



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
Tuesday, September 5, 2023 - 6:00 PM**

**Board Meeting Room
39 Bank Street, SE,
Chatham, Virginia 24531**

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER (6:00 PM)**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 4. PUBLIC HEARING**

Each person addressing the Board under a Public Hearing shall step up, give his/her name and district, and/or his/her place of residency for non-County citizens, in an audible tone of voice for the record, and unless further time is granted by the Chairman, shall limit his/her address to three (3) minutes; speakers for a group shall be limited to ten (10) minutes. Speakers shall conclude their remarks at that time, unless the consent of the Board is affirmatively given to extend the speakers allotted time. Absent Chairman's approval, no person shall be able to speak who has not signed up.

- a. Public Hearing: PCC § 8-7 Revision (Tunstall Precinct Location Change) Approval (Staff Contact: Shani Shorter)

- 5. ADJOURNMENT**

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Public Hearing

Agenda Title:	Public Hearing: PCC § 8-7 Revision (Tunstall Precinct Location Change) Approval		
Staff Contact(s):	Shani Shorter		
Agenda Date:	September 5, 2023	Item Number:	4.a.1.
Attachment(s):	1.	09-05-2023 Chapter 8-7 Polling Precinct Location Change - Public Hearing Notice with Revisions	
	2.	Tunstall - Precinct Waiver	
Reviewed By:			

SUMMARY:

Due to redistricting, the previous Tunstall precinct located at Tunstall High School was located more than one (1) mile outside of the boundary and thus required a location change. At its June Business Meeting, following a lawfully conducted Public Hearing, the Tunstall precinct was moved from Tunstall High School to Mount Hermon Baptist Church (Fellowship Hall). Subsequently, the Electoral Board was notified that the new precinct was no longer available at Mount Herman Baptist Church, and Shani A. Shorte ("Shorter"), Registrar, submitted a waiver request to the State Board of Elections Commissioner Susan Beals on July 24, 2023, to change the location of the Tunstall Precinct from its current location of 4385 Franklin Turnpike, Danville, Virginia 24540, Mount Hermon Baptist Church (Fellowship Hall), to 100 Trojan Circle, Dry Fork, Virginia 24549, Tunstall High School. This waiver request was approved on August 2, 2023, and Shorter was granted a permanent exception for the precinct to be moved back to Tunstall High School.

Following a lawfully advertised and conducted Public Hearing, the Board is legally required to vote to amend Pittsylvania County Code ("PCC") § 8-7 to formally implement the Registrar's aforementioned voting precinct relocation recommendation. The proposed Voting Precinct relocation Public Hearing Notice was advertised in the *Chatham Star Tribune* on August 23, 2023, and

August 30, 2023. For your reference and review, a copy of said PCC changes is attached.

FINANCIAL IMPACT AND FUNDING SOURCE:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

Following conducting of the legally required Public Hearing, County Staff recommends approving the revision to PCC § 8-7 as attached and presented.

MOTION:

"I make a Motion approving the revision to PCC § 8-7 as attached and presented."

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at the Board Meeting Room, 39 Bank Street, Chatham, Virginia 24531, to receive citizen input on proposed revisions to Pittsylvania County Code § 8-7 related to changing the location of the Tunstall Precinct from its current location of 4385 Franklin Tpke, Danville, Virginia 24540, Mount Hermon Baptist Church – Fellowship Hall, to 100 Trojan Circle, Dry Fork, Virginia 24549, Tunstall High School. A complete copy of the proposed revisions is available at the Pittsylvania County Administrator's Office, 1 Center Street, Chatham, Virginia 24531, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., as well as on the County's website at www.pittsylvaniacountyva.gov.

SEC. 8-7. PRECINCTS.

The precinct for each election district and the polling place for each precinct shall be set forth below: (B.S.M. 6/5/89), (B.S.M. 1/2/90), (Dept. Justice (10/12/91), (B.S.M. 9/3/96), (B.S.M. 12/16/03), (B.S.M. 1/5/03), (B.S.M. 3/16/04), (B.S.M. 7/20/04), (B.S.M. 4/19/05), (B.S.M. 5/16/06) (B.S.M. 6/19/07), (B.S.M. 8/04/08), (B.S.M. 8/19/08) (B.S.M. 3/16/10) (B.S.M. 5/17/11) (B.S.M. 4/17/18) (B.S.M. 5/14/19) (B.S.M. 2/16/21) (B.S.M. 8/16/22)(B.S.M. 6/20/23)

PRECINCT

POLLING PLACE

CHATHAM-BLAIRS ELECTION DISTRICT

Twin Springs	Twin Springs Elem. School
Chatham Precinct	Elections & Training Center
Tunstall Precinct	Mount Hermon Baptist Church Fellowship Hall Tunstall High School
West Blairs Precinct	White Oak Worship Center

CALLANDS-GRETNA ELECTION DISTRICT

Bearskin Precinct	Union Hall Elem. School
Callands Precinct	Callands VFD
Climax Precinct	Climax Ruritan Club
Gretna Precinct	Gretna Senior H.S.
Sandy Level	Cool Branch Vol. Rescue Squad

BANISTER ELECTION DISTRICT

Central Precinct	Chatham Elementary School
Riceville Precinct	Riceville Java Volunteer Fire Department
East Blairs Precinct	Southside Elementary School
Mt. Airy Precinct	Mt. Airy Elem. School
East Gretna Precinct	Gretna Elem. School

DAN RIVER ELECTION DISTRICT

Keeling Precinct	Oak Grove Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
Kentuck Precinct	Dan River High School
Ringgold Precinct	Ringgold Vol. Fire & Rescue

STAUNTON RIVER ELECTION DISTRICT

Hurt Precinct	New Prospect Baptist Church, Family Life Center
Motley-Sycamore Precinct	Motley Community Ctr.
Renan Precinct	Renan Vol. Fire Dept.

TUNSTALL ELECTION DISTRICT

Brosville Precinct	Brosville Elementary School
Stony Mill Precinct	Stony Mill Elem. School
Swansonville Precinct	Katies, Inc., Store
Whitmell Precinct	Tunstall Volunteer Fire Department
Dry Fork Precinct	Dry Fork Volunteer Fire Department

WESTOVER ELECTION DISTRICT

Bachelors Hall Precinct	Bachelors Hall Vol. Fire Dept.
Ferry Road Precinct	River Bend Vol. Fire Dept.
Mt. Hermon Precinct	New Life Community Center
Mt. Cross Precinct	Mt. Cross Vol. Fire Dept.

CENTRAL ABSENTEE PRECINCT

Central Absentee Precinct	Elections & Training Center
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Tunstall



Comment on this request...



CLOSED

Don't notify me

Activity

Your request status changed to **Closed** with resolution **Completed**. 2 days ago 11:53 AM
LATEST



Susan Beals approved this request. 2 days ago 11:53 AM
Your request was **APPROVED** and the status changed to **Closed**

Request requires approval. 25/Jul/23 2:40 PM

Your request status changed to **Executive Approval**. 25/Jul/23 2:40 PM



Claire Scott approved this request. 25/Jul/23 2:40 PM
Your request was **APPROVED** and the status changed to **Executive Approval**

Request requires approval. 25/Jul/23 12:13 PM

Your request status changed to **Policy Review Approval**. 25/Jul/23 12:13 PM



Victoria Mainwaring 25/Jul/23 12:13 PM
[Department of Elections letter Tunstall 07-2023.docx](#) (11 kB)

Details 25/Jul/23 12:13 PM

Email/Phone
shani.shorter@pittgov.org

Locality
Locality - Pittsylvania County

Viewing Form

One Mile Polling Place Waiver

Edit ...

PURPOSE OF THIS WAIVER

Pursuant to 24.2-310 (G), general registrars or the governing body of a locality may submit this waiver if they wish to establish or relocate a precinct polling place that will not be within the precinct or within one mile of the precinct boundary. **ELECT will grant this waiver if and only if general registrars or the governing body of a locality certify that they meet all of the conditions in the waiver below.**

Precinct Name *

Tunstall

Precinct Number *

106

Please describe how it was determined that there is no suitable building for this polling place within the precinct *

The Pittsylvania County Electoral Board is requesting a waiver for the #106-Tunstall precinct which is currently located in the Tunstall High School. We have reached out to (5) different places, in the hopes we could use their facility, within the district and all of them turned us down. They were the Mt. Herman Baptist Church, Mt. Herman Fire Department, Mt. Freeman Baptist Church, Bethel Baptist, and Stanley Art Paving Specialists. When the redistricting was done, the Tunstall precinct voting locality of the High School fell out of the one mile radius. It is now 1.88 miles outside the boundary. There is not another place in this rural area in which to have the voting location.

The voters are familiar with this precinct as well and it will help ease confusion this fall if we can maintain this voting precinct.

Therefore, we are asking that a motion be made that the Pittsylvania County Electoral Board be granted a waiver to be allowed to use the Tunstall High School for the voting precinct.

We appreciate your consideration into this matter.

New polling place location (if known)

Name

Street Address 1

Street Address 2

Zip Code

Will this polling place share a building with one or more other precinct polling places? *

- Yes
- No

Verify that the following statements are true:

1. There is no suitable building for this polling place that could be used within the precinct or within one mile of the precinct boundary.
2. The building that will house this precinct's polling place has adequate parking.

- 3. This precinct's polling place, and any building containing it, is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 4. This polling place will have a unique chief and assistant officer of election.

Printed Name(s) of General Registrar, Deputy Registrar, or members of local governing who approved the polling place change.

Printed Name One *

Shani Shorter - GR
Arlene Burkhardt - EB

V. Mainwaring is submitting this waiver due to the GR not having VERIS yet

Signature One Approval *

I the General Registrar or Deputy Registrar certify that the above information is true.