

Minutes
Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
May 16, 2022

Members Present: Keith Weakley, Chairman At-Large
D. Keith Guzy, Jr., District 1
Allen Louderback, District 2 (Arrived at 7:03 p.m.)
Mark Stroupe, District 3
Larry Foltz, District 4
Jeff Vaughan, District 5

Staff Present: Amity Moler, County Administrator
Regina Miller, Assistant County Administrator
Nina Fox, Economic Development and Tourism Director
Tyler Olson, Budget Director
Michael Helm, County Attorney

Call to Order:

Chairman Weakley called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, May 16, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Room located in the Page County Government Center, 103 South Court Street, Luray, VA., 22835. The Call to Order was followed by a moment of silence and the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Electronic Participation:

Supervisor Vaughan was unable to physically attend the meeting, but had requested to be able to participate electronically.

Motion: Supervisor Guzy moved to approve that Supervisor Vaughan be allowed to participate electronically in the meeting. Supervisor Stroupe seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 5-0. Aye: Weakley, Guzy, Stroupe, Foltz, Vaughan. Nay: None. Absent: Louderback.

Supervisor Vaughan was telephoned into the meeting and his voice could be heard by all persons.

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion: Supervisor Guzy moved to adopted the agenda. Supervisor Stroupe seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 5-0. Guzy, Stroupe, Foltz, Vaughan, Weakley. Nay: None. Absent: Louderback.

(Clerk's Note: Supervisor Louderback arrived at 7:03 p.m.)

Public Hearings:

VDOT Secondary Six Year Plan:

Chairman Weakley opened the public hearing on the VDOT Secondary Six Year Plan at 7:02 p.m.

Don Komara, Virginia Department of Transportation Residency Administrator, reviewed the secondary six-year plan with the Board outlining the projects slated for years 2023-24 through 2027-28. The projects include: Island Ford Road, South Page Valley Road, McDaniel Lane, Mt. Carmel Road, Old Stanley Road, and Ida Loop Road.

Supervisor Foltz asked if Bixler's Ferry Road, in Luray could be added for paving on one side of the road due to crumbling asphalt. Mr. Komara mentioned that ½ mile of this road will be paved this summer.

Supervisor Louderback noted that none of the projects on the Plan are in District 2. He mentioned that he has received complaints about Hulse Road because of more traffic and dust issues in the summer. He asked if it could be included in the Plan before 2027. There is also an issue with tractor trailer trucks using the road and then they get hung up on the curves. He asked if signage could be placed somewhere before they turn onto the road to avoid the issues altogether.

Supervisor Guzy stated that there are frequent vehicle accidents at Hope Mills Store on Route 340 North and he said this needs to be looked at for signage or improvements.

Mr. Komara then addressed the project to install a traffic light on U. S. Highway 211 West at the intersection of the Food Lion shopping center. He stated that this project has been moved to commence in February 2024.

Public Comments on VDOT Secondary Six Year Plan:

Darren St.Clair commented that he lives on Ida Loop Ext. and the road has been treacherous for the past three weeks. He asked why the Ida Loop Road project is out so far on the six-year plan because it is the most populated out of all the other roads on the Plan.

Mr. Komara explained that the first 1-3 years of the Plan are set because some of the work has already started, but there is flexibility with moving projects the other years.

Chairman Weakley closed the public hearing at 7:45 p.m.

Motion: Supervisor Guzy moved to adopt the VDOT Secondary Six Year Plan, as presented. Supervisor Foltz seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 6-0. Aye: Louderback, Stroupe, Foltz, Vaughan, Weakley, Guzy. Nay: None.

Public Comments on Agenda Items:

Beth Snider asked that YouTube be set back up to record and stream the meetings. She also asked for the solar ordinance to be adopted and that the moratorium on solar be extended.

Dr. Antonia Fox, Page County Schools Superintendent, thanked the Board for the previous year's funding and the CIP appropriations. She would like for the Board to remember they need qualified teachers as well as additional staff in order to keep and hire qualified staff. She said she knows that it's hard to plan when the State's Budget has not been adopted, but she would like for the Board to remember the schools needs when voting on the budget. She asked that the school budget be funded as presented.

Action Matters

Special Entertainment Permit – Luray Triathlons:

Nina Fox, Economic Development and Tourism Director, explained that Racine MultiSports has requested a special entertainment permit pursuant to Chapter 55 (Festivals) of the Code of the County of Page, Virginia, to conduct the Luray Triathlons event on August 20-21, 2022, from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. The event will be held at Lake Arrowhead, 265 Lake Arrowhead Road, Luray, VA, 22835.

She recommended that the Board approve this special entertainment application as there are no outstanding issues.

Motion: Supervisor Stroupe moved the Board of Supervisors approve the Special Entertainment Permit application for the following Racine MultiSport event: Luray Triathlons -August 20-21, 2022, from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. Supervisor Louderback seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 6-0. Aye: Stroupe, Foltz, Vaughan, Weakley, Guzy, Louderback. Nay: None.

Special Entertainment Permit – Luray Swim Fest:

Nina Fox, Economic Development and Tourism Director, reviewed that Racine MultiSports has requested a special entertainment permit, pursuant to Chapter 55 (Festivals) of the Code of the County of Page, Virginia, to conduct the Luray Swim Fest event scheduled for June 18, 2022, from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. The event will be held at Lake Arrowhead, 265 Lake Arrowhead Road, Luray, VA, 22835.

Motion: Supervisor Stroupe moved that the Board of Supervisors approve the Special Entertainment Permit application for the following Racine MultiSport event: Luray Swim Fest, June 18', 2022, from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. Supervisor Vaughan seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 6-0. Aye: Foltz, Vaughan, Weakley, Guzy, Louderback. Stroupe. Nay: None.

Resolution of DMO Status:

Nina Fox, Economic Development and Tourism Director, presented the Board with a Resolution to designate the Page County Economic Development and Tourism Department as a Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) for Page County. The designation would allow for partner opportunities and grant applications aimed at increasing tourism in Page County.

Gina Hilliard and Bill Huffman of the Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce was in attendance and expressed that they have no opposition with the County applying for DMO status.

#2022-04
RESOLUTION to DESIGNATE DMO:
Virginia Destination Marketing Organization

WHEREAS, the Page County wishes to increase tourism opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the State of Virginia's Tourism Corporation coordinates marketing activities solely with Destination Marketing Organizations (DMO) within the state to market the Commonwealth as a premier travel destination; and

WHEREAS, the advantage of being a Destination Marketing Organization within the Commonwealth of Virginia would allow for partner opportunities and grant applications; and

WHEREAS, increasing tourism to the Page County would serve to increase local business that may result in increased tax revenue to the County, towns, and surrounding communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED by the Page County Board of Supervisors, this 16th day of May, 2022, the County of will petition Virginia Tourism Corporation (VTC) to recognize Page County Economic Development and Tourism Department as a Destination Marketing Organization (DMO).

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that the Nina A. Long Fox, Director of Economic Development and Tourism Department or their designee, is hereby authorized and directed to act as chief liaison for the DMO.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Page County Board of Supervisors at its regular meeting held on May 16, 2022, in Luray, Virginia.

Motion: Supervisor Guzy moved to adopt Resolution #2022-04, to designate Virginia Destination Marketing Organization as presented. Supervisor Stroupe seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 6-0. Aye: Vaughan, Weakley, Guzy, Louderback, Stroupe, Foltz. Nay: None.

Budget Changes:

Tyler Olsen, Budget Officer, reviewed the budget changes and explained that the Page County Sheriff's Office has received a third Local Law Enforcement (LOLE) Grant in the

amount of \$1,910. It is requested that these Federal funds be appropriated for the purchase of a mount and docking station for the new mobile data terminals. There is no local match.

He recommended appropriation of the funding request.

Supplemental Appropriations Requests:

Department	Description	Revenue Source	Expenditure	Amount
PCSO	DOJ BJA Local Law Enforcement Grant	DOJ BJA LOLE Grant 101-0000-333-01-15	MDT Mount and Dock 101-3120-431-59-04	\$1,910
Total Request				\$1,910

Motion: Supervisor Guzy moved to approve the appropriation of the requested funds in the total amount of \$1,910, as outlined above. Supervisor Vaughan seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 6-0. Aye: Weakley, Guzy, Louderback, Stroupe, Foltz, Vaughan. Nay: None.

Adoption of the FY 2022-2023 Budget:

Tyler Olsen, Budget Officer, presented two resolutions to adopt the FY 2022-2023 budget for the County and Schools. Everything remains the same as the budget that was proposed in March, except for the additional local funds that have been allocated to the schools. Although, it appears that the schools will receive \$75,760 more compared to the amount in FY 2022. They will actually receive an additional \$694,180 in local funds because of the County assuming their equipment lease, due to the refinancing. These additional funds are given to help the schools provide a 5% raise to its employees. This is less than the schools total request of \$1.6 million. The County, he said, is waiting to see the budget the state adopts and the Board has the option to appropriate additional funds after the start of FY 2023.

Motion: Supervisor Foltz moved to add to this Resolution that it will be categorically funded and reflect a deduction of \$166,900, which is the assessment of the property owned by the Schools on West Main Street, Luray. He said he has been working four years to try to obtain the property for the County and the previous [School] Board voted to give that property to the County. He said the County wants it for the County EMS. Supervisor Louderback seconded and the motion failed by a tie vote of 3-3. Aye: Louderback, Foltz, Vaughan. Nay: Guzy, Stroupe, Weakley.

Motion: Supervisor Guzy moved to adopt the School Budget, as presented, with the addition that the budget be categorically funded. Supervisor Stroupe seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4-2. Aye: Stroupe, Vaughan, Weakley, Guzy. Nay: Louderback, Foltz.

#2022-05

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FY 2022-2023
PAGE COUNTY SCHOOL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the School Board and the Board of Supervisors have held separate duly advertised public hearings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has received a presentation from the School Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has received comments from staff and citizens and weighed the needs of the school system with the need to provide support for all County services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Page County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts a School Operating budget of \$42,928,559 for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and that the local tax-supported expenditure of funds shall not exceed \$11,065,692.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Page County Board of Supervisors also appropriates Capital Improvement Funds from the State and Federal governments in the amount of \$2,736,822 to the School Board for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Page County Board of Supervisors also appropriates School Food Services in the amount of \$2,736,822 to the School Board for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

This Resolution was adopted by the Page County Board of Supervisors this 16th day of May, 2022.

Motion: Supervisor Guzy moved to adopt the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget, as presented, for a total of \$86,461,222. Supervisor Vaughan seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 6-0. Aye: Stroupe, Foltz, Vaughan, Weakley, Guzy, Louderback. Nay: None.

#2022-06
RESOLUTION
ADOPTING THE FY 2022-2023 BUDGET
AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Page County Board of Supervisors to approve and control the County's fiscal plan for FY 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has reviewed each request for funding and has received comments from residents at a duly advertised public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Page County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget totaling \$86,461,222.

Revenues of All Funds:

General Fund	\$	31,068,715
VPA		3,937,935
Children's Services Act		2,552,641
Tourism		960,000
Capital Projects		500,000
Landfill Capital Projects		1,630,000
School Operating		42,928,559
School Cafeteria		2,736,822
Parks & Recreation		20,000
VJCCCA		30,076
CVWP		90,474
Page County Water Quality		6,000
Total Revenue of All Funds	\$	86,461,222

Expenditures of All Funds:

Board of Supervisors	\$	108,116
County Administrator		396,928
Finance Department		282,268
Legal Services		110,000
Commissioner of Revenue		583,365
Assessment		200,000
Geographical Information Systems		154,970
Treasurer		634,560
Information Systems		247,000
Central Purchasing		51,918
Electoral Board		78,440
General Registrar		174,962
Circuit Court Judge		9,250
General District Court		8,788
Adult Drug Treatment Court		167,517
J&D Court		14,050
Clerk of the Circuit Court		547,044
Bailiffs		246,396
Magistrates		4,537
Commonwealth Attorney		646,606
Sheriff		2,971,263
Investigations		826,586
Crime Prevention		508,225
E911		138,630
Volunteer Fire Departments & Rescue Squads		431,833
EMS Career Staff		1,883,321
Emergency Communications Center		883,174

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Jail	5,049,181
Care of Juveniles	213,620
Animal Shelter	298,082
Animal Law Enforcement	149,580
Medical Examiner	600
Concern Hotline	1,500
Lord Fairfax Emergency Medical Services	11,236
Compactor Sites	96,160
Stanley Landfill	253,200
Battle Creek landfill	1,693,053
General Properties	451,334
Local Health Department	194,551
Northwestern Community Services Board	102,314
CHOICES	7,000
Public Assistance	20,988
Social Services Board	3,768
Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging	65,000
Lord Fairfax Community College	61,563
Recreation	78,268
Libraries	279,014
Planning Commission	21,384
Planning and Community Development	432,978
Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission	21,743
Zoning Board	6,277
Building Code Appeals Board	1,500
Economic Development	83,013
Airport Commission	50,450
Virginia Cooperative Extension	98,817
4-H	2,000
Human Resources	353,259
Reserve for Contingencies and ARPA	2,421,342
Debt Service	6,236,193
Social Services	3,937,935
Children's Services Act	2,552,641
Tourism	960,000
Capital Improvements	500,000
Landfill Capital Improvements	1,630,000
School Operating	42,928,559
School Food Services	2,736,822
Recreation/Enterprise Fund	20,000
VJCCCA	30,076
Criminal Victim/Witness Assistance	90,474
Page County Water Quality	6,000
Total Expenditures of All Funds	\$ 86,461,222

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Page County Board of Supervisors hereby appropriates a Social Services Operating Budget of \$3,937,935 for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and that the local tax supported expenditure of funds shall not exceed \$600,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Page County Board of Supervisors hereby appropriates a Children's Services Act Budget of \$2,552,641 for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and that the local tax supported expenditure of funds shall not exceed \$725,092.

This Resolution was adopted by the Page County Board of Supervisors this 16th day of May, 2022.

Consent Agenda:

Motion: Supervisor Guzy moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- Financial reports for the period of April 1-30, 2022;
- Accounts payable checks, payroll checks, payroll direct deposits, and payroll tax related electronic fund transfers totaling \$1,799,619.04 for the month of April 2022;
- Minutes of April 18, 2022.

Supervisor Stroupe seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 6-0. Aye: Foltz, Vaughan, Weakley, Guzy, Louderback, Stroupe. Nay: None.

Old Business:

Solar Moratorium:

Supervisor Louderback asked the status of the solar ordinance and stated it was given to legal counsel to review from the Planning Commission and asked when it is going back to the Planning Commission so they can schedule their public hearing. Mr. Helm expressed that as soon as he can find time in his schedule to complete the review it can be scheduled. He said he was provided a document that is lengthy with the changes that were noted in the red-line version. Supervisor Louderback mentioned that the review needs to be moved to the top of his list. Mr. Helm stated that if the Board just wants the red-lined version back without having subsequent review session of the changes then he can review. Chairman Weakley said the Board does not care what the changes are, they just want code compliance.

Motion: Supervisor Stroupe moved that the Board extend the solar moratorium to August 31, 2022. Supervisor Guzy seconded and the motion carried by a vote of 6-0. Aye: Vaughan, Weakley, Guzy, Louderback, Stroupe, Foltz. Nay: None.

New Business:

Supervisor Guzy asked that staff follow up with VDOT about safety improvements along Route 340 North at Hope Mills Store.

Open Public Comments:

Ken Jemielity addressed the Board regarding solar and thanked the Board for extending the solar moratorium. He suggested the Board watch the meeting video, specifically the clip with Robert Propes speaking, from the Caroline County Board of Supervisors meeting where he addresses the Board regarding solar and stormwater runoff.

Beth Snider thanked the Board for extending the solar moratorium. She said the County has paid legal counsel \$11,000 in legal fees and taken fifteen months to review the solar ordinance. In addition, the Berkley Group was paid \$15,000 to write a solar ordinance and the County still has no ordinance. It should not take four years to get a decent ordinance.

Cathy Herbert thanked the Board for extending the solar moratorium. She said when she realized the public hearing for the Planning Commission on the solar ordinance was not going to happen she emailed Mrs. Moler and Supervisor Guzy to find out why it was delayed. She received an email from Mrs. Moler that concerned her because it seemed to have a misconception of what the Planning Commission had done. Mrs. Moler's email said that "the draft solar ordinance prepared by one member of the Planning Commission without discussion by the entire Commission in the public meeting was not provided to legal counsel for review until April 19th. A red-lined version was not provided for comparison of changes causing further delay." She said she lives close to the proposed Cape Solar project and has attended Planning Commission meetings. The perception that Mrs. Moler provided about what happened at the Planning Commission was very different from what she saw. The Planning Commission works in a very collaborative fashion and spent a lot of time reviewing the ordinance that they prepared. The Commission was also surprised to hear the need for a red-lined version and their perception is that it is not a requirement. She said she wants to make sure we have a strong solar ordinance and that Cape Solar does not get approved.

Administrator's Report:

Amity Moler followed-up on Mrs. Herbert's comment and stated that Mrs. Clatterbuck is the staff for the Planning Commission and that is where the information came from with regard to the draft solar ordinance and how it was discussed at the Planning Commission level. There were very few changes discussed when it was given to Ms. Grech to draft the ordinance and it was discussed at the following meeting. There was no red-lined version until staff requested it. This is something that staff normally handles and provides to legal counsel for review and the Planning Commission is likely not aware that Mrs. Clatterbuck does that.

Next, she said the County will be submitting a project to VDOT for consideration for smart scale for improvements at the intersection of Route 340 North and Good Mill Road. There have been significant traffic crashes in that area. They will begin traffic counts and studies in that area on June 6th. The Board Retreat has been scheduled for June 17th. Interviews will be conducted the week of May 23rd for the Director position at the Department of Social Services. She will be working with the County's IT contractor to ensure that our computers and servers have acceptable protections in the event of cyberattacks. There

have been a lot of cyberattacks across the state and the cost has been multi-million. Many of the areas hit have not been able to retrieve the data through their backups.

Supervisors Time:

Supervisor Guzy said he would like to see the landfill get a credit card machine to be able to accept that form of payment. He thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Supervisor Louderback commented that the budget discussion is always hard. He thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

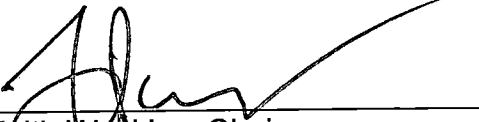
Supervisor Stroupe thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Supervisor Foltz thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Chairman Weakley echoed Supervisor Louderback's comments and said people can disagree without being disagreeable. He thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Adjourn: 8:33 p.m.

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Weakley adjourned the meeting.



Keith Weakley, Chairman



Amity Moler, County Administrator