

Virginia:

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Charles City County Government Administration Building on **Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 6:00 pm** in the 227th year of the Commonwealth and 389th year of the County.

PRESENT: Gilbert Smith, Chairman
 William G. Coad, Vice Chairman
 Byron M. Adkins, Sr., Member

RE: CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman, Mr. Gilbert Smith welcomed everyone to the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting and called the meeting to order. He turned the meeting over to County Administrator, Ms. Michelle Johnson. She welcomed everyone and advised the board and citizens to stand for the pledge of allegiance to be said in unison.

RE: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Michelle Johnson asked for the adoption of the agenda with an amendment. The amendment to the agenda is to add the item (H) which is the Opioid Resolution and move Upcoming Events to the item (I). Ms. Michelle Johnson stated she received the resolution late this afternoon and it has to be adopted before the next Board meeting.

A motion was made by the Vice-Chairman of the Board, Mr. William G. Coad, to approve the agenda with the amendments. The motion was passed unanimously.

RE: CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Michelle Johnson requested approval of the consent agenda. Approval of Board of Supervisors Recessed Meeting Minutes, January 11, 2023, Approval of Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes, January 24, 2023, Jacobs Invoice for services through February 17, 2023, and Appropriations for February.

Board Member, Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr., motioned to approve the consent agenda. The motion was passed unanimously.

Charles City County Board of Supervisors
Post Office 128
Charles City, Virginia 23030

December 13, 2022

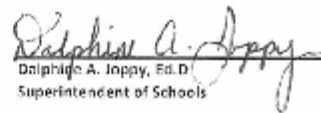
To: Charles City County Board of Supervisors

The Charles City County School Board respectfully requests the following appropriations for operations of schools for Appropriations for the period starting January 1, 2023 and ending March 31, 2023.

FY23 Budget (Pending)* [includes Self- Supporting]	Adjustments	FY23 Budget as Amended + Prior Approved Self-Supporting* Appropriations	YTD	This Request - January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023	Year to Date Appropriation Requested	Balance, Unrequested at This Time
\$12,688,517	\$ -	\$ 12,688,517	\$ 8,355,629	\$ 2,383,088	\$ 10,736,717	\$ 1,949,800

Total Appropriations By Month:	\$ 1,268,852	Aug	\$ 4,519,074	Nov-Dec	\$ -
	\$ 2,637,703	Sept-Oct	\$ 2,383,088	Jan-Feb	
				Total	\$ 10,736,717

Sincerely,


Delphie A. Joppy, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Approved: 
Chair, Charles City County School Board

RE: PRESENTATIONS

VDOT

The VDOT representative, Mr. Marshall Winn was unable to attend the Board meeting this evening. Mr. Jeff Allgood will be giving the VDOT report this evening. There were 75 potholes on the primary and secondary roadways repaired. Erosion repair near the Benjamin Harrison bridge. There was some shoulder repair on the primary and secondary ditching. Brushing was done on primary roads and cutbacks. Brushing performed a lot of sign repair on the primary roadways cleaned and cut vegetation. There were around 44 signs done and picked up litter on secondary and primary. There were 139 bags picked up this past month. VDOT received 75 work requests and we have completed 71. Mr. Gilbert Smith asked the Board if they had any questions or comments for VDOT. Mr. William G. Coada responded there is a work order for Alpine Road for potholes. He would appreciate it if VDOT could look into this. Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr. stated he thinks there is a work order for 10605 for Sturgeon Point Road for Dr. Washington. It was for beaver work. Mr. Gilbert Smith asked the citizens if there were any comments for VDOT they could come to the podium.

Eleanor Robinson: She has asked before about the trimming of the trees on Route 5. She appreciates the Bush cutting that VDOT has done but nothing had been done about the dead trees down Route 5 and also between Route 618 and Route 623. Something needs to do about it.



ASHLAND RESIDENCY

MARSHALL WINN

RESIDENCY ADMINISTRATOR

CHARLES CITY COUNTY

February 2023

**MAINTENANCE:
ALLGOOD**

JEFF

Pothole Repair (75 holes)

- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy
- 619 Weyanoke Rd
- 666 Waymacks Rd

Asphalt Repair

- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy; east of 623 Willcox Neck Rd

- 106 Roxbury Rd; 609 Barnetts Rd to 622 CC Rd

Erosion Repair

- 156 Roxbury Rd; 690 Harrison Point Dr to Benjamin Harrison Bridge
- 609 Barnetts Rd

Shoulder Repair w Gradall

- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy; 645 Chickahominy Bluff Rd to 619 Weyanoke Rd
- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy; 618 Adkins Rd to 609 Barnetts Rd
- 156 Roxbury Rd; 690 Harrison Point Dr to Benjamin Harrison Bridge

Driveway Repair

- 609 Barnetts Rd; add stone

Ditch Repair

- 156 Roxbury Rd

Ditch Cleaning

- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy
- 155 Courthouse Rd
- 106 Roxbury Rd
- 156 Roxbury Rd
- 609 Barnetts Rd
- 607 Church Ln

Ditch Cleaning w Gradall

- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy; 614 Sturgeon Point Rd to 632 Tylers Mill Rd
- 156 Roxbury Rd; 690 Harrison Point Dr to Benjamin Harrison Bridge

Pipe Repair

- 156 Roxbury Rd; repair with asphalt

Pipe Cleaning

- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy
- 155 Courthouse Rd
- 106 Roxbury Rd

- 156 Roxbury Rd
- 609 Barnetts Rd
- 607 Church Ln
- 625 West Run Rd

Tree Removal / Cleanup

- 106 Roxbury Rd; 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy to 607 Wayside Rd
- 607 Wayside Rd
- 614 Sturgeon Point Rd

Tree Limbing / Cleanup

- 106 Roxbury Rd
- 155 Courthouse Rd
- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy; 155 Courthouse Rd to 623 Willcox Neck Rd

Brush Cutting / Cleanup

- 155 Courthouse Rd; 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy to New Kent C/L
- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy; 155 Courthouse Rd to 615 The Glebe Ln
- 106 Roxbury Rd; 685 Chambers Rd to New Kent C/L

Tree Debris Cleanup

- 604 Warriner Rd; tree blocking road
- 156 Roxbury Rd; 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy to Benjamin Harrison Bridge
- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy
- 803 Perks Ln & 603 Old Union Rd

Sign Repair

- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy & 623 Willcox Neck Rd

Sign Cleaning/Daylight (44 signs)

- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy; 155 Courthouse Rd to 623 Willcox Neck Rd
- 155 Courthouse Rd

Debris

- 619 Weyanoke Rd; 11 tires
- 609 Barnetts Rd

Litter / Trash Bag Pickup (139 bags)

- 607 Church Ln
- 609 Barnetts Rd
- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy
- 602 Lott Cary Rd
- 609 Barnetts Rd; 607 Wayside Rd to 607 Church Ln
- 607 Wayside Rd; 609 Barnetts Rd to 663 Harrison Park Rd
- 609 Barnetts Rd; 607 Wayside Rd to Sand Pit
- 607 Wayside Rd; 663 Harrison Park Rd to 106 Roxbury Rd
- 609 Barnetts Rd; 602 Lott Cary Rd to 650 Cattail Rd
- 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy; 615 to 155 Courthouse Rd
- 607 Wayside Rd; 106 Roxbury Rd to 5 John Tyler Mem Hwy

Bike Trail

- Blow Trail & Bridges
- Brush Cutting; west of 155 Courthouse Rd
- Repair boards on wooden bridge; Parrish Hill Bridge deck
- Clean ditches near 632 Tylers Mill Rd

Miscellaneous

- Dead animal removal; Primary & Secondary
- 607 Wayside Rd; set up detour & message boards for bridge detour
- 607 Church Ln; pick up high water signs

Work Requests

- 75 Received
- 71 Completed

Emergency Callout after Hours (0)

Next Month's Agenda

- Customer Complaints
- Bike Trail Cleanup
- Litter Pickup County-Wide
- Primary/Secondary routes; tree pruning
- 106 Roxbury Rd; pull high shoulders
- Pipe replacement
- Clean and straighten signs

RE: PUBLIC HEARING

Ms. Michelle Johnson read the public hearing notice for the public hearing **for 02-2823 Old Ferry Road Notice of Vacation** and then turned the Public Hearing over to the County Attorney, Mr. Jesse Bausch.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CHARLES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ON A PORTION OF OLD FERRY ROAD

Notice is hereby given that the Charles City County Board of Supervisors will **hold a public hearing on February 28, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible, in the Government Administration Building**, located at 10900 Courthouse Road, Charles City, VA 23030 to receive public comment on and consider the adoption of an ordinance providing for the vacation of a portion of Old Ferry Road located from the intersection of Eastbury Lane / River Bank Circle to the James River not exceeding 0.04 of a mile, pursuant to §15.2-2006 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended. A copy of the full text of the ordinance and a plat showing the portion of the right-of-way being considered for abandonment is on file in the office of the County Administrator located at the County Administration Building, 10900 Courthouse Road, Charles City, Virginia 23030, and is available for public inspection during normal business hours. All written comments are encouraged to be submitted to the Charles City County Administrator's Office, P.O. Box 128, Charles City, VA 23030, by fax to (804) 829-5819.

County Attorney, Mr. Jesse Bausch advised at last month's Board meeting there's an application made by Mr. Richard Schoen who's one of the neighboring landowners there on either side of the portion of the road that is being asked to be vacated. Ferry Road runs right up to where the intersection of this lane is located. There's a small piece of the river back in the 70s that has been closed off ever since then that probably would be vacated. There is a 50/50 portion between his property and the neighboring property. The cost of advertising, the Public Hearing, and the cost of staff time to work on the public hearing the applicant is willing to absolve those costs. The ordinance has been crafted and needs approval by the Board of Supervisors first. Assuming the survey is done, and anything is approved tonight the review process would still go forward until anything differently is conveyed.

Mr. Gilbert Smith stated he would allow the applicant, Mr. Richard Schoen the opportunity to speak. He would first open up the Public Hearing. Mr. Gilbert Smith opened the comment period of the public hearing for the evening. The disclosure was that those commenting individually have three minutes, and as a group, they will have five minutes. The Board does not answer questions nor establish dialogue during the Public Comment period.

Lloyd Carter: He hopes the county is consistent with this because there was an issue with the property on the bridge up at Route 106. He asked if the Board can tell the citizens if this property belongs to the state or the county. This is one of the older pieces of property in the county and there are still roads in the county that the state did not break the right of way through. People paid taxes to the center of the road.

Preston Adkins: If people had to go around it's too far. It looks like this will be following the same guidelines as before. If something was to happen at the bridge, how would the citizens go around it?

Richard Schoen: If there were reasons as to why this notice of vacation was submitted it would be just two words; trespassing and trash. It was the road for the ferry at one point. People come through late at night. They are down there at 1:00 in the morning. They come down late at night as if they have decided this is still a public road. People leave a lot of mess on the road that has to be cleaned up. He stated he would like to have the individual's phone numbers so he could inform them of the next time a situation occurs. The road is not maintained by the state. There is nothing that's happening on that road. He does not intend to improve the road; he just doesn't want to have continued concerns with people coming down the track.

Glen Cooke: She advised that I echoed Mister Preston Adkins's concerns about if the bridge continues to have significant problems, and if VDOT is going to be on this. She wished the VDOT representative was still here to answer some of these questions. The bridge is in significant need of a complete restructuring, and the citizens wouldn't have any source for a ferry on the river. If the county does vacate this road those are her concerns. She advised that she could appreciate Mr. Richard Schoen's concerns.

Bill Walton: Advised he was on the bridge on February 4, 1977, when the ship hit. They had to back off the bridge, go all the way into Richmond and come back to a site where he was working that he could see from the other side of the bridge. That is a big difference between going all the way around to get back to where you could get to very quickly. He doesn't think it should be vacated for the simple reason the bridge still has problems, sooner or later you will have to bring it back if something happens to the bridge.

Mr. Gilbert Smith closed the Public Hearing for 02-2823 Old Ferry Road Notice of Vacation.

Mr. William G. Coady asked if anyone knew where the ferry originated from. Mr. Gilbert Smith stated it was where the marina is located. Mr. William G. Coady asked if we put the ferry back where would it go? Ms. Michelle Johnson stated it would go on the other side back when it was used a long time ago. It was a small area where it was land on the other side. You would still have full access, but you would probably have to have a Memo of Understanding for the Marina. Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr. stated he would want to make sure there is a right of way or easement if there ever came a situation where public safety was a concern for transportation or safety. Ms. Michelle Johnson stated as it relates to public service safety that is something we need to add, so we can establish it in the deed, so it is clear when it is recorded with that language per the County Attorney, Mr. Jesse Bausch.

Mr. Gilbert Smith asked if the Board needed to take action on this tonight or wait until the language for the right of way and easement is put in. Mr. Jesse Bausch stated he has prepared the ordinance for approval this evening.

Mr. William G. Coad made a motion to approve the ordinance of vacation for Old Ferry Road with the modifications listed along with the plate. The motion was passed unanimously.

RE: PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Gilbert Smith opened the first comment period of the evening. The disclosure stated those commenting individually have three minutes, and as a group, they will have five minutes. The Board does not answer questions nor establish dialogue during the Public Comment period.

Lloyd Carter: He wanted to comment on the safety of people for Charles City. Over the years he has seen medical wastewater from Pennsylvania that was brought to the landfill. There have also been trash drop-offs and deposits. The citizens know after this has occurred. He asked that the citizens are notified if they are going to be dealing with this, and railroad waste coming out of Ohio so individuals can prepare for it.

Ms. Michelle Johnson asked what railroad waste this is coming from. Ohio is what is being referenced.

Preston Athens: Spoke about the vacating of Old Ferry road and without there being a go-between, where they would unload.

There were no more comments for the Public Comment Period.

Mr. Gilbert Smith closed the first Public Comment Period.

RE: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Gilbert Smith motioned to appoint Mr. Kobey Juergens to the Economic Development Board.

There was no discussion on Mr. Gilbert Smith's motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. William G. Coad has no appointments at this time.

Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr motioned to make several appointments to the Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT). Joe Wright for New Kent/Charles City Court Services, Daniel Rigsby for New Kent/Charles City Health Department, Aida Zayas for New Kent/Charles City Health Department, Jennie Stolarski New Kent/Charles City Parent Representative, Elizabeth Hirner New Kent/Charles City Private Provider/CVHS. There was no discussion on Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr.'s motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Ms. Michelle Johnson requested to appoint a staff person, Director of Social Services, Mrs. Elizabeth Holt to the Henrico Community Services Board replacing Dr. Rhonda Russell.

Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr. motioned to appoint Mrs. Elizabeth Holt to the Henrico Community Services Board. The motion was passed unanimously.

RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Charles City County Spending Plan Approval Virginia Tourism Corporation Grant (VTC)

This was presented by Assistant County Administrator, Dr. Rhonda Russell. Ms. Michelle Johnson stated Dr. Rhonda Russell will also present the Charles City County Sand and Gravel Proposed Conditions for the SUP. She shared with members of the Board that Charles City County has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$30,000.00 from the Virginia Tourism Corporation. With these funds, a percentage of those dollars will be used to support our Market 5 project for signage and infrastructure related to furniture and items of that nature. The remaining amount is proposed to be used for paid media and advertising for tourism. She would like to ask that the board authorize acceptance of these funds and amendment of the fiscal year 23 budget to include these funds.

Mr. William G. Coad made a motion to accept the Charles City County Spending Plan Approval Virginia Tourism Corporation Grant. The motion was passed unanimously.

Charles City County Sand and Gravel Proposed Conditions for the SUP

There was a motion made on January 24, 2023, board meeting to the board regarding the deferment and considerations for Special Use Permit Number 062022. After the Public Hearing was concluded staff, counsel, and the applicant were permitted to consider an additional condition related to the crushing operation for the sanding gravel operation. The applicant has proposed, and staff and counsel concur that an additional condition should be allowed to operate the crushing machine twice a year. This will be condition number twenty-four. The crushing operation will start on April the first and, October the first of each year. The length of time for the crushing operation shall be no more than six weeks. Crushing will occur during normal operating hours of the mine operation. This is a seven-month window where for up to 6 weeks at a time the applicant could operate the mobile crushing machine. Mr. Gilbert Smith asked if the other conditions were read at the Public Hearing. The Zoning Administrator & Transportation Planner, Mr. Gary Mitchell responded, yes, they were. Mr. William G. Coad advised he read the information that he needed. Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr. stated the conditions fulfilled what he needed to see.

Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr. made the motion to approve the SUP-06-2022 with the amended conditions. The motion was passed unanimously.

Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF)

In late January Charles City County was notified it was awarded the amount of \$100,000.00 through the Local Assistant Tribal Consistency Fund. The County received the first payment of \$50,000.00 earlier in February. Ms. Michelle Johnson is requesting that the first \$50,000 be accepted to amend the budget and appropriate the dollars, however, she will have to come back to the Board to present options for the Board to approve how the funds are spent. The funds can be used for any governmental purpose except for lobbying activity. Staff is now working on a spending plan to come back and present to the Board. Mr. William G. Coad is requesting no spending take place until the spending plan is brought back before the Board and approved. Ms. Michelle Johnson stated that is correct, no spending will take place until they present the spending

plan, and it is approved. Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr. commended the staff for getting this done in a very short time frame.

Mr. William G. Coad made a motion to approve the \$50,000, and not appropriate to amend the budget.

Meals Tax

The Meals Tax has been in discussion of implementing a Meals Tax in Charles City County to increase revenue for the community. The County does not have to take the Meals Tax to the referendum and allow the citizens to vote on whether we want to implement a 4% tax here in Charles City County. At the time it was approved on the ballot it showed it was in favor of the citizens, however, some technicalities allowed the information not to go forth the way the County planned. Since that time legislation has changed after sending the original ordinance over to legal counsel, and we have been advised the policy has changed. The meals tax does not have to be put back on the ballot, the County can adopt a resolution to implement the meals tax here in Charles City county. This evening Ms. Michelle Johnson wants to get approval to move forward, however, before the county says okay to the implementation of the meal tax, she believes it would only be fair to meet with the restaurants as well as the businesses that serve hot food. She would work alongside the Commissioner of Revenue to develop a plan to execute this properly. It is Ms. Michelle Johnson's recommendation the County would implement the meal tax on January 1, 2024.

Ms. Michelle Johnson wants to have an appropriate communications plan that will go out to the public. She is requesting approval to move forward to put all this together. Ms. Michelle Johnson asked the Board if they had any questions for her at this time. Mr. William G. Coad advised that M. Michelle Johnson was correct in that the previous referendum passed 1400 to 900. The locations in Charles City are four restaurants, and then four convenience stores that also serve. We will now have some localities that have decided to go to almost 9%. The County is not proposing to go to that extreme, but the County will come back with the final recommendation. As of right now when it was done on the referendum, it was proposed 4%. This is not a tax on the establishments that are internal city this is a pass-through, straight from the customer. The entity would have to process the meal tax to send to the state, and then we would get a percentage of that back to the locality. Ms. Michelle Johnson stated she was not sure if there was still a monthly fee of about \$50.00 just for processing. Mr. Jesse Bausch responded he would check on this.

Ms. Michelle Johnson stated this is something that will be in the presentation. There are so many individuals who visit Charles City County, stop on the bike trail, and enjoy dining here in the community. It would be a great idea to capture some of those dollars so the county can earmark those findings for other needs that we have here in the county.

A gentlemen's consensus from the Board was given for approval.

River Street Termination Letter

Staff worked hard to get the tower for the wireless internet service here in Charles City County. The County was working with a company by the name of SCS which was bought out by River Street. There were meetings held, and the County was promised that they were going to be able to deliver service; however, those services have not materialized. The County received notice

on November 7, 2022, from River Street that they would like to terminate the contract for the lease and the structure at the courthouse. They wish to remove equipment from the Courthouse and Ruthville towers. They had structures located on our towers and so our release agreement states that they have given us the standard sixty-day notice. Ms. Michelle Johnson stated she wanted to alert the board that she is now in search of another ISP Internet Service Provider for those towers.

Vision 2040

The Vision 2040 plan is being presented for adoption as promised. There were several meetings within the community and the final plan was presented with recommendations. There are eight goals that we are proposing for the strategic plan and would like to take the opportunity to thank those individuals who participated in the roundtable discussions.

Goal 1: Public Safety

GOAL 2040: Charles City County residents shall live in a safer community after the implementation of public safety strategies to decrease crime, decrease fire and rescue response time, and increase emergency preparedness awareness.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

OBJECTIVE 1: By 2040, Charles City County will continue to be a safe community as these strategies help reduce crime, workload, preventable death, injury, and property loss.

FIRE AND RESCUE

OBJECTIVE 1: By 2040, Charles City residents will have dependable emergency services that mirror our neighboring localities. Services will include professional training and reduced response times, and knowledgeable firefighters and medical professionals.

OBJECTIVE 2: By 2040, Enhance existing emergency services adding to the current infrastructure with new facilities, new equipment, and more manpower.

Goal 2: Economic Development & Infrastructure Economic Development

GOAL 2040: Charles City County will be a community that achieves economic stability and increases the standards of living for all citizens.

OBJECTIVE 1: By 2040, The county will hire a full-time economic development staff person to handle economic development and tourism.

OBJECTIVE 2: By 2040, The county will create economic development opportunities around the Virginia Capital Trail to increase the local economy.

OBJECTIVE 3: By 2040, Identify areas to implement additional retail in the community and promote Charles City to potential retailers.

OBJECTIVE 4: By 2040, Conduct an economic development study for Charles City County.

The County conducted its last study in 2015 for retail strategies, so we want to make sure that we have that done by 2040. We are starting on this goal in itself with Market 5 and we also have an Economic Development Manager position out to market for hire.

Goal 3: Social Determinants of Health

GOAL 2040: Charles City County residents will live in a county that is well-equipped to meet their diverse health and quality of life needs. Educational programming for children, older youth, and adults will increase by 10% by 2040.

OBJECTIVE 1: By 2040, Educational programming for children, older youth, and adults will increase by 10%.

OBJECTIVE 2: By 2040, county residents will participate in at least one community-sponsored cultural and/or educational event each year.

OBJECTIVE 3: By 2040, county residents, twenty-one and older will be employed and/or have access to workforce development resources.

OBJECTIVE 4: By 2040, County residents will live in safe and stable housing.

OBJECTIVE 5: By 2040, County residents aged sixty-five and older will have access to resources that will allow them to remain safely in their own homes or transition to an alternative living arrangement.

OBJECTIVE 6: By 2040, County residents will have access to nutritious, affordable food daily.

OBJECTIVE 7: By 2040, Children and families will have access to services that enhance their overall safety and well-being.

Goal 4: Community Outreach

GOAL 2040: To increase transparency, consistency, and accuracy of information disseminated to residents and stakeholders within the County.

OBJECTIVE 1 By 2040, to build advocacy by fostering relationships and responsible citizenship among members of the community.

OBJECTIVE 2 By 2040, initiate, organize, and implement targeted projects and programs to address problems affecting our County.

OBJECTIVE 3 By 2040, to utilize varied communication mechanisms to promote awareness of events and meetings happening within the County.

OBJECTIVE 4: By 2040, to continually update the County calendar with events, meetings, and activities in advance and to review the website and calendars to maintain the accuracy of information.

Goal 5: Emergency Operations

GOAL 2040: To be prepared to provide seamless execution of emergency operations in the event of a catastrophe.

OBJECTIVE 1: By 2040, Increase capability in support of emergency preparedness.

There will be an emergency operations plan that will come before the Board next month. Ms. Michelle Johnson was happy to report at the recent Emergency Management Team (EMT) meeting that the majority of our members have gone through the training that is offered by FEMA. The Incident Command Training that they require majority of our team has already achieved the certifications through that training.

Goal 6: Community Development

GOAL 2040: Charles City County will be a well-planned, attractive, and sustainable community where citizens enjoy a high quality of life and one where residents, businesses, and visitors appreciate the County's historic, cultural, natural, and recreational resources. Charles City County is a community where citizens guide their growth and development and preserve and enhance amenities that make our community an interesting, pleasant, and safe place to live, work, and play.

OBJECTIVE 1: By 2040, Charles City County will diversify its tax base, improve the appearance of entryway corridors, expand economic development initiatives, and improve the overall quality of life for its citizenry.

Goal 7: Tourism

GOAL 2040: To become a county where people who live, work, or just drive through will want the opportunity to see what Charles City County all is about.

OBJECTIVE 1: By 2040, To have established a significant increase in tourism by developing a sense of pride in traditional culture and identity.

Goal 8: Transportation

GOAL 2040: The County will encourage and facilitate transportation that gets people to jobs, improves safety, alleviates congestion, reduces travel time, supports and encourages economic development, and is environmentally sensitive and pedestrian friendly.

OBJECTIVE 1: By 2040, Charles City will work with public agencies and private developers to assure that necessary facilities and services are provided to support the development goals and economic health of the County.

Ms. Michelle Johnson took the opportunity to thank all of her staff who participated in this lengthy process of almost a year of community meetings that took place monthly. They were internal teams managing each goal, so now the real work continues. Ms. Michelle Johnson advised she does not believe in creating a strategic plan, and then having it sit on a shelf. The monthly meetings will begin next month to develop projects and a budget so everyone will know all the plans and how they support the strategies for each goal. The request is for the adoption of Vision 2040, as we are already preparing to work on Vision 2050. Ms. Michelle Johnson asked the Board if they had any questions at this time.

Mr. Gilbert Smith responded by saying great work on the plan, and he hopes it doesn't sit on the shelf. Ms. Michelle Johnson stated as the work continues on this plan, there will be quarterly updates as to where we are in the process. Checklists are being developed.

Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr stated he has been involved in this planning process since 2005. One of the best strategic plans I have seen. Staff and Constitutional officer participation was held over several months virtually or in person. There were sessions with greater attendance after the opportunities were made available. He commended the staff on the development of this project understanding that we need to strengthen some in the future matrix. Best job he has seen in forty years.

Mr. William G. Coad advised that he agreed with the majority of what was said. A lot of the topics mentioned should be done before 2040. He gave comments regarding the County not needing the strategic plan in 2015 and it did nothing but sit on the shelf. There was one done before that one and it sat on the shelf and collected dust. The EDA got upset with the county, and rightfully so because we didn't do anything with the study in 2015. He asked to revisit goal number 4, which is Community Outreach. The county cannot wait seventeen years to do some of these things. "Continually update the county with events meetings and activities in advance and review the website and calendars for maintaining accuracy", we can't wait for 2040 for that because that's something we need to be doing in 2023. Mr. William G. Coad believes we should revisit retail strategies and see where we are, what we spent, and what we've accomplished.

Ms. Michelle Johnson advised that in 2040 all of these things are to be completed, but a lot of the items have already begun, and they want to be able to clearly say where we are in 2023 by the end of this document, and these are the things that we've improved. For instance, when it comes to communication and calendars create an internal matrix so that we can monitor and make sure that we're making improvements. When the economic development strategy was looked at, we are looking to hire an Economic Development staff whose position is out to market. We are creating opportunities around the Virginia Capital Trail where construction will start next month. We're already starting to plan 2050 because the majority of the things have been accomplished. Ms. Michelle Johnson stated the Board has seen her work and she is an executor, and she doesn't believe that we create documents, and they should sit on a shelf. In 2015 and those other years she advised she was not in the County Administrator seat, and she can guarantee the Board and her staff the expectation has already been set. This document was prepared, and the staff put in the work. Monthly meetings are set, and she is going to make sure that it's executed. It makes no point to do all of this work and again we don't do anything with it.

Mr. William G. Coad made a motion to adopt the Vision 2040 Strategic Plan. The motion was passed unanimously.

Special Recognition

There is a special recognition that was asked to be placed on the agenda by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. William G. Coad. He stated the individual was not in attendance, but he wanted to give a few brief words about this individual. He knows she has been recognized in the past, however, he believes we need to do something that is going to have recognition for eternity. The history center would not exist today if it were not for Mrs. Judy Ledbetter. There is no possible way we could begin to add up the hours, money, or time she has spent to make the History Center what it is today. He stated he wanted to name the archive room after and after some time

she finally agreed to the acceptance of a plaque on the wall by the archive room. Mr. William G. Coady wanted to point out his deep appreciation for Judy Ledbetter and for the Charles City County History Center that she has upgraded.

He would like to schedule a time that there can be a small ceremony at the Library in the History Center and present a plaque hopefully sometime in March. Ms. Michele Johnson responded that we would have to come up with a date, and the Board would have to recess to that date. The Board would have to look at the standards that the Library has set. We want to ensure we have some consistency in signage, so there is research to be done to make this happen. Based in the time it would take for a plaque or signage to be created would be a factor in selecting a date and time. The Work Session meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2023, and there will be an update given at that meeting regarding the date and guaranteeing a company for the plaque.

Opioid Resolution

The original resolution was adopted in November 2021, since then the case has changed a little bit and the county had to amend the resolution and adopt a new resolution this evening. Some additional defendants are joining the resolution, Walmart, Walgreens, and CVS. To obtain the money from the settlement the adoption of the resolution by April 1, 2023, to be able to receive the funding from the settlement. The Board has been presented with the updated resolution that has information that's been prepared by counsel to include the amendments for Walgreens, Walmart, and CVS.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE COUNTY OF CHARLES CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF OPIOID-RELATED CLAIMS AGAINST TEVA, ALLERGAN, WALMART, WALGREENS, CVS, AND THEIR RELATED CORPORATE ENTITIES

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic that has cost thousands of human lives across the country also impacts the County of Charles City, Virginia (**the “County”**) by adversely impacting the delivery of emergency medical, law enforcement, criminal justice, mental health, and substance abuse services, and other services by the County's various departments and agencies; and

WHEREAS, the County has been required and will continue to be required to allocate substantial taxpayer dollars, resources, staff energy, and time to address the damage the opioid epidemic has caused and continues to cause the citizens of the County; and

WHEREAS, due to the impacts of the opioid epidemic, the County has claims probable of assertion against Teva, Allergan, Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, and certain of their related corporate entities, for their role in the distribution, manufacture, and sale of the pharmaceutical opioid products that have fueled the opioid epidemic that has harmed the County; and

WHEREAS, the County seeks recovery of the public funds previously expended and to be expended in the future to abate the consequences and harms of the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, settlement proposals have been negotiated that will cause Teva, Allergan, Walmart, Walgreens, and CVS to pay billions of dollars nationwide to resolve opioid-related claims against them; and

WHEREAS, the County desires and intends to participate in the settlements to recover its share of the funds that the settlements would provide; and

WHEREAS, the County has previously approved and adopted the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation Memorandum of Understanding (the “**Virginia MOU**”), and affirms that these pending settlements with Teva, Allergan, Walmart, Walgreens, and CVS shall be considered “Settlements” that are subject to the Virginia MOU, and shall be administered and allocated in the same manner as the opioid settlements entered into previously with the Distributors and Janssen.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Charles City, Virginia, that the County's participation in the proposed settlements of opioid-related claims against Teva, Allergan, Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, and their related corporate entities, is **APPROVED**.

And, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Charles City, Virginia, that the County Administrator and County Attorney are authorized to execute the documents, and take such other actions, necessary to effectuate the County's participation in the settlements, including the required release of claims against settling entities.

Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr., made the motion to approve the updated Opioid Resolution for Charles City County’s participation in the settlement of related claims against Teva, Allergan, Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, and their related corporate entities.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Ms. Michelle Johnson gave a preliminary update on the first settlement the county received about \$2,700. The county has to decide how to spend that money. The county will be working with the Sheriff's Department because there are programs they can spearhead from their department at this time.

Upcoming Events

Ms. Michelle Johnson went over the upcoming events for the next month.

International Women’s Day is March the 8, 2023. The county will celebrate the women of Charles City County this month. The Parks and Recreation, Community Development, Clerk of Circuit Court, the School Superintendent of the schools, Food Pantry Coordinator, Commissioner of Revenue, Director of Information Technology, Treasurer, Registrar, the Director of Social Services, and County Administrator are all women leaders here in Charles City County. The county wants to celebrate and recognize those individuals along with all the women staff on March 8, 2023, for International Women 's Day.

Parks and Recreation have Elite Basketball Camps.

March Camps: Saturdays. March 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th. 9:30 am-11:30 am. Ages 5 to 17. \$30 per player/date. Spring Break Camp: Tuesday, April 4, 2023, and Thursday, April 6, 2023. 4:30 pm-6:30 pm. Ages 5-17. \$25 per player. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/cc-civic-rec or via the QR code. (804)652-1601. www.charlescityva.us/recreation

Art Workshops: Friday, March 10 -31, 2023 for ages 12 to 17, time 4:00 pm-5:00 pm. Cost \$40. Ages 5 to 11, time 5:15 pm to 6:00 pm. Cost \$30.00. Location: Ruthville Complex Classroom. 13100 The Glebe Lane, Charles City, Virginia. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/cc-civic-rec or via the QR code. (804)652-1601. www.charlescityva.us/recreation.

Spring Forward: Sunday, March 12, 2023, the time will change, and we will spring forward. Set your clocks forward one hour.

Early Dismissal Program Play Day, March 15, 2023. There will be an early dismissal from the Charles City County Elementary School. Transportation will be provided from the Elementary School on the Parks and Recreation Shuttle. Parents must notify the school of Parks and Recreation authorization pick-up. Participants go to local parks if weather permits. Ages 5-12. The cost is \$5.00 per child (if registered by 3/8). The location: Ruthville Complex Classroom, 13100 The Glebe Lane, Charles City, Virginia. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/cc-civic-rec or via the QR code. (804)652-1601. www.charlescityva.us/recreation

ServSafe Manager Certification Class: March 15th, 20th, 22nd, 27th, and 29th. This is on Wednesdays and Mondays from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Social Center, 8320 Ruthville Road, Providence Forge, Virginia 23140. This is a requirement if you handle any food at any events or catering. This is in partnership with Community College Workforce Alliance and Parks and Recreation. Must attend all five dates to register.

On Saturday, March 18, 2023, from 10:00 am-noon Delegate Dolores McQuinn, along with County Administrator, Ms. Michelle Johnson will host Coffee, Donuts, and Conversation and give a legislative update on what occurred in the General Assembly. It will be held in the Government Administration Building in the auditorium. It is open to the public and there will be free coffee and donuts provided. Several updates impacted Charles City County. This is an opportunity to chat with your Delegate. She has worked hard advocating for Charles City County and hopefully, we'll have some great announcements in the months to come. For more information contact deldmcquinn@house.virginia.gov (or) call (804) 698-1270.

Save The Date for the Ruthville High School class of 1970, 1971, and 1972 Celebration. Celebrating over fifty years. Saturday, March 25, 2023. The highlight of this event is the students from this era who marched from Ruthville School to this location to begin the process of ending segregation in schools. The county wants to celebrate those individuals. We have a Board member who was a part of the group that marched who won't be there to help, due to a birthday ninja party. Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr. continues to fight the good fight.

Spring Break Camp: Join Parks and Recreation for games, crafts, movies and so much more. Ages 5 to 12 years old. Time: 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, April 3rd through the 6th. The cost is \$45.00

per camper, Monday through Thursday amp, and Friday trip day extra. Please bring a packed lunch daily. Minimum of five to facilitate. Register by March 27, 2023. Friday trip: Kings Dominion \$40 including ticket and lunch. Camp location is at the Ruthville Complex, 13100 The Glebe Lane, Charles City, Virginia 23030. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/cc-civic-rec or via the QR code. (804)652-1601. www.charlescityva.us/recreation

Apply now for Scholarships available for youth camps, activities, clinics, and programs. Income-based, need-based, full scholarships, and partial scholarships. Now accepting scholarship applicants. (804)652-1601. www.charlescityva.us/recreation

Beginner Pickleball beginning March 13, 2023. This is a great workout. Monday at 6:00 pm. Ruthville Complex, 13100 The Glebe Lane, Charles City, Virginia 23030. Registration is not required. Open to all and equipment is provided. For more information (804)652-1601. www.charlescityva.us/recreation.

Several fitness center classes are going on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at various times. The Charles City County website has information regarding classes. The majority of the classes are free to the community. Therapeutic Mat Yoga: Mondays at 9:00 am at the Social Center Therapeutic, Chair Yoga: Mondays at 10:00 am at the Social Center, Muscle Conditioning: Tuesdays at 9:00 am at the Ruthville Complex, Gentle Cardio: Tuesdays at 10:00 am at the Ruthville Complex, Zumba: Tuesdays at 6:00 pm at the Ruthville Complex Snatched Bootcamp: Wednesdays at 6:15 pm at the Ruthville Complex (free), Cardio Kickboxing: Thursdays at 4:15 pm at the Ruthville Complex, HIIT Cardio: Thursdays at 5:15 pm at the Ruthville Complex. Membership is required for most fitness classes. To join go to www.charlescityva.us/recreation or via the QR code. (804)652-1601.

RE: PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Gilbert Smith opened the second comment period of the evening. The disclosure was given that those commenting individually have three minutes, and as a group will have five minutes. The board does not answer questions, nor establish dialogue during the Public Comment period.

Anne Kenney: She stated she was involved in multiple citizen meetings, and a lot of individuals have brought up the comment that Charles City County is very much like Matthews County. Why are we not like Matthews County? Matthews County started with a PR program. There were small bumper stickers that read "I love Matthews County". You would see them around and it leads to supporting their businesses and supporting the businesses on the website. The PR campaign we put our money into which is the newer marketing group and to get the 22,000-car number we would have to expand our circle. Assuming that people would drive out to Route 106 for business, she does not think this will happen, especially at night. This is a reason why we are not Matthews County, and we have not had the success that Matthews County has had.

Linda Ault: She advised she hopes that if Vision 2040 comes to pass that someone drives down Barnetts Road because it is hideous and needs work. If the county is going to be looking at Tourism and want people to visit Charles City County somebody needs to address the horrible holes alongside the road where people come in and do these digs and leave these 64 holes along the roadside and then abandon them and no one is made to come back and repair them. She stated she doesn't know how you can beautify something like this that needs work. This should be addressed if you're going to do anything about making Charles City beautiful or keeping it beautiful.

Donald Charity: President of the NAACP, and would like to thank the Board of Supervisors, the Charles City County Administrator and her staff, the Sheriff's Department and his staff, and Charles City County High School for allowing the NAACP to have a beautiful program this past Sunday. It was well attended and well supported. He appreciates it and thanked everyone.

RE: BOARD DIRECTIVES/COMMENTS

Mr. Gilbert Smith stated he needs citizens on the following boards, Building Codes Official, and Transportation Advisory Commission. If anyone is interested, please give him a call.

Mr. William G. Coada stated he wanted to address some of the comments that were made. The mining operation is possibly what Linda Ault's comments were about. The property was purchased by the solar farm, and they will be renovating and reclaiming that land. They are looking at putting floating solar panels on the ponds that they left behind. When mining companies come into a locality such as Charles City, the state requires \$300,000 per acre in escrow for 5 years. The County has no control over the reclamation of the acres that's a state issue and they determined that it was cheaper to walk away from the \$15,000.00 per acre rather than reclaim it. I made the solar farm aware of the \$15,000.00 in escrow per acre that they were not aware of. There have been roadblocks for the last two weeks, he advised he brought this up long before tonight's meeting. Mr. William G. Coada advised he disagrees wholeheartedly with the fact SUP's transfer of the land. This issue was dormant for nine years but when another company bought it, they automatically assumed the SUP and the County could do nothing about it. It is a zoning SUP and the zoning goes with the land. Mr. William G. Coada stated he wished there was a way the County could monitor the SUPs by iron codes and enforcement that could be renewed. He would like to know from a legal standpoint if there is any way the County could have more control over the SUPs to make sure individuals are living by the SUPs and the conditions set forth.

Mr. Byron M. Adkins, Sr., commended the staff on the preparation of the Board packet. Also, a thank you for the latest edition of the Charles City Column. Information Technology department a huge thank you for their support in working with me in this transition to Cisco WebEx. He advised that it was a great thing for Charles City County to be able to provide mutual aid for another locality. It is his understanding this may have been the first time, and it made him extremely proud.

RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Michelle Johnson stated there was no need for an Executive Session. There being no further business, the Board **recessed until Tuesday, March 22, 2023, at 6:00 pm for the recessed Work Session Board of Supervisors Meeting.**

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