

**King and Queen County
Board of Supervisors Meeting**

**Monday, June 10, 2019
7:00 P.M.**

**King and Queen County Courts and Administration Building
General District Courtroom**

“Minutes of the Meeting”

Chairman Burns called the regular meeting to order with all members present.

Mr. Bailey provided the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States

APPROVAL AND SIGNING OF THE APRIL 22, 2019 AND MAY 13, 2019 MINUTES OF THE BOARD

A motion was made by Mrs. Morris and seconded by Ms. Alsop to approve the April 22, 2019 and May 13, 2019 minutes

AYES: J. M. BURNS, J. L. SIMPKINS, S. C. ALSOP, D. H. MORRIS, R. F. BAILEY
NAYS: NONE

APPROVAL AND SIGNING OF THE JUNE 2019 WARRANTS AND APPROPRIATIONS AND SCHOOL REVENUES FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2019

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 2019 WARRANTS AND APPROPRIATIONS

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Simpkins to approve the May 2019 warrants and appropriation, subject to audit.

AYES: J. M. BURNS, J. L. SIMPKINS, S. C. ALSOP, D. H. MORRIS, R. F. BAILEY
NAYS: NONE

SCHOOLS – SCHOOL REVENUE FUND FOR APRIL 2019

A motion was made by Ms. Alsop and seconded by Mr. Bailey to approve the April 2019 School Revenues for the month of April, 2019 (Misc., \$117.81, State: \$471,563.91; and Federal \$39,276.49), subject to audit.

AYES: J. M. BURNS, J. L. SIMPKINS, S. C. ALSOP, D. H. MORRIS, R. F. BAILEY
NAYS: NONE

**JOINT PUBLIC HEARING WITH VDOT ON THE PROPOSED SIX YEAR
SECONDARY ROAD PLAN FOR FY 2020-2026 AND ON THE SECONDARY SYSTEM
CONSTRUCTION BUDGET FOR FY2020/2021**

Joyce McGowan, Residency Engineer was present apologizing for not being at the last meeting and that the public hearing has been re-advertised for public hearing this month in the Tidewater Review.

Mrs. McGowan provided an overview of the Six Year Plan and Budget and recommended adding Holmestown Road to the plan.

Mrs. McGowan further advised that Tastine Road was getting close to having 50 vehicles a day, with present count being at 46 cars.

Mrs. McGowan turned the public hearing over to the Board for public comment on the Six Year Plan and Budget.

After hearing no comments, the public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Simpkins and seconded by Mrs. Morris to adopt the following resolution prepared by VDOT, adding Holmestown Road to the Six Year Plan and Budget:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Sections 33.2-331 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, provides the opportunity for each county to work with the Virginia Department of Transportation in developing a Secondary Six-Year Road Plan,

WHEREAS, this Board had previously agreed to assist in the preparation of this Plan, in accordance with the Virginia Department of Transportation policies and procedures, and participated in a public hearing on the proposed Plan (2020 through 2025) as well as the Construction Priority List (2020) on May 28, 2019 after duly advertised so that all citizens of the County had the opportunity to participate in said hearing and to make comments and recommendations concerning the proposed Plan and Priority List.

WHEREAS, the Residency Administrator of the Virginia Department of Transportation, appeared before the board and recommended approval of the Six-Year Plan and budget for Secondary Roads (2020 through 2025) and the Construction Priority List (2020) for King and Queen County, and

WHEREAS, adds Route 672 Holmestown Road as priority nine to the secondary six year plan for funding beginning in FY25 with the remaining funds allocated to UPC 99949 for future project programming,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that since said Plan and budget appears to be in the best interests of the Secondary Road System in King and Queen County and of the citizens residing on the Secondary System, said Secondary Six-Year Plan (2020 through 2025) and Construction Priority List (2020) are hereby approved as presented at the public hearing.

AYES: J. M. BURNS, J. L. SIMPKINS, S. C. ALSOP, D. H. MORRIS, R. F. BAILEY
NAYS: NONE

VDOT UPDATE – JOYCE MCGOWAN, RESIDENCY ENGINEER

Mrs. McGowan updated and want the get any feedback from the Board on the closure of Propotank Bridge, Rt. 14, Buena Vista Road, and how it will affect traffic. If the road is left open, signals will have to be put up and the project will take around 14 to 15 months. If the road is closed and traffic detoured, the time frame would change to 8 to 9 months to complete and saving approximately \$600,000.00..

Mr. Simpkins advised that Rt. 633, Northbank Road gets in really bad shape before VDOT will come and fix the road and needs attention several times a year, asking if there was anything that VDOT can do to keep dirt roads in good condition.

Mrs. Simpkins further commented that Patty Swamp Road needs close attention as well.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chairman Burns opened the floor for public comments for items not on the agenda and asked that those who wish to speak to come forward stating their name, district and to limit their comments to three (3) minutes.

After hearing no comments, the public comment period was closed.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND SOCIAL SERVICES REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – CAROL CARATER

Superintendent of Schools Carol Carter advised of various school events that would be occurring during June and advised of the following:

- Thanked Board Members Bailey, Morris and Burns for attending graduation
- Advised of the Virginia Clean Cities award to replace buses
- Advised they have met requirements and will be fully accredited at all three (3) schools
- Advised that there are still a number of positions that are still open
- Advised that they will not be holding summer school this year, even though it was budgeted for. Mrs. Carter commented that they were not able to find certified English and Math teachers, however, ESY services would be available for special needs students
- Advised that the ADM for the end of the school year was 764

Mr. Burns questioned if there were any students that needed the English and Math, of which Mrs. Carter advised that there were, but none involved seniors and those that were impacted may have to work out something for next year.

SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR, BETTY DOUGHERTY

Betty Dougherty, Director of Social Services was present providing the following update:

- Advised that they hosted two (2) successful and well attended events in the County, being Permanency Matter that was held on May 29, 2019, with 22 participants and Human Services Leadership Training, that was held at the King and Queen Library on June 15.
- Advised that the cooling Assistance Program will begin on June 15th, with applications being received until August 15.
- Advised that June is celebrated as National Reunification Month, where they recognize people for their efforts in helping families stay together.
- Advised on July 1 they will be working with a new Juvenile and Domestic Relations court Judge, Holly B. Smith

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – BETWEEN THREE RIVERS CONSERVATION AND KING AND QUEEN COUNTY

County Administrator Thomas Swartzwelder advised that we currently have a MOU that is several years old. Three Rivers obtained a grant from DEQ to conduct the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act Agricultural Assessments. Per the scope of work, they will conduct 10 assessments per county that include Nutrient Management, Soil Loss Calculations, Pesticide Management and Conservation Planning components. Per their timeline, work will begin in July and conclude by April 20, 2020.

The purpose of the memorandum of understanding is to ensure that water quality protection is being accomplished consistent with the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act and subsequent

regulations. This is a one-year MOU as the foundation for an enduring cooperative working agreement.

Mr. Swartzwelder further advised that he has one minor change, in #6, of page 2 of the MOU relating to assessments and would like to change the wording to the County would not be taking any action for those that do not cooperate. Mrs. Swartzwelder further commented that he would be attending a meeting relating to the MOU, and is asking that the Board authorize him to execute and if something changes after his meeting, he will come back to the Board. the MOU before signing

Mr. Burns questioned what happens if we do not go with this and that he has spoken with a couple of farmers and that they did not know anything about it.

County Administrator Thomas Swartzwelder commented, that technically we will be out of compliance and does not how hared DEQ is going to push the issues.

Mr. Simpkins expressed that Three Rivers is the agency that farmers use to put plans in place that they are implementing and that we are lucky to have Three Rivers that will step up and take care of this for us. It is our responsibility but Three Rivers has always taken care of us.

A motion was made by Mr. Simpkins and seconded by Ms. Alsop to approve the MOU if there are no issues after the meeting, and authorizes the County Administrator to sign MOU for approval with any changes with #6, on page two (2) relating to violations of assessment only.

AYES: J. M. BURNS, J. L. SIMPKINS, S. C. ALSOP, D. H. MORRIS, R. F. BAILEY
NAYS: NONE

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

WETLANDS BOARD – VACANCY OF ALTERNATE MEMBER
(to fill unexpired term of Mr. Robert Gibson – 12.14.20)

TABLED

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

County Administrator Thomas Swartzwelder provided an update on the following:

- Advised that all sink/commodos fixtures have been replaced with funds used out of the contingency fund
- Advised that as July 1 is rolling around that he will be meeting with the Commonwealths Attorney to discuss upcoming legislation in having an Assistant as we have to have a written agreement with the Commonwealth.

- Advised that Building Official Mike Eutsey has completed and passed the Certified Flood Plain Manager test
- Advised that the landfill has still not responded to the last set of recommendations made by our Engineer pertaining to building of a new cell
- Advised that at the Planning Commission meeting, they approved a level 2 site plan for Southern States Propane and this will not be coming to the Board. Mr. Swartzwelder commented that it was great to have another new business in the County.
- Advised that Walnut Solar Farms has deferred all of their public hearing. The Board was advised that there appears to have been a lot of concerns expressed at Mr. Burns townhall meeting and that they have decided to go back to the drawing board, in order to work on staff and citizen concerns. Walnut Solar Farm did announce at the Planning Commission that they will be removing all structures with the exception of the Sub-Station in the economic corridor and that it appears that this will go back to the Planning Commission in September. With them deferring all public hearings, this means that all time lines are waived that the Board has to meet.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMMENTS

Ms. Alsop had the following comments:

- Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and apologized for not being able to attend Graduation.
- Thanked the Sheriff for assisting at the Newtown Dragway, as there was a lot of traffic on a narrow road.

Mrs. Morris had the following comments:

- Thanked everyone for coming
- Commented that she attended Graduation and that it was awesome
- Thanked the Sheriff for the deputies in making it easy to get in and out of the School on Graduation night

Mr. Simpkins had the following comments:

- Expressed that he was sorry for not being able to attend, as he had a family event
- Commented that the front of the Courthouse and the Registrars roof needs painting, to go along with the Health Department roof.
- Expressed that the County needs to be proactive, referring to the shooting in Virginia Beach, that we cant take safety for granted and questioned if there are any plans, fire drills, etc.,

Mr. Bailey had the following comments:

- Thanked everyone for attending the meeting
- Thanked the Sheriff for having patrols down the county, especially in the morning, as there have been a lot of bus runners.
- Thanked our fire and EMS for what they do

- Wished everyone a safe trip home

Mr. Burns had the following comments:

- Thanked everyone for their reports
- Commented that his daughter was one of Central High School Graduates and that it was an honor to be able to present her with her diploma.
- Expressed that Public Safety and Education for our kids is important to him within the School System and that everything else is fluff.
- Commented that a lot of citizens are concerned with the solar projects and that the fact that they could be the future of the County and that we need to watch how we proceed and be very cautious.
- Thanked everyone for attending

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.2-3711 (A) 1 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA RELATING TO PERSONNEL MATTERS IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS OFFICE

A motion was made by Ms. Alsop and seconded by Mr. Simpkins to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A) 1 of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of discussion of Personnel within the County Administrators Office.

AYES: J. M. BURNS, J. L. SIMPKINS, S. C. ALSOP, D. H. MORRIS, R. F. BAILEY
NAYS: NONE

A motion was made by Ms. Alsop and seconded by Mr. Simpkins to come out of closed session with each member certifying by individual vote that only those public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirement of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed and considered in closed session.

AYES: J. M. BURNS, J. L. SIMPKINS, S. C. ALSOP, D. H. MORRIS, R. F. BAILEY
NAYS: NONE

IT IS ORDERED THAT THE BOARD BE ADJOURNED:

A motion was made by Mr. Simpkins and seconded by Ms. Alsop to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: J. M. BURNS, J. L. SIMPKINS, S. C. ALSOP, D. H. MORRIS, R. F. BAILEY
NAYS: NONE

J. M. Burns, Chairman

K. Diane Gaber, CMC, Deputy Clerk
