

At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 7:00 p.m. on the 14th day of August, 2018, at the Cumberland County Circuit Court Room:

Present: Kevin Ingle, District 3, Chairman
Parker Wheeler, District 5, Vice-Chairman
William F. Osl, Jr., District 1
David Meinhard, District 4
Vivian Giles, County Administrator | Attorney
Nicci Edmondston, Assistant County Administrator
JP Duncan, Zoning Administrator

Absent: Lloyd Banks, Jr., District 2

1. Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

2. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Chairman.

3. Roll Call

County Administrator, Vivian Giles, called the roll.

4. Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Supervisor Osl and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Agenda as presented:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

5. State and Local Department/Agencies

a) Dr. Amy Griffin, Superintendent of Cumberland County Public Schools, gave the following report to the Board:

- The first day of school was on August 8, 2014.
- Dr. Griffin thanked all of the organizations who assisted with school supply donations.
- The School System held two back-to-school celebrations, one at Cartersville Rescue Squad, and one at Randolph Volunteer Fire Department.
- Fall Sports Programs are under way
- On the first day of School, the American Legion came and provided a ceremony to replace the American Flag.
- The First inductee to the Cumberland County Schools Alumni Hall of Fame is Robert Sherer.
- The Cumberland Ruritan Club provided lunch for school staff on August 1, 2018.
- Sharon Baptist Church, Payne Memorial Church, and Fitzgerald Church continue to support the school system and provide school supply donations

b) VDOT

There were no VDOT representatives present.

c) Meaghan Lewis of Cumberland County Public Library gave the following report to the Board:

Ms. Lewis was unable to attend the meeting.

d) Virginia Department of Forestry, letter from Mr. Shannon Lewis

Chairman Ingle, in the absence of Mr. Lewis, read a letter from Mr. Lewis to the Board regarding their payment in lieu of taxes. Mr. Lewis stated in his letter that the Cumberland State Forest has had a productive year, timber sales did well, improvements were made to Bonbrook Lake, and new wildlife plantings were completed, amongst other achievements. The County's payment this year is \$84,381.067. Mr. Lewis also asked that the Board share with those in attendance that there will be a Forestry and Wildlife Tour on September 18, 2018.

6. Public Hearings

a) CUP 18-05 Cobbs Creek Substation

Zoning Administrator, JP Duncan, informed the Board that Central Virginia Electric Cooperative (CVEC) has applied to build a 115 KV transmission tap line that would be around 2,100 feet long, and lie within a 100 foot easement provided by Henrico County. They also are proposing to construct an electric substation on a 100 foot by 150 foot site owned by Henrico County. The substation would serve the Cobbs Creek Reservoir pump station as well as 475 customers of CVEC. The Planning Commission has recommended approval of the application.

The Chairman opened the public hearing and the following citizens spoke:

- Ms. Pat Hilliard asked several questions: Will her electric bill come from Central Virginia electric or Henrico County? If there is a power outage, will the proposed project increase the response time to restore power? Will citizens be buying power from Henrico County? Will the citizens have lapses in power during the transition to this substation?
- Ms. Rose McClinton stated that she has the same questions as Ms. Hilliard.

Mr. Jeremy Watts, Engineer with CVEC, answered the questions posed by the citizens. The power will continue to come from CVEC, and not Henrico County. The transition should be seamless for the customers. The rates electric companies can charge are set by the State Corporation Commission, so this substation will not cause an increase in cost to the citizens.

With no other citizens signed up to speak, the Chairman then closed the public hearing.

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler and carried unanimously, the Board approved CUP 18-05 Cobbs Creek Substation by the following vote:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

7. County Attorney/County Administrator Report

- a) Consent Agenda
 - 1) Approval of Bills for July 2018 and August 2018. Approved bills for August 14, 2018 are \$33,452.50. Ratified bills for July 11, 2018 to August 13, 2018 of warrants total \$557,165.38 with check numbers ranging from 77859-78108. Direct Deposits total \$163,843.21.
 - 2) Approval of Minutes – June 7, 2018, June 12, 2018, June 28, 2018, July 10, 2018

On a motion by Supervisor Meinhard and carried by the following vote, the Board approved the consent agenda:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

b) Set Workshops for EMS and Goals and Priorities

County Administrator, Vivian Giles, stated that the Board discussed holding a workshop to receive the report for the EMS Study that was conducted by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs, as well as to review the Goals and Priorities of the Board. The EMS report is expected to be available late September or early October. It was the consensus of the Board that Tuesdays or Thursdays would be acceptable meeting dates. Once a specific date has been confirmed, Ms. Giles will relay that to the Board. No action was taken on this item.

c) Mutual Aid Agreement with the Town of Farmville for Fire & EMS

County Administrator, Vivian Giles, informed the Board that this item had come before the Board in June 2018, and action was tabled. The Chairman requested that an electronic copy be provided to him for release to the Emergency Services Committee (ESC). Action on this item was tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board to be held on September 11, 2018.

d) Adopt 2018 Personal Property Tax Relief Act Rates (PPTRA)

On a motion by Supervisor Meinhard and carried by the following vote, the Board approved and adopted the 2018 Personal Property Tax Relief Act rate as 41.05%:

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| Vote: | Mr. Osl – aye | Mr. Banks – absent |
| | Mr. Ingle – aye | Mr. Meinhard – aye |
| | Mr. Wheeler – aye | |

e) Set a public hearing for Mid-Atlantic Broadband request for tax exempt status

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler, and carried by the following vote, the Board set a public hearing for Mid-Atlantic Broadband request for tax exempt status for September 11, 2018:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

- f) Approve contract with Pearson Appraisal Services for reassessment

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler, and carried by the following vote, the Board approved the contract with Pearson Appraisal Services for the 2019 reassessment:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

- g) County Health Insurance

On a motion by Supervisor Osl, and carried by the following vote, the Board approved a contract with Bankers Insurance for Health Insurance Services:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

8. Finance Director's Report

- a) Monthly budget Report

There was no discussion regarding the monthly budget report.

9. **Planning Director's Report**

a) Planning Project Update

There was no discussion regarding this item.

b) Set Public Hearings

1. CA 18-03 Solar Facility

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler, and carried by the following vote, the Board set a public hearing for CA 18-03 Solar Facility for September 11, 2018:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

2. CUP 18-07 Dollar General South

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler, and carried by the following vote, the Board set a public hearing for CUP 18-07 Dollar General South for September 11, 2018:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

3. REZ 18-04 Dollar General South

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler, and carried by the following vote, the Board set a public hearing for REZ 18-04 Dollar General South for September 11, 2018:

Vote: Mr. Osl – aye Mr. Banks – absent
Mr. Ingle – aye Mr. Meinhard – aye
Mr. Wheeler – aye

10. Old Business

N/A

11. New Business

The Chairman read a flyer that was provided to the Board regarding an Opioid meeting on September 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Farmville Public Library.

12. Public Comments

Ms. Betty Myers asked why outside counsel was hired to represent the County in the previous court cases on July 30, 2018 and August 7, 2018.

Mr. Hubbard Sprouse stated that Supervisor Meinhard' s town hall meeting regarding the landfill prior to the vote was a good thing for residents. He stated that he is disappointed that the public question and answer section was eliminated from the agenda, and that he assumes this was done in a secret meeting. He asked for the status of the Republic Landfill and whether there is litigation regarding the Republic Landfill. Lastly, he stated that the supervisors who are representatives of the citizens do not contact the citizens and let them know what is going on.

Mr. Tim Kennell stated that because the advance payment to be received from Green Ridge is \$400,000, then if the tipping fees are not ever due, then who has to refund that money?

Ms. Christal Schools stated that her background is in tourism, and her focus now will be to stop the dump. She has many connections to many potential businesses, including a grocery store that works with local farmers, but these ideas will have to go on the back burner because she is trying to stop the dump.

Mr. Ronald Tavernier asked if each of the Supervisors actually read the Host Agreement for Green Ridge. The document grew almost 30 pages. Green Ridge is a new company with no track record, putting the landfill in the worst place they can. Mr. Tavernier stated that he wants assurance from each of the Supervisors that neither they, nor their family members, are making a profit off of the landfill.

Ms. Carol Miller stated that she no longer enjoys being a resident of Cumberland. The Board did not listen to the citizens who said they do not want the landfill. She does not trust the landfill company and no longer trusts the Supervisors.

Ms. Patty Pedrick stated that the audience cannot hear the Supervisors speak.

Mr. Bruce Allen stated that a realtor says that he has lost 50% of the value of his land. Where does he go to get that money? Who does he sue for that money? How does he sell the house? He also asked the Board if there is any other property in Cumberland currently zoned M-2, and stated that he is coming to the County for his money.

13. Supplemental Information

The Chairman clarified that curbside trash pickup was discussed during the RFP Process for refuse hauling. Supervisor Osl stated that if the landfill does not come to fruition, the county would be required to refund the \$400,000 payment. He also pointed out, however, that there is a termination clause in the Host Agreement that will more than offset the \$400,000 repayment.

14. Board Member Comments

Chairman Ingle stated that the rescue and fire departments have been working hard to rebuild the Emergency Services Committee (ESC) and that Glenn Moore is the new Chairman. The ESC is working on new standard operating procedures (SOPs) for EMS and working towards getting better communication lines.

15. Additional Information

- a) Treasurer's Report
- b) DMV Report
- c) Monthly Building Inspections Report
- d) Approved Planning Commission meeting minutes – N/A
- e) Approved EDA meeting minutes – N/A

16. Adjourn -

On a motion by Supervisor Wheeler and carried by the following vote, the Board adjourned the meeting until the next regular meeting to be held on September 11, 2018:

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| Vote: | Mr. Osl – aye | Mr. Banks – absent |
| | Mr. Ingle – aye | Mr. Meinhard – aye |
| | Mr. Wheeler – aye | |

Wm. Kevin Ingle, Chairman

Vivian Giles, County Administrator/County Attorney