

**King and Queen County
Board of Supervisors Meeting
Monday, July 28, 2025**

6:00 P.M.

**Work Session Meeting
King and Queen County Courts and Administration Building
Second Floor Conference Room A/B**

Minutes of the Meeting

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Mark Berry called the meeting to order. A roll call was taken with member Sherrin Alsop being absent.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

A motion was made by Mr. Simpkins and seconded by Ms. Norman to approve the July 28, 2025 warrants.

AYES: J.L. SIMPKINS, M. R. BERRY, M.H. NORMAN, C.R. BILLUPS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: S. C. ALSOP

DISCUSSION – DAVENPORT

Representatives from Davenport presented a plan of finance to the board with several options on ways to fund the capital projects that have been identified by staff in the CIP. The first option would maximize the current market conditions by preserving the significant general fund balance and using the interest earned to help offset any debt service issued along with gradual tax increases in future years. This plan also included obtaining interim financing in the amount of \$6.5 million to fund the projects that are currently underway. The second would “spend down” the general fund for the capital projects and fund any additional debt service with tax increases beginning in the next fiscal year.

It was the consensus of the Board to continue this for discussion at the next board meeting after members have had time to review information and provide questions to Davenport that come up before the meeting.

DISCUSSION – SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER POSITION

Sheriff Balderson advised that there are two new grant offerings through DCJS that he will apply for. He does not know whether or not the county will qualify for them or what the likelihood is that they would be approved.

A motion was made by Ms. Billups and seconded by Ms. Norman to reinstate the school resource officer position at Lawson Marriott Elementary School as requested by Sheriff Balderson.

AYES: M. R. BERRY, M.H. NORMAN, C.R. BILLUPS

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: J.L. SIMPKINS

ABSENT: S.C. ALSOP

DISCUSSION – FOLLOW UP RETREAT

Ms Seay advised that she has reached out to the Berkley Group about having a one-day follow-up retreat to the one the board had last year. The estimate for this is \$6,000.

It was the consensus of the board not to move forward with this at this time. They suggested designating one of the fall workshop meetings to review the strategic plan they adopted. Ms. Norman requested that they designate either a portion of that meeting or another meeting to emergency services.

DISCUSSION –CONSOCIATE MEDIA TRAINING

Ms. Seay advised that the board had previously shown interest in receiving some media training from Consociate Media. The estimated cost of this training would be \$5,425.

It was the consensus of the board not to move forward with this.

APPROVAL OF PARTICIPATION IN PERDUE AND HENRY SCHEIN OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT

It was the consensus of the board to authorize the County Administrator/County Attorney to execute any participation documents unless it expressly requires action by the board.

APPROVAL OF GRIMM + PARKER CHANGE ORDER

Ms. Seay advised that Grimm + Parker has submitted a change order in the amount of \$47,123 to include the additional property into the scope of work for the master site plan.

A motion was made by Ms. Norman and seconded by Mr. Simpkins to approve the change order.

AYES: J.L. SIMPKINS, M. R. BERRY, M.H. NORMAN, C.R. BILLUPS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: S. C. ALSOP

There was brief discussion related to the clearing of timber and the possible requirement to halt work for the endangered species of bats. It was the consensus of the board to move forward with cutting any timber that would need to be removed as soon as allowable.

CLOSED MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Billups and seconded by Ms. Norman to enter into closed meeting pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-371(A)(3) for discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, the subject being real property available on Route 33 in the Buena Vista Magisterial District of King and Queen County.

A motion was made by Ms. Billups and seconded by Ms. Norman that each member of the King and Queen County Board of Supervisors certify 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, (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered by the King and Queen County Board of Supervisors, and (iii) no action was taken in the closed meeting.

Simpkins – Certified
Berry – Certified
Norman – Certified
Billups - Certified

IT IS ORDERED THAT THIS BOARD BE ADJOURNED

A motion was made by Ms. Billups and seconded by Ms. Norman to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk of the Board