

**PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' BUSINESS
MEETING**

July 18, 2023

VIRGINIA: The Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors' ("Board") Business Meeting was held on July 18, 2023, in the Board Meeting Room, 39 Bank Street, SE, Chatham, Virginia 24531.

CALL TO ORDER (7:00 PM)

Dalton called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

The following Board Members were present:

Darrell W. Dalton - Chairman, Callands-Gretna District;
Timothy W. Dudley - Vice-Chairman, Staunton River District;
Nancy K. Eanes – Dan River District;
William V. ("Vic") Ingram - Tunstall District;
Ronald S. Searce - Westover District;
Robert M. Tucker, Jr. - Banister District; and
Robert ("Bob") W. Warren - Chatham-Blairs District.

AGENDA ITEMS TO BE ADDED

Motion to add the following item to the Agenda as item 13a under Matters from Work Session:

- County's Health Insurance Premium and HSA Contribution

RESULT: 7-0 (Approve)
MOVER: Warren
SECONDER: Dudley
AYES: Dalton, Tucker, Warren, Searce, Dudley, Ingram, Eanes
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve Agenda with the removal of the PCC Chapter 35 Public Hearing and defer it to the Board's August Business Meeting.

RESULT: 7-0 (Approve)
MOVER: Ingram
SECONDER: Dudley
AYES: Dalton, Tucker, Warren, Searce, Dudley, Ingram, Eanes
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

ITEMS REMOVED FROM AGENDA

Public Hearing: Pittsylvania County Code Amendments (RPD); (PCC §§ 35-295, -296, -298, -301, and -305)

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve Consent Agenda.

RESULT: 7-0 (Approve)
MOVER: Warren
SECONDER: Searce
AYES: Dalton, Tucker, Warren, Searce, Dudley, Ingram, Eanes
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

- a. June Board Meeting Minutes Approval
- b. MVP Southgate Project FERC Extension Support Letter Submission Ratification
- c. County's 2023 June Bill List Approval
- d. Water Tank Maintenance Contract Cancellations/Re-bid Approvals (3)
- e. Solid Waste Equipment Lease Approval
- f. Solid Waste 2024 Roll-Off Truck Purchase Approval
- g. FY 2024 Fire and Rescue Service Agreement Approval
- h. 2023 Virginia Rules Summer Camp Grant Acceptance Approval
- i. Certificates of Appreciation Approval (Retirements; Pamela Holley; Kelly Agnor)
- j. Deferral of Public Hearing Request (Southside Investing, LLC Rezoning Application) Approval
- k. Resolution # 2023-07-01 (Supporting the Operational Framework for a Water Main Extension to the VIR Campus) Approval

PRESENTATIONS

The Board presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Pamela Holley honoring her retirement.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Nathalie Bennett spoke in opposition of the proposed development project and shared her concerns regarding the amount of people it would bring to that area.

John Crews spoke in opposition of the proposed development project. He stated property taxes would go up because of this development and stated their community wouldn't benefit anything from this project.

Alaina Kiskadden stated she lives on Sugar Tree Church Road in the Tunstall District, and she is a relatively new resident. She chose this area because she wanted an agricultural lifestyle and wanted to live in the quiet, and she wanted her child to have the quality education that she knows the Tunstall District offers. She stated the concerns of the citizens already here is what needs to be considered and they want small, single-family homes.

Jim Searce stated that Eanes was appointed as the Chair of the Department of Social Services Board the previous night, and he also spoke on Brightminds and Pearson's Reassessment and how they will affect the tax rate.

Kim Greer stated she lives on Martin Drive and would be one of the properties that will be hemmed in by the proposed development, with roads on both sides of her property. She stated one of her biggest fears is that in time the roads will need to be widened and that will take the land away from the landowners and really bothers her due to having a graveyard in her front yard. She is thankful

that the developer has agreed to do a traffic study, but believes that the people in this area should be the ones to vote for or against this project.

Jason Hedman stated he lives directly across from this proposed development. He read a section from the Board Bylaws and shared that he felt the letter was not detailed, nor were the signs placed along the road.

Debra Taylor stated she lives on 58 West directly across this proposed development. She stated if the Board chooses to make these proposed revisions to the Pittsylvania County Code, these developments could pop up anywhere in the County. She stated the County already suffers from lack of teachers, Fire and EMS, and Law Enforcement.

Thomas Murphy, Tunstall District, spoke about the population density that this type of development will bring to the County. He stated that putting 5,000 or 6,000 people within a square mile would double the size of the whole Axton community.

Jane Kendrick, Tunstall District, stated she is part of the community group regarding this project. She stated the community welcomes housing in a moderate size and they welcome working with the developers, and we should always be very aware of the people who already live here as she feels they have constantly been left out.

David Willis stated he has 300 signatures against the Code changes. He stated there was a Facebook discussion page created but he was cut off from posting comments and his postings were deleted because the whole page was deleted.

Josh Austin, Tunstall District, stated when he moved here, he was looking for rural country to raise his kids. He stated the community does not mind bringing people into their community, but do not create a local Charlotte, Greensboro, or a Raleigh.

Frank Fox, Chatham-Blairs District, stated the regional investment in the Southern Virginia Megasite is over \$240M to date and many question what is being done to attract businesses to that site. He stated that Rezoning Case R-21-016 deserves sincere consideration by the Board since there are housing needs in the County.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Rezoning Public Hearings

1. Case R-23-015; Wayne and Sandra Troxler; Rezoning from RC-1, Residential Combined Subdivision District, to A-1, Agricultural District. The Planning Commission recommended, by a 6-0 vote, with no opposition, that the Petitioners' request be granted with the offered proffers (Supervisor Dalton)

In Case R-23-015, Wayne and Sandra Troxler (“Petitioners”) have petitioned to rezone 1.61 acres from RC-1, Residential Combined Subdivision District, to A-1, Agricultural District (to allow for a second dwelling to be constructed on the property). The subject property is located off Locust Lane in the Callands-Gretna Election District, and shown on the Tax Maps as part of GPIN # 1563-43-8791. Once the property is rezoned to A-1, all uses listed under Pittsylvania County Code § 35-178 are permitted. On June 6, 2023, the Planning Commission recommended, by a 6-0 vote, with no opposition, that the Petitioners’ request be granted with the proffers offered by the Petitioner.

Dalton opened the Public Hearing at 7:58 PM. No one signed up to speak and Dalton closed the Public Hearing at 7:58 PM.

Motion to approve the rezoning of 1.61 acres from RC-1, Residential Combined Subdivision District, to A-1, Agricultural District, to allow a second dwelling to be constructed on the property, with the proffers offered by the applicant.

RESULT: 7-0 (Approve)
MOVER: Dudley
SECONDER: Warren
AYES: Dalton, Tucker, Warren, Scarce, Dudley, Ingram, Eanes
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

MATTERS FROM WORK SESSION

a. County's Health Insurance Premium and HSA Contribution

Motion to accept the proposed premium breakdown as discussed in the Work Session and increase the HSA contribution from \$800 to \$1,000 per employee, per year.

RESULT: 7-0 (Approve)
MOVER: Warren
SECONDER: Tucker
AYES: Dalton, Tucker, Warren, Scarce, Dudley, Ingram, Eanes
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- Eanes welcomed everyone at the meeting and asked everyone to remember Chesher and Chris Seay's family.
- Ingram recognized dispatchers as first responders and stated he was honored to remember Holley. He also stated that public turnout at a meeting is a beautiful thing, as he was able to work with the developers to organize six (6) meetings. He stated this all comes back to everyone working together and he thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting.
- Scarce welcomed Eanes to the Board and thanked her for her good work on the Department of Social Services Board. He also mentioned the Fire & Rescue Service Agreement and is glad it was approved under tonight's Consent Agenda. He stated he only wanted the accountability brought back and the new service agreement does that.
- Warren thanked everyone for coming out tonight and thanked the developers for listening and being accommodating to those in the community. He encouraged citizens to seek out truthful and factual information. He stated citizens can gather a lot of information from the County offices, the County website, and even through VA FOIA requests. Many of the websites and Facebook are nothing but gossip and lies and are meant to tear others down.
- Dudley thanked everyone for coming out and speaking at the meeting. He stated their

phone calls, texts, and voices matter, and he thanked the developers for coming and staying for the meeting. He also thanked County Staff for putting the meetings together and making sure they run as smooth as possible, and he welcomed Eanes to the Board.

- Tucker welcomed Eanes to the Board and thanked Staff for a job well done in terms of putting the meetings and the agendas together. He thanked the developers for being in attendance tonight and he appreciated all the citizens for coming out. They have been listened to and he feels they can all work together and find some common ground. He thanked Chairman Dalton for a good meeting, as well as the Board.
- Dalton thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting. He also thanked those who spoke for being respectful of their time, and to the developers for coming and staying. He welcomed Eanes to the Board and thanked the Board for a good meeting.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Turille welcomed Eanes to the Board. He commended Human Resources and Finance for this year's insurance changes regarding the family medical health plan and feels this will aid in recruitment of staff. He thanked the Board, County Staff, and citizens for the continued advice as he transitions his life to this community.

ADJOURNMENT

Dalton adjourned the Meeting at 8:15 PM.