have a good evening. Bye.

Chairman Alan Edwards says, thank you. Is there anybody else? [No response.] Ms. Edwards, did you request to speak?

Ms. Cindy Edwards says, yes, please.

Chairman Edwards says, you have the floor.

Ms. Cindy Edwards says, okay. I wanted to speak about two things tonight. One being on the school board budget. I think, as well as John Burchett, that asking for another million-plus dollars after the Liaison meeting between the Board of Supervisors and the school board is ridiculous. The school board, from what I understand, received $3 million from the CARES Act. They are supposed to receive 3 times that for the next payout. That would be $9 million. So really, they shouldn’t need any money from the Board of Supervisors from the county this year. And I know that some of that money has to be spent for certain things. But with that amount of money and the savings that they should have received (even though they denied receiving any) from the school being closed, should well more than supply their needs for the upcoming fiscal year.

Ms. Cindy Edwards continues, and the other thing that I would like to talk about is the Solid Waste fee. As high as the taxes are in this county, there should not be any Solid Waste fee. The taxpayers are already paying way too much. It was commented by Supervisor Gillette at the last meeting that everybody else does it – referring to charging Solid Waste fees. Well that is not true. I have spoken with Isle of Wight County, Sussex County, and Greensville County, and they do not charge a Solid Waste or trash fee. Their disposal, they tell me, is all taken care of by money collected in their regular tax collections. Now I know the cities do charge, but they also pick up the trash. And out-of-control spending, it seems, is what was the cause of implementing the trash fee in the first place. And prior to that, the trash was disposed of properly by using tax funds that were collected up until 2012 when the fee was implemented. The tipping fees have dropped tremendously and, as you all stated, that the trash fee would drop or be done away with upon the tipping fees dropping. And that has not taken place. So, your trust and integrity goes downhill when you don’t do what you say you’re going to do. I do realize that everybody serving on this current Board was not on the Board in 2012; however, I do believe you should follow suit with what was promised. When asked what was done with the savings from the tipping fees going down, Mr. Mike Johnson said that the savings from the tipping fees had been used to replenish the reserve. Well, best I can tell from what I’m getting from the Virginia Investment Pool, we did not put money in the reserve all of those years that fees went down. So it’s time to do the right thing and do away with the Solid Waste fee. I’ve spoken with several of you Supervisors individually. You’ve said you did not support it. Well, if you don’t support it, you need to stand up and say that and come forward and have the budget redrawn based on not using a Solid Waste fee. So it’s time to do the right thing, and I would appreciate you all looking at that for the citizens. We’re still getting complaints about that, that it’s not been done as was promised. So please do the right thing. Thank you.
Chairman Alan Edwards says, thank you. Anybody else like to speak?

Ms. Vera Dawson says, hello? Hello?

Chairman Alan Edwards says, hello? Do we have someone else?

Ms. Vera Dawson says, hello?

Chairman Edwards says, go ahead.

Ms. Dawson says, my name is Vera Dawson, and I live on Ridley Road. And I’m calling in support of David Williams’ petition.

Chairman Edwards says, okay.

Ms. Dawson says, that’s it.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. Anybody else? [No response.] Anybody else want to speak on that, we’re going to have a Public Hearing on that tonight, later on in the meeting concerning that. All right, anybody else?

Supervisor Chris Cornwell says, Mr. Chairman, this is Supervisor Cornwell. I finally got logged in, so I am present.

Chairman Edwards says, we got you, thanks. You are welcome.

Ms. Linda Simmons says, Dr. Edwards? I’m Linda Simmons. I would like to say something before you wrap it up.

Chairman Edwards says, you have the floor, please.

Ms. Simmons says, okay. I agree with everything that Cindy Edwards has said. You all are doing a very stellar job of being a representation for Southampton County and, like she is saying, I know that several have said they would like to remove the trash fee or reallocated in a different direction so that it would be more congruent with all the citizens. And I feel like we’ve got one of the best Board of Supervisors we’ve had in a long time, not that the others haven’t tried and done the best they knew. But we have so many different issues now, and you all are doing a great job. And I think Cindy has a valid point, that even though it might be tough, integrity is everything. I would hate to see you all tarnish that with a $200 trash fee. So if there is any innovative way you can put your heads back together and come up with some resolution or compromise, I think it would do a lot for citizen morale and not hurt you all. Because you are a strong working group, and we really appreciate what you do. I certainly appreciate Cindy trying to find ways to solve problems. So you’ve got a magnificent team. So I agree with her – put your heads back together and see what you can come up with. That’s all I have to say. Thank you. I appreciate you.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. I think I can speak for all the Board of Supervisors. We’d all like to rid of it, and we’ve been looking at it. And we will continue to look at it. And we just need to find a way to do it. It never leaves our mind at the meeting, believe me. Is there anybody else? [No response.] Well, thanks, everybody. Last call for anybody else during the Citizens Comment Period. [No response.]

Chairman Edwards continues, well, we’ll move on to #2 – let’s see – the Approval of the Minutes, of the minutes of the regular March 23rd meeting and the budget workshop that followed it on April 7th. Does anybody have any changes or recommendations or corrections? [No response.] If not, we’ll entertain a motion that we approve those.

Supervisor White says, motion to approve. Robert White.

Chairman Edwards, we have a motion from Supervisor White.

Supervisor Faison says, Carl Faison. Second.
Chairman Edwards says, okay, we have a second. Okay, we have a motion on the floor –

Supervisor Faison says, Carl Faison. Second.

Chairman Edwards asks, who seconded that motion?

Supervisor Faison says, Carl Faison.

Chairman Edwards says, Carl Faison. Thank you, sir. Okay, I’ll call the roll. Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? [No response.] Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes, sir.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. Supervisor Edwards votes positive also. So that has passed and will stand as written.

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Chairman Edwards continues, okay. We’ll get down to #3 Highway Matters. And the first one I see is No Through Trucks – Buckhorn Quarter Road. And I believe that problem was raised by Supervisor Gillette, so I’ve asked him to say a few words concerning that.

Supervisor Gillette says, thank you, Mr. Chairman. I have been approached by two residents who live on that stretch of Buckhorn Quarter we’re talking about from Route 58 over to Pope’s Station and that goes by the intersection where Vincent’s Grove Church is, and continues on to Pope’s Station Road. And that stretch from 58 to Vincent’s Grove Church is awfully narrow, and it would be nearly impossible for two trucks to meet without one stopping so that the other one can get by. And I have been out there several times. I travel that route from Courtland most of the time. I see sand trucks as well as log trucks, loaded and unloaded. They not only are using it to get to 58, but they are using it coming off of 58 at Pope’s Station. I really don’t know the reason for it; however, I called a couple of people to see if they could check with some of the truckers because Pope’s Station is a straight passage from Buckhorn Quarter to 58. You don’t have to make a turn. And that intersection at Pope’s Station and Route 58 was repaired last year to provide better ingress and egress on to 58 or coming off of 58. So with that, I put it up at the last month’s meeting. And I see on the agenda that the proper way to handle it is to go through the Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee which I would support and also continue, if warranted (which I believe it is), through VDOT which ultimately would come back to them with recommendations from the county to close that section. So I’m certainly in agreement with following the process with these issues. They’ve come up before and that’s the process that’s followed to make a recommendation to VDOT, and I support that. Thank you.
Chairman Edwards says, thank you. Are you making that in the form of a motion, sir?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes. I would make a motion to refer the matter to the CTAC committee for review and their recommendations.

Chairman Edwards asks, is there a second?

Supervisor Updike says, I second it. Lynda Updike.

Chairman Edwards says, we have a motion and a second. Any further discussion? [No response.] We’ll go ahead and vote. Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.


Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Edwards. I vote for it also. That’s passed. We’ll make that referral and wait for a study from that committee.

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Chairman Edwards continues, all right. Are there any further highway matters from representative districts that need to come to light?

Supervisor Updike says, I have a couple, Dr. Edwards.

Chairman Edwards says, you have the floor.

Supervisor Updike says, okay, thank you. I am glad to see that the little triangle at the intersection of Cypress Bridge and 671 at Gum has been repaired. And I have seen some places on Mount Horeb Road about a mile from Monroe Road, and on Monroe Road near Monroe Chapel, and several places on Statesville Road.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Is there anyone else? [No response.]

Mr. Tommy Catlett, VDOT Resident Engineer, says, Mr. Chair, this is Tommy Catlett over at VDOT. If you would like, I can go ahead and do my update.

Chairman Edwards says, I’m trying to see. I don’t see any reason why you couldn’t do that. Go ahead, sir.

Mr. Catlett says, okay. I guess at the bottom of the agenda or #3 Highway Matters, Mr. Johnson had sent me an email last week in regards to the last meeting. We’ve already talked about Mr. Gillette’s issue or he discussed his issue. Mr. Faison mentioned the pavement on Powells Hill Road in Boykins. That is not scheduled to be resurfaced. We did that a few years ago, and I believe the issue he is referring to is where the tractor trailers are going to the Birdsong warehouse. We’ll put that on our schedule to address with asphalt. Ms. Updike – concerns on pavement on Statesville, Monroe, and Mount Horeb. Are any of these scheduled for resurfacing? Not at this time. We sent the patch truck through last week to take care of the pothole issues. The roads may be seeing a little more traffic on the 671 bridge closure. We will continue to monitor and address accordingly, and hopefully once the bridge project is done, we’re planning on doing some pretty substantial work for all those routes that have been utilized by the additional traffic while that bridge was under construction. Mr. Jones brought up some concerns about drop offs. We’ll address those. And then there was a call from a citizen about Odom Chapel Road. We met with her last week and discussed her concerns. We removed the obstruction she mentioned. And she also had a pretty bad beaver problem on the back of her lot. So in regards to construction updates, the route 671 bridge replacement is still ongoing and will continue until September. The contractors are continuing with the buffer and pier demolition. Route 189, the South Quay Bridge. That detour is in place. The road will be closed until 2023. And drain installation and sediment basin excavation has begun out there.
Mr. Catlett continues, in regards to maintenance, so I just pulled the last two weeks from our area headquarters. We swept the jersey barrier and bridges on Route 58. We ditch cleaned and replaced the pipe in Sedley. We ditched on Odom Chapel, Melon Field, Tucker Swamp, and Seacock Chapel. Cleaned up pipes on Drake Road and Unity Road. Pulled shoulders on Odom Chapel, Seacock Chapel, Route 460, and Tucker Swamp. We also repaired a washout out on 620, Isle of Wight County line. We did ditch cleaning, cleaned pipes, and added stone to driveways on Statesville and Old Chapel. We also, for the Capron area, ditching and pipe replacement on Old Branchville, Little Texas and The Hall. Ditching on White Meadow. Replaced the cross drain on Indian Woods Trail. Regraded several dirt roads, cut brush on [inaudible] and we had quite a beaver issue on Old Church, Ivy Track, Pinopolis, and Whitehead. And we also prepped the mower equipment and got ready to gear up for our first mowing cycle. We also have our on-call concrete repairer in Boykins the last couple of weeks. It is half-way complete. We sent them over to the Mill to take care of some sidewalk issues. He will be coming back to Boykins and he also has some work in Ivor, Newsoms, and the town of Courtland. I believe at the last update I talked about the upcoming paving, so our paving schedule for Southampton County has been advertised and the bids should be open tomorrow. But just reminding everybody, that’s paving Route 641 at the Franklin City line to 646, Governor Darden. Main Street in Boykins from the railroad track south, and also a little stretch of 186 there. And we’re doing quite a bit of sections of Route 58. And then internal with my area headquarters staff, we’re doing 50 miles of surface treatment. I’ll name just a few of those roads real quick. Some of it is the whole road, some is certain segments. Old Branchville, Little Texas, The Hall, Joyners Bridge, Sycamore Avenue, Johnsons Mill, Drake Road, Womble Mill, Unity,
Vicksville, Darden Scout, Riverdale, Handsom, Odom Chapel, Melon Field, Thomaston, and Three Bees. So that’s it for my update. And any questions or any concerns, I’ll be happy to look into them.

Supervisor White says, I’ve got a question.

Chairman Edwards says, go ahead.

Supervisor White says, when are you all going to put the No Through Signs on Shady Brook Trail? I’ve had some people, constituents, asking me about that and when that’s going to happen.

Mr. Catlett replies, yes, sir. Our typical time line is roughly from nine months. So we have already gathered the data we needed to and we are analyzing it and developing the package for the administration down here at the district to sign off and then it will go to central office. So I would still estimate it’s probably 60-90 days out. But I can touch base with them tomorrow and get you an update.

Supervisor White says, yes, that’s fine. You know, 60-90 days. I’ll just want to be able to give some of these people an answer. But anyway, that’s fine. I appreciate it.

Mr. Catlett says, yes, sir. Not a problem.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you very much, sir. Any other questions or problems?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes, sir, Mr. Chairman. William Gillette. Mr. Catlett, I think on 58, the contract mowing procedure. If you could see there at the intersection of 58 and Main Street in Capron and, I think one or two more of those crossovers, the fescue gets rather tall before the contractors get there to clean those intersections. If you could just mow these intersections for some of these smaller cars, they could see a little better in the westbound lanes as they pull out from Main Street. Thank you.

Chairman Alan Edwards says, thank you. Anybody else? [No response.] Okay. Thanks, everybody. We’ll move on to the Monthly Reports. I’ll go through these and if you need to talk about any of the subjects, just jump in. Financial Report. Animal Control. Cooperative Extension. Treasurer’s Office.

Ms. Cindy Edwards, Treasurer, says, yes, I’d like to give a report please, Dr. Edwards.

Chairman Alan Edwards says, you have the floor.

Ms. Cindy Edwards says, okay, as far as Collections. Real Estate last month was at 99.61%, and we are currently at 99.68%. On Personal Property, last month we were at 96.43%, and now we are at 97.03%. And on the Solid Waste, the deadline for the 2021 Solid Waste Fee was past due after March 31. So that percentage has gone down. And last month we collected, it was 86.32%, and now we are at 80.97%. So there are several Solid Waste payments that currently due and payable and, which if they are not, will be turned over according to the state code after 6 months. Thank you.

Chairman Alan Edwards says, thank you. Are there any questions for Ms. Edwards? [No response.] We’ll move on then. Community Development. Solid Waste Quantities. And, last but not least, Personnel. Mr. Johnson, do you have any personnel matters?

Mr. Johnson says, we do, Mr. Chairman. We had two hires done in the month of April, one in the Treasurer’s Office – Luressa Tyler, effective April 12, annual salary $30,418 – and Stephanie Springer in the Sheriff’s Office, effective April 19, annual salary $35,213. We had two Reclassifications, both in the Sheriff’s Office, effective April 1. Christopher Phippins at $36,740 and Chandra Tucker at $36,739. There were three Separations during the month – one in the Sheriff’s Office (David Worth), one in the Treasurer’s Office (Melissa Casper), and one in the Finance Department (Christy Newsome). There were also 11 Adjustments made by the state Compensation Board for staff over at the Sheriff’s Office. I won’t read all those right now. You can see them on your screen. And I would be glad to answer any questions if you have any.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. Any questions for Mr. Johnson? [No response.] If not, thank you, sir. We’ll move on to #5 Financial Matters. The first one is the green sheets that you have, and it appropriates $101,758.39 in revenue from various sources to Southampton County Public Schools.
At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia on Tuesday, April 27, 2021

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia that the following appropriations be and hereby are made from the funds to the funds for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 for the function and purpose indicated:

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PROG TOTAL: 38,316.69

TOTAL APPROPRIATION: 101,758.39
Chairman Edwards continues, is there a motion to do that?

Supervisor Faison says, Carl Faison. I so move.

Supervisor Gillette says, William Gillette. Second.

Chairman Edwards says, moved and seconded. Any further discussion? [No response.] We’ll vote then. Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones is still not with us, I guess. Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.
Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike? Supervisor Updike? [No response.] Are you with us, Lynda?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Supervisor Edwards, I vote yes also. So that will be approved, that appropriation.

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Chairman Edwards continues, all right. The second one is an Appropriation Resolution from the Enterprise Fund (the orange sheet), and that’s for $236,770.90. It does not include any new money. Would anybody like to sponsor that?

Supervisor Gillette says, I would like to enter a motion to approve the attached appropriation resolution. William Gillette.

Chairman Edwards asks, is there a second?

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia on Tuesday, April 27, 2021

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia that the following appropriations be and hereby are made from the Fund to the Fund for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 for the items and purposes indicated.

From the General Fund to the General Operating Fund to be expanded only on order of the Board of Supervisors:

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**REVENUE APPROPRIATION April 27, 2021**

**REVENUE RECEIVED FOR ABOVE EXPENDITURES**

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**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

|            |                       | $236,770.90|

A copy tests: __________________________, Clerk

Michael W. Johnson

Southampton County Board of Supervisors

4/27/21

No New Money Required for April 2021 Appropriation

**Appropriation - April 27, 2021**

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Chairman Edward says, okay. Any further discussion? [No response.] All right, we’ll call the roll. Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?
Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Edwards says yes, also. It is unanimous.

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Chairman Edwards continues, we’ll go with that. See on there, the gold sheets. Let’s pay the bills. They have been all properly audited and put in order for us. We need a motion to go ahead and pay the bills.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. Is there a second?


Chairman Edwards says, thank you, sir. Okay, we’ll go through the roll again. Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, and Supervisor Edwards votes yes, also. Those are good to go.

The Board of Supervisors approved the motion to pay the bills in the amount of $1,892,625.78 to be paid by check numbers 204982 through 205265 with a voice vote recorded as follows:

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Chairman Edwards says, D is the Write-Off of Delinquent Utility Accounts which is the blue sheet. And that amounts to about $13,000. With penalties and interest that amounts to $24,366.78. And if anybody comes to open up something new, they will be charged with that plus interest. We need a motion to that effect.

Supervisor White says, so moved. Robert White.

Chairman Edwards asks, second?
Supervisor Faison says, second. Carl Faison.

[Starts roll call vote.] Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Faison? Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, and Supervisor Edwards votes yes, also. That passes.

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Chairman Edwards says, so we’re going on to the Appointments, item #6 on your agenda. I think we have a vacancy in the Berlin-Ivor District, and that’s Supervisor Cornwell.

Supervisor Cornwell says, we do, Mr. Chairman. It’s Supervisor Cornwell. And I hate to have to defer one more time in this meeting, but that’s what we’re going to have to do. The name that I had previously spoke of fell through, so I’ve had to go back to the drawing board to come back with a suitable name for you guys to vote on.

Chairman Edwards says, understood. We look forward to next month. Let’s go on to B then, the Blackwater Regional Library. We have Mr. Worsham coming to the end of his term, but I think that he is willing to run again and is eligible for that, to be appointed.

Supervisor Gillette says, Mr. Chairman. William Gillette. I have spoken to Bill Worsham, and he very much would appreciate a vote to serve one more term. So I would recommend that we approve a motion to reinstate him for another 4-year term.

Chairman Edwards says, very good. Is there a second on that?

Supervisor Updike says, I second it.

Chairman Edwards says, we’ll vote on that. Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell? [No response.] I will come back to him. Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?
Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, and I, Supervisor Edwards, vote positive for that also. We will go back to Supervisor Cornwell.

Supervisor Cornwell says, that was a yes for me as well, Mr. Chairman.

Chairman Edwards says, very good. Thank you.

Supervisor Dallas Jones says, Dr. Edwards, this is Dallas Jones.

Chairman Edwards says, all right. Yes, sir.

Supervisor Jones says, I’ve been on all the time. You just kept going over me.

Chairman Edwards says, but I kept asking for you and didn’t hear anything. We didn’t know you were there. I’m sorry about that.

Supervisor Jones says, yes, but I’ve been around ever since.

Chairman Edwards says, all right. How do you vote in that then?

Supervisor Jones says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Then it’s unanimous.

Chairman Edwards says, all right. We are on to C. Franklin-Southampton Economic Development Board, and we have to submit 3 nominees. So I will open that up to whoever wants to jump in.

Supervisor Updike says, Dr. Edwards, I’d like to recommend Dan Crumpler.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Anybody else?

Supervisor Gillette says, Dr. Edwards. William Gillette. I have 2 nominees – Bobby Pope and John Moore Drewry.

Chairman Edwards asks, what was the second one, sir?

Supervisor Gillette says, John Drewry, John Moore Drewry.

Chairman Edwards says, all right. All right, we have 3. Does anybody want to add anything else? [No response.] It looks like it’s 3 pretty good ones. If nobody wants to add anything else, I will entertain a motion to send those 3 names.

Supervisor White says, so moved. Robert White.

Supervisor Updike says, so moved, Dr. Edwards.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. It has been moved and seconded. Supervisor Gillette?
Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones?

Supervisor Jones says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Edwards votes positive also. So that’s unanimous. So we’ll send those 3 names on for their consideration.

Dr. Alan Edwards  YES
William Hart Gillette  YES
Christopher Cornwell  YES
Carl Faison  YES
Dallas Jones  YES
Lynda Updike  YES
Robert White  YES

Chairman Edwards continues, we’ve covered #6, we’ll move on to #7 Public Hearings. And the first one is a Priority List for Proposed Improvements to the Secondary and Unpaved Roads of Southampton County and the FY 2021 Secondary and Unpaved Roads Construction Budget. I will therefore turn it over to our friends in VDOT.

Mr. Tommy Catlett, VDOT Resident Engineer, says, yes, sir. Good evening again, Mr. Chair, members of the Board. So on the title sheet of the secondary six-year allocations [see the following] – this is something we come out with every year with the six-year plan. Really, the FY22 is the only monetary funds that will be allocated. The others are allocated to projects for ’23 to ’27, but they are really estimates for the years, and those figures get adjusted over the next six years. There are some adjustments that are made to those. Sometimes they go up, sometimes they go down a little bit, but for the most part they hold strong on the numbers. I see you get, Southampton County gets quite a bit of unpaved road money which is strictly used for unpaved roads. And then the TeleFee is well, just utility compensation that comes back to Southampton County. As you can see, we’ve got a list of routes down here on the next page. And General Thomas is the 671 bridge project. Governor Darden – we’re still actually in the right-of-way phase, and hopefully we’ll be going to advertising it in the later part of this year. Quaker Road – we are actually getting ready to start construction on that here soon. So that one will be done by the end of this calendar year. Champs Drive – we’ve been doing quite a bit of work over the last 30, 45 days and we’ll continue out there probably for the next 30 or 60 days. And that one will be complete. Brandypond –we’re in the design phase currently, and that one will be completed by the end of this year.

Mr. Catlett continues, so the next four on the list are Rosemont, Delaware, Darden Scout, and Bowers Road, in that order. And I will say that we’ve had, since I got on, there’s been quite a lot of backlog with some of the unpaved roads. But I think we’re on a good track now to get these taken care of in a timely manner. And I would just – maybe it’s something for the CTAC – but I’d like to get a running list of unpaved roads so that as funding becomes available I can add them to the six-
year plan and get them paved. And if there’s any questions, let me know and I’ll be happy to answer them.
Chairman Edwards says, thank you, sir. Any questions for this gentleman? [No response.] If not, we thank you very much for your input tonight. So we’ll entertain a motion as to pass this on through the budget and priority list for secondary and unpaved roads.

Supervisor White says, motion to approve. Robert White.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Is there a second?

Supervisor Faison says, second. Carl Faison.

Chairman Edwards says, do we have any further discussion, questions before we vote? [No response.] Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? Supervisor Jones, are you with us? [No response.] Just hold on, I’ll come back to you. Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike? Supervisor Updike? [No response.] I’ll come back to that again. Supervisor Edwards, I’ll vote yes on that.
Chairman Edwards continues, Supervisor Jones, are you with us, sir? [No response.]

Supervisor Updike says, I can vote now. I was muted. I vote yes.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Does anybody know if Supervisor Jones is still on the line? [No response.] Dallas, are you still there? [No response.] All right, let me see. We’ll close the public hearing on that.

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Chairman Edwards continues, the next one is a Conditional Use Permit for Bobby and Amy Pitts, and I’ll throw it over to Ms. Lewis for an introduction.

Ms. Beth Lewis, Planning Director, says, good evening. This is a conditional use permit to amend a conditional use permit that was issued in 2011. In 2011, the Pitts family had 3 miniature horses, and they were granted a conditional use permit for those 3 miniature horses. In the ensuing years, 1 of those horses has died, and they have replaced the horse with a 35-pound, eight-year old potbellied pig. So now the conditional use permit needs to be amended to include that potbellied pig. The applicants have offered the following conditions:

- There will be no more than one neutered, male potbellied pig on the property.
- The existing shed is to be used for housing the animal.
- Feed is stored in a sealed container.
- The animal is kept in a fenced area.
- Waste is composted and used in the garden.
- The shed and surrounding area are cleaned twice a day.

Ms. Lewis continues, you can see from the photographs, Pork Chop is the size of a dog. He is 30-35 pounds and about 15 inches tall. The Planning Commission had a public hearing in March. Six current and four former neighbors spoke in their favor. The application and the petition submitted
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had signatures of over 30 neighborhood residents. Since that time, one additional neighbor has made a favorable recommendation. (That’s in your package.) The Planning Commission had a motion, a favorable recommendation, to amend the conditional use permit and was seconded. And it was a unanimous vote among the eight members there that evening. I would be glad to answer questions, and I expect the Pitts are here as well.

Chairman Edwards says, okay, this is a public hearing. We will open the public hearing. Anybody like to speak on this situation? [No response.] The pig’s name is Pork Chop. Would anybody like to speak during the public hearing? [No response.] Okay, last call. [No response.] We will therefore close the public hearing and open it up to discussion by the Board.

Supervisor White says, I would to make a motion to approve the application. Robert White.

Chairman Edwards says, yes, sir. Is there a second?

Supervisor Updike says, I second that. I second it.

Chairman Edwards says, okay, good. Any further discussion before we vote? [No response.] If not, Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell? Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? [Technical difficulties.] All right, I’ll come back to Supervisor Jones. Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Edwards votes yes, also. This is in my district. And we will come back to Supervisor Jones. [Technical difficulties.] Is Supervisor Jones on anywhere? [Static.] Can anybody hear him? [No response.] Last call, Supervisor Jones? [Technical difficulties.] If not, I’m happy to say that Pork Chop has been given a new life, an extended life there with Bobby and Amy Pitts, and their conditional use permit has been approved.

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Mr. Bobby Pitts says, this is Bobby and Amy Pitts. Thank you all so much for considering this. And we are glad that we can keep him here. He is a dear pet to us, and thank you all so much.

Chairman Edwards says, you’re welcome, sir.

[Static.]

Supervisor Gillette says, I think that Dr. Edwards is muted.
Chairman Edwards says, before we open the public hearing [7C], I would like to refer this matter about the John David Williams application to Richard Railey, please.

[Technical difficulties.]

Chairman Edwards asks, Mr. Railey, are you out there? [No response.] Did anybody see Mr. Railey or hear anything from Mr. Railey? [No response.] Is Mr. Railey out there anywhere? [No response.]

Mr. Michael Johnson says, Mr. Chairman, I’m not sure. Mr. Railey may have some problems with his connection. He contacted me about 5:30 this afternoon, and he had been contacted by counsel for Mr. Williams. It is my understanding that Mr. Williams would prefer that you all not vote on this tonight. You can go ahead and receive public comment since the hearing has been advertised. But he would respectfully request that you all consider deferring action tonight and has offered to pay for re-advertisement next month to allow him some additional time. Mr. Railey, if you are on the line, if you can confirm that that would be great.

Chairman Edwards says, Mr. Railey must not be with us tonight. Okay, I think we can follow through with that.

Mr. John Moore Drewry says, this is Mr. Drewry. I just spoke with Mr. Railey. He is having difficulty trying to get connected. Mike, I think Richard is trying to call you.

[Static.]

Chairman Edwards asks, Mr. Johnson, have you had any luck?

Mr. Johnson says, Dr. Edwards, Mr. Railey will be with us momentarily.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you, sir. Everybody sit back and take a deep breath and relax a little bit.

Mr. Johnson says, I think we’ve got you in.

Mr. Richard Railey says, all right. You think you got me?

Mr. Johnson says, yes, sir.

Mr. Railey says, well, that’s good news to be on. I didn’t want to be derelict in my duties.

Chairman Edwards says, you have the floor, sir.

Mr. Railey says, all right. What I heard Mike [Johnson] say is, I’m just going to confirm it. I’ve been in contact since yesterday with Wilcox Savage. And they are – Lisa Murphy is representing the applicant. And she has approached me asking that we delay the decision tonight and go ahead and have the public hearing. And then have another public hearing that will have to be re-advertised for the next meeting and they would pay for it. I told her that I would recommend that, just out of a sense of fairness. She just got involved in the last couple of days. And it is just in the sense of fairness that we could decide to do this. And the decision to do it this way is up to the Board. But it’s my recommendation to do it this way.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you, sir. Any questions for Mr. Railey? [No response.] If not, I’m going to go ahead and open the public hearing because there may have been people who came to talk tonight. So we’ll open that up to anybody who wants to speak.

Mr. Railey says, well, Mr. Chairman, that’s certainly contemplated, and that was the reason that I recommended we do it that way. Anybody that wants to speak is certainly encouraged to do so.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. Would anybody like to speak?

Unidentified caller asks, is this to speak about the roads?

Chairman Edwards says, we’re not on the roads anymore. This is a public hearing.
Unidentified caller says, okay.

Another unidentified caller asks, so is this subject about David Williams and his place over at Ridley Road?

Chairman Edwards says, this is, sir. If you would like to speak, you are in the public hearing now.

Unidentified caller continues, okay. I attended the last meeting you guys had, and there were a few of the members that said they were worried about the safety of what goes on at Mr. Williams’ place. And I believe the following weekend, he had his shoot or whatever you want to call it. And he invited anybody that wanted to come up here and watch and see what happens and what goes on up there doing the shooting. I just wanted to know if any of the council members showed up.

Supervisor Gillette says, this is William Gillette. I did go. I did go. I did not get there in time for the shoot, but I did spend about 2-1/2 hours walking that farm and looking at all the details involved with the permit. And he and his wife both stayed. So just for information, I did go to the site and visit with them.

Unidentified caller asks, okay. Did anybody else bother to show up? If I remember correctly, I’m not sure who it was, it was the female council member that voiced her opinion and she was really concerned. And the way that I look at it, if she was so concerned she should show up and see exactly what the concerns are and if they were being met. My thing is, how can you make a decision on something you know nothing about? You really can’t make an educated statement about something that you hadn’t seen, you know nothing about. You’re just voting on it without knowing what you’re voting on. It is just my opinion that if everybody is against him having it and they are not knowing what goes on, just maybe they should all show up and see exactly what goes on and any kind of concerns they got.

Mr. Railey says, Mr. Chairman?

Chairman Edwards says, yes, sir.

Mr. Railey says, in fairness to everybody, let me add that the meeting that was first was the Planning Commission. And there was some talk of going over as a group. And I had to remind everybody that unless you advertise, it can be construed as a public hearing. And you couldn’t – if you have more than 3 in attendance, then you have to treat it as a public meeting. So I’m the one who threw the wet towel on the desire of some to go and observe the place.

Chairman Edwards says, understood, sir. Anybody else like to speak? This is your hearing time.

Ms. Lisa Murphy says, Dr. Edwards, this is Lisa Murphy. I don’t think you guys could hear me before when I was on that video. I am on the line, and I’m happy to wait until any of the other speakers – [Audio difficulties.]

Chairman Edwards says, you have the floor. You have the floor, ma’am. [No response.] Maybe she’ll come back. Does anybody want to speak during the public hearing?

Mr. John Booth says, yes. My name is John Booth. How are you all doing today?

Chairman Edwards says, okay.

Mr. Booth continues, I am a resident of Ridley Road, and my main concern with the tower hunts that Mr. Williams was operating up there was mainly the amount of noise coming from the tower hunt. I mean, it’s – well, everybody here knows what a 12-gauge shotgun sounds like when it goes off. He invites, Mr. Williams says, 16 people standing in a circle and unlimited back-standers, and they shoot. It does cause a lot of noise. So I would like to maybe see if the Board of Supervisors would maybe look at entertaining a push-back. Because some of the residents of Ridley Road, they were far enough down Ridley Road where it doesn’t really affect them as to what you have to hear. And like maybe we could see how far away their houses are from that tower and maybe go the distance for a push-back. It’s not like I’m saying we can put a property fence right on your property line, it has to be set off and so on and so forth. Maybe we can look at that option.
Chairman Edwards says, okay. Any comment, anybody else?

Ms. Lisa Murphy says, this is Lisa Murphy. Can you hear me now?

Chairman Edwards says, yes.

Ms. Murphy says, I’ve been having issues. Thank you very much. Mr. Railey indicated it was just recently that I became involved in this matter. There are enough questions and issues that need to be analyzed that I think more time would be helpful in this case. At the level that I think you all indicate, there has been some question in our minds whether or not a conditional use permit is even necessary, given that this is a zone where commercial private hunting clubs are allowed. And that’s one of the questions and issues that we have, I think. I have spoken with Mr. Railey, but I think we’re going to start needing a written, formal determination along those lines. And further looking at the chart Ms. Lewis has added to the Staff Report, there are some questions as far as – even if you look at the determination of whether a use permit is required. And then you further to have to look at, will what happen if he continues with his current operations? I think we’ve got a lot of questions and a lot more conversation probably between myself and Ms. Lewis and Mr. Williams that need to happen before we are in a position to move forward at this point. So we would respectfully request that you defer the vote on this matter. As was indicated, my client is willing to re-advertise the public hearing to make that happen. I’m happy to answer any questions. As was indicated by the last speaker, there are folks that have homes that are adjacent to this property that are in support, there are some in opposition. And I think if we would be able to pull up a map, I think you could see there are some that are the closest homes to the tower itself are folks who are either have not yet given a position or are in support of the application. There you go. So I do think it’s worth further analysis. As I said, I’m happy to answer any questions. I apologize for my technical difficulties. Like Mr. Railey had. I have the video but I also have to dial in because apparently you guys couldn’t hear me.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. Any comments, questions? Anybody else like to speak on this issue? [No response.] Last call. Anybody else like to speak on this issue before we close the public hearing? [No response.] Okay. If not, the public hearing is closed. I would like to add that since the hearing is closed, I would like to make a motion that we pursue Mr. Railey’s plan and continue this at the next Board of Supervisors meeting. Is there a second to that?

Supervisor Updike says, I second it. [Static.]

Chairman Edwards says, we have a proper second. We’ll call the roll. Supervisor Gillette, on that motion, please?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell? [Static.] I’ll come back to you. Supervisor Jones? [Static.] We’ll come back to Mr. Jones. Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, I think that was a yes. Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Edwards, I made the motion, so I support that. We’ll go back to Supervisor Cornwell. Are you with us, sir? [No response.] Okay, it looks like the motion passes, so this will be continued at the next Board of Supervisors meeting with the provisions outlined by Mr. Railey at the beginning of this discussion. So, thank you very much.

Dr. Alan Edwards  YES
William Hart Gillette  YES
Chairman Edwards replies, you’re welcome. #8, some house cleaning. The first one is Sixth Avenue in Drewryville [8A]. That is to remove a building which is an eyesore and a danger to safety. And I think we had the low bid to remove and dispose of the building at $2,500. We’ll open that up to discussion.

Supervisor Gillette says, Mr. Chairman, William Gillette here. I did go up there this morning and look at that building and the area around it. It really needs to be cleaned up. And I would certainly support a motion to proceed.

Chairman Edwards says, okay, we have the motion. Is there a second to that?


Chairman Edwards says, Robert White seconded it. Okay. Is there any further discussion before we vote? We’ll go for the vote then.

Supervisor Updike says, I have a question. Will the owners be charged for that removal?

Chairman Edwards replies, good question.

Mr. Johnson says, in this case, Ms. Updike, technically the county is the owner.

Supervisor Updike says, my question was will the owners –

Chairman Edwards says, Mr. Johnson replies that the county is the owner.

Supervisor Updike says, okay.

Mr. Johnson says, the building is actually located on a public right-of-way.

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Any further questions? [No response.] On the motion, Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? [No response.] We’ll come back to Supervisor Jones. Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.
Chairman Edwards says, and Supervisor Edwards votes positive on that. I’ll go back to Mr. Jones. [No response.] Do we have any contact with Mr. Jones? Supervisor Jones? [No response.] Supervisor Jones, are you with us? [No response.] I guess he’s lost contact. That moves forward with the $2,500 low bid.

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Chairman Edwards says, the next one is the Route 58 Business Corridor [8B]. To clean up the debris that was left from the storm that came through there. And basically, this is probably the first thing people see when they come to Southampton County, so I do think we need to move and go ahead and get that cleaned up, but not to exceed $8,000. So I will open that for further discussion. Any discussion on that issue?

[Audio disturbance.]

Supervisor Updike says, I think it’s certainly needed. [Audio disturbance.]

Mr. John Booth says, can a county resident ask a question about this?

Chairman Edwards says, yes. We’ll let you have one question.

Mr. Booth asks, would I be able to go up there and start pulling some of that metal out of the trees? Like who would I have to talk to? Because I’ve wondered about that myself; like looking at them when I’m driving down the highway. I have a truck and a trailer and wouldn’t mind going up there, if I had permission, and maybe pulling some of that out.

Chairman Edwards asks, can anybody answer that? I don’t know the answer to that. Mr. Johnson?
Mr. Johnson replies, I believe if you award the contract, Mr. Chairman, then that metal becomes the property of the contractor.

Chairman Edwards says, that sounds reasonable. Does that answer your question? [Audio disturbance.] I think that question is answered. We will go ahead and entertain a motion to clean this up.

Supervisor White says, so moved. Robert White. [Audio disturbance.]

Chairman Edwards says, Robert White. Who seconded that?

Supervisor Updike says, I’ll second it. Lynda Updike.

Chairman Edwards says, all right, very good. Any further discussion before we vote? [No response.] All those in favor of the motion. Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? [Audio disturbance.] Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Edwards, I vote positive, too. And I’ll go back and see if we have established contact with Supervisor Jones. [Static.] I guess we’ve lost contact with him. Okay, that passes.

Dr. Alan Edwards YES
William Hart Gillette YES
Christopher Cornwell YES
Carl Faison YES
Dallas Jones NO RESPONSE
Lynda Updike YES
Robert White YES

Chairman Edwards continues, there’s a cleaning item there. It’s J.W. White’s store at Manry. [8C]. And evidently Mr. Railey has been working on this and has not gotten anywhere with the owners there. So we need to vote to clean it up ourselves and bill the owner. And if they don’t pay us, we file a lien on the property for collection. Mr. Railey?

Mr. Railey says, yes. Did you call on me, Mr. Chairman?

Chairman Edwards says, yes, sir.

Mr. Railey says, the building – and I think that Mr. Cornwell is probably more familiar with it than I am. The building is horrible and it is a safety hazard. The owner is, I think, someplace in the Northeast, and he hasn’t responded to anything I’ve written. I don’t see anything else we can do other than tear it down and put a lien against it. And then if we want to sell it, we would have that option. Or just own it, and I don’t think that’s very productive for a long-term proposition.

Chairman Edwards says, thank you. Any questions for Mr. Railey?
Supervisor Cornwell says, this is Supervisor Cornwell. [Audio disturbance.] I would concur with Mr. Railey and the deplorable condition of the property. It is falling down into the roadway, and it is a safety hazard. I move we take some action to remedy the situation and clean it up.

Chairman Edwards says, okay, that’s in the form of a motion. Is there a second to that to take action?

Supervisor White says, I’ll second it. Robert White.

Chairman Edwards says, we have a second. Is there any discussion before we vote?

Supervisor Updike says, I have one question. There are other buildings on that property. Will they be torn down as well?

Supervisor Cornwell says, my motion would include yes, because there’s multiple buildings. And I think Mr. Railey can speak to this fact as well, and they are all in equally deplorable condition.

Mr. Railey says, I think that’s correct. I think that he’s 100% correct.

Chairman Edwards says, good. Any further questions? [No response.] I think we have a motion on the floor. Any further discussion or questions before we vote? [No response.] Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? [Static.] Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes,

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Edwards, I’ll vote positive. And we’ll go back to Supervisor Jones. Is he with us? [No response.] Evidently not. That passes. We’ll send out our army.

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Chairman Edwards says, all right. #9 is a Consideration of Streetlight Installation on Cattashowrock Drive. Everybody knows where that is. And Dominion would like to charge us almost $3,600 ($3,579.95), and I believe the land is in the VDOT right-of-way there. We’ll go ahead and open that up for discussion.

Chief Walt Brown says, Mr. Chairman, this is Chief Walt Brown here. Am I allowed to offer a comment?

Chairman Edwards says, yes, sir.

Chief Brown says, thank you, sir.
Chairman Edwards says, sir, you have the floor.

Chief Brown says, Mr. Chairman and members of the Board of Supervisors, my name is Chief Walt Brown. I am chief of the Cheroenhaka Nottoway Indian Tribe. Where Cattashowrock Drive and Cattashowrock Trail intersects, there is a cul-de-sac there. And that cul-de-sac has become, for lack of a better term, a “Lover’s Lane”. I normally go out to the cul-de-sac five or six days out of a seven-day week, most of the time in the afternoons. And I have caught two cars of teenagers out there already. And even worse, people are throwing trash in the cul-de-sac. I went there Sunday afternoon, and the grossest thing I’ve ever seen. Somebody came there and crapped in the middle of the cul-de-sac, toilet paper everywhere. I mean, human feces. It doesn’t make any sense why people would do things like that. There is definitely a need for a security light there. It’s becoming a trash dump. People are dumping trash there, et cetera, okay? So I am hoping that the Board of Supervisors will entertain and approve a needed security light in this particular area. Thank you.

Supervisor Gillette says, Mr. Chairman, William Gillette. I’ve got a couple of questions.

Chairman Edwards says, you have the floor, sir.

Supervisor Gillette says, that entrance comes off of what road? Are there any residences on that road leading up to the cul-de-sac? Is there any use of that – it looks like a dirt path that leads off of the cul-de-sac? I don’t see any residences. I don’t see any – it’s kind of a dead area, it looks like to me. If it were me, I’d put a gate up at the entrance of the cul-de-sac. Put a gate. That would be a lot cheaper than a light.

Chief Brown asks, may I address this, Mr. Chairman?

Chairman Edwards says, yes, sir. You can answer that.

Chief Brown says, that dirt road – it’s a middling path, not a dirt road. That is Cattashowrock Trail. That leads into the property of the Cheroenhaka Nottoway Indian Tribe. As you come down from Cheroenhaka Road and make a right turn, down to the cul-de-sac, there are 7.4 acres on the right that belongs to the tribe also. We have school buses that come out there during school days. When you come down Cattashowrock Trail, the middling path, there is a 10-acre powwow ground. That’s where we have our powwows, where the school buses come in. Until the pandemic, we were averaging 8000 kids during the school term. What I’m saying is, the cul-de-sac has become a haven for – it’s a trash dump. And there’s a lot of inappropriate activity going on down there. You find condoms on the ground on the cul-de-sac. I was out there Sunday, as I said, there was human waste where somebody came down there and squatted. There is feces everywhere and toilet paper. It’s becoming an eyesore for the Cheroenhaka Nottoway Indian Tribe and also for school kids who come out to the tribal land during the school day. It’s awful. That’s why we need a security light, okay?

Supervisor Gillette says, I am in favor of letting the Indian tribe put a gate at the entrance. Because nobody’s going in there unless they’re given a tour or some sort of program. So right there where that pointer is, put a gate right there. That will do a whole lot more than a light.

Chief Brown says, we have a gate there already. There is a gate, there’s a locked gate at the entrance of Cattashowrock Trail. I’d be more than happy to come out there and show you sometime.

Supervisor Gillette says, no, that’s not where I’m talking about. I’m talking about here, right back there. Put a gate right there. [See following aerial photo.]

[Audio disturbance.]
Chief Brown says, that’s a VDOT right-of-way.

Supervisor Gillette says, well, get permission from VDOT. Put a gate right there. It will solve your problems.

Chief Brown replies, we can’t put a gate there. It’s a VDOT right-of-way. And on top of that, it’s an emergency entrance when we have our powwows and school events. It’s an emergency entrance.

Supervisor Gillette says, well, you can open the gate when you have a function going on. Like a football stadium.

Supervisor White says, you know, I agree with William Hart. If they’ll let you put a gate out there. I mean, I would much rather have a gate than a light. A light isn’t going to stop them, because there isn’t anybody back there.

Chief Brown says, you say there isn’t anybody back there at night? That’s when the problems are occurring, at night, okay? Not in the daytime.

Supervisor White says, yes, that’s what we’re talking about. So if you can lock the gate in the afternoon, when you all leave or whatever. Lock the gate and leave it locked. So they can’t get back there to it.

Chief Brown says, okay, I believe that you can put a locked gate there, although sometimes the Sheriff goes back there, okay. Unless you’re going to give him a key to the gate.

Supervisor Gillette says, fire and rescue, Sheriff for public safety, certainly VDOT, and any of your leaders of your tribe should have a key. But the way to stop it is to put a gate right where you’ve got that pointer.

Chief Brown says, but we have two 17-foot culture signs on 58, the west-bound and the east-bound side. They attract tourism to Southampton County. People come off of 58 and drive down here. We have a large sign that identifies the nine Iroquoian clans of the tribe. [Audio disturbance.] They read the signage associated with the tribe. So if we start locking people out from coming down during the daytime, we can’t do that 24-7 during the day.
Supervisor White says, yes, but are they coming at night, like after 7:00 p.m., to look at it?

Supervisor Gillette says, I mean, lock the gate at nighttime, after it gets dark, when people don’t need to be back there anyway.

Supervisor White says, yes, that’s what I would do, lock it at night.

Chief Brown says, people are out there at night, including the Sheriff’s department. They drive through, okay? Mr. Chairman, what is the cost of that light? What is the cost of it? What is the cost of the security light, Mr. Chairman?

Supervisor Gillette says, I’m looking at $3,579.95.

Chief Brown asks, $3500?

Supervisor Gillette says, $3,579.95.

Chief Brown says, that’s installation. What about the monthly fee?

Supervisor Gillette says, I have no idea. I’m not in favor of a light. I’m in favor of a gate right there. That would solve your problem. It’s not going to do it if you’re going to keep the road open.

Chief Brown says, sir, I beg your pardon. That gate’s not going to solve the problem. They’re out there five to six days a week at night. It’s not going to solve the problem. You have people walking down there, okay. And I’m not saying they’re coming out of the trailer court. But you’ve got people walking, doing their thing or whatever, whether it’s drugs or whatever. The gate’s not going to stop people from coming.

Supervisor Gillette says, the light’s not going to stop them, either. They’ll do it underneath the light. You’ll just be able to see them better.

Chief Brown says, we need a light so we can put a security camera right there. So we can catch those yahoos and turn it over to the Sheriff’s department.

Supervisor Gillette says, put your camera at the gate.

Chief Brown says, you can’t put it on the gate, because you can’t hide it. There are no tall trees there. Sir, have you ever been out there to travel there? Have you been on that road before?

Supervisor Gillette says, no, sir. But I’ve seen a lot of places like that that have a gate right on it.

Chief Brown says, the thing is, I would like for you to come down and look at it before you make a hard-core decision like that.

Supervisor Gillette says, I’ll be glad to take a look at it. I’ve seen places like that.

Chief Brown says, as they say in the military, you need to do a recon, okay? How can you make a decision if you’ve never laid eyes on it?

Supervisor Gillette says, there are gates up at state parks all over this state. I’ve been on every one of them. They’ve got gates. When there are problems like this, they put up gates when tourists are there. Otherwise, I’m not in favor of this $3,579.95. But I am in favor of putting a gate up to solve your problem.

Chief Brown says, I’ll tell you what I’m going to do. I’m going to take it to our Board of Directors of the Cheroenhaka Nottaway Tribe and Heritage Foundation which is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt entity, and also to the tribe. Considering if the Board votes no light, I’m going to take it to my council and see if we can pay for the light. If the Board votes no light, okay? I would strongly recommend that you would come out there and take a look, sir. That light is needed. Before you know it, you might have a serious incident that happens down there. Somebody might get killed or something. There is a lot of inappropriate activity that’s going on there. Who knows? There’s probably an interchange of drugs and everything else. That gate is not going to stop people from coming. They need a security
light, so we can have a security camera out in that area, in the cul-de-sac area. And on top of that, when you come off the ramp on 58 going east, there’s also another entrance. In that grassy area there that comes into the land. How are you going to stop that? Are you going to put a gate up there, too? If you look at 58, the grassy road coming through, people can come in from that direction also. There is nothing stopping them from coming in that way. That was the old area of Old Bridge Road before they put in the new cul-de-sac. It used to be Old Bridge Road.

Supervisor Faison says, this is Carl Faison. This request makes sense to me, especially the idea of having a light up and a security camera. That can pick up activity that won’t be picked up unless we have a light there. So it makes sense to me.

Supervisor Gillette says, well, I haven’t been convinced that there’s any reason to be in there unless you have a designated program or some kind of group that you’re bringing in to show people. It’s just not open for vagrants to go in and out as they please, and a gate usually stops vagrants.

Chairman Edwards asks, does anybody else have any further ideas? Any further ideas?

Supervisor Gillette says, well, I got one more question. Are you asking for permission or are you asking for someone else to pay for that light?

Chief Brown asks, are you referring to me, sir?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes, sir.

Chief Brown says, we went to the Board of Supervisors because of all the inappropriate activity going on in that cul-de-sac. You have two ways that people can come in, and the only thing that we can do is get a security light in a lighted area so we can turn it over to the Sheriff’s department – get pictures, get license plate numbers, etc. Because it’s becoming a trash dump also. And people are walking down there. Residents are going down there, sometimes they’re not even driving. And it gets bad when you go there on a Sunday afternoon, and I’ve got my seven and eight year old daughter with me. And she says, “Dad, what’s that thing?” A whole pile of human feces and toilet paper. Someone squatted and crapped everywhere. Yes, as I said before, a gate is not going to work. You got two entrances. You have an entrance coming off the ramp of 58, and you have an entrance after you cross the bridge over on Cheroenhaka Road. And that’s a very wide area there where that turn is. What we need is a light so a security camera can pick up the inappropriate activity, so we can lock some of these people up. It’s just like when I was on the committee when I was on the Board. If you don’t catch these people dumping trash, you can’t get them to pay the $500 or whatever the fee is. You can’t catch them if you don’t have a camera up and a light there, so you can catch them and make them pay. And I’m tired of going down there picking trash up. Now I’ve got to go down there and scrape that cotton-picking feces off the cul-de-sac because people are coming down there and they see it.

Supervisor Cornwell says, do we need a motion, or what is it we’re looking for here?

Chairman Edwards says, we’re looking for a motion. Do you have one, sir?

Supervisor Gillette says, I move we allow the tribe to put up a light.

Supervisor Carl Faison says, and I second this.

Supervisor Gillette adds, my motion does not include the county paying for it. The motion is given – if he needs our permission for them to put up a light, then I’m moving we give them permission to put a light up. And they can go ahead and pay for it.

Supervisor Faison says, question -

Chief Brown says, comment, Mr. Chairman –

[Voices talking over one another.]

Supervisor Faison continues, would that be on your property or would that be on state property?
Chairman Edwards says, I think it’s state property. Am I correct?

Chief Brown says, it’s a VDOT road.

Supervisor Faison says, I think the county should go ahead and pay for it if it’s not on their property.

Supervisor Cornwell says, that I would not be in favor of.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Gillette, would you restate your motion, please?

Supervisor Gillette says, excuse me?

Chairman Edwards says, would you restate your motion, please?

Supervisor Gillette says, well, my motion is that the property owners, they can go ahead and put a light up, and they can light the whole road. If we put a light back there and pay for it, it’s not going to be long before we’re going to have to light the whole road. And I’m not in favor of that.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. That’s a motion. Is there a second to that motion?

Supervisor White says, I’ll second it. Robert White.

Chairman Edwards says, okay, we have a second to that motion. Does everybody understand the motion?

Chief Brown says, Mr. Chairman, we don’t have authority nor can they give us authority to put a light up on a VDOT right-of-way. That’s a VDOT decision. We can put a light up on our tribal land, but not on a government VDOT right of way.

Supervisor Cornwell says, I think it is time the Board got done with the talk and discussion and get to the vote.

Chairman Edwards says, any further discussion? We have a motion and a proper second. Any further discussion? From anybody?

Supervisor Faison says, I have that same question that he just raised. I don’t know whether he has the authority to put up a light. Not on VDOT property. So are we going to assist with him putting up a light if he pays for it?

Chairman Edwards says, well, we have a motion and a proper second. We’ll go ahead and –

Supervisor Faison says, but can we?

Chairman Edwards says, does everybody understand the motion? [No response.] Any further discussion before we vote?

Supervisor Cornwell says, Mr. Chairman, do you want to restate the motion?

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Gillette, will you restate your motion?

Supervisor Gillette says, I think my motion was if the landowner, if he needs our approval to put up the light, he can put it up.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. I believe Supervisor Cornwell seconded that or White?

Supervisor Cornwell says, Supervisor White.

Supervisor White says, I seconded it.

Chairman Edwards says, all right, so we have a motion and a legitimate second. Is there any further discussion before we vote on that motion? [Audio disturbance.] [No response noted.] Okay. Supervisor Gillette?
Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? [No response.] Supervisor Faison? [Audio disturbance.] What was your vote on that?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards asks, yes or no?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.


Dr. Alan Edwards YES
William Hart Gillette YES
Christopher Cornwell YES
Carl Faison YES
Dallas Jones NO RESPONSE
Lynda Updike YES
Robert White YES

Chief Brown asks, Mr. Chairman, I need some guidance on what you guys expect us to do, please, sir. Because we don’t need approval from the Board to put a light up on our own property that we’re going to pay for. We don’t need approval from the Board to do that if it’s on our property and we’re paying for it. But the light will not be on our property, it will be on the VDOT right-of-way. So someone needs to revisit that, okay?

Supervisor Cornwell says, next agenda item?

Chairman Edwards asks, would anybody like to try to answer that before we move on? Mr. Johnson? Mr. Railey?

Mr. Johnson says, I can tell you that technically the property is clearly property beneath the roadway. The county has granted VDOT a right-of-way to construct that road, and has granted Dominion an easement to install that powerline. But the property itself is county property.

Mr. Railey says, I concur with Mr. Johnson.

Supervisor Faison asks, in what position does that put Mr. Brown? [Audio disturbance.] As far as his ability to get a light there?

Mr. Johnson says, if he has the county’s permission to install it on county property and he is willing to pay for it with tribal heritage foundation funds, I think he can do it.

Supervisor Cornwell says, he’s got permission. We just gave it to him.

Supervisor Gillette says, exactly.
Supervisor Faison says, okay. You said you think he can. How can we verify his ability to do it?

Mr. Johnson says, the answer to that would be come from Dominion. I can follow up with them tomorrow.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Go ahead and do that then. Okay, let’s move along to #10, Designation of Surplus Property. It looks like we have a piece of junk we need to get rid of. Is there a motion to go ahead and do that?

Supervisor Updike says, I so move, Dr. Edwards. This is Supervisor Updike.

Chairman Edwards asks, thank you. A second to that?

Supervisor White and Supervisor Faison simultaneously say, second.


Supervisor Faison says, second. Carl Faison.

Chairman Edwards says, all right. Those in favor? Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? [No response.] Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.


Dr. Alan Edwards YES
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Lynda Updike YES
Robert White YES

Chairman Edwards continues, all right, let’s move on to #11. The Report on Permanent Financing School Roofs Project. Mr. Johnson, would you like to lead us through that?

Mr. Johnson says, sure. So this item is really just for your information, but I wanted to keep you all apprised on where we are. As you all know, we were in line for the Literary Loan Funds, which guaranteed us 2% interest rates to pay off the interim financing for the school roofs projects. But considering the current state of the market, we also decided to evaluate the pooled bond sale conducted earlier this month by the Virginia Public School Authority, more commonly referred to as VPSA. So I’m pleased to report that VPSA did conduct their bond sale on April 20th, and we were able to achieve an all-in true interest cost at 1.8039%. So in accordance with the resolution that you all adopted last month, you gave us the parameters that if the VPSA sale came in below 2.15%, then we were going to move forward with their financing. So we have notified the State Department
of Education to take us off the Literary Loan Fund wait list, and we are currently preparing to close that VPSA loan on May 11. I did include in your agenda packages a copy of the final debt service schedule. The results are just a little bit better than was projected in your FY 2022 budget, and we’ll be adjusting our overall debt schedule down accordingly. It’s just maybe $1000 or so. But all in all, very good news.

Chairman Edwards says, a penny saved is a penny earned. Okay, anybody have any questions? [No response.] We’ll move on to #12, Project Updates, the Courthouse and the Insurrection Trail. Looks like for the courthouse we have six contractors expressing their interest. Then also Franklin has offered us space to locate some of our business. We’re also looking at temporary accommodations concerning the Hunterdale School Building. Have we heard anything concrete on that?

Mr. Johnson says, I communicated with Dr. Shannon earlier today. She indicated to me that lease had been forwarded to the school board’s attorney for review, but she felt confident that we were going to be able to work this out. Hopefully in the next few days, we’ll get a signed lease.

Chairman Edwards says, very good. How about the Insurrection Trail Project? Are they still way behind? They need an extension of 30 days.

Supervisor Updike says, yes. Yes, they got another 30 days. Across from the Methodist church, they have to move 3 water laterals. They have to be relocated to make way for the storm sewer piping that Gray is installing. They finished in front of the library, but they’ve got a long ways to go and a short time to do it.

Chairman Edwards says, okay. Well, we hope you will keep us up to date on the project. All right, if there are no questions, we’ll move on to #13, Miscellaneous. Collective Bargaining. The SPSA has increased the tipping fee from $57 to $61, not a real big increase. Does anybody have any comments on that? [No response.] All right, Correspondence. Notices.

Supervisor Gillette says, excuse me, Dr. Edwards.

Chairman Edwards says, yes.

Supervisor Gillette continues, could you go back to Collective Bargaining. Is there any comment or action needed from this Board on that issue, Mr. Johnson?

Mr. Johnson says, not necessarily, Mr. Gillette. I just wanted to bring it to your attention. I received correspondence from a pre-law student from Regent University, and I included that correspondence in your agenda package. But I just wanted you to be aware of the issue. The bottom line is that the county does not need to take any action unless they are approached by a group of county employees who wish for the Board to consider collective bargaining. And at that point if you are approached by a group of county employees, you would have 20 days to put together an ordinance, advertise it for comment, and then vote it up or down. But you are not required to enter into bargaining. It remains pretty optional at this point.

Supervisor Edwards says, very good. Everybody understand that?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Supervisor Edwards asks, any further questions on that? [No response.] Notices. Articles of Interest. If not then, are there any Late Arriving Matters? [No response.] Or anything that anybody on the Board would like to bring up before we adjourn? I just want to say that the next meeting is May 17 at 7:00. Not 6:00 or 6:30. Then I will see you at 7:00.

Supervisor Cornwell says, is that going to be in our Board Room, Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Johnson says, I’m interested in the Board’s thoughts on that. I have not published the advertisement yet, so I can adjust the advertisement to reflect whatever the Board’s preference is for that public hearing.

Supervisor Cornwell says, this is Supervisor Cornwell. My preference would be to be in the Board Room.
Supervisor White says, this is Robert White. My preference is to be in the Board Room also.

Supervisor Updike says, mine, too. Lynda Updike.

Chairman Edwards says, mine, too. How do we accommodate that?

Mr. Johnson says, you will be limited on the number of people that can come into the room to maintain adequate distancing. But we can certainly mark that off and try to adapt accordingly.

Supervisor Updike asks, if some leave, can you turn others in?

Mr. Johnson says, yes, Ms. Updike. We can do that.

Supervisor Faison says, this is Carl Faison. Mr. Johnson, you answered my concern. It is if the proper distancing can be maintained. Under those circumstances, I wouldn’t have any problem with it at all.

Mr. Johnson says, thank you.

Chairman Edwards says, I think it would be great if we could do that.


Chairman Edwards says, okay. Anything else?

Supervisor White says, yes, you skipped #10. I guess we need to take care of that. Item #10.

Chairman Edwards says, okay, I did. No, that’s one –

Supervisor Updike says, I made that motion.

Chairman Edwards says, we got rid of that machine. It’s no good and there are no parts.

Supervisor White says, all right, I’m sorry. I missed that somehow, but anyway, no problem. Thank you.

Chairman Edwards asks, would you like to bid on it, sir?

Supervisor White laughs and says, no, thank you.

Chairman Edwards says, does anybody have anything else? [No response.] Anything at all? [No response.] Like I said, next meeting is May 17, 7:00. Hopefully we’ll be in our Board Room. And I would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Supervisor White says, so moved. Robert White.

Chairman Edwards asks, a second for that motion?

Supervisor Updike and Supervisor Gillette say simultaneously, second.

Chairman Edwards says, I guess we’ll officially vote on that. Supervisor Gillette?

Supervisor Gillette says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor White?

Supervisor White says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Faison?

Supervisor Faison says, yes.
Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Jones? [No response.] Supervisor Cornwell?

Supervisor Cornwell says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Updike? Supervisor Updike?

Supervisor Updike says, yes.

Chairman Edwards says, Supervisor Edwards. I vote yes on this. Did I miss anybody? [No response.] Okay, we are adjourned.

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Chairman Edwards concludes, good night, everybody. Drive carefully.

With no additional business and with no opposition from the Board, the meeting is adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Dr. Alan W. Edwards, Chairman

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Michael W. Johnson, County Administrator (Clerk)