

Regular Meeting, Wednesday, October 28, 2020, 7:00 p.m. Government Center, Verona, VA.

PRESENT: Gerald Garber, Chairman
Pam L. Carter, Vice-Chair
Butch Wells
Michael L. Shull
Scott Seaton
Jeffrey Slaven
Steven Morelli
Timothy K. Fitzgerald, County Administrator
Jennifer M. Whetzel, Deputy County Administrator
John Wilkinson, Director of Community Development
James Benkahla, County Attorney
Angie Michael, Executive Assistant

VIRGINIA: At a regular meeting of the Augusta County Board of Supervisors held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., at the Government Center, Verona, Virginia, and in the 245th year of the Commonwealth....

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Chairman Garber welcomed the citizens present.

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Mr. Morelli, Supervisor for the South River District, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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AMBULANCE/MEDIC UNIT FUNDING REQUEST

The Board considered funding for an ambulance/medic unit.

Funding Source: Capital 7-80000-8057 \$282,745.90

Timothy Fitzgerald, County Administrator, stated that Fire-Rescue is requesting approval to purchase the next ambulance/medic unit. This request also includes the purchase of one replacement cot/stretchers. The grand total for the purchase will be \$282,745.90. Placing the order in November will result in a June or July 2021 delivery. Funding will be from the capital account.

Mr. Shull moved, seconded by Mr. Wells, that the Board approve the funding request for the ambulance/medic unit.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Carter, Wells, Shull, Slaven, Seaton, and Morelli
Nays: None

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Motion carried.

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GENERAL ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES 2020 RFP

The Board considered the contracts for General Engineering Services.

John Wilkinson, Director of Community Development, stated that the current contracts for General Engineering Services expire on January 31, 2021. After review of the submitted proposals, staff conducted interviews with the most responsive firms. The solicitation sought Architectural & Engineering professional services in four categories; Small Projects, Large Scale Projects, Economic Development Services and Architectural Services. There were fourteen proposals received and the committee reviewed the top three firms in each category.

Mr. Shull moved, seconded by Mr. Wells, that the Board approve the contracts as presented.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Carter, Wells, Shull, Slaven, Seaton, and Morelli

 Nays: None
 Abstain: Garber

Motion carried.

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FLOW BEVERAGE INC. PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT

The Board considered the Performance Agreement for Flow Beverage, Inc.

Mr. Fitzgerald stated that as announced on April 30, 2019, Flow Beverages committed to locate its operation in Augusta County. The location is to include a \$15,500,000.00 investment in capital expenditures and 51 new jobs. The Board agreed to match a grant of \$250,000.00 from the Commonwealth's Development Opportunity Fund that was offered to Flow. Once the agreement is completed, Flow will submit annual reports and be monitored on progress towards capital investment and jobs performance targets.

Mr. Wells moved, seconded by Mr. Slaven, that the Board approve the performance agreement.

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Wells, Shull, Slaven, Seaton, and Morelli

 Nays: None
 Abstain: Carter

Motion carried.

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NON-PROFIT GRANT PROGRAM MOU – CARES ACT FUNDING

The Board considered CARES Act funding for the Non-Profit Grant Program in the amount of \$102,000.00.

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HAZARDOUS PAY (CONT'D)

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Carter, Wells, Shull, Slaven, Seaton, and Morelli
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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WAIVERS -- NONE

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CONSENT AGENDA

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

MINUTES

- Consider minutes of the following meeting:
- Regular Meeting, Wednesday, September 9, 2020
 - Staff Briefing, Monday, September 21, 2020

Vote was as follows: Yeas: Garber, Carter, Wells, Shull, Slaven, Seaton and Morelli
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC

Charles Leech, 615 Limestone Road, Verona, is disappointed with the reactions of some Staunton residents to the proposed courthouse project. The County is attempting to meet state requirements for the courts.

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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE BOARD

Mr. Wells received an email from Ken Jones regarding the poultry house project in Barren Ridge. They were not able to get sufficient water to complete the project.

Ms. Carter stated that one application for the Governor's Broadband Grant has been submitted. It is from New Hope and a second one is expected from MGW.

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