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At a regular meeting of the Southampton County Board of Supervisors held in the Board Room of the Southampton County Office Center, 26022 Administration Center Drive, Courtland, Virginia on April 28, 2014 at 6:00 PM.

SUPERVISORS PRESENT

Dallas O. Jones, Chairman (Drewryville)  
Ronald M. West, Vice Chairman (Berlin-Ivor)  
Dr. Alan W. Edwards (Jerusalem)  
Glenn H. Updike (Newsoms)  
Carl J. Faison (Boykins-Branchville)  
Barry T. Porter (Franklin)  
S. Bruce Phillips (Capron)

SUPERVISORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Michael W. Johnson, County Administrator (Clerk)  
Lynette C. Lowe, Deputy County Administrator/Chief Financial Officer  
Beth Lewis, Community Development Deputy Director  
Richard E. Railey, Jr., County Attorney  
Amanda N. Smith, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS ABSENT

Julien W. Johnson, Jr. Public Utilities Director

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Supervisor Faison gave the invocation.

Chairman Jones stated that the first item on the agenda is a closed session.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated it is necessary for this Board to now conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the provisions set out in the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, for the following purpose:

- 1) In accordance with Section 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 the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community; and
- 2) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (3), Discussion or consideration of the disposition of real property for a public purpose (former Voter Registrar's Office), where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body; and
- 3) In accordance with Section 2.1-3711 (A) (29), Discussion of the terms and scope of a public contract with Narricot Industries where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the negotiating strategy of the governing body.

A motion is required to convene a closed meeting for the purposes described above.

Chairman Jones asked if he could get a motion to go into closed session.

Supervisor West made a motion to go into closed session.

Supervisor Phillips seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states I call this Southampton County Board of Supervisors back to order again. At this time we will have our certification.

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Supervisor West states I will be glad to read that please.

Supervisor West read the certification resolution to go back into open session.

## **RESOLUTION OF CLOSED MEETING**

**WHEREAS, the Southampton County Board of Supervisors had convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and**

**WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 (D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southampton County Board of Supervisors 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 meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed and considered by the Southampton County Board of Supervisors.**

Supervisor West made a motion to adopt the certification resolution.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states we did not do anything that was not on their agenda in the closed meeting and at this time I will open the floor to public comments from the citizens.

Mr. Ash Cutchin of Courtland, Virginia addressed the Board. He states thank you Mr. Chairman and good evening. Thank you for allowing the public to speak. I am Ed Cutchins, Darden Point Road, Jerusalem district. I would like to share some economic facts in April 2014 obtained from government and business sources. Two months of sharp increases in food prices show that groceries are starting to pass along their higher wholesale cost to consumers. Retail food prices rose four tenths of 1% in March; the same as in February. That is the highest amount since September 2011. Calculated on an annual basis those increases equate to plus 4.8% per year. My comparison in the price of all consumer goods went up two tenths of 1% in March. That is according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Gas prices are up about .15 cents per gallon this year over last year, which is about plus 4.5%. Beef, pork, poultry, eggs, and milk have had the most dramatic increases. Overall consumer prices rose two tenths of 1% in March and annual inflation was 1.5%. Higher food bills are squeezing households still struggling with meager wage gains; and could cramp spending just as a recovery is expected to accelerate. According to Christopher of the company IHS Global Insight, living standards will suffer as larger percentages of household budgets are spent on grocery bills leaving less discretionary spending. A drought that thin cattle's herds two years has driven up wholesale beef prices 23% this past year. Meanwhile, a virus outbreak in the hog population has pushed wholesale pork prices up by a staggering 56%. I just read a couple of days ago where shrimp prices are expecting to climb 40% or more. The California drought is likely to lead to higher prices this year for a variety of fruits and vegetables such as avocados, lettuce, and berries. Retail beef and pork prices are up 7% and 5% respectively. To cover their increase wholesale cost, supermarket owners are expected to increase their prices an additional 10% this year. Gentleman your public is hurting. Your constituents are hurting. I have not raised the price of my appraisal work in five years because I have to compete in the market. In fact, several potential clients who have called me this year have told me that I charge too much so I don't get those jobs. The only pay raise I receive is the 1.5% increase in my social security. And, yet I also have to pay those increased food and fuel prices of 5, 7, and 10%. You have the power to increase the pay of county employees. You have already reclassified many employees resulting in substantial pay increases. At the workshop I attended, I heard the sheriff is asking for an \$8,000 pay raise only two years after seeking the job. He is a nice person and a competent law enforcement officer. I like him and I voted for him. But personally, I think someone who runs for public office should be satisfied with the pay in effect when he seeks that office; at least for a couple of years or longer. I feel the same way about Congress. I know you have been bombarded

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with request for increase spending on just about everything in the budget and it is hard to say no. The county employees, and teachers, and deputies are our neighbors and we expect all of them to make a living wage, and local taxes are the source. But I must remind you, not only do I have to pay my own food and fuel price increases I mentioned early, and then through higher taxes, my neighbors and I have to pay for those same increases for the county employees. I and all my fellow neighbors and citizens who actually do pay our taxes, we must than pay for all those citizens who don't pay their taxes; to me that sounds like a triple whammy. I respectfully ask you to think about this triple whammy and the devastating affect it has on your citizens, your neighbors when you consider raising our taxes. Mr. Britt would probably report in a few minutes that the unpaid taxes are still \$1 million dollars or more; personal property and real estate. That is all I have to say about that, but have one more issue and that is about something later on the agenda tonight; your consideration about bi-annual elections and staggering terms for supervisors. Personally, I think it is highly unlikely that we would experience a complete turnover in any one election cycle. If we did, as you mentioned last month that would definitely be a learning curve problem for seven brand new elected supervisors with no one on the board that has served before. If I recall, the four newest of you who won two years ago have also had learning curve problems yourselves, and I think you all would admit that. It seems to me you also promised no tax increases. If you do choose staggered terms, I think the public should know in advance who would be running for only two years the first time around rather than have some sort of lottery after the election. Thank you for your patience while I have exceeded my two minutes.

Chairman Jones states that is alright. You always do but that is fine.

Mr. Ash Cutchin asked I always exceed my two minutes?

Chairman Jones states every now and then. I don't ever stop you. Anyone else?

Mr. John Burchett of Sebrell, Virginia addressed the Board. My name is John Burchett and I live in Sebrell. I am glad to see Richard Railey in his seat tonight. Thank God for that because we certainly do need his expertise. I hate to take your time up tonight over the budget but I don't know why the citizens don't have an opportunity to have an input until it is too late; which is May and it is too late. So, if you will bare with me, I understand what Ash is saying but I also understand that our county employees have to live too. They need some help; they are public servants but not slaves. Sometimes we take advantage of them because they are local and they are here. The proposed two cent tax increase, the reason for it, I don't have a problem. The proposed reduction in some tax rates I don't have a problem with that. I think we need to let existing businesses know we are concerned about them; not just bringing in new businesses but we appreciate what they do for us. With that being said, how much is the one cent?

Mr. Michael Johnson states \$156,000.

Mr. John Burchett repeats \$156,000.

Supervisor Edwards states \$151,000.

Mr. John Burchett states I have not heard anybody say they have looked at this budget and come up with alternatives to that two cent increase. It is certain that the reason for it is not debatable. We need those emergency services. I have a couple of things and I hope you will think about it and not just blow it off as dumb John, which I am dumb so....but anyway. The first one I brought up last year was the disposal sites for the dump was to reduce them from three days to two; you rejected that. I understand there are people who may not be able to do it one day but they need to be open three days. I have modified my proposal to open them all three days that they are scheduled 12 hours a day on the weekend day, but to cut the other two days from 7 a.m. until 10 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. A split would cut those two days, hours in half saving twelve hours which would be the equivalent to shutting them for one day. Now, my figures I took them off of Mr. Johnson's budget. By cutting a third of the hours at the dump, I took the 228,000 and divided it by three. Now will that come up with the right thing?

Mr. Michael Johnson states close.

Mr. John Burchett states okay. We would be saving \$76,000. Now my math, and Michael what you just said, that would take about a half of a cent off of the two cent. I understand that things are

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the way they are but we can do things to make the public think these guys are trying to help us. They are not just going to reduce fees and raise taxes. They are going to try and cut some spending. Animal control is going to put me under the gun from my fellow hunters. Animal control budget is \$104,336 requested. The fee for kennel tags and other tags if I read it right, dog tags is \$17,000. I would say dogs are a great majority of our animal control problem. We need to up the kennel tags and the personal tags. I am proposing that we raise the kennel tags by four. I have had a kennel tag for 35 years and I don't think it has ever gone up. If I am not mistaken I have been paying \$50 for 50 dogs for 35 years. I know that my dogs have generated problems because they accidentally get out and people call animal control. To make a long story short, if we double the regular dog owner fee and quadruple the kennel tags, and also if I look at the budget of my hunt club, the one I hunt with, I don't think we are required to handle kennel tags because I don't think I have ever seen it in the budget. We need to require hunt clubs if they maintain facilities for dogs, require them to have a kennel tag. Richard, is there anything in our budget that requires us to have a kennel tag? No look, Mr. West you don't think we should subsidize hunters and I agree with you, but we need to get everybody on board with paying the right amount. I don't know how much that would generate but I am looking at increasing the kennel tags would generate about \$51,000. Now that may not be exactly right because I don't know how many individual dog owners there are. Now, the next little tid bit I have is on the community concert. My wife buys tickets for those. Why in God's name are the tax payers paying for me to go watch Hal Linden perform, which I didn't go because I forgot about it. Give me a break. There are some things taxpayers should not pay for. I am not asking anybody to pay my hunting dues. I mean, if they like to they can talk to me later but I don't want the taxpayers to subsidize. If I want to go to a movie or if I want to go see a concert that is my opinion. If you take that out, that is another \$4500. Now that brings us to \$131,500. We are almost to one cent. I got something here and I am looking at these figures, and I can't believe what I am looking at but they are what Michael's put out. Bare with me I am almost done. The detention budget for the sheriff's department is \$3,076,486. Last year it was \$2,842,657 and that is an increase of \$233,829. I looked at every line on here and I don't know what is going on with every line, but I do know one thing; if we average less than 100 inmates per year according to what I have been told, that is \$30,764 to maintain one inmate for a year. I don't know about any other taxpayer but that is ridiculous. Also, there is a request in the building fund for \$37,000 to repair the kitchen. Is that right Michael?

Mr. Michael Johnson shook his head yes.

Mr. John Burchett states now I didn't see that in the detention budget. Is that an additional \$37,000? Okay, so that adds another \$37,000. Now to get up over the once cent so we can reduce our tax increase, I am requesting that you all instruct the sheriff that if he wants \$37,000 to repair his kitchen he needs to take it out of his 3 million dollar budget. It is already there. I am sure he can do it. This is not to be against anybody; it is just a fact of life. You have got to help us out, the citizens please. Now if you take that \$37,000 and add it to the \$131,500 that we have come up with already, I come up with \$168,500 which puts us over the top of one percent. That would reduce the necessary tax increase from two cent to one cent. To me that is not a lot of money, and I am not worried about paying two cent extra, but for somebody like Bruce, Jimmy Lee, and some of you guys that have land, that will be substantial. I am just asking you to consider whether you do it or not you have the power; today you have the power. I do appreciate you funding public schools. And once again, I assure you I am on board with the tax cut for the heavy construction machinery and the funding for emergency services. These guys, I thank God for them because when they came and got my wife January 1<sup>st</sup> I appreciated it.

Chairman Jones states we appreciate you, thank you very much. Anyone else? Public comment closed. Does anyone have any comments? The minutes, does anyone have any problems with the minutes. We have three sets of minutes in our agenda. Anyone have any problems with them?

Supervisor Updike states I just noticed on our retreat and I wanted to check and see the status of moving Public Utilities from Branchville to Courtland. The figures in that was \$200.00 would get them moved without any additional cost; more than \$200.00. How is that progressing and how much is that really going to cost us.

Mr. Michael Johnson states more than \$200.00. It is progressing and they have placed the order with Charter Communications today to move and get all of that set up. I don't have that exact number tonight but I would be more than happy to get it for you.

Supervisor Updike states the second part of it is will it be a substantial amount of increase?

Mr. Michael Johnson states it is several thousands.

Supervisor Updike states up in the thousands. I hope that this wasn't intentional to mislead the board that it was only going to cost \$200,000. I think if it was going to cost in the thousand dollars to do it, they should have come back before the board and ask for a proper appropriation. The second thing was I do not want to see the school sitting there, and in a couple of years costing us hundreds of thousands of dollars to get that building torn down. I want it sold now, as is, where it is, and not costing us a fortune to clean up the mess. The citizens, if you sell it to a private owner, they can do it for one tenth of the amount the county would be charged. I want to put it in the process of getting rid of the school and that property.

Chairman Jones states Mr. Updike I wish you would find somebody to buy the one in Drewryville. It has been sitting there ever since we got it and nobody has done one thing with it. All the new owners, I think it has had three or four owners and nobody has done one thing.

Supervisor Updike states well they are paying taxes on it. We didn't have to pay \$70,000 to \$100,000 to have it torn down. So this is money that we don't have. Get rid of it now while it does have some value.

Chairman Jones states alright.

Supervisor Porter states Chairman, can we move this to a more appropriate place on the agenda to discuss. We are just trying to get the minutes approved here.

Chairman Jones states that is fine. Is there anything else on the minutes? If not, I need a motion.

Supervisor West made the motion that the minutes stand approved as presented.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states highway matters number 6.

Mr. Joseph Lomax, Residency Administrator of VDOT, addressed the Board. Good evening board members. I'm Joseph Lomax of VDOT here to take your concerns about some of the roads. I have last month's questions and answers with regards to a couple of trees at Mr. Drake's house and the intersection of Sands Road and Statesville Road. Ben told me this week, he took care of both of them. Also, Barnes Church Circle, the pothole in the Y, she told me he took care of that.

Supervisor Updike states they just dumped.... they patched it.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states it's not a permanent fix, it's a temporary fix we did. I will make sure they get a permanent fix in.

Supervisor Updike states by the way Mr. Drake and them certainly thanked you for it. For getting that tree removed.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states okay. I will certainly pass that on to the crew. On Cypress Bridge Road, I talked to him about that. They had that slated for this week and it was actually Cross Keys Road where we put the culvert in. According to him, they were focusing on those ends of 35 where the road is failing that you brought to our attention down there. We met with the contractor and the construction division and will be working on something for a permanent repair. Right now, we are doing temporary, but I may move some scheduling around to have that redone the right way. The contractors are going to fix it, but I may move some of the itineraries around for this upcoming year schedule to redo that last part from somewhere around the trailer park back to 35. I am not sure what happened. Only thing I can think of is I believe we milled a little bit too deep, which meant the sub-base was weak and couldn't take the weight. So we are going to take care of that. He said he was scheduling to cover that road at Cross Keys this week. It is probably a wash with the rain this week so probably next week we will be taking care of that. Plus open asphalt is running now so we shouldn't have a problem.

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Supervisor West states thank you.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states alright, the guardrail on 671; that was taken care of under the project. Jerry talked to Ms. Vick about that. Those are the only things I currently have and I will be ready to take any other concerns that the board has about highway matters.

Chairman Jones states any concerns Mr. West.

Supervisor West states first, thank you for being here. And number two, thank you for your extended time in Ivor; well spent, and equipment sent to do some things there. We appreciate what has been done and your hands were upon each one of those things. So thank you so much for that.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes sir.

Supervisor West states there are a number of things that basically go directly to Mr. Bryant and I have marvelous results by speaking to him. He is courteous, attentive, and he informs me of what is going on okay. I have two more questions out of curiosity; on 635 the railroad Norfolk Southern Bridge just before you get to 460, a number of landowners adjacent to that bridge have received notices of surveying. What is going on and what is the status?

Mr. Joseph Lomax states that bridge is under design for replacement.

Supervisor West ask and when?

Mr. Joseph Lomax states it is further down the road. I am talking after 2020 sometime. I will get you an update on the schedule. I don't have it at the moment.

Supervisor West states I don't want to get too excited but that is a step. Mayor Vick did you hear that? The new bridge after maybe.... We may not be here but maybe.... Well thank you.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states it is being designed and sometimes bridge funds can come quicker than regular road funds because that is federal money. It depends sometimes if we have the bridge set up for PE and all of a sudden we will find out during the next year or this year there are additional funds. Some other state can't use it, we get ready and we have somewhere to put it. It could be accelerated quicker. We don't know, but right now I am saying, I remember looking at VAS Board (Virginia Association of Surveyors) I want to say it was somewhere after 2020.

Supervisor West states second question, sometime years ago, you and I had a conversation concerning some funds, paving some streets in Ivor.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states okay, alright.

Supervisor West states is that still on? Is there a deadline? Can you talk to me about that or would you and I need a conversation.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes we need a conversation.

Supervisor West states we need a conversation. Thank you, Mr. Lomax.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states our paving money is not what is was.

Supervisor West states yes, you spent too much putting salt products down this winter.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states that and some of it is the entire district gets money for paving and it is split between interstates and the three residencies. My sister residencies are Accomack and Williamsburg. Some years I get more than them. The last couple of years I have been burning them because of highway 58. We received right much on highway 58 for the last three or four years. So sometimes there is a shift in the paradox is to work on some of theirs. So I think 13 is getting the line share of the paved in full for primary roads this year. I am getting about 2.5 million for the upcoming season versus one year I think I got 11 million. So, we need to talk about it.

Supervisor West states okay, we will.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states I will come out to see you.

Supervisor West states great and welcome to Ivor Municipal building any time.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states we appreciate being allowed to go there.

Chairman Jones calls on Supervisor Faison.

Supervisor Faison states he has addressed my concerns and I appreciate that.

Chairman Jones calls on Supervisor Updike.

Supervisor Updike states I just have several comments. We appreciate the ditching your department did. It is still a concern when they use the ditchers and go by the outfalls the ditchers throw it in the outfalls. They do not use a shovel to clean out. I think you should at least be able to ditch it to your right-a-way. But it blocks it, running the ditchers right by the outlets. That keeps the ditches...

Supervisor Edwards states clogged up.

Supervisor Updike states clogged up so...

Mr. Joseph Lomax states we shouldn't be clogging up the outfall ditches.

Supervisor Updike states well I know. That is the reason I bought it up.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states this is the first I have heard of this so I will take care of that. Do you have any specific locations you want me to look at?

Supervisor Updike states one right that at Sands, right there in the curb. That is where I have noticed and water standing out in the road. The main reason, like I said, it has trees and stuff in it and the dirt is thrown in it and the water has no place to go. Second, I know you don't have anything to do about it. Still the state people should start giving some serious consideration to ditching through the woods or by the woods. That is the most ridiculous rules and regulations if I have ever heard of. You ditch and throw the dirt up in the fields where the crops are growing and this is where we eat the food from it. The corn and soybeans from it but yet the woods, you can't put it up on the wood banks and when you go anywhere in the county, you go five miles you have woods, next five miles are open, and the next five miles, might be a mile, might be only a half a mile. But the boy can't go get to that point and then stops. Like I say, I wish everybody would pull some efforts to have this appeal so you can ditch your hole.

Supervisor West states what he is saying is very true.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states we can ditch. We just can't sling it all over the trees nor do we sling it on the crops or we shouldn't be slinging on the crops. We should be ditching when the crops are not in the field. So, what they do, they should be coming back, and it is a lot more expensive to come back with your four or five dump trucks because you are going to have to haul it away.

Supervisor Updike states you can't do that. Let's be realistic, with all the woods around here you will never get around to do all of that; having to haul it long distance. You're not eating it, the people are not eating it, so what if it does get up on a tree. You are not eating it. You are not contaminating it. This is a political issue but it is my opinion we really need to work on.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states I will pass it along to my environmental people and see what they can do.

Supervisor Updike states I would like to talk to some of your environmental people because I want to know. They need to be realistic about their answers.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states what our people do is follow the code and the law.

Supervisor Updike states I know there is nothing that you can do, but what you can do is get it in the right person's hands and try to get something started.

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Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes sir.

Chairman Jones calls on Supervisor Porter.

Supervisor Porter states nothing right now.

Chairman Jones calls on Supervisor Edwards.

Supervisor Edwards states no, I'm fine.

Chairman Jones calls on Supervisor Phillips.

Supervisor Phillips states River Road right off of Route 35, the section closest to Courtland that has the sign that says high water. I haven't looked at it closely, but I am sure you would agree, if there is anything you can do.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states talking to staff that is the very low point. It has been like that according to Mr. Grizzard for years. I don't know of any pipe over there that can carry the water.

Supervisor Phillips states carry the water away from there.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states I will have somebody in the district to look at it since it has come up. I have dealt with another gentleman further down the road about something else. Right now they are taking a look at Woodland Park because I have gotten right many complaints in the back of Woodland Park from a couple of citizens back there. Once I finish with that one, I will head on over to take a look at River Road with the engineers.

Supervisor Phillips states I would say Guy Place would be more important than that particular spot if you can do anything with that.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states what River Road?

Supervisor Phillips states yes.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes sir I can take a look at Guy Place. One thing about that, the citizens came to the District Administrator and asked me to look at it.

Supervisor Phillips states right.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states now as far as Guy Place...

Supervisor Phillips states that will come up in the...

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes we can talk about that in the six year...

Supervisor Phillips states six year plan.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes sir. I will have somebody to take a look at that.

Supervisor Phillips states we did get one tree on Carys Bridge Road overhanging in the road trimmed back. That was a big one, thank you.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states you are welcome.

Chairman Jones states if you ever look at Fox Branch Road they have ditches there in that curve when you go around and they really fill up on both sides and the water stands on the highway.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states Fox Branch Road, alright.

Chairman Jones states that is all I have. Ok, we will go to number seven, reports; the financial report, sheriff's office, animal control, litter control, treasurer's office, Mr. Britt.

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David Britt, Southampton County Treasurer, addressed the board. Good Evening gentlemen. Just to give you an update, we got the delinquent tax notices out. They hit people's mailboxes last Thursday. They are about two weeks behind. We ran into some technical problems about getting the file up to the printers, so they are running about two weeks late. I think that has some reflections in the figures I have for you tonight. To start off with, just to give you an update on the 2012 Solid Waste Landfill, we still have \$87,463.00 outstanding on the 2012, which we are still pursuing; which leaves an unpaid balance of 6.73%. As far as the 2013 Solid Waste Landfill we have an outstanding balance of \$353,878. Just to give you a picture of where things were last year versus this year on the delinquent taxes, last year at this point in time we had \$846,000 outstanding in personal property. At this time we have \$1,043,000 outstanding. Again, as I said by the delinquent notices going out a couple weeks later, it has a reflection on that. As far as the real estate, one year ago we had \$882,000 outstanding. As of right now we have \$812,000 outstanding for 2014. Do you have any questions?

Chairman Jones asks does anyone have any questions. Thank you Mr. Britt.

Mr. David Britt states okay.

Chairman Jones states Cooperative Extension.

Mr. Neil Clark, Extension Agent, addressed the board. Good evening and thank you for this opportunity. I just wanted to make a few quick notes about what is going on in the Extension Office these days. I am happy to report that our 4H camp received an overwhelming response this year. It filled up rather quickly and now we are managing the ever lengthening waiting list. That is a good problem to have but disheartening to some of those parents that didn't get there soon enough I guess; looking at other options. Youth fishing day is coming up June 7<sup>th</sup> at Deerfield so encourage people from your district to call our office and sign up youth for that opportunity. It is a great day for families to enjoy outdoor recreation and create some good memories. On May 7<sup>th</sup> we will be interviewing our candidates for the agricultural extension agent position. So I am hoping we have a candidate in place by production season so we don't miss a beat on that. What is coming up later in the agenda will be something about our 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary which commemorate on May 8<sup>th</sup>. That is the federal creation of Cooperative Extension. I know I wasn't around for 100 years but I hope we will continue, but many of you probably remember, many of you probably remember earlier times where Extension has helped increase quality of life of the citizens by technological advancements of Cooperative Crop variety, improvement in services we can provide. I appreciate it; any questions?

Chairman Jones asked any questions, than called on Supervisor Phillips.

Supervisor Phillips states I would just say I want to thank you for the seminar you did on pine harvesting here in the county. A lot of us grow pine trees as well as row crops and thank you for the work that you do.

Mr. Neil Clark states you are certainly welcome.

Chairman Jones states anyone else? Thank you very much.

Mr. Neil Clark states thank you.

Chairman Jones states solid waste quantities; personnel Mr. Johnson, we have quite a few.

Mr. Michael Johnson states I would like to report Mr. Chairman we have one new hire effective April 1<sup>st</sup> in the sheriff office, Denise Mason annual salary \$23,383. There were three reclassifications during the month based on certifications that were achieved; Robert Howell in the department of Utilities effective February 1<sup>st</sup>, annual salary \$24,552. Jason Lee in the department of Utilities effective March 1<sup>st</sup>, \$24,552, and Robert Carr in the Sheriff's office effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, \$36,922. There was one employee separated effective April 30<sup>th</sup> in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Mrs. Heather Simmons and there was one adjustment from the State Compensation Board, Wesley Parker of the Sheriff's office effective April 14<sup>th</sup>, annual salary \$34,304.

Chairman Jones asked any questions. If not we will go to financial matters number eight.

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Supervisor West states Mr. Chairman I have looked at the bills and they seem to be in order and they have been audited by our staff and I make a motion that we pay the bills on time.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$1,544,164.65 to be paid by check numbers 135497 through 135879. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states number nine appointments.

Mr. Michael Johnson states if you remember Mr. Chairman, it was held over from last month, as we talked about Mr. Mann's term on the Planning Commission is due to expire later this month April 30<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Mann represents the Boykins-Branchville district. I think Supervisor Faison has had a conversation with Mr. Mann and confirmed that he is willing to continue serving and achieve his certification over the course of the next twelve months. Is that correct?

Supervisor Faison states that is correct and I ...

Supervisor Edwards states two years for certification.

Mr. Michael Johnson states two years okay.

Supervisor Faison states I make a motion that he be reappointed to this position.

Supervisor West seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Michael Johnson states the second appointment is related to the board of trustees for Blackwater Regional Library. You see the correspondence from Ms. Yvonne Hillard-Bradley regarding the reappointment of Ms. Barbara Hoskie to that board. Ms. Hoskie has expressed a willingness to continue serving.

Supervisor West states I make a motion that Ms. Hoskie be reappointed to the Blackwater Regional Library Board of Trustees.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states we will go to number ten, State of the College.

Dr. Paul Conco, President of Paul D. Camp Community College, addressed the board. I think Amanda supposed to help me with the power point. Good Evening, let me say hello, I am Dr. Conco President of Paul D. Camp Community College. I left two pieces of paper with you. One was quick facts about the college. One front and back page that tells you about your local community college and also the page on the back is about encore learning. A new program we have started through our Workforce Development program for senior citizens. There is a way you can sign up and have all those courses from computers, iPad for beginners, walking tours, line dancing, movies, cake decorating, art and wine, and a lot of other things. We have over fifty members signed up already. That next slide says where did the time go? First year I was brand new, relatively new, practically new, than the fact is we say, where are you now? Of course I say I am still excited to be at Paul D. Camp Community College. I am still excited about our mission to provide diverse learning opportunities to enhance the quality of life for students and for the community. Again we are one of twenty three community colleges in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Those red dots there are campuses of those twenty three community colleges. So no place in Virginia is more than 45 minutes away from a community college. These here two dots are for Paul D. Camp Community College. We have a campus in Franklin and of course a campus in Suffolk, and we also have a center in Smithfield. Those twenty three community colleges by law are all defined a service region. Our service regions of course are the City of Franklin and Suffolk and the counties of Southampton and Isle of Wight. Graduation awards every year, we peaked in 2011 at 310 graduates. Again, that was due to a lot of plant closings. A lot of people came to the community college to get re-educated, re-tooled, re-trained for new jobs and we graduated them which is what we are supposed to do. So now we have about 260 levels of graduates. Our graduation is May 9<sup>th</sup> and final exams are next week. A few people are waiting to see how those finals go. In our service region you will see our largest percentage of students are from the City of Suffolk, but about 22, 23% of our students do come from Southampton County. You also see we have a big age distribution; 29% of our students are 17 or younger. You also see

we have a big age distribution; 29% of our students are 17 or younger. You say wow, aren't most of them in high school? Yes, a lot of them are in our dual enrollment program where you can take college classes while you are in high school and get credit for both, a high school class and a college class. As you go around that pie chart you get older, and older, and older but in the top left there 10-16% of our students are in there 40s and 50s. I think that tells a lot of stories about second chances and re-training and coming back to school for your education. Of all the people in Southampton County that are going to college, 40% goes to Paul D. Camp Community College. All of those other pie charts represents other institutions, Tidewater Community College, 22% of our residents go to that college. If you look, a little over 50% of our residents get financial aid of some sort to be able to afford college. If you look at all of the degrees, there are 40 different degrees that we offer. The largest thing that we do is the General Studies. It is the 2 + 2. They come for the first two years at the community college, take their basics, Math, English, History, Biology, and then transfer to a four year school. Of the Associates Applied Science, the largest thing we do is Nursing, Early Childhood Development, Criminal Justice and a lot of things in between like Welding, Electricity, etc. This is our dual enrollment. When I tell people to look at best practices for dual enrollment, I tell them to look at Southampton High School. Southampton High School does the best practice you see and according to the pie chart they are the largest dual enrollment school that we service. They surpass Isle of Wight Academy these last couple of years. It is a great opportunity they are providing our students and our citizens to save money and get a head start on college. The other end of the spectrum we have to realize is throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia more than half of the students that come to the community college are not what we call college ready. They can't pass the entrance exam in Math and English and we have to give them developmental courses. A big problem throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia, actually throughout the nation, is having students' college ready when they come to us. I want to call your attention to the College Education Wizard, [vawizzard.org](http://vawizzard.org). It is one stop shopping sponsored by the Virginia Community College System, the Department of Education, and others. You can go as a student or as a parent and look at career aspiration of skill assessments. You can see salaries, the fastest five growing careers in a zip code; you can take a practice test for Math or Science for the ACT or SAT. You can look at all the colleges and their cost, their financial aid, and their options. It is one stop shopping. Anybody that is thinking about career aspiration or higher education needs to go to [vawizzard.org](http://vawizzard.org). Let's also talk about 2 + 2 degrees you can do right here at Paul D. Camp. We have arranged with Old Dominion University that you can get your Bachelors of Science, Police Science, Nursing, Health Sciences right here from our campuses. We have articulation agreements with Western Governor's University where you can go from RN to BSN in one year through the computer. We have 2 + 2 articulation agreement with Norfolk State where they have a transfer center to make students who transfer from Paul D. Camp most successful. In that Virginia Wizard, it will outline the guaranteed transfer, guaranteed admission agreements we have with all the senior colleges in Virginia. So if you are thinking about going to the College of William and Mary, you can come to Paul D. Camp, get a degree, look on the wizard to see what courses you have to take, what grades you have to make, check that off and when you finish, not maybe can I go to college at William and Mary, but you are guaranteed to transfer to college at William and Mary. You are guaranteed to go to Virginia Tech. You are guaranteed to go to the University of Virginia. It is the greatest system in the nation right here in Virginia. Go to Virginia Wizard and look at those criteria, do that check list, and you are guaranteed to get into that 2 + 2 arrangement with that college. That is just something that is unbelievable and is such an asset to our citizens. Let me go quickly to some exciting plans that we are involved in. House Bill 1184 is a Dual Enrollment plan legislation that says every school system will have an agreement with their local community college where qualified high school students can get a one year General Studies certificate or an Associate's Degree while they are still in high school. We have those agreements with all the high schools in our service region. We have a shared services distance learning partnership with Northern Virginia Community College where through distance education we can offer a wide variety of courses and they are still under the sanction of Paul D. Camp Community College. So, we offer things like introduction to Chinese. Every semester we have a number of students taking introduction to Chinese. We offer Bio-Medical ethics; things we would not have the numbers to support ourselves but because of this partnership we can offer those classes. We have a Barnes and Noble bookstore you know. We are doing more with E-text books. We are doing more with rentals. In fact, that is the biggest business we do now; students rent the textbooks, uses it when they need it and turns it back in. It is very low cost for them. We are also doing more with OER (Open Educational Resources) where there is no textbook. It is all online through the internet. It is up to date, easily accessible, and free. It is more work on the faculty but again it saves that student the cost of textbooks which is often a barrier to students. We have a lot of things in our strategic plan. I'll just point out that we have plans on improved college

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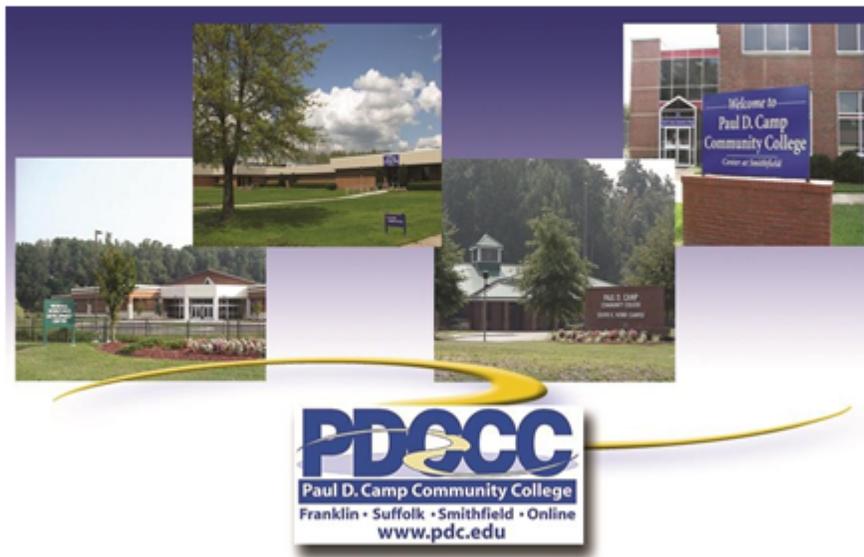
readiness where we are working with the K-12 system; whatever we can do to make it more successful. Also, to improve services to Veterans, Paul D. Camp Community College for the last four years running has been voted a military friendly college. We are proud of that, but we think we can do more in that area and we have plans to do that. We also have new programs. We have new programs in the logging industry; we run a logging institute out of the Workforce Center at Paul D. Camp. We are in our second year of pharmacy technician. We just got approved for robotics and mechatronics. We just got approved for Emergency Medical Technician. We are doing more with logistics warehouse and distribution. We just got approved for the Suffolk campus for Practical Nurse and we are on the agenda for the Virginia Board of Nursing to get approved at our Franklin Campus; a Practical Nursing program that is with Southampton Memorial Hospital and Franklin City Schools. We have degrees in Sustainability through a grant. We have a new Sustainability faculty member and we are working with TCC to get Physical Therapy Assistant opportunity available. We do movie nights all semester, we do the encore learning, kid's college, and we do a lot as a community college. So from kid's college, to the regular program, to the senior citizen program, we offer a lot. We also started a math academy at Paul D. Camp. We had our first math Saturday this past Saturday. Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth graders can come for math tutoring free of charge. Also, other computer programs, we have math tutors there on our Suffolk Campus. We will start it on our Franklin Campus. Math is an issue. Not just in our service region but it is an issue. If you don't have adequate math skills when you come to the Community College, think of all those careers that are just not open to you anymore. The Community College wants to do what it can do to improve the math skills in our service region. That math academy is part of what we can do; a part of what we are looking for. We have a career development center through a Department of Labor grant. We have a lot of coaches through grants. Just to let people know, we have a career development center at all of our campuses and our center in Smithfield. If you are looking at a career, or you don't know what you want to do, or you had a job and have been laid off, we have assistance. We have help for you. We have adult career coaches, we have job placement coaches, we have a job board, and we have success coaches. Success coaches each have 100 students; generally first generation in college students. They need extra help. They don't have anybody at home that has been to college before. We have coaches to help them. We have high school career coaches, we have on-ramp coaches, we have in-school, out-of-school, we have a lot of support mechanisms. Once we can get a student to the college we have ways to help him or her be successful. Real quickly let me just brief you. We have some water issues at the Workforce Development Center. You see the dirt moving to the left, to the right, to the left. But again, we have had some flooding issues over the years and we are trying to correct that. Get the water to drain away from the building. We are adding French drains, additional landscaping, and we are adding another retention pond unfortunately. We are resurrecting a walking trail that we had. So again, the state is paying for that, which took a few years of convincing, but again, with all that water there is mold issues and things that you just can't tolerate in this day in age. So that correction is going to be happening. We are doing library renovations now at both Suffolk and Franklin locations combining our technology, our computer labs, and library resources. People don't come to a library and pull a book off the shelf that much anymore. They come to the library for high speed internet access, digital information, to work in groups, so we are working with that. We are open seven days a week now in our Franklin campus and we are very proud of that. You come in on a Sunday from 2 – 5 p.m. you will see the computer lab and library full of community citizens and students using that access so we are proud of that. The new digital sign will be coming up this summer on the corner of Armory Drive and College Drive. Our Workforce Development Center is a great resource being used by almost 40,000 people over the course of the year. We serve several dozen businesses, many will rent our facility; we do a lot of community events, we do a lot of wedding receptions. Never knew we would do so many wedding receptions but we do a lot. That trailer you see is a program we do with Newport News Shipbuilding and some other Community Colleges; Marine painting, marine electricity, and other things. Quite a busy Workforce Development Center, quite the economic development tool that you want it to be. Also this year, we ended our major gift campaign and raised over the last few years a little over seven million dollars from foundations and private gifts for these new programs for some student scholarships and to help us keep up with technology. Alright, so I have talked about programs strategic planning numbers so let me get to the heart of what we do. Here are some student examples, Donna Lloyd of Courtland, Kathy Camper Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship, Early Childhood Development; Ashley Giorgi of Boykins, graduate of Southampton High School. She is very active in the Key Club; the Bobby Worrell Scholarship. Martin Carr of Sedley received the Dr. Douglas & Grace Boyce Scholarship. He is a member of our honor society, been on Presidential Council, and he just won the Geico Scholarship as he goes on for his four year degree. Jasmine Anderson of Boykins is enrolled in our Nursing Program. Dual Enrollment, these two

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students Benjamin Cutchins and Samantha Billups they will graduate with their Associate Degree on May 9<sup>th</sup> from Paul D. Camp Community College; about a month before they get their High School Diploma. That is a lot of hard work these two young individuals did and they are to be congratulated. When we graduate students, at the end we give them a survey and they fill out a lot of things and they rank the college and the last question of the survey says Paul D. Camp is like...fill in the blank. This is how some of them filled in the blank. Paul D. Camp is like the Harvard of Hampton Roads. I love that one. Paul D. Camp is like a first date; you don't know the person but later you begin to fall in love. The last one, Paul D. Camp is like a stairway leading to a better future. We are still excited about our mission. We are still excited about serving the citizens. We are still excited about providing diverse learning opportunities to enhance the quality of life for students and the community. I thank you for your attention and time and ask if you have any questions.

## Southampton County Supervisors

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### Where did the time go?

PDCCC President is not so new....but



- 2010/11 – Brand New
- 2011/12 – Relatively New
- 2012/13 - Practically New
- 2013/14 - ???



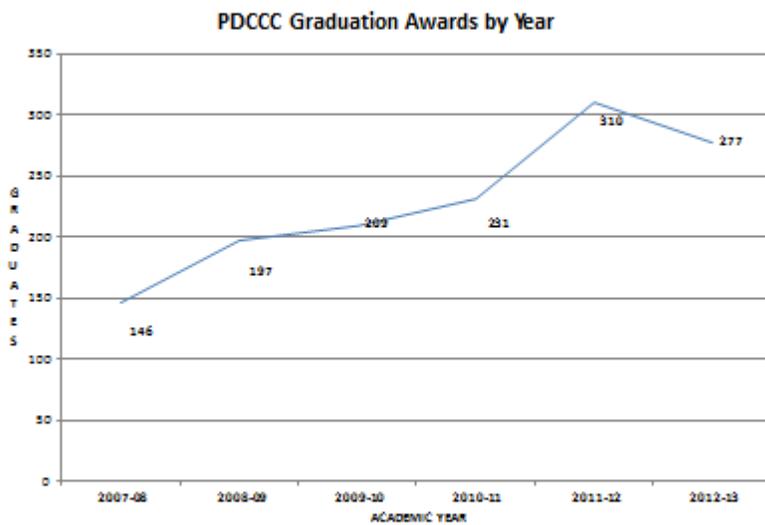
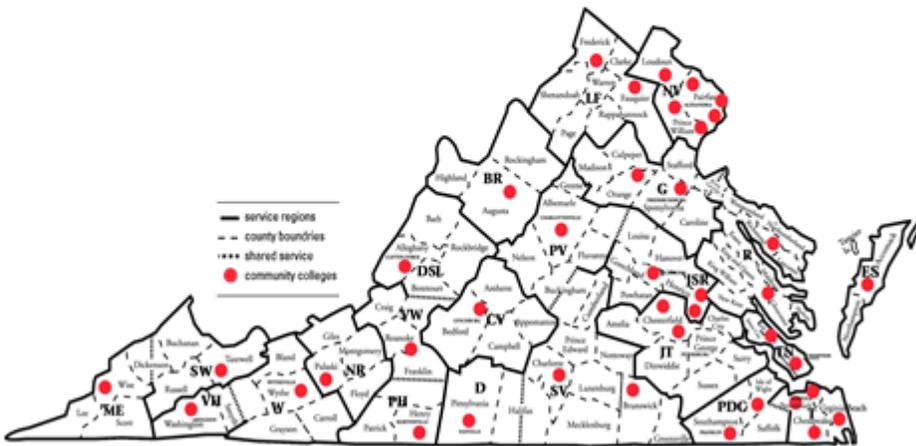
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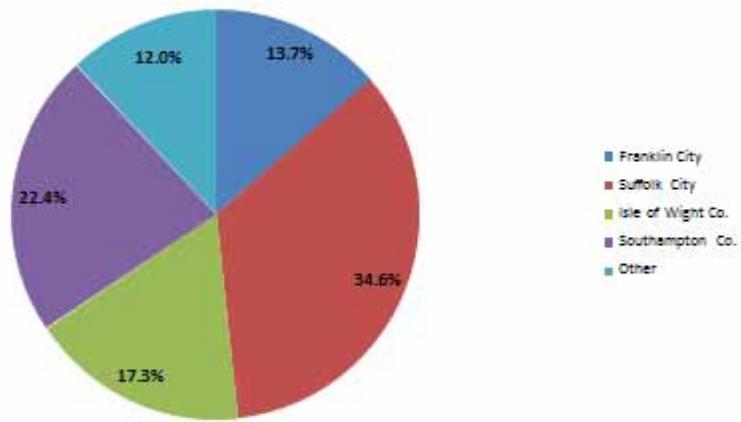
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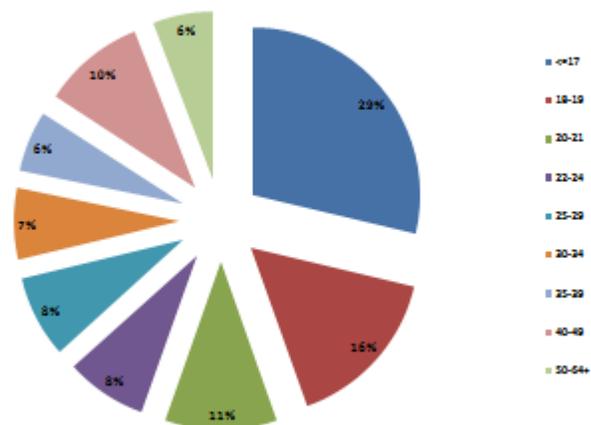
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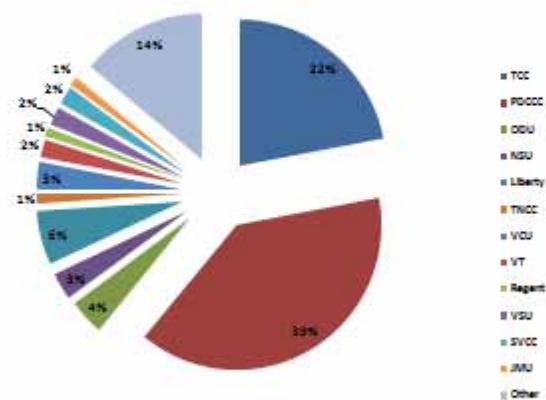
Percent Headcount from Service Area Fall 2012 N=1493



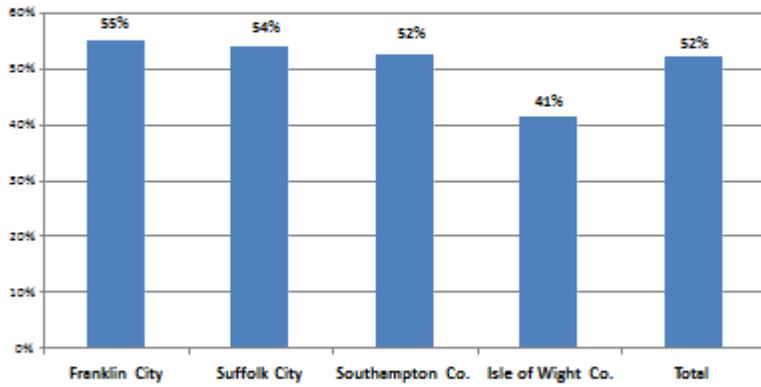
Student's Age Headcount Distribution Fall 2012



Southampton County: Colleges Attended Fall 2012 N=853

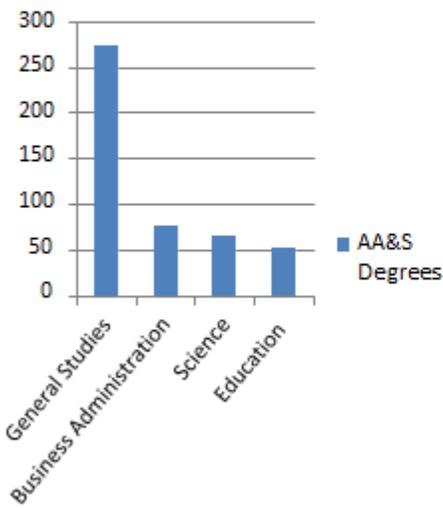


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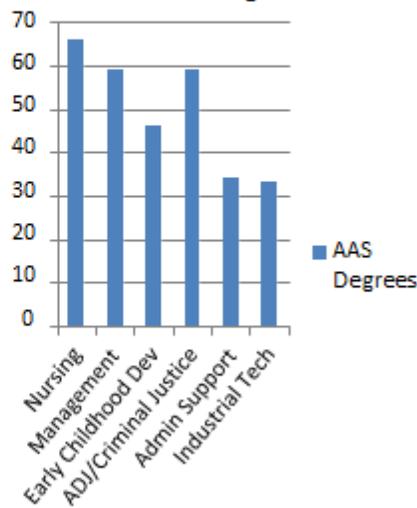


## PDCCC enrollment by degrees 2010

Associate of Arts & Science Degrees



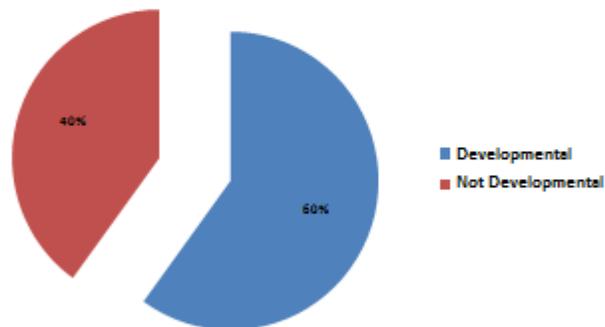
Associate of Applied Science Degrees



Fall Term: Dual Enrollment Unduplicated Headcount (HC) at PDCCC  
from High to Low within Service Area

Fall 2010		Fall 2011		Fall 2012	
School	HC	School	HC	School	HC
Isle of Wight Academy	98	Isle of Wight Academy	101	Southampton HS	111
Southampton HS	89	Southampton HS	87	Isle of Wight Academy	100
Nansemond River HS	43	Lakeland HS	41	Lakeland HS	52
Lakeland HS	39	Nansemond River HS	40	Franklin HS	37
Franklin HS	25	Franklin HS	31	Nansemond River HS	36
Kings Fork HS	14	Kings Fork HS	17	Windsor HS	17
Pruden Center	0	Southampton Academy	10	Kings Fork HS	11
Smithfield HS	0	Pruden Center	0	Smithfield HS	11
Windsor HS	0	Smithfield HS	0	Pruden Center	5
Southampton Academy	0	Windsor HS	0	Southampton Academy	0

Fall 2012 First-Time In College (FTIC)  
Taking Developmental N=129



- Go here for Career Exploration—interest, skill assessment, salaries, interview tips, and more
- [Career Coaches](#) in High Schools promote it
- Take practice tests for math and science and for ACT and SAT tests
- Explore colleges—majors, degrees, costs, admission requirements; transfer agreements with Virginia Community Colleges and guaranteed admission guidelines to Universities
- Review and learn about financial aid options
- And much more!

## PDCCC 2+2 degrees and options

- Partnerships and articulation agreement with ODU to provide Bachelor's degrees from PDCCC campuses (or computer) in:
  - Bachelor of Science in Police Science
  - Bachelor of Science in Nursing
  - Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences
  - Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
- Articulation agreement with Western Governor's University (WGU) for RN to BSN in one year!
- 2+2 Articulation with Norfolk State University called Passport. Seamless transfer and support from PDCCC to NSU.
- Guaranteed Transfer and Guaranteed admission with all public and most private Universities in the Commonwealth... See VAWizard.



## Some exciting plans for 2013/2014

- House Bill 1184 – Dual Enrollment
  - One year General Studies Certificate
  - Associate Degree before H.S. graduation
- Shared Services Distance learning courses in partnership with NOVA
- B&N Bookstore; more e-text and rentals; Faculty doing more OER – free or reduced textbooks download from internet.
- Achieve 2013/14 – strategic plan
  - improve college readiness
  - improve service to veterans

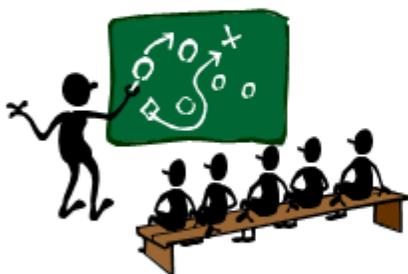


## More exciting plans for 2014...

- New programs in Logging, Pharmacy Tech, **Robotics**, **EMT**, Logistics, **Practical Nurse**, Sustainability, and hopefully soon Physical Therapy Assistant.
- Movie nights all semester; Encore Learning (55+)
- Math Academy at PDCCC



## Career Development Center - and our PDCCC array of Coaches



- Career Development Center at every PDCCC location for students and community
- Coaches are helping in many areas:
  - Job placement coach
  - Success coach
  - High school career coach
  - On-ramp coach
  - In-School Youth enrollment coach
  - Out-of-school Youth enrollment coach

## Paul D. Camp Community College Projects: Water issues at WFD



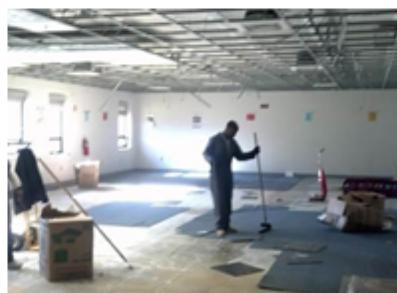
### PDCCC Workforce Development Center - Water solutions – prevent flooding inside building

- Drain water away from building
- Add French Drains
- Additional Landscaping
- Additional retention pond
- Side benefit – restore and improve old walking trail



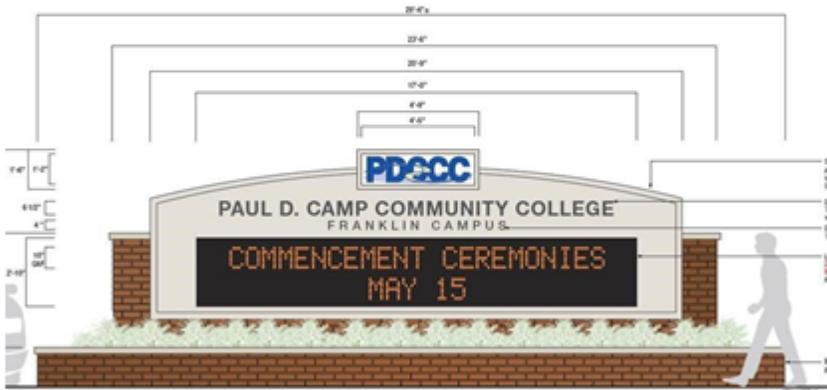
### Library Renovations; Library Resources and Computer Labs for students and community patrons.

- Combined new space totally renovated opening May 2014!
- Now open 7 days a week; high-speed internet and WiFi; computers, iPads, thousands of real books and millions of digital books, journals, etc.



# New Digital Sign – summer 2014

corner of Armory Dr and N. College Dr



## Workforce Development Center By the Numbers for 2012-13:



- 1,226 noncredit contract employees
- 172 noncredit open enrollment
- 125 credit open enrollment (11 employers paid for employees tuition)
- 14 businesses customized training
- 36 Businesses Facility Usage (20,623)
- 110 Community or Private Events (14,558)



## We make a difference...Creating our Future

- **Major Gifts Campaign** for:
  - New Academic and Workforce Programs
  - Student Scholarship endowment
  - Instructional Technology endowment



## ***Donna Lloyd of Courtland***



- When Donna Lloyd enrolled at Paul D. Camp Community College, she had not been in school since 1975. The Courtland resident is Paul D. Camp Community College's first recipient of the Virginia Foundation for Community College Education's **Kathy Camper Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship**—an honor established in memory of a longtime employee in the Information Technology Services (ITS) Department at the Virginia Community College System. Donna has always loved to care for children and has six more classes to complete before attaining her associate's degree in Early Childhood Development. She plans to continue her studies at Old Dominion to complete the bachelor's program in Early Childhood Development. She currently works full-time (while taking a full load of classes) at The Children's Center in Franklin. Donna also received the Dean Nancy Sandberg Scholarship for fall 2013.

## **Ashley Giorgi of Boykins**

2012/2013 Camp Family Foundations  
Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship



- A graduate of Southampton High School, she has gained leadership skills by being extremely active in the Key Club, a community service based organization sponsored by the Franklin Kiwanis Club, and the Student Government Association. She is also a member of the National Honor Society and a PDCCC Presidential Ambassador. At True Word Christian Church, she is in the youth group, volunteers in the nursery and has taught Bible School. Ashley is exploring science as a major, and plans to continue her education at a four-year college or university in Virginia. She is also the

## ***Martin Carr of Sedley***



- Martin Carr is the fall 2013 recipient of the **Dr. Douglas and Grace Boyce Scholarship**. He served as a work-study student for the office of student activities and currently is a work-study student for the college's movie night coordinator, Nancy Warren. Martin is a member of the Omega Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and was selected to represent the college at the Virginia General Assembly in February 2013. He also represented the college at the Franklin-Southampton Area Chamber of Commerce's Eggs & Issues Legislative Breakfast and has served as the student representative on the President's Advisory Council.

## ***Jasmine Anderson of Boykins***



- Jasmine is a recipient of a Camp to Camp Scholarship for fall 2013.
- She has begun her studies this semester in nursing. She is a member of the National Honor Society and was a member of the Future Business Leaders of America while in high school.

### Dual Enrollment PDCCC graduates

#### Associates Degree before High School Diploma!

Benjamin Cutchins of Southampton High School

Samantha Billups of Southampton High School



#### • GRADUATE STUDENT SURVEY RESPONSE:

#### • PDCCC IS LIKE....

- "...the Harvard of Hampton Roads,"
- "...a first date, you don't know the person but later you begin to fall in love,"
- "...a second chance to fulfill a life's dream,"
- "...A breath of fresh air,"
- "...being around friends that want you to succeed,"
- "...is like the missing piece to the puzzle I have struggled to complete,"
- "...is like a mountain. The climb may be long and difficult at times, but it is all worth it when you reach the top,"
- "...a stairway leading to a better future."

## Still excited about our mission...



Chairman Jones asks any questions. Does anybody have any questions? Thank you very much. We enjoyed you coming and thank you for letting us know about the college.

Dr. Paul Conco states thank you.

Chairman Jones states number 11, Temporary Entertainment Permit.

Mr. Michael Johnson states Chairman, pursuant to Chapter 2.5 of the Southampton County Code, which was in the packages, you will see an application from the Tidewater Dirt Riders for a temporary outdoor entertainment permit for a motorcycle competition on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. The event will have an estimated attendance of 550 participants and spectators. It will be held on property owned by T.L. Bain, L.P. on Warrigue Road and will include overnight camping for approximately 75 campers for one night. The application is consistent with our local ordinance. Their plans have been reviewed by the Southampton County Sheriff, the Southampton County Health Department, Southampton County Department of Community Development, and the Ivor Volunteer Rescue Squad. They do not permit alcohol at their event.

Chairman Jones states alright gentlemen, you see this. This is not the first time. We have been having it for quite a few years.

Supervisor Edwards states I recommend we go ahead with this then.

Supervisor West states I think we have had good success Mr. Garner over the years and they do contribute back what, \$500.00 to the rescue squad and that is appreciated so thank you Dr. Edwards; and I'd second that if you are ready to make a motion and seconded.

Chairman Jones states ok. I have a motion to approve the issuance of the entertainment permit and a second.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states let's go to number 12, public hearing.

Mr. Michael Johnson states Mr. Chairman we have two public hearings tonight. The first is in regards to the priority list for improvements to secondary and unpaved roads. This public hearing is held pursuant to 33.1-70.01, Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended to receive public comment on the Priority List for Proposed Improvements to the Secondary and Unpaved Roads of Southampton County and the fiscal year 2015 Secondary and Unpaved Road Construction Budget. The notice of tonight's public hearing was published in the Tidewater News on April 13<sup>th</sup> and April 20<sup>th</sup>. After conclusion of tonight's public hearing, the Board will consider the comments

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offered and adopt a resolution establishing its priorities for improvements to secondary and unpaved roads. At this time, I'll ask our friends from VDOT to provide a brief overview of the Priority List and Construction Budget, after which we will be pleased to receive public comment.

Mr. Joseph Lomax, Residency Administrator of VDOT, addressed the Board. Good Evening again. I appreciate the opportunity to come before you to talk about the 6 year plan in Southampton County. I have with me for informational purposes, my colleague Sonja Hallums-Ponton who is the programmer who puts all this stuff together for us to make us look good. She is in the audience if we have any additional questions based off of what we have listed here. I will go through the slides pretty quick and then I will give you some information I know about, and then I will be ready to step aside and allow the board to discuss it with the citizens. First of all, the six year plan is for fiscal year 2015 through 2020. We have included our schedule of advertisement dates which mean when it's going out for bidders to compete for and priority projects (allocations, estimates, expenditures, and remaining balances). Also in this are our paved roads and many of our unpaved roads that we have. Currently fiscal year 2015 all the way through 2020, you can see CTB Special unpaved and I think that is our special funding is it not?

Ms. Sonja Hallums-Ponton states yes.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states normally we have unpaved road funding which is the very last thing off the dollars when it comes down. Unpaved roads get funded last. You will notice in that column there are zeroes because right now the only fees we are getting in the normal process are our Telefees \$55,000 a year on average. The first year is allocation, everything after that are projections. You will notice it was different from last year because we anticipated more revenue; however that didn't happen. What we did get was a substantial amount of special money for unpaved roads, 1.1 million. So if you add that all together over six years, 1.5 million is considerably better than a lot of your neighbors. Now, moving on to the next one. Here are the priorities right now in the current six year plan. The first priority is Route 688, Rose Valley Road, which has already gone ahead. That is a locally administered project by the county and I anticipate that being finish by the end of the year. Priority two is Route 671; that has already been completed. We are working the books, no right away issues, closing the books out on that project. Hopefully we will be able to take anything that may be left over, and I am not sure yet until I get to my next slides and that could go to your next priority which is Route 646 Governor Darden Road. You know that is the road out in Courtland that ties into Route 641. It is about 2 ½ miles. It is a pretty low area. It is subject to flooding in that area. The ditches stay full during the times of the year like it is right now. For some reason we catch a lot of litter out there when I am riding through. I can almost very well see at times especially during the winter when it is not liter floating in the ditches. When we start mowing grass we get it, but when we are not mowing that road gets a lot of litter. Priority four, Route 743, Fullers Mill Road. We have discussions on that. It used to be some type of business or mill down there. It is no longer there. So, the challenge for this board and the citizens is do we keep that priority there or do we rearrange our priorities for what we need more. Right now, there is nothing on Fullers Mill Road from what I understand. So, I will go over the dollars with you on that in the next couple of slides but I would take a hard look at deciding whether or not that should be adjusted and dropped out of the plan completely or at least put that at the bottom to revisit later. Maybe not necessarily take it out completely but put it at the bottom until maybe later on. Moving on to the next one, Rawlings Road, that little piece off of Route 609 to Route 58, I am going to build that with state forces; sort of like I did with Indian Town Road. So that will be done, add date is this fall, hopefully I would like to get Tim Grizzard and the guys up there, they are building one right now for me in Sussex. I think they would be able to get that done probably by the add date but right now we will stick with that, because we don't know what the summer will be if we go out during our famous time of the year August and September. Alright, here we go again when we start talking about allocations, estimates, and expenditures. Ms. Hallums-Ponton put this together. She keeps up with all the money. If you look at the first priority, that is the Route 688 project. That is handled and taken care of. Priority two, that is Route 671, as of now we have spent 3.5 million; estimate was 3.9 million. I am not sure exactly what the official cost is yet other than what we would be spending today. That may be subject to change until we finish the books. Priority three, Governor Darden Road we need \$1.5 million to keep that going; to get it fully funded is a total funding of \$1.9 million. If you add that \$1.1 million you are talking, \$2 million roughly; \$2,023,000 there. We are way short on that. That is one where Fullers Mill Road, if we remove funding for that, you may be able to get that one moving faster. Also number four is Fullers Mill Road and you see right now we have currently \$206,000 sitting on that, with another \$870,000 future funding in this plan. The total for that is \$3.1 million and that is the

allocation that we will need. The estimate is \$3.1 million. We will need \$2.1 million to get it fully funded. Is it really a project you want to keep up there? That is something to think about and discuss this evening.

Mr. Michael Johnson states just for clarification that is the road the runs from Route 671 to what use to be Chapman Lumber Company.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states alright, priority number five. That is Rawlings Road and like I said the balance on that for estimates is \$93,000. We will be doing that with state forces which are kind of minimal preliminary engineering. We had that done already. I was in the field with the engineers this winter earlier. We rode all of those jobs and we looked at them and put quick estimates together so Tim Grizzard will be handling that. My favorite, unpaved roads. Again, Rawlings Road is our number one priority. These are the priorities currently under plan with rough estimates on them. One through five, Rawlings Road, Warrique Road, the second section of Warrique Road on the other side of Proctors Bridge Road, Guy Place Road which is a pretty hot topic, and Delaware Road. Now we added Guy Place and discussed this with the county. I want to talk about Guy Place for a minute because Guy Place has a significant amount of people on it and houses. We had a really hard time this winter with Guy Place. Guy Place is below the water table and actually in some places it is like the ditch. That area from Route 616 down to almost the last half mile, we had to close in February. The sub-base froze. We had minus five degrees that morning; that week was the coldest week of the year. It has never frozen since I have been here in eight years. This was the first time it froze and when it thawed out no matter how much stone I put on top of it, no matter how much I try to work it, we just had to get off of it until the water table went down over there. That is pretty much what caused it. I had the geologist come out and look at it. It was nothing we did or didn't do. The fact of the matter is the road is lower than a lot of surrounding terrain. The rivers were full, the ditches were full, and the little drainage you had down there, it wasn't going anywhere. So, this board will need to decide whether or not we need to escalate that road, but I would argue that we should not put it on rural rustic. Now that estimate there is for rural rustic. In fact, \$400,000 for about a mile and a half that is about right. Understanding rural rustic is a paved and place concept. There is no major engineering, there are no utilities, there is no right-a-way purchasing, and most of all there is no raising the grade. I think it's a risk; we can do it and maybe it will be fine for the next twenty years, but just like anything else your surfaces are always as good as what it is built on. If it happens again; if we have a rough winter five years from now after we do it, it is going to come apart. So I would argue we probably need to put that under regular construction. It has not been designated rural rustic but that is a rural rustic estimate. We don't have a resolution; this board hasn't voted on that, but I would argue we need to and it's about a million dollars a mile on average for a secondary road.

Supervisor West ask what kind of vehicle count is on there.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states I would have to go back and check that, but I am sure you have at least 50 a day because you would have to meet that to be a rural rustic. I know and understand we passed a bill that lowered the 400 car a day threshold for the special money down to 50, which is why we got so much more. We argued 400 don't help us; it might help Norfolk, but it does not help counties like this. You don't have 400 cars a day on most of the roads around here, but we do have anywhere between 50 and 175 to 200 depending on where you are; my guess, around that road, probably about 60 to 70 cars a day. That is where we are right now. That is the end of the presentation and I will be ready to take any questions that the board may have or the citizens may have.



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### Estimated Allocations

Fiscal Year	CTB Formula Unpaved State	Formula Secondary State	TeleFee	Unpaved Roads	Total
2015	\$84,018	\$0	\$55,348	\$0	\$139,366
2016	\$157,193	\$0	\$55,348	\$0	\$212,541
2017	\$229,769	\$0	\$55,348	\$0	\$285,117
2018	\$232,886	\$0	\$55,348	\$0	\$288,234
2019	\$250,422	\$0	\$55,348	\$0	\$305,770
2020	\$242,333	\$0	\$55,348	\$0	\$297,681
Total	\$1,196,621	\$0	\$332,088	\$0	\$1,528,709

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### Advertisement Dates for Current Secondary Six Year Plan Priorities

**#1 Priority – UPC 94052 (Route 688 – Rose Valley Road)**

From: Intersection of Route 671  
 To: 0.50 Mi south of Intersection of Route 671  
 Advertised – 01/19/2014

**#2 Priority – UPC 17661 (Route 671 – Gen. Thomas Highway)**

From: 0.056 Mi W Int. Route 650  
 To: 0.023 Mi W Int. Route 687  
 Construction Completed: 9/13/2013

**#3 Priority – UPC 57327 (Route 646 – Governor Darden Road)**

From: 2.5 Mi East Count Line  
 To: Route 641  
 Ad Date – Will be adjusted based on funding availability.

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### Current Secondary Six Year Plan Priorities

**#4 Priority – UPC 57325 (Route 743 – Fullers Mill Road)**

From: Route 671  
 To: 0.7 Mi south of Route 671  
 Ad Date – Will be adjusted based on funding availability.

**#5 Priority – UPC 1787 (Route 654 – Rawlings Road)**

From: Route 609  
 To: Route 58  
 Ad Date – 10/31/2014

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### Proposed Allocations, Estimates, & Expenditures for Secondary Six Year Plan Priority Projects

	UPC	ALLOCATIONS	ESTIMATE	EXPENDED	REMAINING BALANCE
#1	94052	\$1,864,162 Prev - \$1,864,162	\$1,688,846 PE - \$52,250 RW - \$327,767 CN - \$1,306,829	\$48,165 As of 4/03/2014	\$1,815,997 – Preliminary Engineering underway. Project recently awarded
#2	17661	\$3,955,259 Prev - \$3,955,259	\$3,955,259 PE - \$1,116,731 RW - \$275,410 CN - \$2,563,117	\$3,520,123 As of 4/03/2014	\$435,136 – Project construction completed. Outstanding claims need to be paid
#3	57327	\$502,731 Prev - \$170,103 Fut. - \$332,628	\$2,023,317 PE - \$102,064 RW - \$0 CN - \$1,921,253	\$0	Need additional \$1,520,586 to completely fund project
#4	57325	\$3,162,309 Prev - \$206,553 Fut. - \$873,552	\$3,162,309 PE - \$389,445 RW - \$497,300 CN - \$2,275,564	\$18,509 As of 2/3/2005	Need additional \$2,132,176 to completely fund project
#5	1787	\$93,375 Prev - \$33,353 Fut. - \$60,022	\$93,375 PE - \$3,000 RW - \$0 CN - \$90,375	\$1,115 As of 4/03/2014	Project fully funded – Preliminary Engineering underway

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**Secondary Six Year Plan  
Proposed CTB Formula Unpaved Roads**

	UPC	Route	Road Name	Length	Estimate
#1	1787	654	Rawlings Road From Route 809 to Route 58	0.9 Mi	\$93,375
#2	104628	617	Warriquee Road From Crumpler Rd to Proctors Bridge Road	1.5 Mi	\$400,000
#3	104629	617	Warriquee Road From Proctors Bridge Road to Broadwater Road	3.6 Mi	\$600,000
#4	104631	728	Guy Place Road From Wakefield Road to Ivor Road	1.6 Mi	\$400,000
#5	104630	687	Delaware Road From Schoolhouse Road to 0.4mi north of Schoolhouse Road	0.4 Mi	\$175,000

Chairman Jones states alright gentlemen. Any questions?

Supervisor West states when you pave in place rural rustic do you pull the ditches onto the surface and maintain. I know what you are saying; a lot of times the ditch bank is higher than the road and the road goes right up to the woods.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states in some cases you have no ditch okay, and what we like to do, normally we use anywhere between 6 and 8 inches of stone so we can build it up enough to put a swale on it. If the ditches need to be reestablished, normally I would get there before the contractor and establish it with maintenance funds, because in some cases over time I have noticed that our motivators over the last 30 to 40 years have the tendency to widen a road further then the 30ft per scripted that we have. Indian Town Road was a lot wider than the 30 we had and a lot of time they do but I like for them to pull that material out and take it away or use it for shoulders. Actually Tim is doing one now, Route 606; which runs out of the county into Sussex. That would be a perfect one to ride and take a look at with state forces if you are in the area in the next couple of weeks. We have been working out there for ten days and that road is probably about 40ft in width, but we only own 30ft with regard to the right-a-way. It is a perfect example of cleaning the ditches out, reestablishing the shoulders, and rolling and smoothing the surface.

Supervisor West states that \$400 I mean \$400,000 you are talking about pulling out and putting it in regular road construction funds, are you talking about in secondary paving. In other words, putting that road back in that runs from Route 628 down to Route 616 from Wakefield Road to Ivor Road. Are you talking about putting that road back? Putting Guy Place back in top place or what?

Mr. Joseph Lomax states what I am suggesting for Guy Place is you can put it in the priority list anywhere the Board desires. Your number one priority right now is the paved roads and then we go to unpaved. You can make it your number one unpaved, but then you have people on that number one position, I am not sure, I would have to go back and look, you can make that your number one priority but the problem is funding. You will still have to wait on those regular funds from the TeleFees right now. You wouldn't be able to use any of the unpaved money especially on that road for regular construction I don't think. I would have to check. I don't think you would be able to use that money. You would have to use your regular TeleFee money and right now it is pretty thin.

Supervisor West states I am almost in favor of keeping the money where you have it placed already. Next year you can't count on it; you hope it's coming in and federal funds supposed to go up for road construction but don't count on it if the economy turn south. I would keep things where they are personally.

Chairman Jones calls on Supervisor Phillips.

Supervisor Phillips states gentlemen this Guy Place Road is in the Capron district and Michael was able to, while Joe was speaking, 170 cars a day is the current traffic count. Its 1.6 miles long and I rode through it this afternoon. Joe is right on all of the different things. In other words, number one we would have to improve the drainage, improve the sub-base, and then pave it. This I believe is his recommendation. In some cases there is a little bit of a ditch bank that drops off to the road. In other cases the field literally just transitions right into the road, and so when it rains there is no ditch. The road is the ditch. If I may, I think we need to consider this whether we make any changes tonight. I would say if Phil Rinehart, Mike, and I or somebody get together with you to see what we can do to make sure we are going in the right direction.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes sir.

Supervisor Phillips states possibly I think I hear his recommendation that it be moved into where it would be paved and then we may come along some funding for that.

Supervisor West states some funding for that, what do you mean? You mean state or federal? You don't mean local.

Supervisor Phillips states see there is no federal funding for dirt roads. Am I correct?

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes.

Supervisor Phillips states so if we can try to leverage both Fullers Mill Road or whatever; they had to close the road. One end of the road was closed for how long?

Mr. Joseph Lomax states probably about two weeks and they had to work from the 628 end. We had dump trucks getting stuff out there and I didn't want to risk the school buses getting jammed out there.

Supervisor Phillips states so how did you get the school buses turned around?

Mr. Joseph Lomax stated actually they had some driveways they used back there and I promised to repair them when the weather is right. So I expect Tim to take care of that for us. One other thing I probably need to tell you is, it bores down to a couple of things. First of all, it is an unpaved road. You can use paved road money on unpaved roads, but you can't use unpaved money on the paved roads. So in this case you would be trying to use your unpaved money for the paved road first of all. Second of all, what type of construction do you want to do? If you pave in place, the same water will be sitting on that asphalt. We may raise it up 6 inches with stone, because I am going to put down 6 inches of stone probably this summer. Once it dries up, build it up some with stone. But at the end of the day, it is still going to be basically the same elevation it is even with the stone. So if we go with pave in place construction and pave it like yours at \$400,000 I still think we will have trouble with the sub-base and the water no matter what. Just like we have on Statesville Road in the curb Mr. Updike talks about. It requires more than just putting asphalt on this road. Normally I am all for it. We have done it before, but on this one I got heartburn because I saw what happen to this road and I talked to one of my counterparts in Vermont and they had that happen on their dirt roads because of the severe winters they had. It is nothing we really can do about it. Once it freezes up, until that water drains, it is what it is. So, I recommend that we put in the plan first of all, and that we make it regular construction under the unpaved list. Which means that it won't cost \$400,000, but it is probably going to cost about \$1.7 million. That is just off the top of my head for that mile and a half. So, if we are going to do it right, we are just going to have to wait for the funding, and you know how that is. It is just like rolling the dice; we don't know what we are going to get from year to year. Maybe we will get lucky and get some money, or maybe the county can decide to put all its eggs in one basket and get this one road done.

Supervisor Phillips states is there anything we can do about this drainage as we are working through this.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states in that area it has been the same...

Supervisor Phillips states from what I understand the only thing you can do is to build the road up.

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You can't do anything to...

Mr. Joseph Lomax states I can ditch it, I can do all of that, but every road is predicated by your outfalls. You don't have many out there.

Supervisor Phillips states got you.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states that is the big problem out there when I talk to my Superintendent. They don't have many outfalls. The roads are more like an in-fall. I know I shouldn't say this, but in a lot of places if you don't watch out you will have drain towers coming out the back of the banks where people drain their fields. When they run the towers where do you think they are running the towers to? You will find them all over the place to the road. So now they are adding water that normally roads are not subject to handle.

Supervisor Edwards states so you are saying looking at ways to take funding from roads that are not in bad shape and putting it on this?

Mr. Joseph Lomax states no I am saying based on whatever allocations you may have and whatever priorities you may have, you may need to make a decision about focusing on this road if you want to get it covered.

Supervisor Edwards states why don't you work that up and bring it back to us and see how it looks.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states we can do that.

Supervisor Porter states what I am hearing is, you feel that if we spend \$400,000 to pave it, it is highly likely that is wasted money.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states that is what I think, yes sir.

Supervisor Porter states and we don't have \$400,000 to throw away.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states that is right.

Supervisor Porter states we need to develop a strategy to correct this problem long-term. In the meantime, are you able to ditch it? Are you able to add some stone in that area to help relieve the problem? To try to make it a more passable road until we do acquire the funds to do it right.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes sir. I already have a purchase order ready to go from the stone company.

Supervisor Porter states we can take that \$400,000 and there are plenty of other places it can be used. I am kind of partial to Delaware Road but whatever you guys think. You have four tenths of a mile there and I assume that is Schoolhouse Road down to where the Bronco Club is.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states that is correct, yes sir.

Supervisor Porter states and what you are probably saying is, it doesn't get the 50 cars a day from that other area off of 258 to handle it, but I tell you that road is subject to where you can get 1,000 cars out on one day when they have an event there and you may not get any. On May 19<sup>th</sup> you probably are going to get 2,000 trips in and out of that place.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states so you are telling me I need to put my traffic counters out there on May 19<sup>th</sup>?

Supervisor Porter states put your traffic counters out there on May 19<sup>th</sup> and I guarantee you that you will get over 2,000 trips going over that counter.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes sir.

Supervisor Porter states what happens is on days when they have events at the Bronco Club and it

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rains, you spend a lot of money the next week fixing that road, because when you get 1,000 cars and its muddy it really tears it up.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states no question. We have over 100 miles of dirt roads in the county. Easily enough dirt roads in the district, in this county, in my area.

Chairman Jones asks any other questions.

Supervisor West ask can we get some of that money back from 460?

Supervisor Porter said you know the answer to that.

Supervisor West said did I read an article about the same thing.

Mr. Joseph Lomax said go right ahead sir.

Supervisor Porter said we are having a public hearing now.

Supervisor Edwards said it's at \$300 million.

Supervisor West states I know but he is the man.

Chairman Jones states gentlemen you have heard from Mr. Lomax now what do you want to do about this?

Supervisor Porter states we need a public hearing.

Chairman Jones states I understand that, but I still need your consensus. At this time I open the floor for public hearing.

Mr. John Burchett addressed the board. Can I ask a question?

Chairman Jones states yes sir, come on up.

Mr. John Burchett states what is the procedure for adding a road if you want one to be paved. Who do you go to first?

Supervisor West states get four people. Get four people on this board on your side.

Chairman Jones states right here. This board you are looking at.

Mr. John Burchett states four of you all.

Chairman Jones states right starting with Mr. Phillips. You get three more and we can go from there.

Mr. John Burchett states the roads you are talking about paving without funds are they the regular maintenance.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states basically what we are talking about doing is... you have paved roads and unpaved roads in the county. We maintain both. These are roads that the citizens and the board have found they want to put hard surfaces on. So we use maintenance money to maintain light conditions. When you start talking betterments improving, for instance I can't take state forces out there and put down blacktop on a dirt road. That has to go through the board secondary six year program.

Mr. John Burchett states you can't just put small gravel on a dirt road.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states no sir. That is actually betterment; which by the Code of Virginia has to come out of the construction money not the maintenance fund. Ongoing maintenance is what I am talking about dealing with the storm water on Guy Place Road. Ditching, ordinary maintenance, and maybe some pipe replacements and pipe cleanouts. It is probably going to be about \$40,000 worth of stone just to start for that mile and a half of stone.

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Chairman Jones states alright anyone?

Mr. Ed Cutchins addressed the board. Yes sir I have two questions. One is, if they shut down that railroad from Lawrenceville to here, how are we going to get stone to this area. I think the paper was talking about just abandoning it.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states I have no knowledge of that.

Mr. Ash Cutchin states it was in the paper last week, in the Tidewater News, because they didn't want to maintain the bridges on the railroad. It is too expensive. My next question is this and it really involves planning and zoning. When a project comes up before the Planning Commission to subdivide a farm and put in 6, 8, 10 lots in as rural residential or whatever. Is there any provision in the zoning ordinance to consider the quality of the road that will have to serve these lots? Because it looks like to me, they should have never let anybody build all those houses along Guy Place Road which has taken place in the last 20 years. That is my only comment or question. Thank you.

Chairman Jones states anyone else? Public Hearing closed; called on Supervisor West.

Supervisor West states I like what Dr. Edwards said and that was to get with... and have someone and Mr. Lomax and sit down because you really know more what would be the best route and I agree with Mr. Porter, wasting \$400,000 is not going to do us any good when we need it on other projects. And we are open to listening to you. You are the expert in this case.

Supervisor Edwards states see what you can come up with. Move some money around if you can.

Supervisor West states and we understand secondary paved roads you can move money to unpaved roads but you cannot move unpaved roads money to paved roads. I didn't know that.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states you can do it, but there is a substantial penalty on the dollar. I want to say .15 cent on the dollar but I am not sure. I will check and find out for you.

Supervisor West states right, but I have never heard of that before.

Supervisor Porter states what I would like is it doesn't make sense; \$400,000 won't fix the problem. This is \$400,000 that could be more beneficial somewhere else. I agree if Mr. Lomax can develop a recommendation in a little more detail to present it to us to get it on the priority list. It may not happen in the next five years, but when we get the funding available, we can make it happen.

Supervisor West states is that tabling the idea? You want to do that?

Supervisor Phillips called on Chairman Jones.

Chairman Jones responds yes sir.

Supervisor Phillips states I would like to just float an idea. Table this until he comes back with his recommendation and then we move the whole six year plan forward at that time.

Chairman Jones states is that your recommendation.

Supervisor Phillips states if that is agreeable that is mine.

Supervisor Edwards states seconded.

Chairman Jones states motioned and properly seconded that we table this matter on Guy Place Road.

Mr. Joseph Lomax asked is it only Guy Place or ...

Supervisor Porter it is also, that when you come back with your recommendations for Guy Place we can talk about the \$400,000 we are not going to use on Guy Place.

Chairman Jones states we are not going to change everything.

Mr. Joseph Lomax, alright, ok; so tonight we still didn't get a resolution for the six year plan though. We still have to have that.

Supervisor West asked do we have a deadline that has to be done?

Supervisor Phillips states from my understanding...

Mr. Joseph Lomax by June 1<sup>st</sup>. I have to have a signed plan by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Chairman Jones states that will work. We have to next...

Supervisor West ask wouldn't it be better to wait until you bring the whole deal to us and at that time we can do it all at the next meeting. I mean we are not trying to put you in a spot. We are asking for your expertise.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states yes sir.

Supervisor Phillips asked can we amend the plan to some degree after, if we vote on it tonight. In other words, you are making from what I consider some really valid recommendations. We want to make sure that we are doing the right thing for the people in the county.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states I can be back here next month, but I have to have that signed resolution in Richmond by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Chairman Jones asked can we get it in there.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states the only thing that I recommended outside of the norm is that we keep that project... it is already in the priority list, right?

Chairman Jones states yes.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states I just want to make sure we keep it as a regular construction project. That is it. We haven't noted it as rural rustic yet. It is just in the plan as a regular project. It is not a rural rustic project. I just wanted to put that out there, that before we go thinking about that it should be regular. I will give you the information for that at the next board meeting what that will entailed and what I think the rough estimate would be.

Supervisor Faison ask so what we are talking about tonight does not mean we are making some decision about Fullers Mill Road.

Chairman Jones states no. We are going to postpone that until next meeting.

Supervisor Edwards states that is right.

Chairman Jones states we will postpone that until we hear from you at the next meeting. Okay. Is that what you want to do here?

Supervisor Phillips states I think he still wants... he wants to leave Guy Place Road in the 6 year plan, but not earmark it for rural rustic. Just leave it in projected.

Supervisor West states but he also said he would come back with that full plan for the next term. So that would be for the May meeting. So right now we would basically table this including the 6 year options we already have in place.

Supervisor Phillips states he is just nervous that he has to have this in Richmond by June 1<sup>st</sup>. We don't want to lose... or get behind...

Chairman Jones states right.

Supervisor West counts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

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Mr. Joseph Lomax states it is already in the plan. Guy Place Road is in the plan. It is just a matter of whether it's rural rustic or are we going to leave it as a regular construction project.

Supervisor Faison states I believe we...

Supervisor Porter states I don't have a problem tonight voting on moving it to the regular construction plan, but it needs to be done and that is the only way I think to fix it.

Supervisor Phillips states and he also already committed to putting 6 inches of crush rock around it.

Supervisor Porter confirms with yes.

Supervisor Phillips states and doing whatever ditching he can to...

Mr. Joseph Lomax states right on the maintenance side.

Supervisor Phillips states on the maintenance side.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states and listen, it was already in the plan.

Chairman Jones states okay, so we will go ahead and vote on the plan now, leave it as it is and you do what you need to do.

Mr. Joseph Lomax states ok, there it is. That is kind of what I was getting at. Just to bring the information to you.

Supervisor Porter states and you will give us information at the next meeting.

Mr. Joseph Lomax confirms with yes sir.

Supervisor Porter states thank you.

Supervisor Phillips asks do you need a motion.

Chairman Jones confirms yes sir.

Supervisor Phillips makes a motion that we approve the six year secondary road plan as presented.

Supervisor Porter asks do we do it as presented or do we do it redefining Guy Place as regular construction versus rural rustic.

Mr. Michael Johnson states I think you are fine there. I think what you need is the resolution that is in your agenda and the reference is to the updated priority list.

Supervisor Porter states okay, okay.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states does everybody understand that. We will be going with the regular plan but we are going with the updated portion of it. Alright we will go to B.

Mr. Michael Johnson states Chairman can we have a two minute recess while I get their presentation loaded.

Chairman Jones states yes and called recess.

Chairman Jones called meeting back to order.

Mr. Michael Johnson states Chairman our second public hearing tonight is related to an ordinance amendment from Chapter 13.5 of the Southampton County Code and it relates to Stormwater. This

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public hearing is held pursuant to 15.2-1427, Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended to receive public comment on an ordinance to replace Chapter 13.5 of the Southampton County Code, in accordance with the Virginia Stormwater Management Program as it relates to certain land-disturbing activities. The purpose of this Ordinance is to comply with Section 62.1-44.15:27 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, and to ensure the general health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Southampton County and protect the quality and quantity of state waters from the potential harm of unmanaged stormwater, including protection from a land disturbing activity causing unreasonable degradation of properties, water quality, stream channels, and other natural resources, and to establish procedures whereby stormwater requirements related to water quality and quantity will be administered and enforced. The notice of public hearing was published in the Tidewater News on April 6, and April 13, 2014 as required by law. After conclusion of the public hearing, the Board of Supervisors will consider the comments offered this evening and will proceed to approve, deny, or defer action on the proposed ordinance. Just a point of reference Mr. Chairman, I want to also remind you, that we need, after you close this public hearing, before you act on the ordinance to move on to agenda item number 13 as it is related and act on agenda item 13 before you take action on the ordinance itself.

Chairman Jones states alright.

Mr. Michael Johnson states at this time we have Beth Lewis and Dan Roundtree with the Southampton County/City of Franklin Community Development. They are going to go over some highlights with you.

Mrs. Beth Lewis states good evening. This is the ordinance that we have been looking at since 2011. It was adopted by the General Assembly in 2011 and it is mandated for every community in Virginia. Every community is going to have the same rules. That is the starting point. They handed us the template and we put our name on it and that is that. Dan will go over the highlights of it, but what is important to understand is this only affects new development. Just like the building code changes, existing homeowners don't have to go back and make changes to their homes. Existing businesses don't have to go back and make changes to their businesses. A revised building code only affects new construction. It is the same with the stormwater ordinance. New stormwater regulations only affect new development. Nobody now is going to have to make changes to their properties; no businesses will have to make changes to their properties. Just like now, agricultural activities, forestry activities, and mining activities are exempted from the stormwater regulations. Dan Roundtree will review this with you. He is the Environmental Specialist.

Mr. Dan Roundtree, Environmental Specialist, states thank you Beth. I appreciate the opportunity to be here tonight. I am Dan Roundtree, Environmental Specialist with the Department of Community Development. I am going to jump right into this presentation.



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**Highlights of Proposed  
Stormwater Management Ordinance**

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Highlights of Proposed  
Stormwater Management Ordinance:  
*Historical Perspective*



- 2008: Southampton County adopts original Stormwater Ordinance
- 2011: Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board approves new stormwater management regulations requiring local Stormwater Management Ordinances and Programs
- September 2013: Southampton County Planning Commission receives informational presentation on proposed Stormwater Management Ordinance
- May 15 2014: Deadline for Virginia Counties and Cities to adopt model Ordinances and/or administer local Stormwater Management Programs

Highlights of Proposed  
Stormwater Management Ordinance:  
*Effect of 2011 Legislation & Proposed Ordinance*



Allows Localities to focus on:

- Plan review & project inspections
- Fostering local economic development activity
- Creating a consistent and predictable plan approval process  
("One-Stop Shop" plan submittals)

Allows State to focus on:

- Oversight
- Technical assistance
- Training

Highlights of Proposed  
Stormwater Management Ordinance:  
*Effect of 2011 Legislation & Proposed Ordinance*



Increased Local control will mean:

- Elimination of State vs Local confusion
- Increased speed of plan review and approval
- Ability to respond to and address local issues
- Create a local economic development advantage
  - Greater protection of natural resources

### Highlights of Proposed Stormwater Management Ordinance: *Effect of 2011 Legislation & Proposed Ordinance*



- Overall objectives of both ordinances are materially consistent
  - To protect state waters from damage (quality and quantity issues)
  - To require stormwater management plans for activities which may have an adverse impact upon county waters
- Certain activities remain exempt: agriculture, horticulture, forestry, mining, routine maintenance
- Restricted grandfathering provisions (for technical criteria) are available for existing projects

### Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

#### Old approach:

(large-scale and centralized....waste product in need of disposal)



Dry pond with concrete flume

### Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

#### Old approach:

(large-scale and centralized....waste product in need of disposal)



Large, centralized wet pond:

Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

Old approach:

(large-scale and centralized....waste product in need of disposal)



Centralized wet pond:

Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

Old approach:

(large-scale and centralized....waste product in need of disposal)



"Artificial" wet pond:

Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

New approach:

(small-scale & non-structural with a focus on natural hydrology)



Bioretention basin:

Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

New approach:  
(small-scale & non-structural with a focus on natural hydrology)



Rain garden

Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

New approach:  
(small-scale & non-structural with a focus on natural hydrology)



Dry swale

Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

New approach:  
(small-scale & non-structural with a focus on natural hydrology)



Constructed wetland:

Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

**New approach:**  
(small-scale & non-structural with a focus on natural hydrology)



Planter box

Old vs New Approaches to Treating Stormwater:

**New approach:**  
(small-scale & non-structural with a focus on natural hydrology)



Bioretention basin:

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Bioretention basin:



Starting with Historical Perspective in 2008 Southampton County adopted the original Stormwater Ordinance. In 2011, Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board approved new regulations which is the reason we are here tonight. The mandate to update the ordinance comes from that 2011 action. In September of last year, the Planning Commission received the first informational presentation on this new ordinance. So, that is just a little perspective about how long this has been on the table. Then, May 15, just a few weeks from now is the deadline for all Virginia cities and counties to adopt a new model Ordinances and/or administer local Stormwater management Programs. So, what is the effect of this 2011 legislation? It allows localities to focus on plan review and project inspections. It allows us to focus on fostering local economic development activity. It allows us to create consistency and predictable for getting plans approved; essentially it's a one-stop shop for the plan submittal process. It allows the state to focus on what they really want to focus on anyway, which is oversight of localities, technical assistance endeavors, and then training. So what will the increase in local control mean? Right now we have some confusion among the development community about what is in the state's domain and what is in the localities domain. The adoption of this ordinance will eliminate that. It is going to create a one-stop shop in Franklin for everything city and county related. We are going to be able to increase the speed of getting plans reviewed and approved. We will be able to respond and address local issues in a way DQ will not be able to do it; cannot currently do it. We are going to be able to create a greater local economic development advantage for ourselves. Also, we feel we will be able to protect our natural resources better because we know the local environment here. The overall objectives of both ordinances are materially consistent; that is to protect the state waters from damage both from a quality standpoint and a quantity standpoint. Then to continue to require stormwater management plans for activities which may have an adverse impact upon our waters. As Beth said, certain activities remain exempt. These include agriculture activities, horticulture, forestry, mining, and routine maintenance of any roads or driveways or any grade lines at all. Then, restricted grandfathering provisions, as far as the technical criteria of treating stormwater is concerned, are available and intact for existing projects. So projects under construction are appropriately grandfathered. I've got some picture slides here just to show us what is old and what is new. The old approach which is really the current approach has been around about twenty years. The way that we handled stormwater is sort of a large scale and centralized way, much like we handle municipal wastewater. It is a waste product that needs to be disposed of. These are BMPs treatment facilities you will see throughout the state of Virginia. This is a dry pond with concrete flume. As we go through these, just look at it's a large centralized facility and we want to treat the water and get rid of it. Here is a large centralized wet pond. Here is an artificial wet pond. Something you wouldn't see in the natural hydrology of Southampton County.

Supervisor West states you said stormwater is a waste product that we need to get rid of.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states that has been the old approach. Yes sir that has been the approach since we first started treating stormwater twenty years ago.

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Supervisor West states somebody needs to tell God.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states the new approach is a more small scale and non-structural approach which is to mimic the natural hydrology that we already see working in nature. In this case, we see the Bioretention basin which looks more natural. This is a rain garden. What I am showing here are the approaches to treating stormwater that are favored in the new regulations. This is a dry swale. This is a constructed wetland which we may see from time to time on certain sites. A planter box which you might see in an urban setting. Here is a bioretention basin. One of these just went into Dr. Patel's new office in Franklin, Virginia, and this is another example of a bioretention basin.

Supervisor Edwards states so the object is more of a cleaning process instead of just running it somewhere.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states exactly, rather than putting it in a big pond and just running, the way is to mimic what mother nature has done.

Supervisor West states I know on Route 620 going from Ivor to Smithfield you have one of these basins that is about three or four miles of new road construction in there, and an elaborate runoff retention. The higher level drops down to a lower level and cost about as much as it did to build the roadway I suspect.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states yes sir. We are going to see less of that going forward.

Supervisor West states how in the world will you build Route 460 and these 500 acres you are going to disturb and the wetlands and all this farmland. How is that going to happen? I know what you said the doctor's office up here next to the hospital.

Chairman Jones states absolutely.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states the ponds are not going away. It is just going to be harder for an engineer to design the site with one large pond. The way the new technical criteria is written, it is going to be to his advantage, to his clients advantage, to mix in some of these rain gardens, some of these bioretention facilities. We are still going to see these wet ponds but that is going to be one of four or five features on the property.

Chairman Jones asked what's the cost?

Supervisor West asked what is the reason behind it. Is it just because it picks up nutrient enrichment and all of that good stuff; fertilizer and dumps it right out into the swamps right out to the Chesapeake Bay.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states our current storm regulations from the 1999 manual, which was probably based on research that was done in the early 90s, a lot has changed since then. Very little time was given to understand stormwater in the early 90s. A lot has changed so as our understanding on how to treat the stormwater most efficiently has changed it is time for the regulations to catch up; much like the building code, like Beth was saying. The goal is to recharge our ground water aquifers and to allow natural vegetation to remove pollutants out before they hit the Blackwater River and the Nottaway River.

Supervisor West states I know in Windsor there, the Colonial Farm Credit Bank has this thing and then this little shopping center up the road.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states yes sir.

Supervisor West states little raised houses, weeds growing in it. Anyway, I am amused.

Chairman Jones states anymore questions.

Supervisor Porter states one thing I just need clarification on, you talked about exemptions from existing construction; now to what extent does that exemption apply? There is a little bit about

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modifying your driveway, but how much of an alteration can you make to the property before you become under the new regulations. In other words, can I build a storage shed, how big is it? I mean do I have to get a building permit for my storage shed? Does that automatically make me have to have these new regulations apply?

Mr. Dan Roundtree states the threshold is one acre of land disturbance.

Supervisor Porter states of land disturbance?

Mr. Dan Roundtree states yes sir, unless you are in a subdivision, and then it's any disturbance.

Supervisor West asks then it's what?

Mr. Dan Roundtree replies any level of disturbance within a subdivision.

Supervisor West states between the back of your garage and your shed you in trouble.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states however, going back to the construction grandfathering, if a project has an improved plan that is under construction, then they are protected until 2019. As long as they get it done before 2019, they will not have a problem. I think there is even an option to extend another five years beyond that to 2024. So it is hard to foresee any impact to a project that is under construction. If you want to add on to a house and it is not in a subdivision, as long as you are disturbing less than one acre, there is no impact as well.

Supervisor Porter asks how do you define disturbance?

Mr. Dan Roundtree states any man-made activity that would alter the drain characteristics of the land.

Supervisor Porter states so if you change the draining characteristics of the land, but you don't have to change... you don't have to disturb a full acre, you just have to change the drainage characteristics over the acre is that right?

Mr. Dan Roundtree states if you don't disturb an acre, then you are okay.

Supervisor Porter states okay.

Chairman Jones calls on Supervisor Phillips.

Supervisor Phillips states regarding forestry, if you are cleaning up around the edges of a field then...

Mr. Dan Roundtree states if it is to support agriculture production it is exempt. It remains exempt.

Supervisor Phillips states okay, and any type of timber harvesting would be as well.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states absolutely. It is still exempt. The threshold the state has written is when you start pulling stumps out of the ground in anticipation of development then it is no longer exempt.

Supervisor West states you know somewhere between you, and Mr. Lomax, and what Mr. Updike said is true. These outfall ditches along the roads, they are so clogged up now from leaves, debris, and trees. That is the reason there is water standing in the road. It is only going to get worst, not better. And the environmental issue is such that, you can't move it. You have to get permits, inspections, and all this kind of stuff to get it out. At some point we are going to extinct ourselves from good common sense.

Supervisor Phillips state I agree.

Supervisor Edwards states we have already done that. That is why 90% of the water in this country you can't drink without getting sick. We haven't used good common sense for the last 200 years.

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Chairman Jones states alright, any other questions.

Supervisor Updike states this is not a question but a comment. We are talking about pollution and basically the waterways. We forgot in all the many years of it being a top issue facing the country the people that are doing most of the pollution are your city people; your homeowners. Arlington Virginia uses more fertilizer than Southhampton County or Rockingham and anybody else. They dump the fertilizer out on their yard, here comes a big rain and put it down on the concrete and the tar and everywhere else. That is polluting ten times more than construction, agriculture, and anything else and you never hear a word about it. It just bugs me when the main source of pollution comes from that area and nobody is concerned.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states that is true, and in Forestry, I think DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) is working on that and it is a tough thing to do if infrastructures are already built. I think a lot of people would tell you a lot of the oyster lost from the Chesapeake Bay is from the nitrogen that people put on their yards to fertilize along the identified watersheds. I agree they can do a lot more damage than anyone in Southhampton County can do.

Chairman Jones states alright, any other questions. Okay. Thank you. Gentlemen we are going to move thirteen now and then we will come back to the public hearing. Okay, item 13.

Mr. Michael Johnson states item 13 Mr. Chairman is related to this issue. During its 2014 session, the General Assembly reversed course and adopted amendments to the Stormwater Management Act that only requires localities that operate a regulated Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System commonly referred to as "MS4 systems" to administer a Virginia Stormwater Management Program and permits all other localities to "opt-in" to the program in their sole discretion. Now, this is a substantial change. Initially each locality was mandated to come into this program. Now there is a change and it is optional and localities have to take a definitive act to opt-in to the program. Southhampton County is not a MS4 community so we are no longer required to administer the Virginia Stormwater Management Program. However, if the County elects not to "opt-in" and administer the program, then Virginia DEQ will assume administration of the program within Southhampton County beginning July 1, 2014. Now with agenda item 13 you have a memorandum from Mrs. Lewis that articulates a very clear and compelling reason why the County may wish to consider administering the Virginia Stormwater Management Program even though it's no longer mandated to do so. First and foremost, the Department of Community Development already performs plan reviews, issues permits, and performs inspections in administering Erosion and Sediment Control regulations. In allowing them to perform the same functions for Stormwater Management would create what Dan just referred to as the one-stop shop for property owners, contractors, and developers. The second item is that allowing DEQ to administer the program represents a serious loss of local control in the permitting process. Under the state regulations, DEQ could take up to 120 days just to review plans. In addition to that, it would also likely require property owners, contractors and developers to travel to the regional DEQ office in Virginia Beach to submit their plans and apply for permits. Third, the fees that have already been adopted by the City and County would help finance the cost of administering stormwater regulations locally, and Southhampton County, through its shared services agreement with the City, has committed to the program by hiring and training the staff to administer it. The City of Franklin has already expressed its intentions to opt-in to the program and administer the program locally. So the immediate question before you is do you wish to opt-in to that program and assume local control of the Virginia Stormwater Management Program.

Chairman Jones states alright gentlemen, you have heard Mr. Johnson. Let's think about that when we go back to...

Supervisor West states well we need to act on this first.

Chairman Jones states we will act on this one first and then we will go back.

Supervisor West states I favor us doing this after Mrs. Lewis explained to us for sure.

Mrs. Beth Lewis states and what is important to remember whether the County decides to opt-in and do the administration ourselves or opt-out and let DEQ do it, we still have to adopt the ordinance. That ordinance will still be in affect but the biggest drawback is the period of time.

Supervisor West states yes, up to 120 days.

Mrs. Beth Lewis states if it takes 120 days to get plans reviewed that means the rest of your construction plans sit there untouched because the local staff is waiting for DEQ's comments on those, and homeowners who may disturb more than an acre of land would have to take their plans to DEQ and stand in line behind the Loves and the Envivas of the area. There is no getting to the front of the line because you are only disturbing 44,000 square feet rather than less than an acre. So to have local control and be able to understand the hydrology of the area and find local solutions to the problem in a timely manner is probably the most important thing for both homeowners and Economic Development. If someone wanted to develop here and they knew before they could turn the first shovel of dirt they may have to wait 120 days at minimum to even get an Erosion and Sediment Control permit that may be a big X on our list.

Supervisor Edwards states to me this doesn't take a lot of thinking. I think we need to go with local control. I don't see any pluses going the other route.

Supervisor West states I totally agree in opt-in and control it.

Chairman Jones states everyone seems to agree I just need a motion.

Supervisor Edwards states I make a motion that the County Administrator opt-in to the Virginia Stormwater Management Program.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states we will go back to number 12 public hearing.

Mr. John Burchett of Sebrell, Virginia addressed the Board. I was thinking about something else did you all vote to opt-in?

Chairman Jones states yes we did.

Mr. John Burchett states I'm brain dead but I am glad you did that and the reason is, in the 70s I needed to dig a little pond on my farm in Accomack County and it was on the bank of a creek that emptied into the Chesapeake Bay. Between local, state, and federal permits it took me 13 months to dig a quarter acre pond, and by the time I finished I had a stack of paperwork about four inches thick. So anytime you can cut out the state and federal, I think it is a good deal. My question was when the environmental gentleman was up here, he mentioned the word subdivision, and that caught my attention. I have a gravel driveway; two hundred fifty feet of gravel about twelve feet wide. If I need to add a couple of loads of gravel, will I need to go through anything or can I just call the man and say bring the gravel.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states that would fall under routine maintenance.

Mr. John Burchett replies that's routine maintenance, okay. Now my subdivision backs up to a pond which is 88 acres. I don't know if you are familiar with Darden Mill Pond where the girl scouts camp at, that is my back yard, and its down sloped about ten feet from the level of my house to the pond. Doesn't that pond already catch any stuff that our neighbors put down like fertilizer, that doesn't end up in the Nottaway River? Doesn't it go to the bottom of that pond as runoff? Don't we already have an old retention pond so we won't be hurting the environment then. I welcome your answer.

Mr. Dan Roundtree states yes sir, if there are any construction plans, we have to look at it case by case and we can do that now after administering this ordinance. So, all I can tell you without knowing any particulars, you come up and we can get together and come up with a common sense approach. That is all I can say.

Mr. John Burchett replies thank you.

Chairman Jones asks anyone else. Alright, Public Hearing closed. We will go to number ...

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Supervisor Porter states I move to adopt the Stormwater Management Ordinance.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states number 14.

Mr. Michael Johnson states item 14 Mr. Chairman; you all are familiar with this. You have done it each in the last two years, but there is a certification of member contribution phase in for the Virginia Retirement System that is required each year. During the 2012 budget process, the Board elected to phase in the 5 percent member contribution for Plan 1 and Plan 2 employees hired prior to July 1, 2012 at the rate of 1% over 5 consecutive years. The Virginia Retirement System requires the Board to certify that it intends to continue with the minimum 1% phase-in and county employees will receive an offsetting 1% salary increase effective July 1, 2014. This certification must be signed by the Chairman and returned to VRS no later than July 10.

Supervisor Edwards states I motion we go with this. We opted in, we do it.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion to adopt this resolution which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states we go to number 15.

Mr. Michael Johnson states item number 15 Mr. Chairman is held over from last month; the discussion regarding Biennial elections. I think everybody understands the two options and the process for each of those options. I will be glad to answer any questions you may have.

Chairman Jones asks anyone have any questions on this.

Supervisor West states I agree with Mr. Cutchin already in his statement that prior to the election I think it's fair for people to know whether they are voting for 2 year or 4 year term. I am personally not seeing the need for this particular thing to be done but I am satisfied to do it and draw the names out of the hat before the election. But personally, I don't see a reason to do it none of the less.

Chairman Jones asks are there any other comments.

Supervisor Porter states I just want the resolution and I supported with the comments that Mr. Cutchin made that the determination be made prior to the election so the voters do know who they are voting for and how many years. I think it's important because it will increase the stability of the board and ensure continuity of government more so than our current situation. I think the trend is moving in this direction across the state.

Chairman Jones asks any other comments.

Supervisor Updike states I would like to make a comment. I personally don't see a necessity for this change. And if we do make a change, whether it's three or four of them, we put it on the same year as the governor's election. I have witnessed this year's governor's campaign; money from out of state. Influenced money on the elections, I feel that the elections of the Supervisors and the County Officials should be designated in one year to keep a focus on the County issues, and not be overwhelmed by state or national interests. I cannot see having a complete turnover. If we have done such a tremendously bad job every single one of us is going to get booted out, we all need to be booted out and go in a change of direction. So, I do not see any benefits whatsoever in changing the system we have today.

Supervisor Edwards states Mr. Updike I agree with you too.

Supervisor Porter states I have one comment. Implicating to your statement, the fact that the more people vote, the worst it is for us. I think the more people you get out to vote the better. The more represented the Board becomes. You may get some kind of from the state election but if you have something that turns out a higher percentage of the voters, I don't know why that is bad; then you have more people voting for the board members. It may not be that you are doing such a bad job that we get kicked out; it may be that your policies are a little different from enough of the activist that they promote different policies. I will bring one up. It's not the matter you need to get the

whole board turned over, you get four turned over like we did at one time and you can change basic policies that may not be beneficial to the county in the long-term. I will mention one; land use. It is a lot easier to get four supervisors elected if you have seven running than it is to get four supervisors elected if you have four running. If you get four anti-land use supervisors elected it is gone. You may not see any benefit to that but I do. I strong think land use is the right way to go and it should be here forever because we depend on our Agriculture industry for success. Many of the people who have come to me supporting this with me were farmers that support this change in the way we do elect our boards because they are uncomfortable with the direction some activist take and the way that they are able to get things done. Now this thing about you having a hang-up on the election being the same year as the governor elections, I am sorry, but that means we get more people out to the polls to vote the better. It is not worse, it is better.

Supervisor Updike states if you have governor's elections you are thinking about other issues and not the county issues. It is not the question of the number of votes or the number of people coming out. I want to focus on the issues not on the political parties or who is going to put the most money in the elections. Also it leads the person who might be elected just for two years, it costs them to run. It also takes a lot of time and effort to campaign and get out and get the voters out. For a two year period of time, that just plain may discourage some private qualified people from even considering running. I will stand here and encourage and assist that we leave it like it is. Keep the voters and the concerns of the county people.

Supervisor Edwards states I agree with that too. I think if the public wants to get rid of the whole board they should be able to get rid of the whole board and not just part of it.

Mr. Ash Cutchin states this isn't a public hearing is it?

Chairman Jones replies no.

Mr. Ash Cutchin states are we going to have one?

Supervisor Porter states this is just a determination whether we are going to take it to a public hearing.

Mr. Ash Cutchin states okay, thank you.

Chairman Jones calls on Supervisor Phillips.

Supervisor Phillips states Mr. Chairman before I ever came on the board, I stood up and addressed the past board and urged them to consider this because of what happened, or what I thought could happen and funny thing happened while I was campaigning is, it did happen. We had four challengers running against four incumbents and all four of the challengers won. I see the main reason I would support this is that we need people with some experience on the Board to deal with public issues. The office of Chairman of the Board is a very important position because you represent the whole county. I think there are things that need to be taken into consideration. For example, our members that are representing us at the Hampton Roads Transportation, Hampton Roads Development, and I would say I would like to move this forward to a public hearing.

Supervisor Porter states he seconded that.

Chairman Jones called on Supervisor Faison.

Supervisor Faison states to me this is not a huge issue, but the pros are it provides greater stability and continuity in county government and prevents total board replacement at any one time. I think that weighs further with me than the cons. I would go for it too, in terms of the persons who would be affected by being elected for two years that is only one time. Then after that it is four years. I don't think that is a great impact. So overall, I would be in favor of it.

Supervisor Edwards states do we need a motion to take it to a public hearing?

Supervisor West states yes we would need a motion, that would be a motion and a second but you still have to vote on it. The cons are important because it is confusing for people and voters for people to make this decision when to vote. Well I am not voting this year, but he is and so forth.

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The electorates can be confused on that. I see that as being a potential issue. I totally agree with what Mr. Updike said and I thought that the New York resident coming down running for governor with all the influence of money from all over the world; man you got him and more power to you okay. I won't tell you who I voted for but non-the-less, bottom line is, I think it is undue influence just like Mr. Updike said and that doesn't thrill me. Number two is 10% of the electorates can draw up petitions and do it anyway whether we want to or not. So if you want to do that, go that route, 10% of the electorates, what is that 20 sum hundred votes in each ...?

Mr. Michael Johnson states it's not done on total population but on registered voters.

Supervisor West states I mean there is more than one way to do this. I am not going to vote for the two year four year thing okay tonight. But, it is okay either way.

Attorney Richard Railey Jr states but don't you have a motion and a second on the floor for a public hearing.

Chairman Jones states we do but we are discussing it.

Supervisor Phillips states we went through that before Mr. Faison made his comment.

Attorney Richard Railey Jr states did you have a second?

Supervisor Porter states I seconded and you can't withdraw it without my second.

Supervisor West states you can't withdraw it without his second.

Chairman Jones states okay, so right now we have a motion and a second.

Supervisor Updike states you have to ask for a discussion.

Chairman Jones states well we already had a discussion. We call the question now.

Supervisor Porter states I call the question.

Supervisor Updike states I can't, again I ...

Supervisor West states to call the question mean you've already voted.

Supervisor Updike states but you skipped the ...

Supervisor Edwards states we already had that part, but we are voting whether to take it to public hearing or not.

Supervisor West states we are voting whether we are going to do public hearing or not.

Supervisor Edwards states that is the question. All in favor says yes and all oppose says no.

Chairman Jones states alright. The motion on the floor is whether we go to a public hearing or not and it has already been seconded. All in favor. All Supervisors' in favor of it raise your hand (Supervisor Porter, Faison, and Phillips). All Supervisors' opposed raise your hand (Supervisor Updike, West, and Edwards).

Supervisor West states guess who will have to make the decision? Okay we don't go to a public hearing.

Chairman Jones states it's not broke. Let's go to 16.

Mr. Michael Johnson states item number 16 Mr. Chairman is a resolution for your consideration which commemorates the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the nationwide Cooperative Extension System. Mr. Neil Clark did you have any comments that you wanted to make. They have a copy of the resolution in front of them.

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Mr. Neil Clark states just know that I passed around a little pin in recognition of it.

Board Members respond with thank you.

Supervisor Faison made a motion to adopt the resolution commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cooperative Extension.

Supervisor Porter seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones states now we will go to 17, Code of Ethics.

Mr. Michael Johnson states this item is also held over from last month Mr. Chairman. I think you all directed last month that the Code of Ethics be referred to the Planning Commission for their comments. I think that was done at their April 5 meeting. There were no recommendations for revisions at that time. At this point I think I received signed copies from four people, Chairman Jones, Supervisor West, and Supervisor Phillips, and Supervisor Edwards.

Supervisor West states this is brought up for a couple of reasons and I am going to state one publicly tonight. Some time back we had a business to come and look to locate in the county, and some of the discussion that occurred was to be held quiet, and held in reverence to respect for that business on location and interest of building and putting the construction here. One of the board members took it upon themselves to leave close session and go the phone and specifically call the people that were involved in this. They had no authority from this board. They spoke on their own and threaten that company if they came here. That was wrong and no action was taken. We are held to a higher degree of saying things in this room during closed session that we should not say here because specifically tonight we had a business that wants to talk about relocating here and there is competition close by. With all of that being said, they ask that we do not talk about it publically; we do not contact anyone or we do not publicize it to the Tidewater News. That is a request I intend to honor. I think the reason we are requesting this tonight, not only that but to be held accountable for what you say, who you say it to, and your bond is your word, and that your word is that I am not going to speak outside of the closed session. That is the way it should be.

Supervisor Edwards states let me mention this was a prior Board Member not a present Board Member.

Supervisor West replies correct.

Chairman Jones states alright gentlemen; I hope you read what you signed. You asked for this Code of Ethics, we didn't have one. That mean you are going to live up to it. You ask for it and you need to live up to it. Alright, I think this office is a very respectable office and I try my best to represent this county in the best way that I can. I don't want anyone to say anywhere that I am trying to down the county in anyway, because if there is anything that I can do to lift it up, I am happy to do it. I have tried all these years to do it and I will continue to do it. So, just be mindful of what you are saying because if it comes back out and we find out about it, than we will need to do something about it; not like we did the other time. We didn't do one thing about it.

Supervisor Phillips states Mr. Chairman I would like a little further discussion on a couple of these. Item 13 and item 15. I would like to hear from some of our board members. One is advocacy and that is when representing an individual opinion and positions, members shall explicitly say they do not represent their body or Southampton County, nor will they allow the influence that they do. That is if you are speaking in front of another board. Then, item 15 deals even further with that. It says Supervisors shall refrain from using their positions to unduly influence the deliberations or outcomes of board, committee, or commission proceedings. Now, I would like to know if we have any further comments as to what that entails, because I have a question.

Supervisor Jones states I will give you my thoughts on this. When I first came on the Board I was told by one of the members that had been there for quite a while, that you are a Supervisor 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. You cannot go anywhere else and represent yourself any other way in this county, but you can't go anywhere and say I am speaking as a citizen; you are still a Supervisor. They are going to look at you as a Supervisor.

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Supervisor Phillips states exactly sir.

Chairman Jones states so you cannot be riding two horses at the same time and one going West and one going East.

Supervisor Edwards state your influence is here and nowhere else.

Supervisor Phillips states right but my concern is whether we.... see I attend the Planning Commission meeting on a regular basis and I attend the School Board meetings on a regular basis but I refrain from commenting because of these two particular articles of our code of ethics. One of our Supervisors on a regular basis makes comments at the Planning Commission meeting. I just want to better understand what our interpretation of what these rules are.

Supervisor Edwards states if he gets up, whoever it is, if it's me, or whoever it is, you don't identify yourself as representing the Board, number one you are a private citizen.

Supervisor Phillips states but you have to do that. That is what is says in number 13 correct?

Supervisor Edwards states I have never with my years on the Planning Commission, I have been up there 28 years, I have never heard somebody get up and say I am a Board member, I am a Board of Supervisor, and this is what I want to say about this.

Supervisor West states well that goes back to an obvious fact that people know that to begin with when you stand up. So that goes back to what Mr. Jones said in the beginning, you are still a Supervisor everywhere you go in the county and you need to be restrained in making those comments particularly when you have an influence. When you are the one that nominates that person for that position, it is not by election, it is done my nomination of the Board member and it is appointed through the judge.

Chairman Jones states Mr. Railey can you give us some advice on that.

Attorney Richard Railey states let's get the offices straight, Board of Zoning Appeals that is done by the judge. The Board of Planning Commission that is not, that is done by you all. The Building Code Appeals that is by the judge to the best of my recommendation. There is a difference in procedure there.

Chairman Jones states what is the proper procedure for that.

Supervisor West states but if you read that particular item 13 and I come before the Board of Planning Commission to make statements and basically say look you are making a mistake, you should not do this, am I overstepping my position on the Board of Supervisors.

Attorney Richard Railey states I would take the middle ground and looking at the mandate of that section I would say it two times in the course of my comments, at the beginning and the end, this is my opinion and not the opinion of the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Faison states that is what 13 says.

Attorney Richard Railey states and I would emphasize that. I would say it over and over again. That is my opinion. I have a right to an opinion as a citizen, as a taxpayer, but I want you to understand I am speaking as a citizen. I am not even speaking on behalf of my wife; I am speaking on my behalf.

Supervisor Updike states I would like to make a comment. This discussion is with the finger pointing at me. I still say, we have a freedom of speech in this country. In my opinion to the Planning Commission and any place else, as long as I am identifying myself as an individual I don't think this or anything else can deny me that privilege. If you can go beyond that statement, you should look at yourselves at the way you all handle the voting that takes place behind closed doors.

Supervisor Edwards states I have to stick up for Glenn because like I said, I have been on the Planning Commission for 28 years and I have never heard him say this is the opinion of the Board

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of Supervisors. He has always spoke as a private citizen and I believe it is his right to speak as a private citizen making it very plain, I represent myself, Mr. Private Joe.

Chairman Jones states go ahead Mr. Phillips.

Supervisor Updike states I have also been criticized about bringing county citizens that is not in my district, bringing their concerns to the Board and various spots. I think we have a responsibility from anybody in the county that wants to bring something up to the Board, I don't care whose district you are in, I am going to bring it up to talk about it. So if you want to take this and pick apart this code it is ridiculous. That is fine, if you want to bring it up, bring it up; you are doing a whole lot more under the table than this is.

Supervisor Phillips states Mr. Chairman, someone needs to... the audience is sitting here thinking we are voting during closed session. That needs to be clarified because there are no votes taking during a closed session. It is a discussion and it has to come back before the Board's open session to make any votes. Now, I tried to speak with Mr. Updike prior to this to discuss this and he wouldn't discuss it.

Supervisor Updike states you are right.

Chairman Jones states just a minute Mr. Updike, Mr. Phillips is speaking.

Supervisor Phillips states and if I may read something in the minutes. In the November 14, 2013 Planning Commission meeting Supervisor Updike addressing what was made as a presentation only for information to the Planning Commission concerning some locations that were being considered for future development, some zoning changes petitioned. He specifically said and I quote "For God sake do not change the zoning on this." Now he is a Supervisor and the minutes reflect that he did not identify himself as a private individual. So what I am saying, I want everyone to learn from this. I am not trying to pick on you Glenn. My point is we are held to a higher standard. To speak in front of another Board and when you tell them, I have a problem, and further in these minutes if we need to go to through, he previously said I have a problem with your last vote. Now, he is the man that appointed his district's representative. It's just, we are supposed to be having a discussion and I apologize if I have singled him out, but I wanted to use this as an opportunity for all of us to learn; to make sure that we don't step over that line.

Chairman Jones states let me just give you another example. Mr. Cutchin you weren't in there, in the closed session tonight were you?

Mr. Ash Cutchin states no sir.

Chairman Jones states alright. That is what I am saying. We have more information than anybody else out here. Therefore, we don't need to be discussing it anywhere else. That is what the closed meetings are for. So we can discuss business and other things that are going on in the county and it won't get out to the public.

Mr. John Burchett, from the audience, states you never vote on anything.

Chairman Jones states no sir, never, never.

Supervisor West states consensus.

Chairman Jones states consensus is not a vote.

Supervisor Edwards states getting back to the problem, like our attorney said, if you want to testify you make it very clear, I am not representing anybody but myself.

Chairman Jones states but still he has more information on that item than anybody else.

Supervisor Edwards states it doesn't make any difference.

Chairman Jones states yes it does.

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Supervisor Edwards states if you are representing yourself...

Supervisor West states that may be and ...

Supervisor Porter states can I make a few comments; I have been sitting here listening.

Supervisor West states yeah I am going to make one and then you go with it okay. When we leave this meeting in here, and you have an industrial park and you have a business or two that is already in place. You go the next morning to that business operator and you tell them we are thinking about changing the zoning in this particular industrial park. That is something you should not be talking about. That is something you should not be spreading, and when Mr. Johnson gets a call from this person saying what is this going on in here, when in fact things supposed to be quiet. It supposed to be brought back at the proper time with the right information to the public.

Supervisor Edwards states that is a different ballgame. That is two different things.

Supervisor West states it is but I am just saying we are betraying trust and we are taking power that we don't have.

Supervisor Edwards states I agree with that, right. But any member of this Board should be able to go to any other Board and say I do not represent the Board of Supervisors, I represent Bruce Phillips only and this is what I want to say; private citizen.

Supervisor Porter states I think that it is not black and white. I think that anytime that you go to another Board that you appointed as your advisor and you are telling them how to advise, you then are completely negating the effect or the value of that board. Why even have them.

Supervisor Phillips states Amen.

Supervisor Porter states the other issue is once you run and become a Supervisor, you do give up some of your individual rights. I believe that. You have to always be cautious of the fact that you can say I am not a Supervisor and I am speaking as an individual but people are not going to see that. The audience is not going to see that. The reporter is not going to see that. He is going to see Supervisor Porter speaking to the Planning Commission telling them how to vote so that when it comes back to him, he gets what he wants so he doesn't have to discuss it in our meeting, the Board of Supervisor meeting. Our place to discuss these items, to me, is in this meeting and not in the Planning Commission meeting. We always get a chance, and we get a final chance on it, we can agree with the Planning Commission or we can disagree with the Planning Commission but we need to have their unfettered advice so that we can factor that into our decision. Anytime we stand up in front of them or any other Commission and tell them how to vote than we are not necessarily going to get their unbiased advice. Hold on one second, any time that we stand up in the Planning Commission or any other Commission and tell them how to vote, then I think we have to excuse ourselves when voting with the Board. You cannot do it both ways. You cannot dictate how your advice is going to come from your advisors.

Supervisor Edwards states well I can tell you, nobody is going to tell anybody on the Planning Commission how to vote. They are a bunch of independent you know whats.

Supervisor Porter states I am not addressing individuals. I am addressing a concept okay. It is the way it should work. You may not always have good people on the Planning Commission. You may get a bad Board of Supervisors and they plant people they want on the Planning Commission and then they go and tell them how to vote and tell them how to bring their recommendations back to them so that everything seem like it is going smoothly when in fact it is being dictated from above. You can't dictate to the Planning Commission, forget about who is on it, you have good people on it they are going to do a good job. If you have weak people on it, who knows what kind of job they are going to do.

Supervisor Edwards states I think you can look at the record. You will have to go back to the year 2008 to find the difference in how the Planning Commission advised the Board of Supervisors and the Board of Supervisors did different.

Supervisor Porter states that is irrelevant in this discussion.

Supervisor Edwards states no it is not, it is very relevant.

Supervisor Updike states what I am hearing is the people that is throwing stones, you can verify it you are on the Board. That is Barry and Bruce, you got up and talk in front of the Planning Commission and the answer is yes.

Supervisor Porter states absolutely, I have gotten up and talk but I have never advocated a position. Every time I have talked to the Planning Commission it has been to ask a question or for clarification. It has never been to advocate any person about any position.

Chairman Jones states alright we can debate on this forever but I feel like what is written here, we looked at this before we signed it. We said that we were going to abide by these laws and this is what we are going to do.

Supervisor Edwards states I think this debate is good because it made it very plain to everybody what is expected.

Chairman Jones states it makes it very plain what is expected and now we have to do that.

Supervisor West states if there is a question you need to call the attorney.

Chairman Jones confirms you need to call the attorney.

Attorney Richard Railey states one thing I would disagree with Mr. Updike, free speech is not a privilege it is a right.

Chairman Jones states I understand that.

Attorney Richard Railey states a person can administer their right. It is in the first amendment of the Constitution and it is the most cherished right we have.

Supervisor West states don't count on that for so long.

Attorney Richard Railey states but it is not an absolute. Take Mr. Holmes opinion in 1945. You can't yell fire in a private theatre. You don't have that right. You don't have the right to defame or slander somebody. You don't have that right. You don't have the right to divulge American's secrets to the Russians. Even a sacred right has its qualifications and there are qualifications and conditions to every right.

Supervisor Jones states all I am saying is I am privileged to more information than the public. That is what I am getting at. Each member should sign and date the last page.

Supervisor Faison states I want to say something about this too. We are a Board and in order for us to function we are going to have rules and regulations we have to follow. We are going to have policies we have to follow and in a vote somebody is going to win and somebody is going to lose. I think that when we lose we need to accept the fact that hey we lost, but the Board has stated a position. Now we can decide that we are going to be effective or non-effective. I think it is important that we decide if the Board has made a decision then we support that decision as a member of that Board in order to have the best functioning Board.

Supervisor Porter states I would like to say one more thing. I agree with that 100%. Lost a vote tonight, the Board voted, that is the Board's position. We both lost and that is fine that is the past. The other thing is we are having a discussion on how we interpret these provisions of the Code of Ethics. Some of us have expressed our interpretation on how we feel it should be. That has to be left up to each individual. Some of these, evidently, people feel really strong about and we don't agree, but at least the people out there know how we feel in the way we should look at this. Thank you Mr. Phillips for initiating this discussion because I think it is important. This is an area each individual, each Board Member has to interpret for themselves.

Chairman Jones states alright, I say we need to sign this and pass it back in, and then abide by the Code of Ethics. That is what we need to do. Let's move on to reports. No that is not it, miscellaneous.

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Mr. Michael Johnson states Mr. Chairman item number 18, miscellaneous, item A is a lease renewal for the Farmers Market site. You see correspondence providing notice that the Commonwealth of Virginia is planning to renew its lease for space at the Courtland Farmers' Market, 24540 Agripark Drive in Courtland. The Board has the option of requesting the Department to hold a public hearing if it so desires.

Chairman Jones states okay Board, does anyone have any comments on that.

Supervisor Updike states I definitely think we should have a public hearing on that. I think we have missed a lot of opportunities with that million dollar facility there. I think it's a good idea to get a new perspective on...

Supervisor West states are you talking on the AgriPark? I mean the Agricultural Building. The public hearing on which one? What are we going to have the public hearing on?

Chairman Jones states the renewal on the lease.

Supervisor West states just the renewal on the building that is all.

Chairman Jones states that's all it is.

Supervisor Porter states I just don't see a value to that.

Supervisor West states I don't either but I mean...

Chairman Jones states they are paying for it.

Supervisor Porter states but they are paying for it with state tax money and I don't see where we should waste money on this specific issue. I don't think this is going to achieve...

Chairman Jones states I understand that. We would have to advertise for a public hearing and pay for that right?

Mr. Michael Johnson states no the Commonwealth of Virginia would advertise for it.

Chairman Jones states they would advertise it. They haven't done anything since they been here.

Supervisor Edwards states it's not broken, let's stop trying to fix it.

Supervisor Updike states it's broken. It really is. One of the last things, I think was \$25, \$30 all they got out of it. That is taxpayers' money and thousands of dollars and it's not returning anything to the state or the county.

Supervisor West states but do we have any control over that Mr. Johnson? We have none from my understanding.

Mr. Michael Johnson states keep in mind that this is not about the agreement that the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has with the operator of the Market. This is a lease agreement through the Department of Corrections which handles the leases for the Commonwealth of Virginia. All they are simply saying is, do you want us to renew the lease for a Farmers Market here or would you prefer us to lease it for something else.

Chairman Jones states that is what it is a Farmers Market and that is what we have been doing all these years.

Supervisor Edwards makes a motion that we renew the Commonwealth of Virginia lease.

Chairman Jones asked do we have a second.

Mr. Michael Johnson states we don't need a motion.

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Supervisor Porter states we don't need a motion. It is asking whether or not we want a public hearing which is ultimately going to be paid for with our tax money that we pay the state instead of the county.

Supervisor Edwards states I make a motion that we do not request the Department to hold a public hearing.

Chairman Jones states anyone want to second that.

Supervisor Porter states we don't need to do anything.

Chairman Jones states we will just leave that alone.

Mr. Michael Johnson states item B is an ABC licenses application filed by the Boykins Sunoco. You can see correspondence from the Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control regarding that application. That is just for your information. Item C is also for your information. It is an application by Columbia Gas of Virginia from the State Corporation Commission for a special rate that would be applied to Vireol Bio Energy LLC which is an ethanol plant located in Hopewell. Item D is the newsletter from Southampton High School just for your reference. Item E is a copy of the foreclosure notices we have received this month and the seconded part of that is a copy of the various environmental notices from the Virginia Department of Health and/or the Department of Environmental Quality.

Chairman Jones states are there any late arriving matters.

Mr. Michael Johnson states there is one late arriving matter that was sent out to you all. Look in your agenda package from the Treasurer. You will see correspondence from Mr. Britt. He is seeking an additional \$1321.92 in the current fiscal year to pay for an additional 144 hours of part-time assistance in collecting delinquent taxes. He estimates the administrative fees associated with those collections will more than offset the cost of that additional assistance.

Chairman Jones states alright gentlemen we have heard Mr. Johnson. What do you have to say on this matter?

Supervisor Edwards states I say so be it. Supervisor Edwards makes a motion to allow the treasurer the amount of money he needs for additional help in the current fiscal year to assist in collecting delinquent taxes.

Supervisor Porter seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones asked if there was anything else to come before the Board, if not I need a motion to adjourn.

Supervisor West made a motion to adjourn.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

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Dallas O. Jones, Chairman

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Michael W. Johnson, Clerk

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