# PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' WORK SESSION

#### July 16, 2024

**VIRGINIA:** The Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors' ("Board") Work Session was held on July 16, 2024, in the Board Meeting Room, 39 Bank Street, SE, Chatham, Virginia 24531.

#### CALL TO ORDER (2:30 PM)

Dalton called the Meeting to Order at 2:30 PM.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The following Board Members were present:

Darrell W. Dalton - Callands-Gretna District

Robert M. Tucker, Jr. - Banister District

Kenneth L. Bowman - Chatham-Blairs District

Timothy W. Dudley – Staunton River District

Eddie L. Hite, Jr. - Dan River District

William V. ("Vic") Ingram - Tunstall District

Murray W. Whittle - Westover District

#### **AGENDA ITEMS TO BE ADDED**

Motion to revise the Agenda as follows:

- add Drought Declaration to Agenda as item 5(a), and make the Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update item 5(b)
- Revise item 8(a), Economic Development Closed Session, to include the Staunton Plaza Project.

**RESULT:** 7-0 (Approved)

MOVER: Ingram SECONDER: Tucker

**AYES:** Dalton, Tucker, Bowman, Dudley, Hite, Ingram, Whittle

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve Agenda.

**RESULT:** 7-0 (Approved)

MOVER: Ingram SECONDER: Hite

**AYES:** Dalton, Tucker, Bowman, Dudley, Hite, Ingram, Whittle

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### a. <u>Drought Declaration</u>

Stephen Barts stated, although rainfall events have occurred, they have been inadequate in both duration and location, and the coupling of inadequate rainfall and high heat conditions have created a detrimental drought condition in the County. He requested the Board consider declaring the County a local disaster area due to the extreme drought, and petition Dr. Ronald Howell, State Executive Director, USDA Farm Service Agency, to have the County formally declared a disaster area due to the extreme drought conditions to provide the means for those affected to qualify for any available relief assistance. There was consensus from the Board to add a Resolution to the night's Business Meeting to address this issue.

Motion to add Resolution # 2024-07-05 to the night's Business Meeting Agenda for approval.

**RESULT:** 7-0 (Approved)

MOVER: Tucker SECONDER: Dudley

**AYES:** Dalton, Tucker, Bowman, Dudley, Hite, Ingram, Whittle

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

#### b. Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update

Art Thatcher, Manager with BerryDunn, updated the Board on the County's Parks and Recreation Master Plan. His presentation can be found on the County's website at www.pittsylvaniacountyva.gov.

#### STAFF, COMMITTEE, AND/OR CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

#### a. <u>EMS Drug Box Update</u>

Christopher T. Key, Public Safety Director, and Kim G. Van Der Hyde, Finance Director, updated the Board on EMS Drug Box issues. All EMS Agencies have been informed that the regional medical drug box exchange program will be impacted by new FDA regulations. These regulations require EMS agencies to obtain their own controlled substance registry and DEA license. Additionally, Agencies must establish secure pharmacy rooms equipped with enhanced security features. A Committee was formed to review various drug box systems, and their recommendation was approved by both the Fire Association and the Fire and Rescue Commission. Agencies now have approximately six to eight weeks to order and install these systems.

Motion to add to the night's Business Meeting to appropriate a total of up to \$160,000 from unassigned fund balance to cover the cost of EMS drug boxes for all volunteer EMS transport stations and to reimburse any agency who has already purchased drug boxes.

**RESULT:** 7-0 (Approved)

MOVER: Ingram

**SECONDER:** Tucker

**AYES:** Dalton, Tucker, Bowman, Dudley, Hite, Ingram, Whittle

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

#### b. Potential New Solid Waste Office Update

Christopher D. Adcock, Director of Public Works, shared with the Board the poor conditions of the employee breakroom and the main Landfill office building. The original office building was built in 1982 and has limited functionality and space. The initial plan was to renovate existing storage space in the rear of the Main Office, but the cost estimates for renovation were nearly equal to the cost of a new facility. His presentation can be found on the County's website at www.pittsylvaniacountyva.gov.

Motion to add to the night's Business Meeting the approval of the purchase of a modular building in the amount not to exceed \$250,000 from BOXX Modular to be used for office and break room space for the Landfill.

**RESULT:** 7-0 (Approved)

MOVER: Tucker SECONDER: Bowman

**AYES:** Dalton, Tucker, Bowman, Dudley, Hite, Ingram, Whittle

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

#### c. FY24 School Carryover Funds Discussion

Tracey Worley, PCS Finance Director, discussed with the Board the FY24 Schools carryover funds. Her report can be found on the County's website at <a href="https://www.pittsylvaniacountyva.gov">www.pittsylvaniacountyva.gov</a>.

#### d. 2025 County Health and Dental Insurance Rates Discussion

Kim G. Van Der Hyde, Finance Director, reviewed 2025 County health and dental insurance rates with the Board. The Health Insurance Rates reflect an overall decrease of six percent (6%) this year, while the Dental Insurance Rates show an overall increase of five percent (5%). The new rates will be effective October 1, 2024, and this item is included on the Business Meeting Agenda for approval.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion to enter Closed Session.

The Board entered Closed Session at 4:19 PM.

**RESULT:** 7-0 (Approved)

MOVER: Hite SECONDER: Ingram

**AYES:** Dalton, Tucker, Bowman, Dudley, Hite, Ingram, Whittle

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

a. Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

(1) Legal Authority: Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(5)

Subject Matters: Projects Big Dipper, Atlas, Great Dragon, RBW,

Toy Story, Ballyhoo, and Staunton Plaza

Purpose: Economic Development Projects Update/Discussion on

**Unannounced Prospective Businesses/Industries** 

b. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body.

(1) Legal Authority: Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1)

Subject Matter: County Administrator Hiring/Search
Purpose: Review/Discussion of Related Next Steps

c. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

(1) Legal Authority: Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(3)

**Subject Matter:** Potential Real Property Acquisition for Public Purpose

Purpose: Review/Discussion Regarding the Same

d. Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

(1) Legal Authority: Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(8)

Subject Matters: Hurt Partners Tipping Fee Waiver Request, Potential

New Outside Solid Waste Contracts, Shockhoe Solar

**Project SUP Extension, and ODAC Lease Renewal** 

Purpose: Consultation with Legal Counsel/Legal Advice

and Discussion Regarding the Same

#### RETURN TO OPEN SESSION & CLOSED SESSION CERTIFICATION

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:41 PM and the following Certification was recorded:

## PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' CLOSED MEETING CERTIFICATION

**BE IT RESOLVED** that at the Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors' ("Board") Work Session on July 16, 2024, the Board hereby certifies by a recorded vote that to the best of each Board Member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from the Open Meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act ("Act") and identified in the Motion authorizing the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed, or considered in the Closed Meeting.

If any Board Member believes that there was a departure from the requirements of the Act, he shall so state prior to the vote indicating the substance of the departure. The Statement shall be recorded in the Board's Minutes.

	<b>Vote</b>
Kenneth L. Bowman	Yes
Timothy W. Dudley	Yes
Eddie L. Hite, Jr.	Yes
William V. ("Vic") Ingram	Yes
Murray W. Whittle	Yes
Robert M. Tucker, Jr.	Yes
Darrell W. Dalton	Yes

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dalton adjourned the Meeting at 6:42 PM.

Darrell W. Dalton, Chairman

Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors

Kaylyn M. McCluster, Clerk

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