

At a budget workshop of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on the 24th day of February 2026 at the Cumberland County Board of Supervisor Meeting Room, 1 Courthouse Circle, Cumberland, Virginia:

Present: Bryan Hamlet, District 1
John Newman, District 2, Chairman
Eurika Tyree, District 3, Vice-Chairman
Paul Stimpson, District 4
Derek Stamey, County Administrator
Jennifer Crews, Assistant County Administrator of Finance
Tiana Branch, Deputy Clerk
William P. "Jay" Scudder, Interim County Administrator

Absent: Robert Saunders, Jr., District 5
County Attorney, Kemper Beasley

1. Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Members

Tiana Branch, Deputy Clerk, called the roll.

3. Invocation

The Invocation was led by Supervisor Newman.

4. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Chairman.

5. Approval of Agenda

- c. Emergency Services
- d. Cartersville Volunteer Fire Department
- e. Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department
- f. Randolph Volunteer Fire Department

8. Adjourn into Closed Meeting

On a motion by Supervisor Tyree, seconded by Supervisor Stimpson and carried by the following vote, the Board entered into closed meeting pursuant to the Virginia Code Section set forth below to discuss the subjects identified:

Subject Matter: Discussion of Legal Matters in Regards to Current Litigation and Contracts.

Purpose of Meeting: Allow Board Members to consult with legal counsel regarding county business.

Exemption: Pursuant to VA. Code § 2.2-3711.A.8: Consultation with Legal Counsel – Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

Subject Matter: Update on Consideration of Candidate for Employment

Purpose of Meeting: Allow Board Members to Discuss County Administrator Position

Exemption: Pursuant to VA. Code § 2.2-3711.A.1: Personnel – Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body.

Vote:	Mr. Hamlet – aye	Mr. Newman – aye
	Mrs. Tyree – aye	Mr. Stimpson – aye
	Mr. Saunders – absent	

9. Reconvene in Open Meeting

The Board reconvened to open meeting on a motion by Supervisor Tyree, seconded by Supervisor Hamlet, and adopted by the following vote:

Mr. Hamlet –	aye
Mr. Newman –	aye
Mrs. Tyree –	aye
Mr. Stimpson –	aye
Mr. Saunders -	absent

that the following Certification of a Closed Meeting be adopted in accordance with The Virginia Freedom of Information Act:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County has convened a closed session on this date pursuant to an affirmation recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County hereby certifies that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed session to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County; and (iii) no action was taken in closed session.

8. Adjourn

The Board adjourned until the next Joint Budget workshop with the School Board on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland County Public Schools.

John Newman, Chairman

Derek Stamey, County Administrator