

At a regular meeting of the Southampton County Board of Supervisors held in the Board Room of the Southampton County Office Center, 26022 Administration Center Drive, Courtland, Virginia on September 23, 2013 at 6:00 PM.

SUPERVISORS PRESENT

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

SUPERVISORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Michael W. Johnson, County Administrator (Clerk)
Lynette C. Lowe, Finance Director
Beth Lewis, Director of Community Development
Julien W. Johnson, Jr. Public Utilities Director
Richard E. Railey, Jr., County Attorney
Cynthia J. Edwards, Administrative Secretary

OTHERS ABSENT

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order.

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

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

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

- 1) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (5), to receive a report from Franklin-Southampton Economic Development, Inc. regarding prospective industries where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating its facilities in the community;
- 2) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (7), to consult with legal counsel and staff members regarding the Amended and Restated Performance Agreement with Enviva, L.P., where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating posture of the governing body.
- 3) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1), to discuss prospective candidates for appointment to the Board of Directors for the Southeastern Public Service Authority;
- 4) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1), to discuss prospective candidates for appointment to the Project Management Team for the Joint Planning Grant with the City of Franklin;
- 5) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1), to discuss promotion of certain employees within the Department of Public Utilities

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

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

Supervisor West made a motion to go into closed session.

Supervisor Phillips seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones stated that at this time he needed the reading of the certification resolution to go back into open session.

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

RESOLUTION OF CLOSED MEETING

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southampton County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed and considered by the Southampton County Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor West made a motion to adopt the certification resolution.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones stated that we are now back in open session and we didn't talk about anything that we weren't supposed to.

Chairman Jones stated that item three was actions arising from the closed meeting and that there were none.

Chairman Jones stated that the next item was number four – Approval of the minutes. He asked if anyone had any problem with the minutes from the last meeting.

There being no corrections or additions, the minutes were approved as presented.

Chairman Jones stated the next item was number five – Highway Matters.

Mr. Joe Lomax addressed the Board. He asked if anyone had any questions for him. He stated that he would like for the Board members to continue to run their main concerns through Mr. Michael Johnson. He stated that Mr. Phil Rinehart was here tonight to give an update on the new Highway 460 project.

Chairman Jones asked if any of the Board members had any concerns.

Supervisor Updike stated that on Statesville Road the potholes need to be stopped before they get any larger. He questioned whether there was going to be a guard rail put up on Highway 671 as previously requested. He stated that it had been too many months since he first mentioned the bump at the railroad crossing at Cypress Bridge Road near Sunbeam where the front end of the cars bottom out when they hit it.

Mr. Joe Lomax stated that he would get in contact with the contractor working in conjunction with repairs.

Chairman Jones called on Supervisor Porter.

Supervisor Porter stated he didn't have anything.

Chairman Jones called on Supervisor Faison.

Supervisor Faison stated he didn't have any issues.

Chairman Jones called on Supervisor West.

Supervisor West stated he guessed they would be cutting the grass one more time. He said he was going to request that VDOT do the cutting themselves; he thought they did a much better job.

Mr. Joe Lomax said I thought you liked the contractors. He stated they would be cutting the grass again in the next ten to twelve days and that they actually had the contractors out there. He said he was going to check with Mr. Ben Bryant to see what happened in Supervisor West's area. He said he would check with the Mayor of Ivor and that the Mayor of Ivor had thanked him for the work they had done at Ivor.

Supervisor West stated that she was here tonight.

Mr. Joe Lomax said he was sorry he didn't see her. He stated that he was going to get with Supervisor West to see what was going on concerning the cutting because he thought he liked the contractors.

Chairman Jones called on Supervisor Edwards.

Supervisor Edwards stated that they did a nice job on the lines at Nottoway Chappell. Thank you.

Chairman Jones called on Supervisor Phillips.

Supervisor Phillips thanked Mr. Joe Lomax for the crosswalk at the church. He stated it had slowed down the cars and made the transition easy from one side of the road to the other.

Supervisor West thanked Mr. Joe Lomax for being here.

Mr. Joe Lomax stated that he had somebody else here with him that they could beat up on tonight besides him. He introduced Mr. Phil Rinehart. He stated that he was here to give an update on the Highway 460 project and tell the people what is going on.

Mr. Phil Rinehart addressed the Board. He stated that he worked out of the project office and his support staff is in another office which is actually in the north Harbour View area. He stated that they had been doing environmental work for the new Highway 460. They have submitted preliminaries for work to be done in areas two through four and areas nine through eleven. There are twelve areas. They have done two thirds of the project for the first cut as far as the embankment to cut down the soils on the job. They are trying to do what work they can in advance of the permits. They will be having a design public hearing, but they are not quite ready for that yet. On Route 156 in Prince George County they have done a lot of filter work, but construction will not start until approved. He gave the following presentation:

U.S. Route 460 Corridor Improvements Project

Southampton Board of Supervisors Project Briefing

Philip Rinehart, P.E.
Project Manager
Virginia Department of Transportation
September 23, 2013

U.S. ROUTE 460 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT



Project Office



- The lease was signed in May 2013
- 7025 Harbour View Blvd., Suffolk, VA 23435



U.S. ROUTE 460 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT



Continuing Work

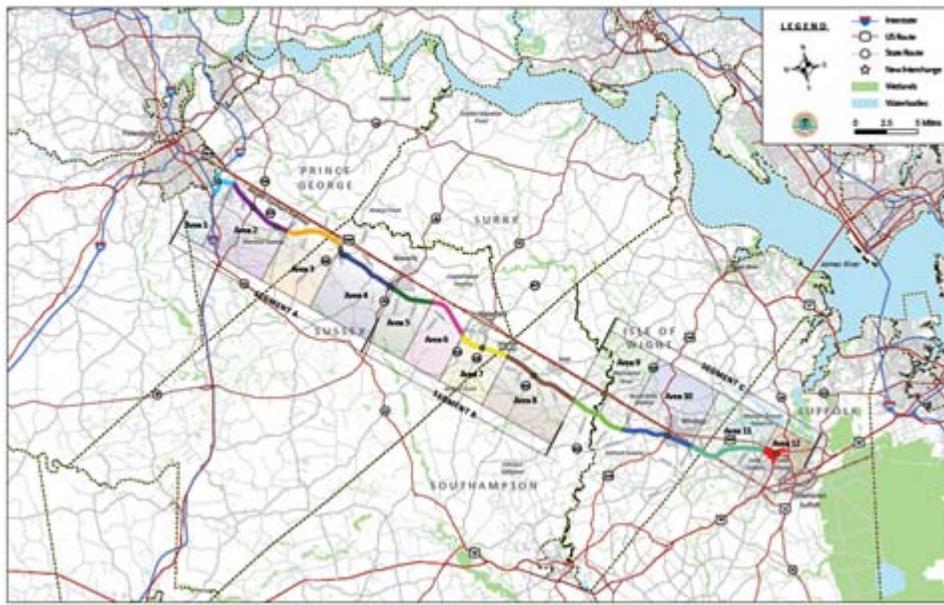
- Field work
 - Environmental
 - Traffic
 - Geotechnical
- Design
- Design Public Hearing
- Right-of-Way
- Construction
- Road closures



U.S. ROUTE 460 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT



Project Areas



Western Terminus- Optimal Solution - U.S. Route 460 Connection with I-295



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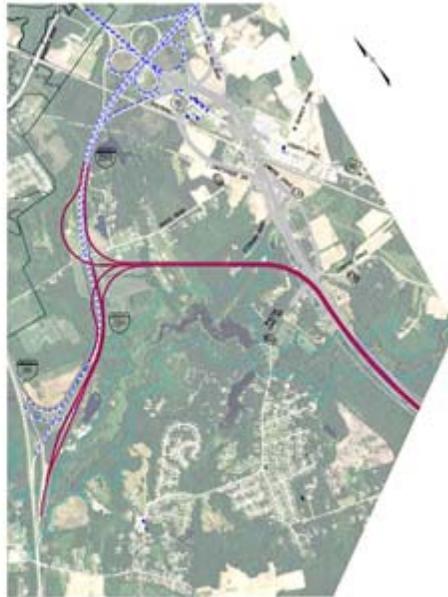


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Western Terminus- Design Considerations

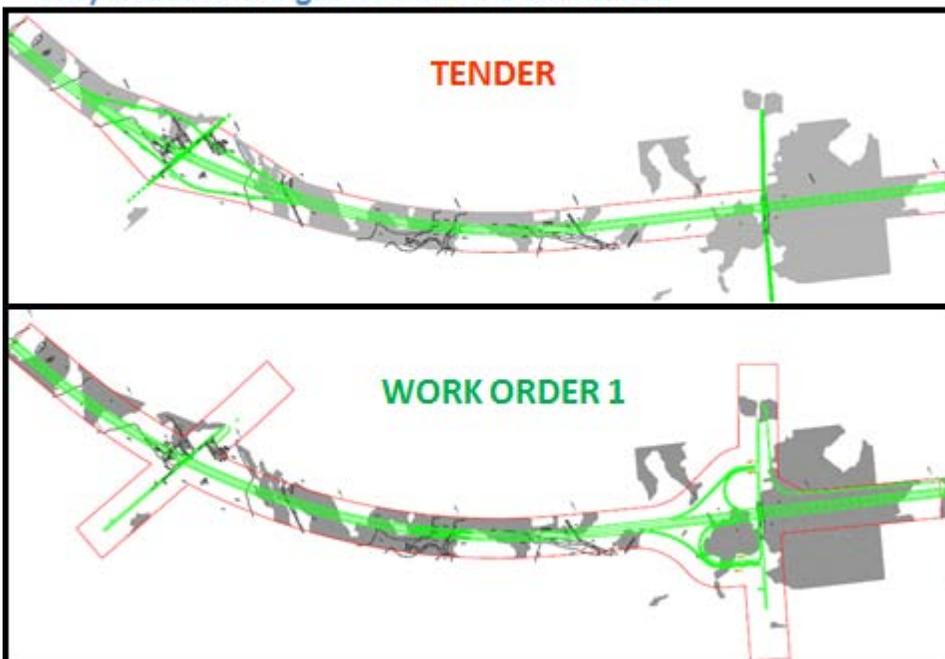
- Operational Functionality
- Design Speeds
- "Footprint" Land Area
- Socio Economic Impacts
- Economy



U.S. ROUTE 460 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT



620/628 Interchanges- WORK ORDER NO. 001



Eastern Terminus Next Steps

- **Fall 2013 to Spring 2014**
 - Design Public Hearing
- **Spring 2014**
 - Right-of-Way acquisition
- **Spring 2015**
 - Construction begins
- **End of 2017**
 - Roadway opens to traffic

U.S. ROUTE 460 CORRIDOR
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT



Project Branding Statement

The U.S. 460 Bypass Project will create a new parallel road that will improve connectivity between Suffolk and Petersburg/Prince George County, while retaining the history and heritage of the existing communities and increasing economic opportunities along the corridor.

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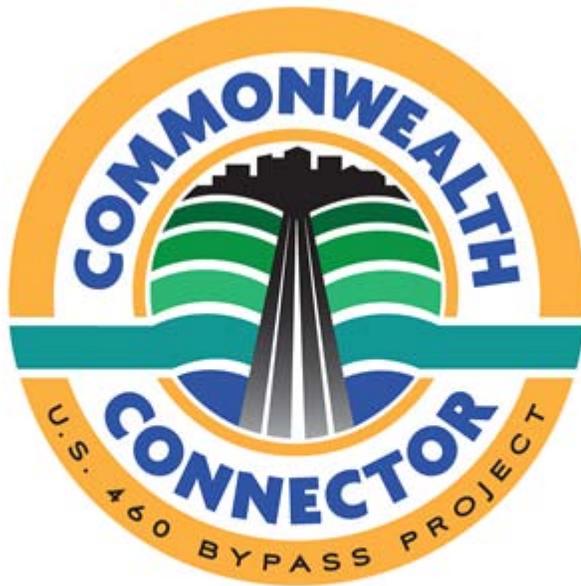


Project Branding- Objectives

- Create a unique brand for the Project to minimize confusion that this new road, the U.S. 460 Bypass, will be in addition to the existing U.S. 460
- Appeal to the culture and history along the corridor, as well as promote the economic benefits and opportunities created by the Project, in order to garner support and buy-in from the communities
- Conduct focus groups for concept testing of logos to instill community ownership of the final name and logo design

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U.S. Route 460 Corridor Improvements Project

Route 460 Funding Corporation of Virginia

Questions

Philip Rinehart, P.E.

Project Manager

Virginia Department of Transportation

September 23, 2013

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Focus Group Methodology

- Three focus groups with representation from along the entire corridor
 - Group 1: Residents of Prince George and Sussex Counties
 - Group 2: Residents of Surry and Southampton Counties
 - Group 3: Residents of Suffolk and Isle of Wight County
- Participants were probed on their unaided knowledge of the project and the corridor
- Six names and seven logo designs were presented to the groups
- Group discussions were held only after each participant individually filled out a questionnaire and marked their preferred name and logo design

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He stated that he knew Supervisor West was concerned about road closures. He stated they are required to do traffic analysis and they are waiting for that information and then they will circle back to the locality to share that information. But, they make the final determination.

Supervisor West said he always wondered why any secondary road would be closed. He said they should be kept open. He said if they gave him the time of day it would be nice. He stated they need to put notices out about the roads so people can attend the meetings and be heard. He stated that he thought this was important.

Mr. Phil Rinehart said technically the road runs from Interstate 295 to Highway 58 into three segments, Section A runs to Sussex, Section B runs to Southampton County, and Section C runs to Route 58. The plans are for segment A which is 9, 10, & 11 which is the western area, and then they will submit 5, 6, 7, & 8 then they have 21 days to catalog, distribute and stream. So they are pretty busy. They have a tender offer in Disputana they have to take a second look at. They have worked out with the rest along I-95 and Highway 460. They have to work with the Federal Highway Administration as far as the design needs for the location. The design is a trumpet design for the high speed connection. He stated that there was going to be an interchange at Highway 620, but it is subject to flooding so they are trying to get the interchange at Reynolds Mill Road in Wakefield, but that remains to be seen. He stated that they had been asked to get an identity for exposure. They want to keep branding so they pulled in focus groups. They are trying to appeal to the culture so they came up with the logo "Commonwealth Connector" and adopted it.

Supervisor West thanked Mr. Phil Rinehart for his report. He stated they need to continue to have some access to these secondary roads and that it needs to be considered because they are imposing on us. You have had meetings in different areas concerning this, but you ain't been my way.

Mr. Phil Rinehart said I preach it and preach it. I'm here for you. He said he was trying to get something north. I hear you.

Supervisor West said if you get a meeting in my area I'm sure you will have a lot of questions. He stated that he had been reading in the paper about the environmental projects that weren't followed through properly and now you are telling me you are on schedule. Really?

Mr. Phil Rinehart said right now we are on schedule. We have got the support we need.

Supervisor West asked if there was any money in this project to come to each area. He said you went to Disputana and the area up near Highway 295 and we need you to come to our area to see what can be done.

Mr. Phil Rinehart said he assures you that he will pass the concern on to make sure they are aware of this.

Supervisor West said he was pretty well satisfied that the road is coming. He thanked Mr. Joe Lomax and Mr. Phil Rinehart.

Mr. Phil Rinehart said that's great.

Chairman Jones asked if anyone else had any questions or comments.

Supervisor Phillips said he was waiting to see what roads are closed. He stated that he has some farming friends that live over there and the road is going to come through some 100 year family farms.

Chairman Jones asked if there was anyone else that had anything.

Supervisor Faison thanked Mr. Joe Lomax and Mr. Phil Rinehart for coming and taking care of the concerns that exists in the county.

Chairman Jones asked Supervisor Updike if he had anything.

Supervisor Updike said not at this time.

Supervisor West said he had one more comment he would like to make. He stated that he is 6/10ths of a mile from the road. There are no trees left between me and it.

Mr. Phil Rhinehardt said he will get with us.

Chairman Jones stated the next item was number six – Appointments.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that item A. is the Litter Control Council. As discussed last month, on August 1, Mr. Will Haas (Berlin-Ivor) resigned from the Litter Control Council citing difficulty in attending meetings. Supervisor West will need to appoint another representative from his district.

Chairman Jones asked if anyone has any questions on this.

Supervisor West nominated Mr. Daniel Gray of Burdette Road to the Litter Control Council.

Supervisor Phillips seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Spier Edwards, of the audience, asked if he could give a report from the Litter Control Council.

Chairman Jones said yes sir, come on up here.

Mr. Spier Edwards, Chairman of the Litter Control Council addressed the Board. He stated that they had 33 blue bins going to the Town of Ivor and that 65 people have signed up. He said there are 60 more blue bins on order. He stated that tonight Mrs. JoAnne Hickman was here tonight and that she would like for the Board of Supervisors to adopt a mascot. He stated that she had a presentation.

Mrs. JoAnne Hickman of the Litter Control Council addressed the Board. She stated that she was not a public speaker. She was not an educator. She was not a politician. She said she was just a grandmother who would to make the world better for her children and grandchildren. She stated that when she was asked to serve on the Litter Control Council she asked to serve on the education committee. She stated that she came up with a program to try to get young people involved in recycling. She said she is a bird person anyway so she wanted to incorporate the Toucan. She stated that it was hard to get people to change their habits so she was looking for something interesting to get people excited about recycling. She would like to see recycling become second nature. The younger the children start recycling the better. So, she was trying to create a program that was cute, fun, and simple. She did not want anything that was going to step on anybody's toes. She stated that by using the Toucan she could tie it into the rainforest. So, she came up with Operation 2 Cans because two cans in the recycle bin are better than 2 cans in the garbage. She stated she had given the kids some examples of the savings. One of the examples was by putting pennies in a jar showing how much energy it made if you have lots of cans recycled or just a few cans recycled. Another example she gave was by recycling one milk carton it can produce about five sheets of paper. When she started researching recycling she was floored by the statistics. She stated that research shows that Americans use four million water bottles an hour in this country and that only 25 percent are recycled. In the program she has come up with she is trying to encourage all the kids to recycle two items a day or pick up two pieces of litter a day at the schools. She said she didn't want the kids to pick up anything someone else had their mouth on if that was going to be a problem though. She stated if they will put a can in the kitchen for kids to recycle their juice boxes that would be a tremendous help. By recycling just two items a day it will make a significant difference not only in Southampton County, but also in the world in the future. She stated that if the children catch on to recycling though she thought they would pass it on to their Moms and Dads. She said just the other day her seven year old niece jumped on her husband because he was throwing a can in the trash. She stated that her nephew threw a can in the recycle bin the other day and jumped up and said "Operation 2 Cans". She said she thought this was a catchy phrase that could be used in group presentations and at the county fairs. She stated that she doesn't own a toucan, but has access to one that can be used in presentations. She said she thought using this in the library programs would get the kids excited about the program. She stated that she would like for the Board to think about adopting this slogan. She stated that she didn't do anything political or religious in the program. She stated that she would also like to present the program to the School Board. She mentioned that maybe we could get the businesses in the county to adopt the program also. She wasn't sure how they would collect the recycles from

the businesses, but was sure they could work something out to collect it. She said she would like for them to at least have recycle containers in the kitchens at the schools. Thank you.

Chairman Jones said that's mighty nice. You need to go to the School Board meeting and ask them. We cannot tell you whether they will allow this or not. But, we are on board with this. This is a good thing to do.

Mrs. JoAnne Hickman said she was going to take her garbage and go on.

Chairman Jones stated the next item under appointments was B.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that item B. was an appointment to the Board of Building Code Appeals. He stated that on September 30, Mr. E. P. Kea, Jr.'s (Berlin/Ivor) term on the Board of Building Code Appeals will expire. The Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC) provides that members of the BBCA should be selected on the basis of their ability to render fair and competent decisions regarding application of the USBC and should, to the extent possible, represent different occupational or professional fields relating to the construction industry. At least one member should be an experienced builder; at least one member should be a registered design professional (architect or engineer), and at least one member should be an experienced property manager. Mr. Kea is an experienced builder. Other current members include Jason Fowler (Design Professional), Sonny Draper (Builder), Bob Edwards, and Gary Banks. A motion is required to either reappoint Mr. Kea, or a successor.

Chairman Jones asked if there were any questions.

Supervisor West made a motion to reappoint Mr. E. P. Kea, Jr. to the Board of Building Code Appeals.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that item C is an appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals. On September 30, Mr. Ellis Wright's term on the Board of Zoning Appeals will expire. Mr. Wright represents the Drewryville District and was appointed to fill the remaining unexpired term of David Holland in August, 2012. A motion is required to recommend reappointment of Mr. Ellis Wright, or a successor, to the Circuit Court.

Chairman Jones stated that he had spoken with Mr. Ellis Wright and that he was willing to continue to serve. He asked Supervisor West if he would make that motion for him.

Supervisor West made a motion to reappoint Mr. Ellis Wright to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that item D. is an appointment to the Southeastern Public Service Authority. He said as stated last month, House Bill 1872 approved by the General Assembly in 2009 provided that:

- Each locality shall nominate three potential directors who "possess general business knowledge" and cannot be an elected official;
- The Governor shall appoint one director from the list of nominees submitted by the member localities;
- Board members are appointed by the Governor for terms of 4 years. Vacancies for reasons other than expiration of a term are filled for remainder of unexpired term. Members are limited to two 4 year terms.

All of the Governor's current appointees' terms are due to expire at the end of December. SPSA's General Counsel has been in touch with the Governor's Office regarding the reappointment process and provided a report at the July SPSA Board meeting. By letter of September 16, our current Director, Mr. Roy Chesson, officially withdrew his name from consideration for reappointment. Accordingly, it is necessary for the Board to nominate three individuals, consistent with HB1872 and indicate a preference among the three candidates, if it wishes. The Governor is

expected to announce the appointments in early November, and the appointees will have to be confirmed by the General Assembly within 30 days after the session begins next January. As discussed last month, I'll need a current resume for each candidate in order to submit the nominations. Serving the Commonwealth of Virginia on the SPSA Board is both an honor and a privilege. Public service, however, is not for everyone. Individuals agreeing to serve should be aware of the following:

- As expected in an open and democratic government, the activities of the SPSA Board are subject to public and press scrutiny;
- Nominees who are selected by the Governor to serve will be required to complete an annual financial disclosure statement as a condition of serving;
- The SPSA Board meets once monthly on the 4th Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in Chesapeake – meetings generally last about 2 hours;
- Service on the SPSA Board is voluntary – members are not paid a stipend or reimbursed for travel expenses to meetings.

Motions are required to nominate three individuals for consideration by the Governor.

Chairman Jones asked if there were any questions regarding this.

Supervisor West stated that during closed session they came up with three names. They are Mr. Mark Hodges, Mr. Jay O'Berry, and Mr. Bill Worsham.

Supervisor West made a motion to nominate these three individuals for consideration by the Governor.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones stated the next item under appointments is E.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that item E. is an appointment to Project Management Team – Planning Grant. As you are all aware from the community meetings last week, we'll need to appoint one member of the Board of Supervisors and two citizen representatives to the Project Management Team for the joint planning grant with the City of Franklin.

Chairman Jones asked if he could get a couple of names or if anyone wanted to volunteer for this.

Supervisor Phillips said he would do this.

Chairman Jones said Supervisor Phillips has volunteered to do this and he didn't twist his arm.

Supervisor Phillips said no, you didn't twist my arm. Thank you.

Supervisor West said he thought they had a couple of citizen names. They are Mr. Randolph Cook and Mr. Dennis Beale.

Supervisor Phillips said he didn't think that Mr. Dennis Beale was a name for this team.

Supervisor West said no, I'm sorry. The names are Mr. Randolph Cook and Mr. Nick Kitchen.

Supervisor West made a motion that Mr. Randolph Cook and Mr. Nick Kitchen be the representatives to the Planning Grant Project Management Team.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Supervisor Faison asked don't we need a motion on Supervisor Phillips to serve on the Project Management Team.

Supervisor Porter said yes, we do.

Supervisor West made a motion that Supervisor Phillips be the Board member to the Planning

Grant Project Management Team.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that item F. was an appointment to South Centre Corridors RD&D Council. He stated that he received a copy of the attached correspondence earlier this month from the South Centre Corridors RD&C Council advising that Mr. M. L. Everett's term actually expires December 31, 2012. He is eligible for reappointment.

Supervisor Phillips made a motion to reappoint Mr. M. L. Everett to the South Centre Corridors RC&D Council.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones stated that the next item was number 7 – Reports.

The first one was the Sheriff's Office.

Supervisor Updike said if you remember at the last meeting we requested the Sheriff to be here to discuss the crime watch groups. We need him to help put something together as far as a program and we thought he would be able to provide leadership. He asked Mr. Michael Johnson if he was able to get in touch with the Sheriff.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that had gotten in touch with the Sheriff, but his schedule was full and he was not able to make the meeting tonight. He stated that the Sheriff would be glad to meet with them on an individual basis.

Supervisor Updike stated that this breaking into homes was affecting more than just the Newsoms area.

Supervisor Edwards said he thought this needed to come before the whole Board.

Supervisor Faison said that he thought the Sheriff would accommodate any Board member who came before him on this issue.

Supervisor West stated that the Sheriff was very accommodating, if you call him he will see you in his office. He said there had also been break ins recently in his area. He stated that his nephew's home had been broken into.

Supervisor Faison stated that it may be best to make an appointment with the Sheriff.

Supervisor West said it might be best to appoint a couple of Board members to go to the Sheriff on this issue.

Supervisor Faison stated that some citizens might want to go also.

Supervisor Porter said he thought it would be best if the Board members go first and talk with the Sheriff. He stated that it was not productive just to have the discussion here at the Board meeting. It's just not.

Chairman Jones asked if he could get a couple of volunteers to talk with the Sheriff.

Supervisor Faison and Supervisor West volunteered to work with the Sheriff on this issue.

Chairman Jones stated that he knew the Sheriff would talk and work with them.

Chairman Jones stated that other reports were Animal Control, Litter Control, Cooperative Extension, Solid Waste Quantities, and Personnel.

Supervisor West stated that he skipped the Treasurer's Report.

Chairman Jones said he was sorry. He called on Mr. David Britt for the Treasurer's Report.

Mr. David Britt stated that the first thing on his list was a matter that is required by the Virginia Code and that is to bring them a list of delinquencies. He said they have the right to publish electronically or in the newspaper, or however they choose to do so. As far as personal property we have \$518,993.26 outstanding for the 2008 – 2012 tax years. The outstanding real estate balance is \$562,422.75. The outstanding solid waste amount for 2012 is \$157,901.94.

Supervisor West said he thought that was good, it's not what you want, but good.

Mr. David Britt stated that he had collected \$38,665.63 on fourteen parcels that were sold. The amount of \$121,000 was collected as surplus and is being held by the court. If it is not claimed it reverts to the county. He said on the 13th of September the real estate bills went out and by the weekend they should be in people's mailboxes. As far as real estate as I mentioned we have \$562,422.00 outstanding compared to last year we had \$674,476.48 outstanding. So, for five years that is a 99.55% collection. In personal property last year we had \$514,333.00 outstanding and this year we have \$518,993.00 outstanding. So, for five years that is a 97.79% collection.

Chairman Jones asked if there were any questions. He stated that we are just trying to collect the taxes.

Chairman Jones asked Mr. Michael Johnson to give the personnel report.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that we had two employees hired during the month of September. David I. Worth was hired in the Sheriff's Office on September 9, 2013 at a salary of \$29,843.00 and Kay Kitchen was hired in the Commonwealth Attorney's Office on September 23, 2013 at a salary of \$27,390.00. We had one reclassification, William D. Stapleton in the Sheriff's Office on September 4, 2013 at a salary of \$43,756.00. We had three separations during the month, Waymon Davis from the Sheriff's Office effective August 31, 2013, Robert C. Vaughan from the Sheriff's Office effective September 3, 2013, and Raymond L. Bryant from the Utilities Department on September 13, 2013.

Chairman Jones said it seems like every month somebody is leaving the Sheriff's Office. That's why we did what we did to try to keep folks.

Chairman Jones stated that the next item of business is number 8 – Financial Matters. He stated that we needed to pay the bills. He asked if anyone had any problems with the bills.

Supervisor West made a motion seconded by Supervisor Faison to pay the bills in the amount of \$2,457,388.02 to be paid by check numbers 132577 through 133011. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones stated the next item of business is number 9 – Project Update Nat Turner/1831 Southampton Insurrection Trail/Restoration of the Rebecca Vaughan House.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that as you recall, Southampton County agreed to serve as grantee, fiscal agent and project sponsor for the Southampton County Historical Society's development of the Nat Turner/1831 Southampton Insurrection Trail. In July of 2010, we were awarded a \$420,000 Transportation Enhancement Grant to connect travelers, tourists, students, and residents with sites associated with the Nat Turner rebellion. The project will include fabrication of orientation exhibits, installation of interpretive signage, acquisition of right-of-way, and production of a brochure and map. The Rebecca Vaughan House, located on the Museum of Southampton History campus in Courtland will function as a Visitor's Center and trailhead. Here, the public will learn about the rebellion, explore the route traveled by Turner and his insurgents, and discover period artifacts, including Turner's sword and the lock from his jail cell. Since fiscal year 2008, Southampton County has contributed an aggregate sum of \$133,750 towards this project. Mr. John V. Quarstein, the Historical Society's project consultant is here to provide you a status update on the project and seek your consideration in scheduling a public hearing next month to receive public comment on a resolution authorizing submittal of a follow-up grant application.

Mr. John V. Quarstein, the Historical Society's project consultant, Mrs. Lynda Updike, and Mr. Rick Francis of the Historical Society gave a brief presentation on the current status of the project. Mr. John Quarstein stated that they are finally making the plan to relocate the Rebecca Vaughn

House. He said it was most original because it has an English basement and a pier. Mrs. Lynda Updike stated that the house was on the National Historical Registry so this work had to be done. He stated that W. P. Sells is doing the roadway improvement. It is supposed to be graveled by 2014. This is being done with VDOT's approval. They are requesting a \$140,000 grant that will fund the completion of the interactive computers along the trail. They will print regular maps as well as be able to use iPhones for the interpretation. He said the roads have changed little since 1831. He stated that this is a great story in history. It is a horrible story, but a true story of Nat Turner leading the slave revolt. In addition John Brown as a slave born in Southampton County and sold into slavery in Georgia and escaped and published a book on his slave life. He said that Dred Scot was a slave born into slavery in Southampton County. He tried to find legal ways to stop slavery. Anthony Gardner was a slave who went back to Africa and became the 9th President of Liberia. He stated that they were at the point where they needed to request a public hearing next to receive comment on a resolution authorizing submittal of a follow-up grant application. Mr. Rick Francis asked the Board to please approve the public hearing for this. Mrs. Lynda Updike stated that the grant required a 20% local match and that they have applied for grants for the local match.

Chairman Jones stated that he needed a motion.

Supervisor West made a motion to authorize a public hearing next month to receive comment on a resolution authorizing submittal of a follow-up grant application.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones stated the next item of business was 10 – Courthouse Security Improvements.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that at your April 22 meeting, the Board authorized PMA Architecture to proceed in preparing plans and bid documents in a format that would allow the Courthouse Security project to be bid as follows:

- a. Base Bid: lobby expansion under the colonnade and all related building construction including the basic security system and related wiring and systems;
- b. Alternate #1: Construction of an air-lock vestibule;
- c. Alternate #2: Parking lot enclosure wall, fence, gate and alternations to parking lot;
- d. Alternate #3: Installation of an electrical generator for stand-by power.

Jeff Stodghill, the project architect, has indicated that he is nearing completion of the plans related to the Courthouse security improvements and anticipates that they will be ready for a bid advertisement in mid-October. However, based on his continued discussions with affected stakeholders, a clear consensus on the merits of the proposed parking lot fencing/alterations has not been achieved, and accordingly, Mr. Stodghill suggest that you defer seeking bids on Alternate #2 above, pending additional discussion, study and evaluation. He is recommending that the Board proceed in obtaining bids as follows:

- e. Base bid: Electronic security system, expanded lobby and controlled entrance;
- f. Alternate #1 – Add transfer switch and generator wiring for generator backup system;
- g. Alternate #2 – Add to provide a 100 KW generator; and
- h. Alternate #3 – Add X-Ray scanner and Metal Detector.

You may recall that a question was raised regarding the City of Franklin's financial participation in the project. I've confirmed that the City included their share (approximately 23% of associated debt, service, based on the formula) in their FY 2014 annual budget. Your FY 2014 budget includes up to \$220,000 for the purchase of security equipment from the General Fund (Courthouse Security Fees) and \$65,000 was included in your building fund for debt service associated with building improvements. Based on the architect's prior estimate, it now appears that the building improvements are estimated at \$374,275, not including the emergency generator. A motion is required to authorize the architect to proceed with bidding the project. He stated again Mr. Jeff Stodghill is here to speak with you and answer any questions you may have.

Mr. Jeff Stodghill addressed the Board. He stated that his firm was working on wrapping up the drawings and hope to have it together in October to present to the judges and final staff during the month of November. They hope to have it back in December. You will recall that in the earlier

hearings about security we talked about doing something about enclosing the parking area for the judges and personnel. He stated that they failed to get a consensus from everybody at the courthouse so right now they thought it best to just go with the electronic security system, expanded lobby, and controlled entrance. We can revisit securing the parking area at a later date.

Chairman Jones asked if there were any questions concerning this.

Supervisor West said he thought this was in the best interest of the county to go ahead with these improvements. He asked didn't the Sheriff have some funds that could be using to help with the cost of courthouse security.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that the Sheriff had \$220,000 in funds if the Sheriff specified them for courthouse security they could be used for equipment only.

Supervisor Phillips asked if alternates 1, 2 and 3 were included in this plan.

Mr. Jeff Stodghill said you will receive the prices for them.

Supervisor Phillips asked if we would be obligated to purchase all of these alternates.

Mr. Jeff Stodghill said you can pick and choose any of the alternatives.

Supervisor Phillips said so we basically have four choices. We have the base bid and then the alternatives 1, 2, and 3.

Mr. Jeff Stodghill said that is correct.

Supervisor Phillips said the choice will depend on the costs.

Mr. Jeff Stodghill stated that they were under no obligation to select any or all of the options.

Supervisor West said we have \$65,000 in the building fund each year.

Mr. Michael Johnson said that is correct.

Supervisor West asked where we were going to get the \$374,275.00 to do the improvements?

Mr. Michael Johnson said you will have to go to the market and borrow the funds.

Supervisor Phillips said when we had the meetings at the courthouse we authorized the money to go ahead and do the study because we were concerned about the safety of the courthouse personnel, judges, inmates, etc. and he thought we ought to follow through. He asked if the power went off if they would be able to run the lights and be able to get the people back to the jail. With the generator would there be enough electricity to run the elevator and lights in the stairwell and make a phone call.

Mr. Michael Johnson pointed to Mr. Jeff Stodghill.

Mr. Jeff Stodghill said we can look at that. When you purchase a generator you usually buy one bigger than you need, so you will have some reserve.

Supervisor Phillips stated that in talking with the staff, there was a comment made if there could be some type of upgrade in the lighting. Better lighting would improve the safety of the parking lot for the judge and the court people who may be working late.

Mr. Jeff Stodghill stated that it is in the plan right now to upgrade the lighting which is something that should be part of this scope of work.

Chairman Jones asked if there was anything else. He thanked Mr. Jeff Stodghill. He said we need a motion to authorize Mr. Jeff Stodghill to continue with bidding the project.

Supervisor Edwards made a motion to authorize Mr. Jeff Stodghill to proceed with the bidding

process.

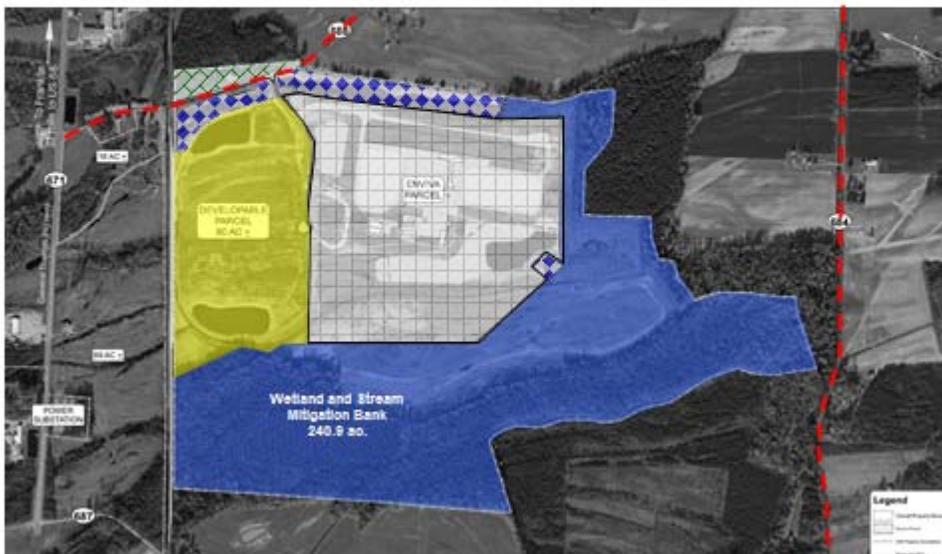
Supervisor West seconded the motion. He stated that he wanted to be ahead of the curve instead of being in the news for failing to take the steps needed for security and doing the right thing. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jeff Stodghill said thank you.

Chairman Jones stated the next item of business was number eleven – Update on Turner Tract Infrastructure Improvements.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that he just wanted to give a brief update on the Turner Tract Infrastructure Improvements. He gave the following presentation:

Turner Tract Development Plan



The Wetland and Stream Bank



Bunrootis' Risk/Reward

- Bunrootis' Investment
 - Phase 1 – 2010 - \$925,000
 - Phase 2 – \$1,186,302
- Restore more than 12,000 linear feet of stream by rehabilitating the pattern and profile and establishing a vegetative buffer
- Create/restore approximately 44 acres of wetlands by restoring original hydrology
- Preserve 32 acres of forested wetlands, 75 acres of mature forested buffers, and 2,400 linear feet of stream
- Improve wildlife habitat and water quality in the watershed
- **Bank is expected to yield 50.88 marketable wetland credits, and 12,739 to 14,427 stream credits with a market value in excess of \$7.3 million**

Wetland Bank Rent

- Bunrootis is obligated to make guaranteed lease payments to the IDA totaling \$1.75 million beginning in 2013 and ending in 2022
- In addition, Bunrootis is obligated to share a percentage of net revenues (28%) generated by sale of the credits beginning in 2015
- Projected payments to Southampton County of approximately \$3.5 million (\$1.75 million guaranteed) between 2013 and 2022

Commonwealth Connector



- Wetland impacts
 - 236 acres
- Stream impacts
 - Perennial – 11,752 ft.
 - Intermittent – 21,336 ft.
- Sources
 - VDOT banks
 - **Commercial banks**
 - Trust Fund
 - \$30,000 for wetlands
 - \$400 for streams

Wetland Banks Chowan Basin

	Bank Name	CURRENTLY AVAILABLE		POTENTIAL CREDITS	
		Wetland Credits	Stream Credits	Wetland Credits	Stream Credits
1.	Buckhorn	8.56	0.00	11.92	0.00
2.	Cherokeehaka	6.51	8,482.00	50.88	14,438.00
3.	Halifax Farm	14.56	0.00	117.00	0.00
4.	VDOT - Goose Creek	2.06	0.00	2.31	0.00
5.	VDOT - Nottoway River	14.72	0.00	27.16	0.00
		46.41	8,482.00	209.27	14,438.00

Rent Schedule

CY	Base Rent	Additional Rent*	TOTAL
2010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2011	-	-	-
2012	-	-	-
2013	100,000	-	100,000
2014	100,000	-	100,000
2015	150,000	130,092	280,092
2016	150,000	137,418	287,418
2017	175,000	137,967	312,967
2018	175,000	145,747	320,747
2019	200,000	146,764	346,764
2020	200,000	155,026	355,026
2021	250,000	132,061	382,061
2022	250,000	762,519	1,012,519
	\$ 1,750,000	\$ 1,747,594	\$ 3,497,594

*Projected based on pro-forma

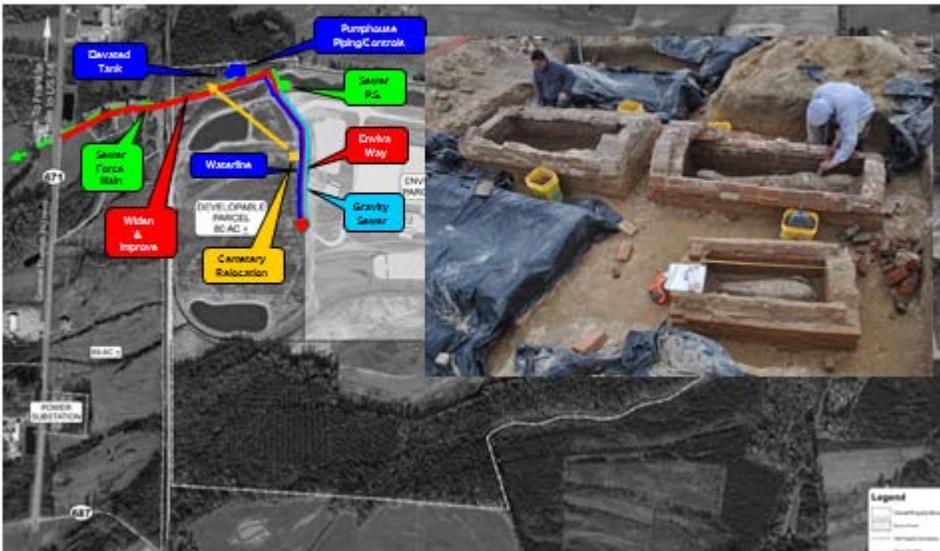
Enviva



Enviva - Projected Revenue

FY	Projected Net Revenue
2015	\$ 909,203
2016	866,427
2017	1,055,047
2018	942,279
2019	835,660
2020	967,743
2021	773,343
2022	277,560
2023	284,213
2024	284,213
	\$ 7,195,687

Work to Do



Remaining Budget

Dec-12

REMAINING SOURCES

Remaining Series 2006A Public Facility Lease Revenue Bonds	\$ 4,335,985
VDOT Secondary Construction Funds	1,520,863
VDOT Industrial Access Road Grant	650,000
Brownfield Restoration and Economic Redevelopment Grant	50,000
Community Development Block Grant	700,000
	\$ 7,256,848

REMAINING WORK

Rose Valley Road Improvements	1,526,552
Industrial Access Road (Enviva Way)	730,432
On-Site Water and Sewer	636,955
Sewer Pump Station	241,000
Sewer Force Main	1,500,000
Elevated Tank	1,258,000
Well House/Pumps/Piping	203,000
Remaining Design/Construction Admin. (Timmons)	322,253
Cemetery Relocation	50,000
Misc./Contingency	788,656
	\$ 7,256,848

Remaining Budget

	Dec-12	Sep-13
REMAINING SOURCES		
Remaining Series 2006A Public Facility Lease Revenue Bonds	\$ 4,335,985	\$ 2,278,860
VDOT Secondary Construction Funds	1,520,863	1,694,976
VDOT Industrial Access Road Grant	650,000	-
Brownfield Restoration and Economic Redevelopment Grant	50,000	-
Community Development Block Grant	700,000	700,000
	\$ 7,256,848	\$ 4,673,836
REMAINING WORK		
Rose Valley Road Improvements	1,526,552	\$ 1,694,976
Industrial Access Road (Eniva Way)	730,432	375,027
On-Site Water and Sewer	636,955	156,790
Sewer Pump Station	241,000	136,524
Sewer Force Main	1,500,000	1,500,000
Elevated Tank	1,258,000	131,577
Well House/Pumps/Piping	203,000	160,953
Remaining Design/Construction Admin. (Timmons)	322,253	131,560
Cemetery Relocation	50,000	-
Misc./Contingency	788,656	386,429
	\$ 7,256,848	\$ 4,673,836

Chairman Jones asked if the logo was on the tank yet.

Mr. Michael Johnson said not yet.

Supervisor Phillips asked if the easements had been completed.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that there were four required and they can't complete the paperwork until they get appraisals as to how much premium and added "x" number of feet for improvements. There are two easements out of emit domain which we are still in control with both of those.

Chairman Jones asked if there were any other questions. He thanked Mr. Michael Johnson for the presentation.

Chairman Jones stated that the next item of business was number twelve – Miscellaneous.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that attached for your reference please find a copy of correspondence from VACo regarding the voting credentials for the 2013 Annual Business Meeting to be held on November 12, 2013 at 11:15 a.m. in Bath County, Virginia. It is necessary for the Board to authorize a delegate and alternate delegate to cast its votes. Chairman Jones and Vice-Chairman West have made tentative plans to attend. If the Board is so inclined, a motion is required to appoint Chairman Jones as the Voting delegate and Vice-Chairman West as the alternate delegate.

Supervisor Updike said didn't we vote last month to finance only one person and now asking for an additional one.

Supervisor West said he made the motion to send Chairman Jones to receive his recognition for thirty years of service.

Supervisor Updike said that was for one person.

Supervisor West stated that we have \$3,000 budgeted for this year for any Board member who may want to attend. This does not cover any expenses for a wife for room or food. But, it can be used to cover the expenses of any Board member it doesn't have to be me. It could be for you Supervisor Updike.

Supervisor Updike stated that it is only necessary for one vote and you can delegate someone from another county to vote on your behalf.

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Supervisor West said to Mr. Michael Johnson please remove my name. I don't want to create a problem. I'm sorry. I don't want to spend any money that we don't need to spend.

Supervisor Faison stated that he thought it good if they both go. He stated that he was in favor of it. The funds are there we would not be adding any cost that wasn't already budgeted.

Supervisor West said he was going to attend the conference on the right to farm act since farming is precious to Southampton County and the contractors who provide services to the farmers. He said that was a valuable thing. He said he would step aside. He stated that maybe Supervisor Updike would like to be the one to go.

Supervisor Updike said he was not asking Supervisor West to step aside. He said it was just not necessary for a big group to attend. He said that there was literature that could be brought back and used to inform and educate the rest of the group. He stated that with the electronic technology of today you can get the information without having to attend.

Supervisor West said is that the reason you are using a computer today.

Chairman Jones said last year we were the only county that wasn't represented. He stated that he didn't go last year because the county didn't pay his meal or gas and it cost him to do these things.

Supervisor Updike stated that if we don't have the money, we don't have the money.

Chairman Jones stated that he pays taxes just like everybody else does.

Supervisor Porter said I'm going to say something, okay. We are getting to the point we are becoming so focused on costs that sometimes we forget things that are important. I don't take a salary. Everybody works hard. There are certain things this Board needs to do and go be seen and be diversified so we can talk to someone else and get a few ideas. We have to be careful of the old adage "Penny wise and pound foolish". I think it is important to send delegates. In the past the whole Board has gone. We can't just shut down and do nothing. A lot of the county employees attend things and pay their own ways. It is not fair for Mr. Michael Johnson to have a meeting in Chesapeake and have to pay for his own lunch. If Board members choose not to take a salary, that's our decision. If you want your system to be volunteers completely and not to be reimbursed then you are going to get what you pay for. If I didn't care about the county I wouldn't be here because my time is the most valuable thing. If you don't want to pay someone to do the job, then you are going to get what you pay for.

Chairman Jones asked Supervisor Porter if he would like to make a motion.

Supervisor Porter said yes I would. He made a motion to send the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to the VACo Annual Conference with reimbursement to them for their expenses.

Supervisor Faison seconded the motion which carried with a 5 to 0 vote with Supervisors West and Updike not voting.

Supervisor Faison asked didn't we need to vote on the voting credentials.

Supervisor Porter made a motion to make Chairman Jones the voting delegate and Vice-Chairman West the alternate delegate.

Supervisor Phillips seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that item B. was the Chowan Basin Soil & Water Conservation District – Annual Report. He stated that you will find a copy of the report in your agenda.

Chairman Jones asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that item C. is Notices. He stated that there were various notices there for your viewing.

Chairman Jones stated the next item of business was number 13 – Late Arriving Matters.

Mr. Michael Johnson stated that there were none.

Chairman Jones stated that the next item of business was number 14 – Citizens Comment Period. He asked if there was anyone who wanted to speak to come on up.

Mr. Ash Cutchin of Jerusalem addressed the Board. He stated that he lives in Darden Mill Estates and that Supervisor Edwards was his Supervisor. He pointed out that the uncollected tax of \$1,239,000 would pay for the elevated water tank or force main. He stated that he would like for Supervisor West to see what the bypass from Chesapeake Bay to Maryland has done to counties like Tazely and Accomack. He said he would even drive him there to see how it is. The same thing happened over in Holland when they built the by-pass around it. It just shut the shoppes in the Town of Holland down pretty much. He stated he was going to be brief, but there was one more thing he wanted to mention. He stated that the School Board in the State of Maryland enacted a formal request form for the citizens wishing to speak at their meetings. They actually arrested a parent who tried to ask a question who had not done the formal request. That's just something to think about. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to speak here.

Mr. John Burchett of Sebrell addressed the Board. He stated that he would like to reiterate what Mr. Ash Cutchin said previously. He stated that of the greatest things about our nation is that we can disagree. He stated that he would like to see the 460 project in the future. He said in questions from the audience that we be given five minutes litigation in the State Supreme Court in Portsmouth. He asked Mr. Richard Railey if there was any effort for the tolling of Highway 460 if declared unconstitutional.

Supervisor West stated that it was a private-public partnership.

Mr. Richard Railey said he can't predict what the Supreme Court of Virginia will do. He feels they will rescind the court decision, but that is just my guess.

Mr. John Burchett questioned the sharing of the sewer system. He said he hadn't seen anything in the paper about it. He said sometimes you have to spend money to save money. He asked where is the money for this coming from? He hadn't seen anything in the paper on it.

Supervisor West said we are not far enough along. We are just in the discussion stage. We will have to see how much money we will need.

Mr. John Burchett asked how much does the reserve fund have in it?

Mr. Michael Johnson said that is a dynamic question. He stated that it differs from day to day. He stated the reserve is usually around \$4 million, but it fluctuates because there are times when we don't have a lot of revenue coming in.

Mr. John Burchett said so we are using some of the reserve fund.

Mr. Michael Johnson said yes we do when we have seasonal short falls and are low on cash.

Mr. John Burchett said didn't we just borrow \$450,000. The presentation that was just given by the Historical Society stated that the county is going to have to match the grant.

Supervisor West said up to 20%, but they are applying for grants to cover that.

Mrs. Lynda Updike, of the audience, stated that they didn't ask the county for any money. She said they were applying for grants to cover the match.

Mr. John Burchett stated that he is a member of the Sebrell Civic Club and asked that they put in a request for some funding through the civic club. He stated that they would be pleased to assist but that they hadn't received a request letter.

Mrs. Lynda Updike stated that the letter has been written and she will see that it gets mailed.

Mr. John Burchett said he didn't know if anybody takes this stuff very seriously. He said we are

wasting a lot of money. It's like kicking people in the face.

Supervisor West said let me repeat a little. He said some people use electronic devices.

Mr. John Burchett said I don't know whether you all saw my letter to the editor in the newspaper or not. He handed out copies of the letter he sent to the Tidewater News to each Board member. He said I wish you all would look at this. I believe we can save a substantial amount of money. He stated that he had approached Supervisor Phillips about it. He thanked Supervisor Phillips for putting up with him.

Supervisor Phillips stated that he read the editorial and on the contrary this is not one we can do. We have studied the facts and figures. I think Mr. Michael Johnson would be happy to sit down with you and go over the figures with you and answer any questions you may have. He stated that they have 150 residents and 12 deputies. That is the way it has been since the 1980's.

Mr. John Burchett said that he didn't have questions, just ideas.

Supervisor Phillips stated that if we close the jail farm and send the inmates to Tidewater and Tidewater loses all of its Federal funding that may create a \$400,000 shortfall then we would be facing another \$400,000 that we don't have.

Mr. John Burchett said you didn't read the letter then. It would be enhanced by Isle of Wight and Franklin. He said he was looking for ways to save money.

Supervisor Phillips said I read it. I'm sure there is a list of officers who have both skills.

Mr. John Burchett started to talk again.

Supervisor Phillips said you are lecturing me. These people at the jail farm are working in the community. There are 28 working at the Virginia Diner and some are working at the sawmill. I think it is six and it may move up to ten.

Mr. John Burchett said but doing away with the jail farm would save us money from having to have all those deputies there.

Supervisor Porter said the inmates are working.

Mr. John Burchett said I thought you were talking about the deputies working part time jobs. We run our prison system. If we can reduce staff, we need to do it. We don't mind cutting when it comes to the schools getting cut. I know Supervisor Porter tells me he's looking for ways to cut.

Supervisor Porter said I agree with you on many issues. But on this, call the Sheriff and sit down and talk about the jail farm. It is not all black and white. I sat down with him. After talking with him I realized there were things that I didn't know. He stated that there are a lot of inmates on work release. The deputies transport them to work release every day. He stated that Supervisor Phillips had called him and asked him a whole lot of questions. Now he has a better understanding of what goes on there. He asked Mr. John Burchett to please call the Sheriff and talk with him. He asked will you do that for me?

Mr. John Burchett said okay.

Chairman Jones advised that the Board would take a 5-minute recess.

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

- 1) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (5), to receive a report from Franklin-Southampton Economic Development, Inc. regarding prospective industries where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating its facilities in the community;
- 2) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (7), to consult with legal counsel and staff

members regarding the Amended and Restated Performance Agreement with Enviva, L.P., where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating posture of the governing body;

- 3) In accordance with Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1), to discuss promotion of certain employees within the Department of Public Utilities.

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

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

Supervisor West made a motion to go into closed session.

Supervisor Phillips seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones stated that at this time he needed the reading of the certification resolution to go back into open session.

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

RESOLUTION OF CLOSED MEETING

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southampton County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed and considered by the Southampton County Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor West made a motion to adopt the certification resolution.

Supervisor Edwards seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Jones stated that we are now back in open session and we didn't talk about anything that we weren't supposed to.

Supervisor Porter made a motion to incorporate the following changes in the Department of Public Utilities:

1. Indefinitely freeze the vacant position of Deputy Director for an annual budgetary savings of \$63,432 plus benefits;
2. Indefinitely freeze the vacant position of Chief Utilities Operator for an annual budgetary savings of \$51,592 plus benefits;
3. Create and fill a new position titled Utilities Maintenance Supervisor (Grade 28) at a maximum starting annual salary of \$42,000 plus benefits;
4. Create the position of Lead Operator - 1 (Grade 28) and promote Dennis E. Beale with an adjusted annual salary of \$42,000 plus benefits;
5. Create the position of Lead Operator - 2 (Grade 25) and promote Daniel Fowler with an adjusted annual salary of \$36,000 plus benefits;
6. Increase Keith Jackson's (Utility System Operator 3) annual salary by \$1,000 to \$46,117 based on additional duties assigned;
7. Increase Charles Hyman's (Utility System Operator 2) annual salary by \$1,000 to \$33,606

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- based on additional duties assigned;
8. Increase Hugh Holloman's (Senior Public Service Worker) annual salary by \$1,642 to \$29,000 based on additional duties assigned;
 9. Increase Linwood Jarratt's (Public Service Worker) annual salary by \$1,000 to \$27,058 based on additional duties assigned;
 10. Authorize the Director of Utilities to advertise and fill two part-time positions at a cost not to exceed \$15,600 annually.

The motion was seconded by Supervisor Phillips.

Supervisor Porter pointed out that the changes described above had an overall net budgetary savings of more than \$20,000. He made it clear that it only made sense so long as the vacant positions remained frozen and asked Mr. Julien Johnson if he would commit to that.

Mr. Johnson agreed.

The motion was passed unanimously.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 PM.

Dallas O. Jones, Chairman

Michael W. Johnson, Clerk