

July 16, 2019
Work Session

**Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors
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VIRGINIA: The Work Session of the Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors was held on July 16, 2019 in the Main Conference Room, County Administration Building, Chatham, Virginia 24531. Chairman, Dan River District, Joe B. Davis, called the Meeting to Order at 4:30 PM. The following Members were present:

CALL TO ORDER (4:30 PM)

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Joe B. Davis	Chairman - Dan River District	Present	4:26 PM
Charles H. Miller	Vice Chairman - Banister District	Present	4:22 PM
Tim R. Barber	Supervisor - Tunstall District	Present	4:29 PM
Elton W. Blackstock	Supervisor - Staunton River District	Present	4:29 PM
Ben L. Farmer	Supervisor - Callands-Gretna District	Remote	4:28 PM
Ronald S. Scearce	Supervisor - Westover District	Present	4:29 PM
Robert W. "Bob" Warren	Supervisor - Chatham-Blairs District	Present	4:19 PM

Mr. Farmer participated remotely due to being on vacation. He called in from 328 Sandpiper Court, Nags Head, NC 27959.

AGENDA ITEMS TO BE ADDED

Motion to Amend Item 8b to include Project 500, and to add a Closed Session regarding the Pittsylvania County Service Authority Board and the purpose of Discussion of Performance of Board of Supervisors' Appointee.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert W. "Bob" Warren, Supervisor - Chatham-Blairs District
SECONDER:	Charles H. Miller, Vice Chairman - Banister District
AYES:	Davis, Miller, Barber, Blackstock, Farmer, Scearce, Warren

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve Agenda to include the proposed revisions and addition.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert W. "Bob" Warren, Supervisor - Chatham-Blairs District
SECONDER:	Tim R. Barber, Supervisor - Tunstall District
AYES:	Davis, Miller, Barber, Blackstock, Farmer, Scearce, Warren

PRESENTATIONS

STAFF, COMMITTEE, AND/OR CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICER REPORTS

a. Discussion of Approval of Strategic Plan (Staff Contact: David M. Smitherman); (30 minutes)

Mr. Smitherman stated that County Staff brought this item before the Board at the beginning of the year, and it was decided to table the item to a later time. Mr. Blackstock stated his concerns about the Public Information Officer (“PIO”) and stated that he is opposed to this and feels that there are two (2) County Administrators and does not feel this is necessary. Mr. Barber asked if funding had become available to implement this Plan and Mr. Smitherman stated there is nothing that would be pursued within the next year that would require money since there is no new funding for these items. He feels this is a statement of goals and direction and the Board would not be committing to any of these items at this time. Mr. Warren does not want to commit to hiring anyone with this document either, but his interpretation is that County Staff would evaluate that need and only pursue when necessary and when funding is available. Mr. Warren recommended the PIO item being changed to year 2021, and Mr. Hunt agreed to revise for the evening’s Business Meeting.

Motion to amend the Business Meeting item to revise section 4(b) to make the potential implementation thereof the year 2020; and to Add a statement to the Strategic Plan requiring County Staff to bring any action item contained in the Strategic Plan involving an appropriation to the Board of Supervisors for approval before implementation.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert W. "Bob" Warren, Supervisor - Chatham-Blairs District
SECONDER:	Ronald S. Scarce, Supervisor - Westover District
AYES:	Davis, Miller, Barber, Blackstock, Farmer, Scarce, Warren

b. Pet Center Update (Staff Contact: James P. McLaughlin); (15 minutes)

Mr. James McLaughlin was present to give an FY9 update on the Pet Center. He stated in 2018, there was a 92% live release rate, and, for FY19, it stands at a 94% live release rate. Financials from January 1, 2019 through June 20, 2019, were \$95,310 under Budget and there was a total revenue of \$97,977. The Budget savings were due to revised staffing, updated protocols, animal transfers to partners, filling an Animal Care Manager, and over \$45,000 in in-kind Grants and donations of supplies. The Pet Center is now partnering with PetSmart on adoptions. For every fifty (50) in store adoptions, PetSmart gives the Pet Center \$1,000, on top of the regular adoption fee. Danville Toyota and the Pet Center have joined forces to promote the shelter dogs with the new Furry Friday Ride Along Program, and Wilson Lawn and Garden has agreed to participate in a Kioti Tractor Raffle. There will also be a Thrift Store at the Pet Center, which will be a joint operation with the SPCA. Some upcoming events Mr. McLaughlin has planned for the Pet Center are Wagfest, Tomahawk Mill Event, Golf Tournament, White Oak Mountain Music Festival, and a Fall Fundraising Event. Members of the Board commended Mr. McLaughlin for his hard work and dedication.

c. Cascade E-911 Radio Coverage Update (Staff Contact: Richard N. Hicks); (15 minutes)

Mr. Hicks stated that there are still two (2) towers, the Tunstall Fire Department and the Old Mayfield Tower, that are still under construction. Once these towers are completed, there will be

significantly less coverage issue. It is anticipated that the completion of the Cascade E-911 Radio Coverage project will be around mid-November.

d. Virginia Department of Health Changes (Staff Contact: Richard N. Hicks); 15 minutes)

Mr. Hicks stated that he had a meeting with a representative with the Health Department and it was brought to his attention that House Bill 558 (HB558) mandated that the Health Department will no longer be the primary designer of septic systems. This law required the State Health Commissioner to develop a plan to reduce and eliminate evaluation and design services provided by VDH for onsite sewage system and private wells, shifting those direct services to the private sector. These services used to be free, but will now have a pretty substantial cost associated with them. The new State policy goes into effect July 11, 2019.

e. Other Reports

BUSINESS MEETING DISCUSSION ITEMS

CLOSED SESSION

Motion to enter Closed Session.

The Board entered Closed Session at 5:24 PM.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Elton W. Blackstock, Supervisor - Staunton River District
SECONDER:	Robert W. "Bob" Warren, Supervisor - Chatham-Blairs District
AYES:	Davis, Miller, Barber, Blackstock, Farmer, Searce, Warren

a. 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. (Staff Contact: Richard N. Hicks)

- (1) Legal Authority: Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(3)
Subject Matter: Potential Solid Waste Convenience Center Site(s)
Purpose: Discussion of Acquisition of Real Property for a Public Purpose

b. 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. (Staff Contact: Matthew D. Rowe)

- (1) Legal Authority: Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(5)
Subject Matter: Projects Emotion and G4
Purpose: Discussion of Prospective Business/
Economic Development Update

