

Regular Meeting, Wednesday, April 25, 2018, 7:00 p.m. Government Center, Verona, VA.

PRESENT: Gerald W. Garber, Chairman
Carolyn S. Bragg-Vice Chairman
Terry L. Kelley, Jr.
Michael L. Shull
Wendell L. Coleman
Marshall W. Pattie
Pam L. Carter
Timothy K. Fitzgerald, County Administrator
Jennifer M. Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator
John Wilkinson, Director of Community Development
Misty Cook, Director of Finance
James R. Benkahla, County Attorney
Angie Michael, Executive Assistant

VIRGINIA: At a regular meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 242nd year of the Commonwealth....

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Chairman Garber welcomed the citizens present.

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Mr. Shull led the Board of Supervisors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Michael Shull, Supervisor for the Riverheads District, delivered the invocation.

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CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION

Ms. Bragg moved, seconded by Dr. Pattie that the Board adopt the following proclamation:

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Whereas, preventing child abuse and neglect is a community problem that depends on involvement among people throughout the community; and

Whereas, child maltreatment occurs when people find themselves in stressful situations, without community resources, and don't know how to cope; and

Whereas, the majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are preventable in an engaged and supportive community; and

Whereas, all citizens should become involved in supporting families in raising their children in a safe, nurturing environment; and

Whereas, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among families, social service agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community.

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CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION (CONT'D)

Now therefore, the Board of Supervisors, **does hereby recognize April 2018 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Augusta County, Virginia** and we call this observance to the attention of all our citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and neglect and strengthening the communities in which we live.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Bragg, Kelley, Shull, Coleman, Pattie and Carter
 Nays: None

Motion carried.

Ms. Carter stated that on behalf of the Executive Director of the Valley Children's Advocacy Center, who could not be present due to an emergency, she accepted the proclamation and thanked the Board for their support.

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BLUE RIDGE MHC, LLC C/O WALTER STONE FOR THE CARLYLE GROUP, INC. – AMEND & RESTATE PROFFERS

This being the day and time advertised to consider a request to amend and restate proffers on approximately 28 acres owned by Blue Ridge MHC, LLC. C/O Walter Stone for the Carlyle Group, Inc. located off East Side Highway in Crimora in the Middle River District. The Planning Commission recommends approval of proffer amendment and restatement.

ORDINANCE

A REQUEST TO AMEND AND RESTATE PROFFERS ON APPROXIMATELY 28 ACRES OWNED BY BLUE RIDGE MHC, LLC % WALTER STONE FOR THE CARLYLE GROUP, INC. LOCATED OFF EAST SIDE HIGHWAY IN CRIMORA IN THE MIDDLE RIVER DISTRICT.

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 25 "Zoning" of the Code of Augusta County, Virginia.

WHEREAS, application has been made to the Board of Supervisors to amend the Augusta County Zoning Maps,

WHEREAS, the Augusta County Planning Commission, after a public hearing, has made their recommendation to the Board of Supervisors,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has conducted a public hearing,

WHEREAS, both the Commission and Board public hearings have been properly advertised and all public notice as required by the Zoning Ordinance and the Code of Virginia properly completed,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has considered the application, the Planning Commission recommendation and the comments presented at the public hearing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors that the Augusta County Zoning Maps be amended as follows:

The proffers on Parcel number 62 on tax map number 49 containing approximately 28 acres are amended as follows:

Limit the number of home spaces to seventy-four (74) spaces until Augusta County Service Authority sewer becomes available. At such time as public sewer is available, expansion would be

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THE FISHBURNE-HUDGINS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION – REZONING (CONT'D)
some specific comments received from the Augusta County Service Authority. It was initially proposed tying the fire suppression tanks into their supply system and the Service Authority was in opposition to that due to flow issues. The system has been re-engineered to be an independent system and it will serve exclusively the eastern portion. It will not cross under Route 340. There is fire service to that portion as well. This is a worst case scenario from a development perspective for the neighbors. The maximum development potential had to be considered. The plan shows 9,000 square foot lots which will also require curb and guttering. Generally in this neighborhood the lots are 12,000 square foot that are open with no curb and guttering. The real plan is for 48 lots, but the maximum has to be shown. The one issue that will need to be worked out with Fire and Rescue is will the tanks stay at the bottom of the hill or will they be moved to lot 1? There is an engineering prospective that needs to be worked out. This is in the Comprehensive Plan as something that should be residential zoning.

Ms. Bragg asked if approval has been given by the Health Department.

Mr. Craig has a meeting coming up with the Health Department to discuss the project.

Mr. Coleman asked if it was possible to consider approving subject to approval from the Health Department.

Mr. Craig stated if the Health Department turns it down then other options for the property will need to be looked at.

Mr. Wilkinson pointed out to the Board that comments were received from the Service Authority and provided to the Board. After speaking with the Service Authority, the lots across the street have to meet the 500 gallon per minute fire flow and the current capacity is only 249 gallons per minute.

Mr. Craig stated that he had not received that information. He asked Mr. Garber to continue with the public comment. After that, if the rezoning needs to be tabled it can be.

Ct. Mark Black, Fishburne Military School Superintendent, stated that his job is to resource the school and educate honorable young men of courage. He spent 30 years in the navy and he looks at what his mission is and what the parameters are to complete the mission. There are teachers and staff to work with the students, but they are not equipped to handle real estate. The revenue from this project is needed to cover operations of the school.

Donna Fix is the owner of the adjacent property and has concerns with the traffic impact that will occur. Traffic will be increased in a very small area with a speed limit of 55mph. Traffic is challenging now and will only get worse. She questions who will pay for the road expansions that will be necessary. She is also concerned about the schools. The elementary school is at 92% capacity and given the capacity of this project it will cause more of a problem with overcrowding the school.

Phil Martin, Director of Augusta County Service Authority, stated that there are questions he would like answered before he can fully support this project. He would like to have the approval from the Virginia Department of Health before the Service Authority can support it. Another issue is the private fire hydrants. In the ACSA policy it is specified that in any area of human habitation the ACSA maintains the fire hydrants. When it was mentioned to not have the fire system tied into the current water delivery system, it is unclear if they will supply the tank by wells or if it is intended to have it connected to supply from the ACSA existing water system. If so, there would need to be different things set up to maintain the cross connection controls so nothing can get back into the system. These questions need to be addressed before a decision is made.

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GARLAND F. JR., OR MELONY EASTER AND GARLAND F. OR EVELYN B. EASTER – REZONING

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Bragg, Kelley, Shull, Coleman, Pattie and Carter
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC

Roger Willetts is concerned with the new Solar Ordinance which removes industrial zoned property. He owns forty acres of industrial zoned land and has paid taxes for 12-14 years. Many industries have in their mission statement to embrace alternative power sources. If solar is prohibited, a message will be sent that will harm Augusta County. The overall solar project will reap a net benefit for the County. The new proposed ordinance has a lot of negatives.

Jack Barber of Madison Rowe and Associates made the following points on the solar ordinance that would present large obstacles for utility scale development in Augusta County under the proposed ordinance:

1. The preamble change to add zoning districts is an issue. This places a hard burden on current and future generations of citizens to determine the use of their property.
2. Modification 25-70-4 uses permitted by special use permit by the Board of Supervisors that delete general industrial use. Restrict current owner's rights to develop their property according to the Comprehensive Plan already established by the Board of Supervisors. This conflicts with what is already established goals of the purpose of General Industrial zoning and its associated uses by right as well as special use.
3. The recommendation to change requirements by code for setbacks to extend to 200 feet from all property lines and 1000 feet from residentially zoned property. This makes no sense. This requirement, again, strips landowner rights or income producing rights. Under current zoning, any additional use can be added within 25 feet, but not a passive solar array.
4. Adding ground water monitoring requirements at a County level to a system that doesn't use water is equally unfair. The DEQ does not require solar farms to monitor water and therefore, not set up to receive their reports. A report like this costs a lot of money and achieves nothing for the community.
5. The subject of proof of connectivity under 20.70.5. The solar development industry is in its infancy stages in the State of Virginia. If we do not have proof of connectivity at some point it's not going to happen. It's a fluid situation. The solar developers that are wanting to build east of route 29 and coming into the Valley are wrestling with problems not anticipated. He appealed to Board for fairness and improving solar power and would ask the Board of Supervisors to consider these comments.

Rodney Martin of 563 Houff School Road, Waynesboro, is concerned about the new solar ordinance removing industrial land. He feels it infringes on the rights and desires of the land owners. There are various advantages from solar energy. It is clean energy and would enhance quality of life in the community.

James Kindig is a neighbor of Mr. Martin. He has been approached by a solar developer as well. Mr. Kindig is trying to determine the best utilization for his property. Solar will generate a revenue stream and he will not have to lose ownership of the property.

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becomes available, sums equal to, but not in excess of the appropriations made to these funds from GENERAL OPERATING FUND for the period covered by the appropriation.

BE IT STILL RESOLVED that the County Administrator is authorized, pursuant to a resolution adopted by this Board of Supervisors on November, 11, 1959, to pay all normal and routine claims, when presented for which appropriations are hereinafter made, with his own warrant.

GENERAL OPERATING FUND

11010 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	166,324
12010 COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR	735,309
12030 HUMAN RESOURCES	269,516
12040 LEGAL SERVICES	554,490
12090 COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE	881,837
12100 REASSESSMENT	426,000
12130 TREASURER	530,560
12150 CENTRAL ACCOUNTING	402,697
12200 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS	753,924
13010 BOARD OF ELECTIONS	318,471
21010 CIRCUIT COURT	180,095
21020 GENERAL DISTRICT COURT	10,300
21030 MAGISTRATE	5,330
21060 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT	874,264
22010 COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY	1,084,803
31020 SHERIFF	6,596,072
31040 EMERGENCY SERVICES OPERATIONS	1,787,260
32010 FIRE DEPARTMENT	6,432,641
32020 EMERGENCY SERVICES - VOLUNTEERS	2,073,762
32030 FIRE & EMS TRAINING	363,916
32040 SAFER	1,006,225
33030 J&D COURT	26,130
33040 COURT SERVICES	3,250
33050 JUVENILE & PROBATION	2,126,130
34010 BUILDING INSPECTIONS	390,519
35010 ANIMAL CONTROL	445,613
41020 HIGHWAYS & ROADS	16,000
41040 STREET LIGHTS	118,000
42010 SANITATION & WASTE	2,116,473
42020 RECYCLING	150,500
43010 BUILDING & GROUNDS	1,428,479
51010 HEALTH DEPARTMENT	535,372
51020 TAX RELIEF FOR THE ELDERLY	322,000
71010 PARKS & REC	1,422,921
71020 NATURAL CHIMNEYS	215,675
73010 LIBRARY-FISHERSVILLE	1,230,531
73020 LIBRARY-CHURCHVILLE	112,830
81010 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	956,550
81020 TOURISM	273,563
81050 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	307,030
83010 EXTENSION OFFICE	121,950
83050 COUNTY FARM	9,760
92020 OTHER OPERATIONAL FUNCTIONS	960,723
92030 CONTRIBUTIONS	430,826

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92040 CONTINGENCIES	50,000
94000 TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	57,997,403
GRAND TOTAL - GENERAL OPERATING FUND (11)	97,222,024
FROM: Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12)	
TO: Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12)	
50000 Disbursement of Loans & Gear Purchases	
605,000	
Grand Total - Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12)	
605,000	
FROM: Asset Forfeiture Fund (13)	
TO: Asset Forfeiture Fund (13)	
31030 - Operations	50,500
Grand Total - Asset Forfeiture Fund (13)	50,500
FROM: Economic Development Fund (14)	
TO: Economic Development Fund (14)	
53000 - Payments to E.D.A.	178,000
Grand Total - Economic Development Fund (14)	178,000
FROM: Revenue Recovery Fund (15)	
TO: Revenue Recovery Fund (15)	
32020 - Payments to Agencies	625,700
94000 - Transfers to Other Funds	925,000
Grand Total - Revenue Recovery Fund (15)	1,550,700
FROM: Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23)	
TO: Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23)	
For the operation of the Augusta County Department of Public Welfare, Virginia Public Assistance Fund and to be expended only on order of the Board of Welfare for the functions and objects as outlined in the budget requests as presented to the Board of Supervisors for informative and fiscal purposes only:	
53010 - Administration	9,531,047
53020 - Public Assistance	3,213,000
Grand Total - Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23)	12,744,047
FROM: Children's Services Act Fund (24)	
TO: Children's Services Act Fund (24)	
53060 - Children's Services Act	5,197,500
Grand Total - Children's Services Act Fund (24)	5,197,500

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FROM: School Operating Fund (41)
TO: School Operating Fund (41)

For the operation of the Public Schools of the School Operating Fund (41) and to be expended only on order of the Augusta County School Board of Augusta County, Virginia, for the functions and objects a contained in their budget requests as presented to the Board of Supervisors for financial and fiscal purposes:

11000 - Instruction	85,286,183
20000 - Admin/Attend/Health	3,904,808
30000 - Pupil Transportation	6,219,321
40000 - Operation/Maintenance	9,274,880
Grand Total - School Operating Fund (41)	104,685,192

FROM: School Cafeteria Fund (43)
TO: School Cafeteria Fund (43)

To be expended on order of the Augusta County School Board for the operation of the School Cafeteria Fund:

50000 - School Food Services	4,272,828
Grand Total - School Cafeteria Fund (43)	4,272,828

FROM: School Capital Improvement Fund (44)
TO: School Capital Improvement Fund (44)

34000 - Transportation	253,523
42000 - Building/Facility Services	210,400
62470 - Cassell Elementary School	4,696,804
62580 - Riverheads Elementary School	3,363,232
62500-Special Capital Projects	222,000
Grand Total - School Capital Improvement Fund (44)	8,745,959

FROM: School Debt Fund (45)
TO: School Debt Fund (45)

92040 - Debt Service - County	732,023
92050 - Debt Service - School	8,860,262
Grand Total - School Debt Service (45)	9,592,285

FROM: Head Start Fund (47)
TO: Head Start Fund (47)

10000 - Instruction	2,515,918
20000 - Admin/Attend/Health	491,503

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30000 - Pupil Transportation	75,211
40000 - Maintenance Services	32,767
Grand Total - Head Start Fund (47)	3,115,399
FROM: Governor's School Fund (48)	
TO: Governor's School Fund (48)	
11000 - Instruction	1,533,012
40000 - Operations/Maintenance	61,200
66000 - Building Improvement	50,006
Grand Total - Governor's School Fund (48)	1,644,218
FROM: County Capital Improvement Fund (70)	
TO: County Capital Improvement Fund (70)	
8005 - Landfill	200,000
8011 - Infrastructure - Beverley Manor 50,000	
8012 - Infrastructure - Middle River 50,000	
8013 - Infrastructure - North River	50,000
8014 - Infrastructure - Pastures	50,000
8015 - Infrastructure - Riverheads	50,000
8016 - Infrastructure - South River	50,000
8017 - Infrastructure - Wayne (includes VDOT project)	950,000
8021 - Matching Grants - Beverley Manor	15,000
8022 - Matching Grants - Middle River	15,000
8023 - Matching Grants - North River	15,000
8024 - Matching Grants - Pastures	15,000
8025 - Matching Grants - Riverheads	15,000
8026 - Matching Grants - South River	15,000
8027 - Matching Grants - Wayne	15,000
8030 - Solid Waste Centers	0
8049 - Electoral Board - Voting Machines	75,000
8051 - Library Phase II	0
8052 - Library - Children's Wing	0
8053 - Library - Automation	17,000
8057 - Fire Apparatus & Equipment	883,004
8058 - Emergency Communications	670,500
8059 - Fire Training Center	14,214
8060 - Sheriff/K-9	150,000
8070 - Scholastic Way	50,000
8134 - County School	363,977
8135 - Regional Correction Center	564,124
8139 - Tourist Information Center	10,000
8142 - Recreational Community Center	504,000
8144 - Information Technology	820,562
8145 - Economic Development	1,455,730
8146 - Firing Range	52,000
8147 - Government Center Expansion	148,000
8148 - County Courthouse	250,000
8151 - Flood Control Dams	876,280

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GENERAL OPERATING FUND

11010 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	154,615
12010 COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR	743,074
12030 HUMAN RESOURCES	275,124
12040 LEGAL SERVICES	345,105
12090 COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE	896,910
12100 REASSESSMENT	249,400
12110 BOARD OF EQUALIZATION	4,800
12130 TREASURER	545,860
12150 CENTRAL ACCOUNTING	470,020
12200 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS	748,924
13010 BOARD OF ELECTIONS	321,673
21010 CIRCUIT COURT	189,065
21020 GENERAL DISTRICT COURT	7,300
21030 MAGISTRATE	3,936
21060 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT	960,390
22010 COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY	1,109,810
31020 SHERIFF	6,856,303
31040 EMERGENCY SERVICES OPERATIONS	1,807,731
32010 FIRE DEPARTMENT	7,565,118
32020 EMERGENCY SERVICES - VOLUNTEERS	2,078,274
32030 FIRE & EMS TRAINING	346,405
33030 J&D COURT	18,100
33040 COURT SERVICES	3,125
33050 JUVENILE & PROBATION	1,788,550
34010 BUILDING INSPECTIONS	395,140
35010 ANIMAL CONTROL	437,045
41020 HIGHWAYS & ROADS	16,000
41040 STREET LIGHTS	118,000
42010 SANITATION & WASTE	2,114,877
42020 RECYCLING	150,500
43010 FACILITIES MANAGEMENT	1,978,450
51010 HEALTH DEPARTMENT	544,568
51020 TAX RELIEF FOR THE ELDERLY	322,000
71010 PARKS & REC INCL. NATURAL CHIMNEYS	1,214,654
73010 LIBRARY-FISHERSVILLE & CHURCHVILLE	1,381,390
81010 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	964,191
81020 TOURISM	273,570
81050 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	307,529
83010 EXTENSION OFFICE	114,812
83050 COUNTY FARM	8,260
92020 OTHER OPERATIONAL FUNCTIONS	1,186,462
92030 CONTRIBUTIONS	436,556
92040 CONTINGENCIES	105,000
94000 TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	56,300,579
GRAND TOTAL - GENERAL OPERATING FUND (11)	95,859,195
FROM: Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12)	
TO: Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12)	
50000 Disbursement of Loans & Gear Purchases	605,000
Grand Total - Fire Revolving Loan Fund (12)	605,000
FROM: Asset Forfeiture Fund (13)	
TO: Asset Forfeiture Fund (13)	
31030 - Operations	48,000
Grand Total - Asset Forfeiture Fund (13)	48,000

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FROM: Economic Development Fund (14)
 TO: Economic Development Fund (14)
 53000 - Payments to E.D.A. 178,000
 Grand Total - Economic Development Fund (14) 178,000

FROM:
 Revenue Recovery Fund (15)
 TO: Revenue Recovery Fund (15)
 32020 - Payments to Agencies 557,640
 94000 - Transfers to Other Funds 955,660
 Grand Total - Revenue Recovery Fund (15) 1,513,300

FROM: Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23)
 TO: Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23)

For the operation of the Augusta County Department of Public Welfare, Virginia Public Assistance Fund and to be expended only on order of the Board of Welfare for the functions and objects as outlined in the budget requests as presented to the Board of Supervisors for informative and fiscal purposes only:

53010 - Administration 9,522,168
 53020 - Public Assistance 3,417,000
 Grand Total - Virginia Public Assistance Fund (23) 12,939,168

FROM: Children's Services Act Fund (24)
 TO: Children's Services Act Fund (24)
 53060 - Children's Services Act 5,197,500
 Grand Total - Children's Services Act Fund (24) 5,197,500

FROM: School Operating Fund (41)
 TO: School Operating Fund (41)

For the operation of the Public Schools of the School Operating Fund (41) and to be expended only on order of the Augusta County School Board of Augusta County, Virginia, for the functions and objects a contained in their budget requests as presented to the Board of Supervisors for financial and fiscal purposes:

11000 - Instruction 86,839,235
 20000 - Admin/Attend/Health 3,983,502
 30000 - Pupil Transportation 6,285,695
 40000 - Operation/Maintenance 8,881,146
 Grand Total - School Operating Fund (41) 105,989,578

FROM:
 School Cafeteria Fund (43)
 TO: School Cafeteria Fund (43)

To be expended on order of the Augusta County School Board for the operation of the School Cafeteria Fund:

50000 - School Food Services 4,341,380
 Grand Total - School Cafeteria Fund (43) 4,341,380

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FROM: School Capital Improvement Fund (44)

TO: School Capital Improvement Fund (44)

34000 - Transportation	0
42000 - Building/Facility Services	0
62470 - Cassell Elementary School	0
62580 - Riverheads Elementary School	0
62500-Special Capital Projects	0
Grand Total - School Capital Improvement Fund (44)	0

FROM: School Debt Fund (45) \

TO: School Debt Fund (45)

92040 - Debt Service - County	732,229
92050 - Debt Service - School	8,716,425
Grand Total - School Debt Service (45)	9,448,654

FROM: Head Start Fund (47)

TO: Head Start Fund (47)

10000 - Instruction	2,472,252
20000 - Admin/Attend/Health	383,314
30000 - Pupil Transportation	76,867
40000 - Maintenance Services	18,545
Grand Total - Head Start Fund (47)	2,950,978

FROM: Governor's School Fund (48)

TO: Governor's School Fund (48)

11000 - Instruction	1,520,994
40000 - Operations/Maintenance	61,200
66000 - Building Improvement	50,000
Grand Total - Governor's School Fund (48)	1,632,194

FROM: County Capital Improvement Fund (70)

TO: County Capital Improvement Fund (70)

8005 - Landfill	200,000
8011 - Infrastructure - Beverley Manor	50,000
8012 - Infrastructure - Middle River	50,000
8013 - Infrastructure - North River	50,000
8014 - Infrastructure - Pastures	50,000
8015 - Infrastructure - Riverheads	50,000
8016 - Infrastructure - South River	50,000
8017 - Infrastructure - Wayne (includes VDOT project)	50,000
8021 - Matching Grants - Beverley Manor	15,000
8022 - Matching Grants - Middle River	15,000
8023 - Matching Grants - North River	15,000
8024 - Matching Grants - Pastures	15,000
8025 - Matching Grants - Riverheads	15,000
8026 - Matching Grants - South River	15,000
8027 - Matching Grants - Wayne	15,000
8049 - Electoral Board - Voting Machines	25,000
8053 - Library - Automation	17,000
8057 - Fire Apparatus & Equipment	312,250
8058 - Emergency Communications	295,500
8060 - Sheriff/K-9	75,000
8070 - Scholastic Way	150,000
8135 - Regional Correction Center	564,124
8139 - Tourist Information Center	10,000

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8141 - Geographical Information System	20,000
8142 - Recreational Community Center	75,000
8144 - Information Technology	295,562
8145 - Economic Development	371,250
8146 - Firing Range	52,000
8147 - Government Center Expansion	100,000
8148 - County Courthouse	300,000
8149 - A.C.S.A. Contribution	100,000
8151 - Flood Control Dams	17,600
8152 - Fire & Rescue Equipment	200,000
8153 - Haz Mat Grant	10,000
8161 - Blue Ridge Community College	137,585
8164 - Storm Water Management	33,035
8165 - Government Center Security	20,000
8166 - Vehicle Sinking Fund	295,500
8198 - Building Sinking Fund	256,460
94000 - Transfers to Other Funds	2,277,907
Grand Total - Capital Improvement Fund (70)	6,665,773
GRAND TOTAL - APPROPRIATIONS (All Funds)	247,368,720

Mr. Shull moved, seconded by Mr. Coleman, that the Board approve the proposed budget with the following changes listed below:

- Increase in school funding by \$706,545.00 to allow for a 3% increase in teacher salaries.
- Increase the County employee's cost of living increase by \$96,000.00 to allow a 3% increase.
- Add an additional staff position to be determined by the Board either a Communications Director or Staff Attorney at \$80,000.00.
- These changes will allow for \$1,704,685.00 in funding to the Capital Improvement account.

The appropriations listed above include the new changes.

Ms. Bragg stated that she did not agree with the \$0.05 increase. The conversation was the additional deputies and the 2% cost of living increase. The biggest conversation was the need for the CIP funding. In the original proposed budget there is \$2.5 million going into the CIP fund and it was justified by the \$0.05 tax increase. This happens year after year. The Board says they will fund the CIP fund. The vote has been made for an increase which was initially to fund the CIP fund and now as before, over \$1 million has been taken away. This is a huge issue with the budget process and with the spending process. The \$0.05 increase was explained to the public as to what it would help fund. The increase has been voted on and now what it will fund is changing. This is cause for concern.

Mr. Kelley stated that a balanced budget is claimed, but funding is coming from the Capital account. Taking money from the CIP fund before it is actually there is not being a good steward with citizen's money.

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Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Shull, Coleman, and Carter
Nays: Kelley, Pattie and Bragg

Motion carried.

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LITTER CONTROL PROGRAM

The Board considered Wayne District funding for the litter Control Program.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that there is an estimated cost of \$4,289.00 for miscellaneous items that will be needed in order for the Litter Control Program to function properly. This amount does not include a vehicle. There was a vehicle offered from the School Board for free, however it will require CDL B operator license and this is not something the program is interested in at this time.

Mr. Coleman stated that the free vehicle was appreciated, however a CDL requirement was not feasible at this time. Dr. Pattie agrees to fund the miscellaneous items from the North River Infrastructure account and Mr. Coleman and Mr. Kelley will fund a vehicle, not to exceed \$15,000.00 from their infrastructure account.

Funding Source:	North River Infrastructure	\$4,289.00
	Wayne Infrastructure	\$7,500.00
	Beverly Manor Infrastructure	\$7,500.00

Mr. Coleman moved, seconded by Mr. Kelley, that the Board approve the funding for the Litter Control Program.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Bragg, Kelley, Shull, Coleman, Pattie and Carter
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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WAIVERS— NONE

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CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Garber asked if the public wished for any item to be removed from the Consent Agenda. No request was made.

Ms. Bragg moved, seconded by Mr. Kelley, that the Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

MINUTES

Approved minutes of the following meetings:

- Budget Work Session, Monday, March 19, 2018
- Staff Briefing, Monday, March 26, 2018

April 25, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA (CONT'D)

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Shull, Garber, Coleman, Kelley, Bragg and Carter, Pattie
Nays: None

Motion carried.

Ms. Whetzel updated the Board on the liability issue for the Litter Control Program. Blue Ridge Court Services provides a supplemental accident insurance on all offenders as standard part of their agreement with all the partnered community service organizations and Augusta County is covered under that policy. There is a partial statutory immunity in the state code which exempts the County from liability in the case of injured probationers working roadside litter removal. The Commonwealth Attorney's office also has a liability form that all participants must sign.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD

Ms. Bragg reminded everyone of the Market Animal Show coming up. The Augusta Health Governance Reception is on Tuesday and Ms. Bragg and Mr. Coleman attended the Dominion Open House.

Mr. Shull stated that with the current tax increase, he is not in favor of raising taxes often. Mr. Shull is a farmer and an excavator. He is at the mercy of buyers that purchase his cattle and it's up and down. This type of work does not come with a set salary. The tax increase has an impact on everyone in Augusta County not just him. The Board supports the community. The community spoke and said to support the deputies and the schools. Taxes are contributed to take care of things in the community, whether its fire services, Sheriff's Department, and the schools. There are a lot of things in the budget that people in the community don't think about. Citizens do not understand the budget process. It's important to restore the money back into the Capital Account because there are things in the future that will need to be looked at such as the courthouse. The budget is not taken lightly. The tax rate isn't increased just to be increased. The County is behind since 2008. In 1982-1983 the rate was \$0.60. It was lowered to \$0.58 because of the assessments. The County has lived off of growth from the mid 1980's to the assessments in 2009. It was a sudden shock to everyone involved when the assessments increased drastically. This was not only happening in Augusta County, it was happening everywhere. At the time, the tax rate was lowered too much due to the higher assessments and it set the County back financially. The tax rate could stay at \$0.58, but if the County continues in the same direction, is that being good stewards to the budget?

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STAFF

Timothy Fitzgerald, County Administrator discussed the following issues:

- 1) Tim Smith, Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Detention Center is retiring on October 1, 2018. The position is being advertised on the County website. Mr. Smith has done an outstanding job over the years and deserves a good retirement.
- 2) Dominion sent notification on the Mount Storm to Valley tower replacement project. Dominion is asking for comments as soon as possible. Mr. Fitzgerald suggests sending the same comments that was sent for the last section?

April 25, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY STAFF (CONT'D)

- 3) Ms. Whetzel stated that Fire and Rescue received a smoke alarm fire prevention and safety grant through FEMA. There will be a public service announcement made on this grant. It offers free checks and installation of smoke alarms for citizens living in Augusta County.

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CLOSED SESSION

On motion of Ms. Bragg, seconded by Mr. Shull, the Board went into closed session pursuant to:

- (1) (1) the personnel exemption under Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1)
[discussion, consideration or interviews of (a) prospective candidates for employment, or (b) assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific employees]:

a) Fire and Rescue

- (2) the economic development exemption under Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(5)
[discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of its interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the county]:

a) Proposed Office space, flex space, storage facilities, manufacturing facilities, utility and mixed use development.

- (3) the real property exemption under Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(3)
[discussion of the acquisition for a public purpose, or disposition, of real property]:

a) Augusta County Courthouse

- (4) the legal counsel exemption under Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(7)
[consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, and consultation with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, as permitted under subsection (A) (7)]:

a) Augusta County Courthouse

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On motion of Mr. Shull, seconded by Dr. Pattie, the Board came out of Closed Session.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Shull, Garber, Coleman, Kelley, Bragg and Carter, Pattie
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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