

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
STAFFORD, VIRGINIA
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Regular Meeting
May 1, 2018

Call to Order A regular meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Meg Bohmke, Chairman, at 3:00 p.m., on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, in the Board Chambers, George L. Gordon, Jr., Government Center, 1300 Courthouse Road, Stafford, VA.

Roll Call The following members were present: Meg Bohmke, Chairman; Gary F. Snellings, Vice Chairman; Jack R. Cavalier; Thomas C. Coen; L. Mark Dudenhefer; Wendy E. Maurer; and Cindy C. Shelton.

Also in attendance were: Thomas C. Foley, County Administrator; Rysheda McClendon, County Attorney; Marcia C. Hollenberger, Chief Deputy Clerk; Cheryl D. Giles, Deputy Clerk; associated staff and other interested parties.

Ms. Bohmke welcomed Fire Chief Joseph Cardello and his family to Stafford County saying that the Board was glad to have him. She added that May 1st was his first day on the job.

Ms. Bohmke spoke about Foster Care Month and said that the blue ribbons tied to trees around the Government Center represented the 42 children currently in foster care in Stafford County. She commended foster parents for their time and dedication to these children while they await permanent homes, whether it is back with their parents or other relatives, or final adoption into a new family. Ms. Bohmke applauded the Department Social Services, its dedicated workers, and all foster parents.

Mrs. Maurer motioned, seconded by Mr. Coen, to adopt the agenda as presented. There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea:	(7)	Bohmke, Cavalier, Coen, Dudenhefer, Maurer, Shelton, Snellings
Nay:	(0)	

Presentation to Marilyn Dufrat, Victim Witness Coordination Ms. Bohmke presented a framed copy of the newspaper article of Ms. Dufrat with Attorney General Mark Herring as he presented her with the Virginia Unsung Hero Award. Ms. Bohmke said that the definition of an unsung hero was a person whose achievements are unacknowledged or little known. The Commonwealth's Attorney, Eric Olsen, and the Courthouse Dog, Kahn, joined Ms. Bohmke and Ms. Dufrat at the dais. Ms. Dufrat thanked her boss (Mr. Olsen), her co-workers and partner agencies, all of whom participate in the work of the County's Victim Witness Office.

General Assembly Post Session Briefing Ms. Julie Hammond, with Eckert Seamans, provided the Board with an update on the 2018 Virginia Assembly Session. She said that the (new) Governor's budget was very much the same as (former) Governor Terry McAuliffe's budget including proposed Medicaid expansion. The Senate Finance Committee will hold a hearing on Monday, May 14, 2018 to continue discussion of the Commonwealth's FY2019 budget. A budget must be adopted and signed by Governor Northam by June 30, 2018 or the State government could face closure if a budget is not adopted.

Two of Stafford County's issues, public day school funding and funding for Phase I at Widewater State Park were included in both the House and Senate budgets. Ms. Hammond spoke about Wireless Zoning and Right-of-Way legislation, both that could have an impact on Stafford. WAMATA proposed budgeting preserved some money for Stafford but until a budget is passed, the amount is unknown. Mrs. Maurer asked Ms. Hammond to do a "deep dive" and report back to the Board with what this means for Stafford as a transportation funding source. She questioned the time frame and it being dependent on what Maryland does.

Ms. Hammond spoke about a proffer study group formed by Senator Bill Stanley and Senator Richard Stuart; its first meeting was held on April 18, 2018 and will meet again in July to discuss impact fees. Mrs. Maurer requested a list of all meeting dates and times. Ms. Hammond noted that VACo and VML were pulling information together for this committee.

Ms. Hammond also noted that an election subcommittee, co-chaired by Senator Jill Vogel and Delegate Mark Cole, will be meeting to discuss redistricting. Stafford may wish to have a seat at these meetings as well as at the proffer study group. There is also a Schools' sub-committee at which County representatives may wish to participate.

Ms. Bohmke thanked Ms. Hammond for doing a great job keeping the Board informed.

Presentations by the Public The following persons indicated a desire to address the Board:

Dan Hicks - Resident of the Rock Hill District; had a Power Point presentation representing Little League Baseball and asked the Board to consider repealing the agreement with the Stafford Baseball League (SBL), dated 1/16/17. Spoke about funds being taken in by SBL and how little of those funds the County was receiving, and there being no County oversight of the SBL's field usage, financials, or tactics. He asked to bring Little League back to the County's middle schools.

Sharon Foley - Asked that the Board not adopt categorical funding for the Schools; as a 20 year federal government worker, she noted that there was no incentive to save if unspent monies in categorical funding were returned to the funding source. She said that the School Board was elected to prepare and administer its budget and acknowledged that Board of

Supervisor (BOS) members were underpaid, but asked that they consider the future of the County saying that if schools deteriorate, so will the economic incentives; goals would not be met since people move here for the Schools. Ms. Foley said that parents were giving up. They felt that it was hopeless; that the School Board and BOS were not listening to them. She asked that the Board please listen to members of the community.

Board Member Presentations Board members spoke on related topics and asked that items as identified be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion and separate vote:

Ms. Bohmke - Noted that she had been out of town but did attend a number of events and deferred the rest of her remarks.

Mr. Cavalier - Attended Student Government Day and X-Corp Solutions ribbon cutting at Quantico Corporate Center; said it is an \$8 Million project and Economic Development was on board with helping them get started. Mr. Cavalier participated as a celebrity bar tender at Adventure Brewing; his charity was the Aquia Harbour Lions Club. He attended the Fredericksburg Regional Alliance quarterly meeting and also the Aquia Harbour Board of Directors meeting.

Mr. Coen - Attended the Emergency Management Seminar; the Belmont Open House, which he said is a great asset to the County and a treasure in the George Washington District; participated with Sheriff Decatur in a march and church services commemorating the death of Martin Luther King, Jr., which Mr. Coen said was handled in a very constructive and healing way. He attended the swearing-in of the new Fire Chief, Joseph Cardello, saying that the Chief would be a great addition to the County. Mr. Coen attended the 37th Annual Marines Awards Banquet, also attended by Ms. Shelton and Mr. and Mrs. Maurer, which was an honor. He spoke about Student Government Day and thanked former BOS members, Togie Payne, Alvin Bandy, Linda Musselman and others who began the tradition in years' past. He thanked current staff member, Jeff Shover, and Eric Powell and Missy Hall with the Schools for their help. A mock Board meeting was held in the School Board's Chambers. He thanked the Board for its support, saying that many Board members were there year-after-year and he remembered when Mr. Cavalier's son participated and Mr. Cavalier was a proud father whose son is now an educator. He appreciated the help of many people to make Student Government Day happen.

Mr. Dudenhefer - At the Infrastructure Committee (IC) meeting, there was discussion about a working group that is doing a comprehensive road evaluation; identifying objectives and evaluating roads using the County's limited resources. He said that the working group is addressing safety and congestion issues on County roads, with a report due (hopefully) at the end of the summer. Mr. Dudenhefer said there are 100 roads in the County with in excess of 1000 cars per day traveling on them.

Mrs. Maurer - With Sheriff Decatur and Pastor Mueller, Pastor at Rock Hill Baptist Church, Mrs. Maurer judged a baking contest for Cub Scout Pack 825, which has been active in the County for 50 years; she congratulated parents for their involvement, which also leads to Stafford County having the most active Scouts and the highest number of Eagle Scouts in the nation. Mrs. Maurer attended the 37th Annual Marine Corps Awards Dinner, saying that she was married to a former Marine and it was like old home week. She had the special privilege of talking with Senator John Warner, who is 91 years old. She spoke about a town hall meeting conducted by the younger Senator John Warner (no relation) regarding background investigations and said it was important to Stafford County because of the number of defense contractors located here. She attended a Courthouse Redevelopment sponsor meeting; the Courthouse is a \$70 Million project. High School #6 and Elementary School #18 are priorities in addition to a new courthouse. She thanked staff and Judge Willis and talked about finding a creative solution to bring down the cost. Mrs. Maurer attended the X-Corp Solutions ribbon cutting with Mr. Cavalier and noted that there were 4000 unfilled cyber jobs in the Capitol Region. She co-hosted a town hall meeting with Mr. Snellings regarding ground water concerns, which will be sent to the Planning Commission for review then to the full Board with its recommendations on how to manage ground water in that area of the County. Mrs. Maurer chaired the Community and Economic Development Committee (CEDC) meeting, where no action was taken on transfer of development rights or rezoning M-1 to A-1 outside the Urban Services Area (USA). It is being referred to the Planning Commission for a proposed Ordinance to allow temporary uses and for a review of parking and drive aisle standards.

Ms. Shelton - With Ms. Bohmke, attended a workshop on trauma and adverse childhood experiences and said there was a huge opportunity for it to be incorporated into the Schools and County. Ms. Shelton toured the Landfill and noted that recycling glass costs the County money. With Sheriff Decatur, attended a function at the Library where they read stories, danced, and sang with the children. She participated in Student Government Day; and brought attending to Mt. Olive Baptist Church as it celebrates its 200th anniversary this month.

Mr. Snellings - Deferred remarks.

Report of the County Attorney – Ms. McClendon deferred her remarks.

Report of the County Administrator – Mr. Foley noted that the priority projects/initiatives report was a work in progress. He said that the Fire and Rescue Strategic Plan and implementation of the Economic Development Plan were forthcoming with the hiring of both the new Fire Chief and new director of Economic Development.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Maurer motioned, seconded by Coen, to adopt the Consent Agenda.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Bohmke, Cavalier, Coen, Dudenhefer, Maurer, Shelton, Snellings
Nay: (0)

Item 4. County Administration; Approve Minutes of the April 17, 2018 Meeting; the Minutes of the April 17, 2018 Budget Work Session; the Minutes of the April 19, 2018 Joint Budget Work Session with the School Board; and the Minutes of the April 24, 2018 Special Meeting

Item 5. Finance and Budget; Approve the Expenditure Listing

Resolution R18-109 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURE LISTING (EL)
DATED APRIL 17, 2018 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2018,

WHEREAS, the Board appropriated funds to be expended for the purchase of goods and services in accordance with an approved budget; and

WHEREAS, the payments appearing on the above-referenced Listing of Expenditures represent payment of \$100,000 and greater for the purchase of goods and/or services, which are within the appropriated amounts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of May, 2018 that the above-mentioned EL be and hereby is approved.

Item 6. Public Works; Authorize a New Programmatic Agreement to Cover all of Stafford County's Revenue Sharing Projects

Resolution R18-100 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A PROGRAMMATIC PROJECT ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT WITH THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, the Board requested funding from the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) for revenue sharing projects and is currently administrating several projects using revenue sharing funding; and

WHEREAS, the CTB approved and allocated the funding to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for these projects; and

WHEREAS, VDOT has developed a Programmatic Project Administration Agreement (Agreement), which will streamline the process for administering the funding, and define the responsibilities of both parties to the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, VDOT requires a resolution authorizing the County Administrator, or his designee, to execute the Agreement to allow the County to administer current and future revenue sharing projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of May, 2018, that the County Administrator, or his designee, be and he hereby is authorized to execute a Programmatic Project Administration Agreement with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for current and future revenue sharing projects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the VDOT Fredericksburg District Administrator be provided with a copy of this Resolution.

Item 7. Authorize the County Administrator to Execute a Settlement Agreement and Deed in *Stafford County Board of Supervisors V. Urrutia, Inc.*, CL16-1260, and Authorize the County Attorney to Take All Additional Actions Necessary to Finalize Settlement of the Case

Resolution R18-107 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO SETTLE *STAFFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS V. URRUTIA, INC.*, CL16-1260

WHEREAS, the Board and Urrutia, Inc. are parties to the condemnation case, *Stafford County Board of Supervisors v. Urrutia, Inc.*, CL16-1260; and

WHEREAS, the parties in the above-referenced case desire to enter into a settlement agreement to resolve the respondent's claims for just compensation under the terms and conditions discussed in closed session with the County Attorney;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of May, 2018, that the County Attorney and the County Administrator, or their designees, be and they hereby are authorized to execute any and all documents that they deem necessary and appropriate to settle *Stafford County Board of Supervisors v. Urrutia, Inc.*, CL16-1260, under the terms and conditions discussed in closed session.

Item 8. Utilities; Authorize the County Administrator to Advertise a Public Hearing to Consider an Amendment to Stafford County Code Sec. 25-1, "Definitions," Sec. 25-104, "When Due and Payable; Delinquencies Generally,;" and Sec. 25-105, "Discontinuance of Service for Failure to Pay," and Consider Changes to the Utilities Advanced Payment Fee

Resolution R18-72 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO STAFFORD COUNTY CODE SEC. 25-1, "DEFINITIONS"; SEC. 25-104, "WHEN DUE AND PAYABLE; DELINQUENCIES GENERALLY,;" AND SEC. 25-105, "DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE FOR FAILURE TO PAY,;" AND CONSIDER CHANGES TO THE UTILITIES ADVANCE PAYMENT FEE

WHEREAS, an update is required to County Code Sec. 25-1 “Definitions;” Sec. 25-104 “When due and payable; delinquencies generally;” and Sec. 25-105 “Discontinuance of service for failure to pay,” to be in compliance with the Virginia Code; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments would permit delinquent Utilities accounts to accrue additional service charges for a longer amount of time, resulting in higher bills prior to disconnection; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to consider an increase in the Advanced Payment Fee, assessed when a new account is established and applied to a customer’s final bill, from \$37.00 to \$75.00 for residential accounts associated with 5/8” and 3/4” meters to offset this anticipated increase; and

WHEREAS, the Utilities Commission held a public hearing to consider the proposed amendments, fee changes, and to hear public testimony, and voted 6-0 with one absentee member to recommend approval; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires and is required to hold a public hearing to consider amending Chapter 25 of the County Code and to consider changes to the Advanced Payment Fee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of May, 2018, the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to advertise a public hearing to consider an amendment to Stafford County Code Sec. 25-1, “Definitions;” Sec. 25-104, “When due and payable; delinquencies generally;” and Sec. 25-105, “Discontinuance of service for failure to pay;” and to consider changes to the Utilities Advance Payment Fee.

Item 9. Utilities; Request that the Utilities Commission Hold a Public Hearing to Consider the General Water and Sewer Improvement Program and Utilities Pro-Rata Fees

Resolution R18-111 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE UTILITIES COMMISSION HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER CHANGES TO THE GENERAL WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND PRO-RATA FEES

WHEREAS, the Board desires to provide reliable water and wastewater service to the residents and businesses of Stafford County; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that future service needs be carefully planned; and

WHEREAS, the rates and fees must be commensurate with the cost of providing service in order that the Utilities fund be self-supporting; and

WHEREAS, County Code Sec. 25-72.1 and 25.72.2 require sub-dividers and developers to pay a pro rata share of off-site water and sewer costs; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Code § 15.2-2243(A), requires the establishment of a general water and sewer improvement program in order to collect Pro-rata fees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of May, 2018, that Utilities Commission be and it hereby is requested to hold a public hearing to consider changes to the General Water and Sewer Improvement Program and Pro-rata fees.

Item 10. Information Technology; Authorize the County Administrator to Execute a Contract with ePlus for the Purchase of a Storage Area Network (SAN) and Back-Up System

Resolution R18-108 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH ePLUS TECHNOLOGY, INC. TO PURCHASE A STORAGE AREA NETWORK (SAN) AND DATA BACKUP SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the County's storage area network (SAN) and data backup systems have exceeded their useful life; and

WHEREAS, replacement of these systems offers significant improvements in data capacity speed and software application performance, as well as improved reliability; and

WHEREAS, the County may cooperatively procure the SAN and data backup systems under a state contract through Virginia Association of State College and University Purchasing Professionals (VASCUPP) contract #UCP3491557JC with ePlus Technology, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, staff received the proposed contract in the amount of \$678,170, and determined it to be reasonable for the scope of services desired; and

WHEREAS, funds for the SAN and backup data systems have been budgeted and appropriated from FY2017 carry over funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of May, 2018, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a contract with ePlus Technology, Inc. in an amount not to exceed Six Hundred Seventy-eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$678,170), unless amended by a duly-executed contract amendment.

Item 11. Community Engagement; Proclamation Recognizing White Oak Equipment, Inc. for Hosting an Oyster Roast for 34 Years and Raising More than \$1 Million to Benefit the Local Community (This proclamation will be presented on May 15, 2018.)

Proclamation P18-09 reads as follows:

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING WHITE OAK EQUIPMENT, INC., FOR HOSTING AN OYSTER ROAST FOR 34 YEARS AND FOR RAISING MORE THAN \$1 MILLION TO HELP BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Frank McCarty, owner of White Oak Equipment, Inc., hosted the first Oyster Roast benefit 34 years ago to assist the family of his friend and employee, Jim Dawson, during his struggle with cancer; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, the Oyster Roast has raised more than \$1 Million, and every dollar has benefited 32 recipients and their families, and two local organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Oyster Roast is a highly anticipated community gathering sponsored by White Oak Equipment in conjunction with Friendship Baptist Church and Fairview Baptist Church, as well as dozens of other dedicated community members and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the White Oak Equipment Oyster Roast is a wonderful example of the local community coming together to assist those in need, and Frank McCarty is the embodiment of a remarkable friend to the local community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 15th day of May, 2018, that it be and hereby does recognize White Oak Equipment and Frank McCarty for service and dedication to those in need in Stafford County and surrounding communities.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 12. Finance and Budget; Budget Work Session (held in the A/B/C Conference Room) At 3:49 p.m., Ms. Bohmke announced that the Board would be moving to the ABC Conference Room for a continuation of discussions on the FY2019 budget and Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

Mr. Foley said that the purpose of the work session was to determine priorities for the additional \$4 Million gained by the Board's favorable vote of a \$.99 tax rate. He noted that at the special meeting planned for the next day, May 2nd, the Board would be asked to vote on the FY2019 budget, but not the CIP, which would come back to the Board possibly at its meeting on June 5th. The necessity for the Board's vote on the FY19 budget was due to the Schools having to get contracts out to all of its contracted employees.

Budget Division Director, Ms. Andrea Light, discussed budget challenges including impacts to Fire and Rescue of \$1.5 Million as the SAFER Grant expires and one-half year funding in FY2019 for an additional crew (\$650,000), as well as the full impact of Station 14 debt service.

Mr. Foley mentioned the 5-year planning process and that there was no reassessment next year. Mrs. Maurer said that growth and new homes financial benefits would be eaten up with pay raises and the impacts of the new growth. Mr. Foley agreed saying that it was leading to an imbalance and the assumption that year-to-year costs ate up natural growth for new construction. The total with the new tax rate is \$4,024,700 in additional revenue.

Ms. Light spoke about an additional \$2 Million in taxes in the current year, one-time funds from June 2018 collection, and approximately \$.6 Million required to increase reserves to policy levels, leaving a net of \$1.4 Million available – with potential budget adjustments of an increase to School funding; School safety measures; increase to capital funding for future obligations, increase to transportation, and parity among County and School staff for COLA salary increases.

Regarding School funding, Ms. Light said that the proposed budget was \$3,275,707 funding for growth in enrollment and funding for additional compensation; an increase in Private Day School of \$2,696,000 (budgeted in Human Services, not Schools); an increase in Public Day

School of \$285,000 for an additional classroom with six students; and potential debt service savings based on the Spring 2018 VPSA borrow (the bonds closed that day and staff would have better numbers to provide to the Board by the week's end).

Mrs. Maurer asked who made decisions about Private and Public Day School placement. Ms. Light responded that it was the Schools' decision. Mrs. Maurer noted that it was an almost \$2.7 Million increase and asked if County staff had offered to help the Schools in controlling these costs. Mr. Presley said that help had been offered in way of a shared position and incentives to lower the costs. Mr. Foley said there were a number of strategies; that the budget was escalated now rather than playing catch-up as in previous years. He added that the shared position would cost approximately \$85,000 annually. Mrs. Maurer asked if the Schools took the County up on its offer. Mr. Foley said that the offer would be restated and followed up with the School Board. Mr. Presley said that within the past few days, the Schools had let staff know that there was no space for the extra classroom so the \$285,000 would be removed from the Ups and Downs list. Ms. Bohmke said that it should be brought up at the next joint CIP meeting and asked if use of the old Moncure ES would create the needed space. Mr. Foley said that they would leave the budgeted amount where it was. Mrs. Maurer said that the County pays more than the state average and more than Spotsylvania County and that \$2.7 Million could fund a lot of market enhancements; it was a significant amount of money and asked that Mr. Foley continue to look into the numbers.

Regarding the School Board's approved budget, Ms. Light said that compensation enhancements were \$9,184,461 with the median teacher pay scale enhancement cost \$1,840,650; approximately half of the teachers were Grade 11 or lower and behind the market. Service Scale enhancements were \$2,140,601 and the 2.5% COLA adjustment was \$5,203,210. The Senate will return on May 14th to resume its budget deliberations and under the House of Delegate's proposal, the School Division could receive up to an additional \$1.4 Million (which is not included in either the County or Schools budget at present). Ms. Light said that staff would continue to monitor the State budget and provide updates to the Board. Mrs. Maurer asked if the money would come to the County or go directly to the Schools. Ms. Light said that the Schools could not spend the money until the Board budgeted and appropriated the funds. Mr. Foley said that the School Board would have a free hand in how to spend that money unless the Board was specific in appropriating it for "X" uses.

Mr. Foley spoke about the Schools method of appropriation and said that if categorical funding was the desire of the Board, staff needed direction as to how to craft the resolution with the intent on how to spend funds. Ms. Bohmke said that last year the Board granted money for the specific use of COLA raises for School employees yet the School Board chose to use that money for other uses and did not grant the intended raises to its staff.

Mrs. Maurer said that the Board cannot dictate to the Schools how to spend the \$5.2 Million for COLA raises for its staff and although last year the Board assumed that the School Board would give its staff the raises intended by the Board, they did not. She said that the 2.5% COLA was a priority for the Board but the Board will be blamed if again this year, the School Board chose to not give it to School staff. Mr. Foley said that the Board could, in its proposed Resolution, spell out how it intends for the Schools to use certain portions of its allocations for FY2019.

Mr. Cavalier said that the 2.5% COLA at \$5.2 Million went over and above the amount recommended for raises in the County Administrator's budget, and the cost for the median teacher enhancements was \$1.8 Million. That should be the minimum that they get so they can

do those things, and find a way themselves to make up the deficit. Mr. Foley said calculations would ensure that the Schools got \$5.2 Million for the COLA and \$1.84 Million for the teacher scale. Mrs. Maurer said to take into account the savings for them not providing for an extra classroom. Ms. Bohmke mentioned the Central Office staff receiving a 1% raise vs. the 2.5% for teachers and staff. Mr. Cavalier said that the Board had no say in that. Ms. Bohmke said it could be put into the Resolution. Mr. Cavalier said that even with categorical funding, the Board could not get to that level of detail. Mr. Coen asked if categorical or quarterly funding was more difficult. Ms. Light replied that quarterly funding created a dilemma as the Schools often ordered the bulk of its supplies and maintenance equipment over the summer months when the students were not in the classrooms. Mr. Coen said he did not wish to see the Board get into the weeds with categorical or quarterly funding. He added that in the past, some staff got 10% raises and he liked the concept of putting a reference to the 2.5% COLA into the Resolution so as to look out for everyone equally. Mr. Coen noted that when he worked in Arlington County, some staff got lower amounts and he hoped that paraprofessionals, administrative assistants, bus drivers, etc. got the 2.5% and that the Board supported raises for them.

Sheriff Decatur provided a hand-out with a proposal for a pilot program for School Protection Officers (SPO). The program would assess whether the assignment of a sworn deputy/school protection specialist can be implemented and sustained in the County's elementary schools for the purpose of increasing security and safety. Mr. Cavalier asked about the difference between the School Resource Officers (SRO) and the SPO's. Sheriff Decatur responded that there were different layers of security for schools and this would be an innovative way of adding another layer of security. It would be a faster way of getting sworn deputies into the schools; they would be specially trained, certified to carry a weapon, and have arresting authority. They would be trained in-house to DCJS specifications but not have the additional training that a SRO requires (such as accident reconstruction, traffic violations, etc.). The Sheriff said they would initially be assigned to the elementary schools; a supervisor would be assigned to evaluate the program and decide if it was worth expanding to place SPO's in each of the 17 elementary schools. The SPO would work the same as the School calendar. Mr. Coen said that getting the SPOs into the schools would be faster and maybe even have them in place by September.

Mr. Cavalier talked about using some of the new revenue from June tax collections as start-up funds for this pilot program and thanked the Sheriff for taking a proactive approach to the issue of elementary school security and safety. He also suggested using some of the funds that the Schools' get in grants for security issues so that they, too, could contribute to the SPO program. Sheriff Decatur said that there were initial start-up costs but that those were one-time expenses to outfit the SPOs. He added that SPOs were not "watered-down" deputies, but specially trained ones. He said that \$1.3 Million was the full complement to do six SPOs next year. Mr. Mike Neuhard said that full implementation of 18 SPO's (17 and 1 supervisor) in year two was \$1.6 Million and in year three it would go down to \$1.1 Million in today's dollars.

Ms. Light then discussed the CIP for the Schools and asked if the Board supported the purchase of Fredericksburg Christian School (FCS). Mr. Cavalier said that he needed answers first to the questions asked of the School Board regarding space needs and enrollment projections and if the purchase would actually provide the classrooms needed to meet future enrollment. Mr. Cavalier said that he did not support the purchase of FCS and made a motion to that effect. Ms. Shelton seconded Mr. Cavalier's motion.

Ms. Light said that staff recommended hiring an independent A & E firm to work with School and County staff to develop cost estimates for renovation of Ferry Farm ES, building HS #6, and using the old Moncure ES as a northern center for Pre-K and Head Start. Ms. Bohmke inquired about the cost of hiring an A & E firm. Ms. Light said it was estimated to be \$250,000 or less.

Mr. Coen said that he supported Mr. Cavalier's motion; that he had not seen the requested info from the School Board and that it did not appear that purchasing FCS would do much beyond the first year to eliminate the need for additional classroom space or to provide even short term relief. Ms. Shelton talked about long-term growth and projected growth compared to the location of the FCS campus. She said there may be other opportunities in better suited locations.

Mrs. Maurer said that she supported Mr. Cavalier's motion; that she visited FCS and initially thought that it was an interesting concept. She spoke about the need for HS #6 and that purchasing FCS with the little value that it would actually provide beyond year one, would push the new high school further down the list and that would backfire. She also said that she still was waiting to see Pre-K numbers and projections.

Mr. Dudenhefer said that as follow-on to Mr. Cavalier's motion, what about using the old Moncure ES. He said that the return on investment for the land on which the old Moncure ES is situated is not as good now as it was ten years ago. He would like to see a memorandum of understanding from the Schools to the County stating the Schools intent to turn over the old Moncure ES site to the County in a designated period of time, possibly 10 years or so, with the overall intent being to up the County's tax base in the future. Mr. Cavalier suggested that Mr. Dudenhefer make that into a friendly amendment to his motion. Mrs. Maurer said that the Schools could lease that site from the County for \$1.00 annually and it could be done as a 10-year lease without needing a MOU; that it has been handled that way in other jurisdictions. Mr. Foley said that it could be done that way but would defer to the County Attorney. Ms. Bohmke reminded the Board that the CIP would be decided on at its meeting on June 5th and that this was an item for a future CIP discussion with staff. Mr. Cavalier withdrew his motion saying that he still did not support the purchase of FCS.

Mrs. Maurer said that she agreed with bullet #2 on slide 12, hiring an A & E firm to perform an independent evaluation of the Schools proposed CIP projects. Ms. Shelton agreed saying that it should be tied into the procurement process. Mr. Coen liked the idea of an independent firm gathering the data and then the Board talking with the Schools. Mr. Foley suggested doing the evaluation with the Schools, not just sharing the data after the fact. He said that perhaps the Joint Schools Working Committee or another committee could get regular analyses and that there had to be complete confidence in the numbers.

Mr. Snellings said that he was very concerned about the anticipated cost of \$250,000 for hiring the A & E firm; that a definite cost should be nailed down and staff should attempt to get a lower cost for those services. Ms. Bohmke asked if the County would go out to bid. Mr. Foley said that it was hoped that the services could be obtained using one of the firms already under contract with the County, but he understood the need for competitive pricing.

Ms. Light talked about capital impacts and the Courthouse, debt service, HS #6, debt service and asked about setting aside funding to meeting future capital needs. She said that at the Board's May 15th Finance, Audit and Budget (FAB) meeting, staff would present a proposed FY2019-2028 CIP, based on information provided during the joint CIP process and the Board's

direction; it will include a review of available one-time funding and staff will be prepared to bring the CIP to the full Board for adoption at its meeting on June 5, 2018.

In transportation funding, Ms. Light said that operating revenues were not sufficient to support operating expenditures. General Fund support is necessary to pay for transportation debt service for the 2017 GO bonds. \$26,000 was included for a northern route for FRED bus service and Ms. Light asked if the Board supported additional funding for the Transportation Fund. Mr. Dudenhefer talked about the discussion in the IC meeting and the Impact Fee study and using monies from the Telecommunications fund to make up shortages. He said there would be no money to go into SmartScale to do Enon Road; there was zero dollars in the Transportation Fund.

Other potential budget adjustments discussed by Ms. Light included that the current financial policies dedicated 100% of rollback taxes to support the Purchase of Development Right (PDR) program and asked if the Board wished to continue and supported this process. Mr. Cavalier asked about tax relief. Commissioner of the Revenue, Mr. Scott Mayausky, said that there was \$3,000 cap per homeowner and that there was 50% or 100% relief, with the possibility of removing the 50% relief, which would account for about \$26,600 in savings or \$34,500 in savings if the \$3,000 cap were to be eliminated. Ms. Bohmke spoke about the County's aging County.

Mr. Cavalier asked about the two new positions for the Department of Social Services (DSS) if Medicaid expansion went through and, if it did not go through, would they still need those two extra positions. He asked if the County funded five positions, could it only fund four. Ms. Light said that the State funds 85.5% of the salary for those positions leaving a relatively small amount for the County to pick up. Mr. Foley said it was not a big budget impact.

Mr. Cavalier said that he supported the 2.5% COLA for County staff as he wanted parity with the Schools' staff. Ms. Light said that the cost to fund a 2.5% vs. a 2.0% COLA was \$285,000. Ms. Light asked if the Board supported an additional \$4,281 to the Tri-County/City Soil and Water Conservation District to help reduce pollutants in the Chesapeake Bay. The Board agreed that it did support both the 2.5% COLA for County employees and the additional funds to Tri-County/City.

Mrs. Maurer asked about the funding going to Riverside. Ms. Light said that it was included in the Tourism Fund. Ms. Bohmke asked about the 1% market pay adjustments and who that went to. Ms. Light said that it would be for DSS workers and E-911 dispatchers first then any other County employee who was found to be under the mid-point following the completion of the market study. Mrs. Maurer asked about waiting another year to use \$385,000. Mr. Foley said that if the County waited another year, they would lose people and the County already had a very high turnover rate; that this was a very tough market. He added that DSS and the dispatchers were below market and was below Spotsylvania County's wages for those positions. Mr. Foley said that staff would come back to the Board when it had hard data to share.

Ms. Bohmke asked about radio maintenance at \$235,949. Ms. Light said that was for the Sheriff, Fire and Rescue, and the Schools radios and maintenance costs. Mrs. Maurer asked about \$30,000 for Celebrate Virginia. Mr. Foley said we pay CDA taxes. She asked if we could put a high school there. Ms. Bohmke asked about \$167,000 for staff training. Human Resources Director, Shannon Wagner, replied that it was for LEAD and SEI at UVa, and

Microsoft and Skillset training for all employees. She said that the County sends 12 to 14 people to LEAD or SEI each year and 1000 employees benefit from the Microsoft and Skillset training classes that are offered throughout the year. Ms. Shelton asked why soccer was listed and preferred over other sports and asked that the funds set aside and be reallocated to all sports. Mr. Smith said that there were baseball incentives. Mrs. Maurer asked about the Sharks, LaCrosse teams, etc., and asked that staff follow up with a better justification. Ms. Bohmke said there had to be consistency and fairness to everyone. Mr. Cavalier said that the new ED director started on May 21st and he should be given the opportunity to evaluate his budgets.

In discussing PDR, Mr. Dudenhefer said that the County was struggling to fund salaries and schools but has \$1 Million sitting in the PDR account and asked how much of that amount could legally be transferred to the General Fund. Mr. Foley replied, "\$250,000." Mr. Dudenhefer said that it should be done away with. PDR Manager and Assistant Planning and Zoning Director, Ms. Kathy Baker, talked about state and federal matching funds. Ms. Shelton said that those interested in being considered for PDR had to expend their own money by hiring a lawyer or accountant and that staff spends hundreds of hours and people were counting on this program; that people submitted applications in good faith and she was supportive of PDR. In response to Ms. Shelton saying that PDR funds had been accumulating for 10 years, Mrs. Maurer said they had not been collected over 10 years; that the \$1 Million was added last year. She said that a lot of school and safety projects could be funded with that money and made reference to an occurrence the previous year involving a member of the Board. Mr. Snellings said that what Mrs. Maurer spoke of did not go through PDR and that supervisor was no longer on the Board. He said that he felt it was wrong to pull out of the PDR program but that it should be reevaluated. Ms. Baker then outlined the process of submitting a survey and deed, having an attorney or accountant to review the tax implications, and said that the application was not binding; the applicant could pull out of the process at any time before the PDR designation was awarded. Mr. Dudenhefer said that in his district there was not a single property that would ever be able to qualify for the PDR program and he sympathized with his constituents; that it was not fair and equitable to them. Mr. Cavalier respectfully disagreed with Mr. Dudenhefer saying that every time a resident moves into the County, or into Mr. Dudenhefer's district, there is another school child possibly adding to enrollment numbers and school costs. The PDR program saved a lot of development and the need for a lot of classrooms so therefore, his constituents did benefit from the PDR program. Mr. Coen spoke about there not being many, if any, qualified property in his district either but he saw the benefit of the PDR program. He mentioned taxes paying for benefits to County residents and spoke about the Jeff Rouse Swim and Sport Center. Mr. Cavalier corrected Mr. Coen saying that the County does not fund the Jeff Rouse Swim and Sport Center, there was a contract operator.

Ms. Bohmke asked if the Board wanted to take a vote on the \$250,000 for PDR. Mrs. Maurer said that she did not wish to carry forward the \$250,000 this year; that it could be allocated to other projects. Ms. Bohmke said she did not agree with what happened last year and that reform was necessary even though in the Falmouth District, most of the land was already developed. Ms. Baker said that the application process was not finished and that PDR and land conservation money still goes before the Board to authorize acquisition and there were state and local funds. REPI funds were allocated to properties next to Marine Corps Base Quantico. Mr. Coen said to keep the rollback taxes and use \$250,000 in year-end funds for PDR. Mrs. Maurer motioned, seconded by Mr. Dudenhefer to eliminate the \$250,000 in rollback taxes and add that back into operating funds. Mr. Coen said to keep the rollback taxes. The vote by a show of hands was 3 – 4 with Mr. Cavalier, Mr. Dudenhefer, and Mrs. Maurer voting in favor of the

motion and Ms. Bohmke, Mr. Coen, Ms. Shelton, and Mr. Snellings voting against the motion. Ms. Bohmke said that the program was in need of reevaluation.

The discussion then focused on the FY2019 proposed budget ups and downs. Ms. Bohmke said that the \$26,000 for the FRED Bus expansion was needed and it was moved to the list of expenditures from potential adjustments as was \$4,281 for Tri-County/City Soil and Water Conservation District for Chesapeake Bay clean-up. School debt service savings amounts were not yet available but bonds were due to close and a definite amount would be shared with the Board later that week. Also unknown was Medicaid Expansion, which was awaiting the Senate Finance Committee to reconvene on May 14th. \$350,000 was removed from the list of potential adjustments; Mr. Cavalier suggested waiting for the new Economic Development Director to come on board. Senior tax relief (\$30,558) was included as an expenditure. Regarding 1 cent for transportation, Ms. Bohmke said that the Task Force was just formed and although she knew how Mr. Dudenhefer felt about transportation improvements in the County, she suggested that security enhancements were perhaps a better use of that money. She spoke about not putting more money into the Sheriff's pilot program without receiving additional details. Mr. Cavalier said that he supported the SPO program for three schools for one year with further evaluation to follow the initial year. Ms. Shelton said that she supported spending \$402,703; Mr. Coen reconfirmed that amount would cover three SPOs and a coordinator and suggested rounding that amount up to \$500,000 to account for unplanned for expenses involved in the Pilot program. No member of the Board indicated opposition to the Sheriff's proposed pilot program.

After adding the Ups and Downs figures, Mr. Cavalier said that he recommended giving the remaining \$100,000 to the Schools. Mrs. Maurer spoke about construction of High School #6 and its significant impact on the Schools operating budget, which was not included in the numbers provided to the Board; debt service on \$1 Million is \$70,000, she said. She said that there was not enough money in the out years to pay for High School #6 and the Courthouse, and there was public outcry regarding the County's needed infrastructure improvements. To her, transportation and infrastructure should be lumped together. Mr. Dudenhefer disagreed saying that if transportation was lumped into infrastructure, the money would never be spent on roads. He added that there was no money in the transportation fund; not even a stop sign could be erected if it had to be paid from transportation funds. Mr. Cavalier said he was willing to dedicate one-half cent to transportation and give the rest to the Schools, which would give them an additional \$2.4 Million that would help but did not get them where they wanted to be in receipt of additional funding from the County.

Mr. Foley spoke about use of one-time funds for transportation and that an approximate \$1.4 Million would be gained from the new tax rate in the June tax collection, which could go to transportation or to capital, or be used to reprioritize capital projects or liquid balances. Mrs. Maurer said that she agreed with Mr. Cavalier's compromise. Mr. Cavalier talked about allocating an additional \$800,000 to transportation. Mr. Dudenhefer said that it was not recurring. Mrs. Maurer disagreed, saying that it was recurring. Mr. Dudenhefer asked how the County could apply for state or federal money without any matching funds. Mrs. Maurer said that \$800,000 was recurring and the roads analysis was not complete so it may go a lot farther than he (Mr. Dudenhefer) thought. Ms. Shelton agreed with Mr. Dudenhefer. She said that instead of \$800,000, \$1 Million should go to transportation so that there would be funds to leverage SmartScale funding.

Ms. Bohmke said that she knew there were transportation issues in the County and she understood Mr. Dudenhefer's position about needed funding but teachers were so far behind salary-wise, and some of the best teachers left, or were leaving at the end of this school year to move to other jurisdictions with better pay, that she felt that those issues should be addressed first. Mr. Cavalier asked Mr. Dudenhefer if he did not support the additional dedicated one-half cent, why not vote to give it all to the Schools. Mr. Dudenhefer said he would not have voted for a tax increase; that the money was "illegitimate" to start with and only a short-term solution where a long-term solution was needed and being ignored. Mr. Coen said that he was not ignoring anything but was looking for a compromise. Ms. Shelton said that a compromise would be \$1 Million, not \$800,000 to transportation.

Mr. Snelling said going back to PDR he suggested giving up the \$250,000 year-end funds, keeping the rollback tax and giving \$800,000 plus the \$250,000 to transportation. Mr. Dudenhefer said he needed a recurring funding stream to get projects like Decatur Road, Enon Road, Shelton Shop Road, etc., considered because without matching funds available, they would never be done or considered for SmartScale monies. Mrs. Maurer said that the one-half cent and \$800,000, was recurring. She said that she was okay with the one-half cent and doing the roll-back taxes. Mr. Cavalier asked if the \$250,000 was recurring. Mr. Foley said based on past history, it was always available. Mr. Cavalier said \$2.4 Million would go to Schools and \$178,372 would go back to transportation, which gave it almost \$1 Million plus \$250,000 in year-end funds. Mrs. Maurer spoke about changing the PDR funding policy. Ms. Shelton said it was not okay; that transportation needed dedicated funding and needed to be able to count on it not being piece-meal. Mrs. Maurer said there would be dedicated \$1 Million to transportation with a possible additional \$1.250 Million in dedicated funds, and the one-half cent was not dedicated anywhere else. Mr. Dudenhefer said it had to be part of the baseline budget. Mr. Cavalier said that if Mr. Dudenhefer was not okay with the proposed compromise, all of the money should go to the Schools; that compromise was not a dirty word.

Mr. Cavalier motioned, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, to dedicate one-half cent to transportation and an additional \$2.4 Million be given to the Schools. By a show of hands, the vote was 5 – 2 with Mr. Dudenhefer and Ms. Shelton voting no.

The budget work session and afternoon session of the May 1st meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m. and it was decided that the Closed Meeting would be held at the end of the evening session.

At 7:03 p.m. the Chairman called the evening session to order. Ms. Shelton gave the invocation and Mrs. Maurer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Ms. Marta Perry with Tri-County/City Soil and Water Conservation District presented its annual report. She introduced Mike Anderson and Jeff Adams, elected members of the TCCSWCD. Ms. Perry gave the history of the TCCSWCD and spoke about its agricultural conservation programs; the community conservation programs; the education and outreach programs; and its leadership, engagement, and partnership with localities in Planning District 16 (PD16). In its community outreach efforts, 1200 bare root seedlings were given out last year. Brochures and booklets were given to Board members with additional details about the TCCSWCD. Ms. Perry concluded her remarks thanking the Board for its continued financial support.

Jeff Adams - Member of the Agriculture-PDR Committee, on the Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors, and holder of a PDR easement; he thanked the Board for continuing the PDR program and noted that it was less expensive to buy development rights than to provide infrastructure and services to a mythical 35 acre subdivision. He said that parking lots and pavement do not provide photosynthesis, which is crucial to all life on the planet.

Eunice Hagler - Spoke about the goals of going to school, getting a good education, getting a good job and eventually retiring, all of which she did until she had a stroke that necessitated her quitting her job as a crisis counselor and taking a minimum wage job; and having to move in with her newlywed daughter as the waiting list for Section 8 housing had a waiting list. She ended up living with her daughter for three years when a church friend offered a basement apartment to her. She spoke about the Confederate flag on I-95 and the statement that it makes she was not welcome here. She asked to get the love back in Stafford.

Debra Snyder - Advocated for ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) and spoke about the lack of affordable housing in Stafford County and the growing homeless population in PD 16, and the need for increased affordable, accessible, integrated housing. She spoke proudly about her daughter, Rae, who attended Stafford schools, worked as a hair stylist and was a former military spouse who lived in San Diego but moved back to Stafford County, is a single mother who earned a college degree using a Pell grant and is living on her own now. Ms. Snyder provided a hand-out with details about the Fredericksburg Chapter of the Virginia Affordable Housing Campaign. Board members were invited to attend future meetings.

Bill Botts - Falmouth resident; Legal Aid attorney for 40 years and landlord for 16 years; moderated an affordable housing forum for renters, home owners, local government, and developers. Mr. Botts spoke about ALICE and the lack of affordable housing in this area. He also talked about the County's Comprehensive Plan and incentives in zoning density with modified proffer guidelines and asked that GWRC, Stafford County, and its staff work towards achievable, affordable housing. Mr. Botts also talked about the number of local area residents who far exceed the 30% income to housing recommended guideline. He said that the Section 8 waiting list to get on the Section 8 waiting list is closed and asked what those less fortunate were supposed to do – Stafford County will need 12,702 new dwellings to meet its housing projections.

Alane Callander - Agreed with Mr. Botts and Ms. Snyder that more has to be done to provide housing for all ages and income levels because a lot of people that work in Stafford County cannot afford to live here. She talked about the ideal being that you spend less than 30% of your income on housing. There is a development called English Oaks off Plantation Drive that has small cottages for senior citizens; the County should have more developments like that for income restricted or seniors. A better system of public transportation is needed in the County with comprehensive bus service; there is no excuse for the lack of public transportation in the County. She talked about the area in which she grew up where you started in an apartment, moved up to a starter home, then up from there.

Ruth Carlone - In April 2017, Mrs. Carlone said that the Board's Infrastructure Committee deferred a vote on water lines; 98 new residences were being built and she was very

concerned about the County's water table. She agreed there was a need for affordable housing and suggested that approved apartment complexes be required to set aside a certain number of units that have subsidized rent for low income or senior citizens/disabled persons. Mrs. Carlone said that the County was in trouble and talked about the Piedmont Plateau area and its water quality issues and a lack of communication to the citizens of Stafford County.

Paul Waldowski - Spoke about accountability and the actions of the Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors, and the School Board; said that the County's Comprehensive Plan was out of date and there were washers and dryers everywhere in the County because the Board has its priorities "out of whack." It spent \$1 Million on Station 14, on Friday the 13th, and talked about 7-11's and Texas Hold 'Em; 15,000 acres in farmland but his property assessment says he has 0.0000 acres. Mr. Waldowski mentioned the Water/Sewer Master Plan, road design, Stafford Meadows, and rubber stamping with no accountability. Mention was made of Green Acres and Arnold the Pig; Resolution R82-341; directors being held accountable by the County Administrator; not receiving a water or sewer bill at his condo; HOA's being "all over the place;" and the need for affordable housing.

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

Item 13. Public Works; Consider the Proposed VDOT FY2019-2024 Secondary System Six-Year Program Mr. Keith Dayton, Interim Public Works Director, presented this item. Kyle Bates with VDOT was in the audience. Mr. Dayton noted that the FY2019-2024 SSYP was discussed with the Board's IC and recommended to the full Board for the joint public hearing and vote. The primary source of revenue is "Telefees," with a smaller amount of funds for unpaved roads for a total of \$508,155. Improvements to Poplar Road, Courthouse Road, and Juggins have current and/or prior SSYP funds applied. Raven Road, Quarry Road, and Brent Point Road are unpaved roads proposed to receive funding for hard surfacing. The proposed SSYP also included \$150,000 for drainage improvement on Telegraph Road, along with funding for maintenance paving and traffic services. The transfer of previous SSYP allocations along with new funding in the Maintenance Paving category will provide \$350,000 for improvement identified in the Comprehensive Road Study currently underway; and provide the same actions for County-wide Traffic Services, approximately \$320,000 to fund neighborhood traffic calming measures for qualifying projects. Mr. Dayton noted that although the current action only affects FY2019 allocations, the SSYP also identifies a significant long-term funding source for safety improvements.

The Chairman opened the public hearing. The following persons indicated a desire to speak:
Ruth Carlone Lisa Farenz Alane Calander Paul Waldowski
The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Mrs. Maurer motioned, seconded by Mr. Cavalier, to adopt proposed Resolution R18-88.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Bohmke, Cavalier, Coen, Dudenhefer, Maurer, Shelton, Snellings
Nay: (0)

Resolution R18-88 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FY2019-FY2024 SECONDARY SYSTEM SIX-YEAR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Board sets priorities for the road improvement projects in the County and for the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Secondary System Six-Year Improvement Program (SSYP); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to receive the funding provided by the FY2019-FY2024 SSYP, to complete road improvement priorities in the County, as identified below; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code § 33.2-331, the Board and VDOT representatives held a joint public hearing on May 1, 2018 on the FY2019-FY2024 SSYP; and

WHEREAS, the Board considered the recommendations of VDOT and staff, and the public testimony, if any, received at the public hearing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of May, 2018, that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) FY2019-FY2024 Secondary System Six-Year Improvement Program be and it hereby is adopted identifying the following road priorities in Stafford County:

1. Courthouse Road Widening Project
 2. Quarry Road - pave the unpaved section which is state maintained
 3. Countywide right-of-way for the Telegraph Road - drainage improvements
 4. Brent Point Road - pave the unpaved section which is state maintained
 5. Maintenance paving - shoulder wedge improvements
 6. Countywide traffic services - traffic calming measures
- ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the VDOT Residency Administrator.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item 14. Public Works; Solicit Public Comments on the Telegraph Road Safety Improvement Project Mr. Dayton gave a presentation and answered Board members questions. He said that Telegraph Road safety improvements were awarded SmartScale funding in the amount of \$8.8 Million. The project had to be reworked due to the need for improved signal spacing in the area; to eliminate wetland and flood plain impacts; and to provide motorists with a better access alternative than Woodstock Lane. The owner of TMP 21-160 offered to donate the right-of-way for the project if a new, fully signalized intersection was constructed across from their property. It was determined that the benefit to the property owner would also enhance the development potential of the B-2 zoned parcel. The donation reduced costs associated with the right-of-way acquisition and utility relocation. The Infrastructure Investment Division with VDOT's Central Office reviewed the proposed changes and offered provisional approval provided the Board make the following commitments: 1. The public involvement process is completed and comments, if any, were addressed (this public hearing meets that requirement); 2. Include access enhancement along Route 1, and apply cost savings to these modifications

(the concrete median and a possible two-way left turn lane meets this commitment); and 3. Fund any cost overruns without requesting any additional state funds (the right-of-way donation ensures that there are not any anticipated cost overruns).

The Chairman opened the public hearing. The following person indicated a desire to speak:

Paul Waldowski

The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Mr. Cavalier motioned, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, to adopt proposed Resolution R18-98.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Bohmke, Cavalier, Coen, Dudenhefer, Maurer, Shelton, Snellings

Nay: (0)

Resolution R18-98 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING STAFFORD COUNTY'S COMMITMENTS TO THE TELEGRAPH ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, LOCATED WITHIN THE GRIFFIS-WIDEWATER ELECTION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board submitted a successful application for the first round of Smart Scale funding for improvements to Route 1 at the intersections with Telegraph Road and Woodstock Lane; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the initial project application, an alternative to the original concept that involved construction of a new intersection with Route 1 (Project) was analyzed and determined to provide significant additional benefits while providing comparable traffic and safety performance as the original concept; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) reviewed the County's request to modify the scope of the project to allow construction of the alternative Project, and approved the changes subject to the County making certain commitments as listed below:

1. A statement that the public involvement process is complete and all resulting comments, if any, have been addressed;
 2. A commitment to include access improvements along Route 1 such as a two way left turn lane and/or a raised median, and that any cost savings from the revised concept will be applied to enhance access on Route 1; and
 3. A commitment that the County will be responsible for any cost increases and may not request additional funding from the state for any reason for this Project;
- ;and

WHEREAS, the Board conducted a public hearing and considered the comments received from the public, if any, along with the recommendations of staff;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors, on this the 1st day of May, 2018, that it be and hereby has completed the public involvement process by holding a public hearing and addressing all resulting comments concerning the Telegraph Road Safety Improvement Project (Project), if any; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Project will include access improvements along Route 1 such as a two-way left turn lane and/or a raised median, and that any cost savings from the revised concept will be applied to enhanced access onto Route 1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board agrees to be responsible for any cost increases as a result of this request and endorsement, and will not request additional funding from the state for any reason for this Project; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the VDOT Fredericksburg District Administrator.

CLOSED MEETING

At 8:11 p.m., Mr. Snellings motioned, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, to adopt proposed Resolution CM 18-11.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Bohmke, Cavalier, Coen, Dudenhefer, Maurer, Shelton, Snellings
Nay: (0)

Resolution CM18-11 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Board desires to hold a Closed Meeting for (1) discussion regarding recruitment for the department head position in Public Works, and (2) discussion and consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Board.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1) and (A)(3) such discussions may occur in Closed Meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of May, 2018, does hereby authorize discussion of the above matter in Closed Meeting.

CLOSED MEETING CERTIFICATION

At 8:56 p.m., Mrs. Maurer motioned, seconded by Mr. Coen, to adopt proposed Resolution CM 18-11(a).

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Bohmke, Cavalier, Coen, Dudenhefer, Maurer, Shelton, Snellings
Nay: (0)

Resolution CM-18-11 (a) reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE STAFFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN A CLOSED MEETING ON MAY 1, 2018

WHEREAS, the Board has, on this the 1st day of May, 2018, adjourned into a Closed Meeting in accordance with a formal vote of the Board and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, as it became effective July 1, 1989, provides for certification that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stafford County Board of Supervisors does hereby certify, on this the 1st day of May, 2018, that to the best of each member's knowledge: (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were discussed in the Closed Meeting to which this certification applies; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion by which the said Closed Meeting was convened, were heard, discussed, or considered by the Board.

Adjournment At 8:57 p.m., the Chairman adjourned the May 1, 2018 meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors.

Thomas C. Foley
County Administrator

Meg Bohmke
Chairman