

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

STAFFORD, VIRGINIA

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

April 17, 2012

Call to Order The regular meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Susan B. Stimpson, Chairman, at 3:02 P. M., on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, in the Board Chambers, at the George L. Gordon, Jr. Government Center.

Roll Call The following members were present: Susan B. Stimpson, Chairman; Cord A. Sterling, Vice Chairman; Jack R. Cavalier; Paul V. Milde III; Ty A. Schieber; Gary F. Snellings; and Robert “Bob” Thomas, Jr.

Also in attendance were: Anthony Romanello, County Administrator; Charles Shumate, County Attorney; Marcia Hollenberger, Chief Deputy Clerk; Pamela Timmons, Deputy Clerk; associated staff and interested parties.

Presentation of the Utilities Commission Golden Tap Award to Dennis Tate Mr. Bill Tignor, Utilities Commission member, presented Mr. Tate with the award.

Standing Committee Reports by Board Members Board members spoke on the topics as identified:

- Paul Milde - Stafford Technology and Research Park update; Replica of the mural on display at Stafford Hospital; paving options at the Civil War Park added to May 1st agenda
- Cord Sterling - Finance, Audit and Budget Committee meeting update; FY13 budget and CIP discussions; suggested deferring vote on budget and tax rates until the state has adopted a budget

Jack Cavalier - Public Safety Committee update; tour of Public Safety's Telecommunications facility; Fire, Rescue Study ready for Board's recommendation next month, Ty Schieber working on parameters, etc. of proposed study

Financial Update by Public Financial Management Ms. Joanne Carter introduced Mr. Kevin Rotty. Mr. Romanello stated that now the County has two of the finest financial advisors. Ms. Carter's presentation included an update on interest rates in the municipal bond market; an update on credit rating agencies thoughts; and a spring review including the County's progress on long-range goals and enhanced bond rating.

Mr. Milde talked about the County's conservative policy and practice of using available funds rather than borrowing (for certain expense) and if the County were to borrow instead, would the rating agencies notice? And would that negatively affect the County's rating? Ms. Carter replied that the bond rating agencies would notice, that they do keep track and that using one-time funds is viewed positively.

Mr. Sterling asked about borrowing for large infrastructure projects. Ms. Carter replied that the rating agencies compare Stafford County to Virginia and to national averages adding that Stafford County is considered in the "moderate" range. Mr. Milde asked where the County is weak. Ms. Carter said the next challenge is Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB). The rating agencies gave local governments a pass but long term, a plan was necessary to deal with the problem. Ms. Stimpson commented that she thought that Ms. Carter's answer was different than one given last year when the topic of OPEB came up in a meeting, saying that she believed that (then) they were told that extra contributions to OPEB would be viewed negatively. Ms. Carter said that she did not recall that discussion. Chief Financial Officer, Maria Perrotte, said that she believed that discussion had to do with the Schools budget, not County contributions to OPEB. Mr. Milde asked if OPEB is irrevocable and inquired about the life of post-employment benefits. Ms. Carter said that the life of OPEB correlated with the age of the workforce.

Mr. Schieber commented about the County's overachievement on reserve levels and asked, if the Board chose to back off 12%, how that would be viewed by the rating agencies. Ms. Carter said the agencies would evaluate how the money was spent and that it would not necessarily trigger a downgrade since the County has a long history of maintaining reserves.

Finance and Budget; Adoption of the FY2013 County Budgets; CY2012 Tax Rates; and the FY2013-FY2022 Capital Improvement Plan Mr. Sterling spoke about the state not adopting a budget and therefore, suggested that the County defer adopting the budget, tax rates and CIP until the following week. A special meeting of the Finance, Audit and Budget Committee was scheduled for 7:30 a.m. on Friday, 4/20/12, and a special meeting of the Board was scheduled for Monday, 4/23/12, at 6:30 p.m.

At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Romanello reviewed the recently distributed list of budget "Ups and Downs". Ms. Stimpson noted that the Finance, Audit and Budget Committee had yet to review the Utilities budget, adding that it would be a subject for discussion at the April 20th meeting. Mr. Milde asked for confirmation that the proposed Project Manager position would be paid out of the General Fund. Mr. Romanello replied that it would be paid out of the General Fund or out of Cash Capital. Mr. Milde asked about budgeted funds for Schools and if the County could require that the School Board use the money for pay increases. Mr. Romanello said that the County could not tie the hands of the School Board but that it could suggest that it be used for that purpose. Mr. Sterling said that the Board was still awaiting a response to questions asked at the joint meeting with the School Board (held on April 4, 2012), and that once they were received, he felt that many of the Board's questions pertaining to the use of School funds would be answered. Mr. Thomas said that he heard that the Schools' number one priority was pay raises. Mr. Sterling said that he heard that it was class size and wondered which priority was number one with the School Board.

Mr. Cavalier said that it was unusual that the School Board or Schools' financial staff did not have a representative at the meeting to answer questions. He suggested that the Schools be invited to the special meeting scheduled for April 23rd.

Mr. Snellings asked about the \$2.3M library reserve. Mr. Thomas, a member of the CRRL Board of Trustees, said that the number used to be larger but that Mark Dudenhefer, former Board member (and member of the CRRL Board), worked hard to reduce the number. Mr. Romanello said it had to do with liquidity, as was the case with all regional partners, in order to have funds to cover expenditures. Ms. Nancy Collins, Budget Division Director, said that it was intended to cover 90 days operating expenses.

Mr. Thomas said that \$100k was a relatively small cost to cover opening the libraries on Sundays, a service that has been requested by citizens. Mr. Milde asked why the libraries do not close on a weekday rather than having to increase their budget to cover a Sunday opening. Mr. Romanello said that budget staff had asked that question of Library staff and was told that closing on week nights (or week days) would have too much of an impact primarily on students opportunity to study.

Ms. Stimpson asked about a history of contributions to the Economic Development Authority. She added that economic development was one of the Board's top five priorities. Mr. Romanello said the \$200k contribution had been reduced to \$50k and last year was back up to \$100k. Mr. Cavalier noted that in distressed times, he thought that economic development should be a focus given job opportunities, etc., that follow, adding that he would hate to see economic development underestimated in the County. Ms. Stimpson said that the County's number one priority is job growth and business growth.

Mr. Milde asked for the total debt service in the FY2013 budget and also talked about remodeling rather than rebuilding Stafford High School. Mr. Thomas noted that even if plans were scrapped to build the new high school, it would not affect FY2013 debt

service. Mr. Milde suggested that it should be put to referendum and allow voters to decide which option, and if they want to rebuild or remodel.

Mr. Schieber said that he was looking forward to viewing the Schools' responses before asking too many questions but added that he felt that the telecommunications/emergency operations positions were very important.

Mr. Sterling said that there was a \$700k budget deficit and that while Board members were affirming all the positions and expenses they thought valuable and necessary to keep, no one had suggested any budget reductions to help reduce the deficit. Mr. Cavalier asked if the tax rates could be figured in fractions instead of whole numbers. Mr. Romanello confirmed that they could.

Ms. Stimpson asked Mr. Romanello if the discussion had been helpful and if the Board's questions made sense. Mr. Romanello said that the Schools' response and the State's budget actions was the key and that at an upcoming meeting, the Finance, Audit, and Budget Committee would further discuss budget questions as well as the Utilities budget and Utilities CIP.

Recess At 4:47 p.m., the Chairman declared a recess.

Call to Order At 5:02 p.m., the Chairman called the meeting back to order.

Public Works/Planning and Zoning; Authorize a Public Hearing to Consider Amendment to Development Services Fees Mr. Mike Smith, Director of Public Works, gave a presentation and answered Board members questions.

Mr. Thomas motioned, seconded by Mr. Schieber, to adopt proposed Resolution R12-112.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Thomas, Schieber, Cavalier, Milde, Snellings, Sterling, Stimpson

Nay: (0)

Resolution R112 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE A PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND AND REORDAIN DEVELOPMENT FEES FOR BUILDING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT INSPECTION AND REVIEW SERVICES COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF PLANNING AND ZONING AND PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized by the Virginia Code to set reasonable fees for building and land development inspection and review services provided by the Departments of Planning and Zoning, and Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that fees for services should be kept current with the actual costs of providing these services; and

WHEREAS, the Board last amended building and land development inspection and review services fees with Ordinance O10-52 on November 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to upgrade the HANSEN development software system, which the County uses to review, track, and approve land use and building permit applications, because this upgrade will improve services that the County provides to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to amend fees for building and land development inspection and review services to include a 2.75% fee to cover the cost of the upgrade to the HANSEN system; and

WHEREAS, the 2.75% fee will be included in the fee schedule for building and land development inspection and review services collected by the Departments of Public Works, and Planning and Zoning for five (5) years to cover the full cost of the upgrade to the HANSEN system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April 2012, that the County Administrator be and he herby is authorized to advertise a public hearing to amend and reordain the development fee schedule for the Departments of Planning and Zoning, Public Works, Utilities, Fire and Rescue, and GIS.

Legislative; Additions and Deletions to the Agenda Mr. Thomas motioned, seconded by Mr. Snellings, to accept the Agenda with the addition of Item 17. Discuss scheduling a Parks Bond projects special meeting; approve Mr. Thomas' appointment to the At-Large Chairman Committee; and a deletion of Item 18. Paving at the Civil War Park.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Thomas, Snellings, Cavalier, Milde, Schieber, Sterling, Stimpson

Nay: (0)

Legislative; Consent Agenda Mr. Snellings motioned, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to accept the Consent Agenda consisting of Items 8 through 14.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Snellings, Thomas, Cavalier, Milde, Schieber, Sterling, Stimpson

Nay: (0)

Item 8. Approve Minutes of the April 4, 2012 Board Meeting

Item 9. Finance and Budget; Approve Expenditure Listing (EL)

Resolution R12-115 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURE LISTING
(EL) DATED APRIL 3, 2012 THROUGH APRIL 16, 2012

WHEREAS, the Board has 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 17th day of April, 2012 that the above-mentioned EL be and hereby is approved.

Item 10. Finance and Budget; Authorize Master Lease/Debt Pay-down and Amend Financial Policies

Resolution R12-77 read as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EARLY RETIREMENT OF MASTER LEASE DEBT FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND SCHOOLS AND TO AMEND THE PRINCIPLES OF HIGH PERFORMANCE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TO LIMIT FUTURE MASTER LEASE DEBT ISSUANCE

WHEREAS, as part of its commitment to enhance the County’s financial position and improve its bond rating, the Board desires to reduce the County’s reliance on debt; and

WHEREAS, early retirement of outstanding master lease debt would create savings in FY2013, and in future years; and

WHEREAS, both the General Government and Schools FY2011 year-end financial results show sufficient funds to retire master lease debt; and

WHEREAS, early retirement of outstanding master lease debt is an appropriate use of prior year carryover funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, that it be and hereby does budget and appropriate Two Million Six Hundred Seventy-six Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-eight Dollars (\$2,676,888) from the General Fund Capital Projects Reserve, and One Million Seventy-two Thousand One Hundred Eight Dollars (\$1,072,108) from the Schools’ FY2011 audited year-end operating balance to retire outstanding master lease debt; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Two Hundred Ninety-eight Thousand Forty-six Dollars (\$298,046), the remaining Schools’ FY2011 operating balance, be hereby budgeted and appropriated for classroom technology purchases; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator is and hereby be authorized to retire the following master lease debt issues:

<u>General Government</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>FY12 Budget</u>	<u>General Fund Projects Reserve Fund</u>	
2 Tankers	15,797	237,308	253,105
Chatham	40,446	87,564	128,010
Tanker & Pumper	12,133	137,249	149,383
2 Tankers & Pumper	13,438	152,005	165,442
Triple Combo, Tanker, Pumper	51,921	719,029	770,950
Pumper	29,388	481,427	510,816
3 Ambulances	42,973	88,456	131,429
Ambulance	14,733	30,327	45,060
Aerial Ladder	30,796	419,356	450,152
3 Pumpers	35,881	227,658	263,539
MCSU	9,953	62,952	72,905
AS400 Upgrade	-	33,556	33,556
Total County	297,459	2,676,888	2,974,346

<u>Schools</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>FY12 Budget</u>	<u>Schools FY2011 Audited Year-End Operating Balance</u>	
8 buses	41,044	178,417	219,461
9 buses	46,174	200,720	246,894
8 buses	45,101	196,052	241,152
32 buses	163,742	337,633	501,375
32 buses	156,670	159,287	315,957
Total Schools	452,731	1,072,108	1,524,839
Total - Gen Gov't & Schools	<u>750,189</u>	<u>3,748,996</u>	<u>4,499,185</u>

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that the County's Principles of High Performance Financial Management are amended as follows:

- Capital lease debt service shall not exceed ~~2%~~ 1% of the General Government budget.

Item 11. Planning and Zoning; Authorize Time Extension for the Planning Commission's Review of Architectural Design Guidelines

Resolution R12-116 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO GRANT A TIME EXTENSION TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, SPECIFICALLY THE TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN, DATED APRIL 18, 2007, TO INCLUDE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN GUIDELINES

WHEREAS, the Board adopted a small area plan in the Courthouse Area as an element of the County's Comprehensive Plan (the Courthouse UDA); and

WHEREAS, the Board previously adopted a Traditional Neighborhood Development Plan, as an element of the Comprehensive Plan, that provides design standards for the type of development recommended in the Courthouse UDA; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to incorporate additional development guidelines and standards in the Courthouse UDA by modifying the recommendations in the Traditional Neighborhood Development Plan to incorporate Architectural Design Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Board previously referred proposed amendments to the Planning Commission, pursuant to Resolution R12-68, with a time limit of June 5, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission is requesting additional time to prepare the amendments and receive public input;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on the 17th day of April, 2012, that the Planning Commission be and it hereby is granted an extension until September 5, 2012 to prepare, hold a public hearing on, and provide the Board of Supervisors with its recommendations on the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, specifically the Traditional Neighborhood Development Plan, dated April 18, 2007, to include, among other things, architectural design guidelines; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator or his designee shall provide the Planning Commission with a copy of this resolution; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning Commission may make modifications to the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Plan as it deems necessary.

Item 12. Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities; Execute Summer Only Agreements to Operate Youth Swim Team Programs at Curtis Park Memorial Park and Woodlands Pool

Resolution R12-62 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CURTIS PARK SWIM TEAM

WHEREAS, the Curtis Park Swim Team is presently operating the Youth Competitive Swimming Program at Curtis Memorial Park during the summer; and

WHEREAS, the Curtis Park Swim Team has operated the program successfully;
and

WHEREAS, at a meeting on February 16, 2012, the Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed the Agreement and unanimously recommended renewal;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a two-year Agreement with the Curtis Park Swim Team to operate the Youth Competitive Swimming Program at Curtis Memorial Park.

Resolution R12-65 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WOODLANDS SWIM TEAM

WHEREAS, the Woodlands Swim Team is presently operating the Youth Competitive Swimming Program at Woodlands Pool during the summer; and

WHEREAS, the Woodlands Swim Team has operated the program successfully;
and

WHEREAS, at a meeting on February 16, 2012, the Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed the Agreement and unanimously recommended renewal;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a two-year Agreement with the Woodlands Swim Team to operate the Youth Competitive Swimming Program at Woodlands Pool.

Item 13. Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities; Execute a Contract to Operate Youth Recreational Lacrosse

Resolution R12-102 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STAFFORD LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the Stafford Lacrosse Association (SLA) has successfully operated a recreational youth lacrosse program in the County; and

WHEREAS, the SLA requested that the Parks and Recreation Commission become a co-sponsored organization for the recreational component of its program by means of an agreement; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on March 15, 2012, the Parks and Recreation Commission approved a motion recommending the agreement between SLA and the County be approved;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a two-year agreement with the Stafford Lacrosse Association to operate a recreational youth lacrosse program.

Item 14. Public Works; Approve Design of Mountain View road Safety Improvements

Resolution R12-111 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DESIGN OF THE MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the County has advanced design of the Mountain View Road safety improvements, between Rose Hill Farm Drive and Picket Lane, UPC #101153, to the point where acquisition of right-of-way can proceed; and

WHEREAS, the County completed the public hearing for the project, prepared transcripts of the proceedings, and is prepared to request authorization for right-of-way acquisition; and

WHEREAS, Board approval of the road design is necessary for the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to consider authorization for right-of-way acquisition from the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB); and

WHEREAS, VDOT must forward this request to the CTB for approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, that the design of the Mountain View Road Safety Improvements, between Rose Hill Farm Drive and Pickett Lane, is approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that VDOT is requested to forward the County's request to the CTB to authorize the project for right-of-way acquisition.

Legislative; Closed Meeting. At 5:09 p.m., Mr. Sterling motioned, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to adopt proposed Resolution CM12-11.

The Voting tally was:

Yea: (7) Sterling, Thomas, Cavalier, Milde, Schieber, Snellings, Stimpson

Nay: (0)

Resolution CM12-11 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Stafford County Board of Supervisors desires to hold a Closed Meeting for discussion of (1) the award of a public contract under the Public Private Transportation Act (PPTA) for County Road Bond projects; (2) the appointment of an interim Fire Chief, and (3) discussion and consideration of the acquisition of real property for road improvements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(1), (A)(3), and (A)(29), such consultations and discussions may occur in Closed Meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, does hereby authorize discussions of the aforestated matters in Closed Meeting.

Legislative; Closed Meeting Certification 5:37 p.m. Mr. Thomas motioned, seconded by Mr. Schieber, to adopt proposed Resolution CM12-11(a).

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Thomas, Schieber, Cavalier, Milde, Snellings, Sterling, Stimpson

Nay: (0)

Resolution CM12-11(a) reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE STAFFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN A CLOSED MEETING ON APRIL 17, 2012

WHEREAS, the Board has, on this the 17th day of April, 2012 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 17th day of April, 2012, 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.

Recess At 5:37 p.m., the Chairman declared a recess until 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order At 7:03 p.m., the Chairman called the meeting back to order.

Invocation Mr. Snellings gave the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance Mr. Milde led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Ms. Stimpson noted that based on the latest news report, the State failed to adopt a budget.

Presentations by the Public The public spoke on topics as identified:

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| Dana Brown | - | Animal Shelter/Stafford High School replacement/
Gasoline prices higher in Stafford than Spotsylvania
and Prince William counties |
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- Alane Callander - Budgets and advertised tax rate (too low)
- Dean Fetterolf - County response to FOIA requests
- Paul Waldowski - Tax rates; water bills; Board of Equalization

Public Works; Consider the Virginia Department of Transportation’s FY2013-2018 Secondary System Six-Year Improvements Program (SSYP) Mr. Keith Dayton, Deputy County Administrator, gave a presentation and answered Board members questions.

The Chairman opened the public hearing.

No persons spoke.

The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Mr. Milde motioned, seconded by Mr. Snellings, to adopt proposed Resolution R12-95.

The Voting Board tally was:

- Yea: (7) Milde, Snellings, Cavalier, Schieber, Sterling, Stimpson, Thomas
- Nay: (0)

Resolution R12-95 reads as follows:

**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION FY2013-FY2018 SECONDARY SYSTEM
SIX-YEAR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 33.1-70.01, the Board and representatives of the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) conducted a joint public hearing for the proposed FY2013-FY2018 Secondary System Six-Year Improvement Program (SSYP); and

WHEREAS, the Board sets priorities for the road improvement projects in the County for the SSYP; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to receive the funding provided by the proposed FY2013-FY2018 SSYP to complete road improvement priorities in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the recommendations of staff and the public testimony received at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the adoption of this resolution promotes the health, safety, and general welfare of the County and its citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, that the FY2013-FY2018 Secondary System Six-Year Improvement Program be and it hereby is adopted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator or his designee, forward a copy of this resolution to the VDOT Residency Administrator.

Planning and Zoning; Reclassify 23.77 Acres from A-1, Agricultural to B-2, Urban Commercial Zoning District at 799 Garrisonville Road Mr. Mike Zuraf, Principal Planner, gave a presentation and answered Board members questions. Also present was Mr. Clark Leming, legal counsel for the applicant; and Mr. Neil Hamlin, applicant; who answered Board members questions and addressed concerns expressed at the public hearing.

The Chairman opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke:

Craig Miller	Dean Fetterolf
Robert Townshend	Myklind Messinger
Jeffrey Curry	Gilbert Reyes
Randy Comer	Paul Waldowski
Mary McMahan	

The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Mr. Leming talked about “Not in My Backyard” and stated that the applicant was working hard to be a good neighbor; offered proffers that exceeded County ordinance regulations; and met with residents to hear and react to their concerns and complaints. Mr. Leming addressed the use of alcohol, the cut-through at the high school, and water pressure issues.

Mr. Schieber said that he does not trivialize the concerns of nearby residents but that he felt that change was inevitable, that staff worked hard to mitigate the concerns of nearby residents. He added that there were a lot of changes, particularly in the Garrisonville District. The applicant did a good job of listening to the concerns expressed and was working hard at being a good steward in providing a much needed recreation facility. Mr. Schieber added that while there would never be a perfect location, the intended project is a positive use of the land and added that he supported the project.

Mr. Milde added that he thought that it was a great project and that it beat locating another small-lot subdivision or townhouses in that area. Mr. Cavalier said that he applauded the applicant for providing such a venue where the County had failed to provide adequate aquatic facilities.

Mr. Schieber motioned, seconded by Mr. Milde, to adopt proposed Ordinance O12-18.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Schieber, Milde, Cavalier, Snellings, Sterling, Stimpson, Thomas

Nay: (0)

Ordinance O12-18 reads as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN THE STAFFORD COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP TO RECLASSIFY FROM A-1, AGRICULTURAL ZONING DISTRICT TO B-2, URBAN COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT ON ASSESSOR'S PARCEL 20-12, WITHIN THE GARRISONVILLE ELECTION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, SSCA, LLC, applicant, submitted application RC1100077 requesting a reclassification from A-1, Agricultural Zoning District to B-2, Urban Commercial Zoning District on Assessor's Parcel 20-12; and

WHEREAS, the Board carefully considered the recommendations of the Planning Commission and staff and public testimony at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Board determined that the requested zoning is compatible with the surrounding land uses and zoning; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice require adoption of an ordinance to reclassify the subject property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, that the Stafford County Zoning Ordinance be and it hereby is amended and reordained by amending the zoning district map to reclassify from A-1, Agricultural Zoning District to B-2, Urban Commercial Zoning District on Assessor's Parcel 20-12, with proffers entitled "Proffers," last revised April 10, 2012.

Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities; Convey an Easement on County-owned Property Located at 60 Butler Road for Parking for the Falmouth Cemetery Mr. Chris Hoppe, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities gave a presentation and answered Board members questions.

The Chairman opened the public hearing.

The following persons spoke:

Bill Shelton

The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Mr. Thomas motioned, seconded by Mr. Snellings, to adopt proposed Resolution R12-97.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Thomas, Snellings, Cavalier, Milde, Schieber, Sterling, Stimpson

Nay: (0)

Resolution R12-97 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO CONVEY AN EASEMENT ON COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY, ON TAX MAP PARCEL 53-119 TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNION CHURCH CEMETERY (AKA FALMOUTH CEMETERY)

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Union Church Cemetery (aka Falmouth Cemetery) requested permission to use the existing entrance and gravel parking lot on County-owned property on Tax Map Parcel 53-119; and

WHEREAS, the Falmouth Cemetery is adjacent to and west of the County-owned property which currently serves as the only access point to the cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the existing entrance and gravel parking lot on Tax Map Parcel 53-119, which has been taken out of service and is planned for demolition; and

WHEREAS, this easement will not negatively impact future uses of Tax Map Parcel 53-119; and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully considered the recommendations of staff and the testimony at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that conveying this easement promotes the health, safety, and general welfare of the County and its citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 17th day of April, 2012, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to convey a parking and access easement on County-owned property, Tax Map Parcel 53-119, to the Trustees of the Union Church Cemetery (aka Falmouth Cemetery).

Discuss Route 17 Widening Impacts Mr. Snellings asked that Route 17 widening impacts be referred back to staff for additional work.

Discuss Security Gates for Residential Communities Mr. Snelling asked that staff work on this item and report back to the Board on May 1, 2012.

Item 17. Schedule a Special Meeting to Discuss Parks Bond Projects Ms. Stimpson asked that the Board consider scheduling a special meeting with the intent of discussion Parks Bond projects. Mr. Milde asked if a special meeting was necessary, suggesting that it could be discussed at a dedicated work session on a regularly scheduled Board meeting date. Mr. Romanello, in response to Mr. Milde's question about time requirements, said that it would take a couple of hours. Mr. Milde said that Transportation bond projects dwarfed Parks bond projects yet they had not been given a special meeting. Mr. Snellings

suggested starting a future Board meeting at 12:00 Noon or 1:00 p.m. and dedicating the afternoon session to Parks bond projects. Mr. Cavalier said that it was the prerogative of the Chairman to schedule a special meeting and that the new Board members would benefit from a time dedicated to talk about Parks bond projects. Ms. Stimpson said that she and Mr. Sterling would work on coordinating a meeting date, time, and agenda.

Note: (Item 18. Paving at the Civil War Park – was deferred to the May 1, 2012 meeting.)

Item 19. Mr. Thomas nominated Mr. Martin Murray as representative to the At-Large Chairman Committee representing the George Washington District. The Board gave unanimous approval to Mr. Thomas' nomination.

Adjournment At 8:50 p.m. the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Anthony J. Romanello, ICMA-CM
County Administrator

Susan B. Stimpson
Chairman