

At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 6:00 p.m. on the 14th day of March 2023, at the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, 1 Courthouse Circle, Cumberland, VA:

Present: Brian Stanley, District 1, Chairman
Ron Tavernier, District 2
Eurika Tyree, District 3, Vice-Chairman
Gene Brooks, District 4
Robert Saunders, Jr., District 5
Derek Stamey, County Administrator
Jennifer Crews, Assistant County
Administrator/Finance Director
Tiana Branch, Deputy Clerk

Also Present: Scott Fredrick, Residency Engineer

1. **Call to Order**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call of Members**

Tiana Branch, Deputy Clerk, called the roll.

3. **Secondary Six Year Plan – VDOT**

Residency Engineer, Scott Frederick, presented the Board with a work session relating to the VDOT Secondary Six-Year Plan for FY2024-2029. No action was taken at this meeting.

4. **Recess until 7:00 p.m. –**

On a motion by Supervisor Saunders and seconded by Supervisor Tyree, the Board adjourned until the Regular Monthly Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Cumberland County Circuit Courtroom.

At a meeting of the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors held at 7:00 p.m. on the 14th day of March 2023, at the Cumberland County Circuit Courtroom, 17 Courthouse Circle, Cumberland, VA:

Present: Brian Stanley, District 1, Chairman
Ron Tavernier, District 2
Gene Brooks, District 4
Robert Saunders, Jr., District 5
Derek Stamey, County Administrator
Jennifer Crews, Assistant County
Administrator/Finance Director
Kemper Beasley, County Attorney
Tiana Branch, Deputy Clerk
Stephany Johnson, Zoning Administrator

Absent: Eurika Tyree, District 3, Vice-Chairman

5. Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

6. Roll Call of Members

Tiana Branch, Deputy Clerk, called the roll.

7. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Chairman.

8. County Administrator Comments

County Administrator, Derek Stamey, provided the Board with the following report:

- Comprehensive Plan Update – surveys, community meetings, and website are live.
- Patriot Day Reminder: Saturday April 22, 2023 from 12-4 pm @ the

Courthouse Complex.

- County Administrator’s Recommended Budget Presentation will be March 28, 2023 at 6 p.m.
- General Projects Update: Parks Under Construction – estimated completion date of May 2023, bids for parking lot construction at LPJ Community Center for consideration at April 2023 meeting

9. **Approval of Agenda**

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Brooks and carried by the following vote, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

Vote:	Mr. Stanley – aye	Mr. Tavernier – aye
	Mrs. Tyree – absent	Mr. Brooks – aye
	Mr. Saunders – aye	

10. **State and Local Departments/Agencies**

a. Cumberland County Public Schools

Dr. Chip Jones, Superintendent, gave the following update to the Board:

CuCPS is deeply saddened by the sudden passing of Mrs. Lisa Davis. She was a community advocate and is/will be greatly missed.

Students:

- FFA competed in the Southeast Area Rally in several areas–One of our students placed first and second and is now moving onto STATES!
- CCES held a “Glow Party”--fun was had by all
- CHS Theater Dept. will be presenting “The Dark Beyond the Door”, which was written by two of CHS English Teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Haigh. Evening performances will be held on March 31st and April 1st, at 7:00 pm in the CMS/CHS Cafetorium
- CHS Indoor Track Team participated in the STATE Competition. One of our student athletes was the 1A/2A 55 M Hurdle State Runner Up and medaled in both the 55 M and 300 M Dash

- Our CNA students passed both their written and skills test
- Over 30 students earned their ServSafe Certifications as part of their Culinary Arts Class
- Second Grade Students went to H-SC to participate in their Literacy Day Celebration
- FFA students went to Blacksburg to compete in the 2023 VT Block and Bridle Livestock Contests. CHS finished 15th overall in the JR Division and 22nd in the Senior Division
- Two of Lady Dukes Wrestlers participated in the “first ever” girls wrestling tournament
- Our Lady Dukes Basketball Team played in the Region 1B Tournament–they finished their season with a record of 20-2
- Our CHS Wrestling Team participated in STATE action–two wrestlers placed third and one place sixth
- Longwood University hosted our Life Skills classes to participate in Adaptive Physical Education

Community/Staff:

- CuCPS Foundation 5K was held on Saturday, March 12, 2023, over 100 participants were there...thank you to community members, businesses, and organizations for the support
- Thank you to Ms. Pat Allard, Mr. Stamey, and Ms. Linda Eanes for being judges in the 4-H Presentations
- Ms. Ginny Gills was awarded the WELV Rising STAR Award
- Thank you to everyone who came to CCES to during Literacy Week
- CCES Hosted a Region 8 Job Fair on March 1, 2023
- CHS hosted a Career Fair. Thank you to Mr. Stamey, Ms. Branch, and community businesses for participating
- CHS FFA Students sponsored a Kiss the Cow fundraiser, the four top staff vote “getters”, which included me, kissed the cow today!
- We celebrated School Resource Officer Appreciation Day

As always, thank you for your support of Cumberland County Public Schools.

b. Cumberland Public Library

Glenn Mozingo, Library Board of Trustees Chairman,
provided the Board with an update.

c. Cumberland Fire and EMS

Fire & EMS Chief, Andy Aigner, provided the Board with the following report:

- Fire Chief's unanimously approved Sections 1 and 2 of the SOPs. We are working on Section 3 now. This is where we will begin to define minimum training requirements, acceptable response times, and define how we operate on emergency scenes.
- The County's Office of Fire and EMS continues to evaluate ways to help the volunteer stations save money.
 - Met with a Fire and EMS equipment supplier. They volunteer departments will be able to save anywhere from \$250 - \$1500 for a set of Firefighting PPE. The supplier has also supplied rideable contracts to the Chiefs they can purchase off of for other type of equipment including such items as: hose, tools, appliances, etc.. This will provide an even bigger cost savings for our volunteer members.

Randolph Fire Station ribbon cutting occurred this afternoon. We will begin to staff April 1.

d. VDOT

Resident Engineer, Scott Frederick, presented the Board with a monthly update.

Keith Rider, District Traffic Engineer, and Matthew Conner, Assistant District Traffic Engineer of VDOT Lynchburg District, were both present and presented the Board with the proposed plan regarding the Route 45/616/684 intersection in District 1.

e. Finance Director's Report

i. Monthly budget Report:

There was no discussion regarding this item.

ii. Appropriation for Sheriff's Office

On a motion by Supervisor Tavernier, seconded by Supervisor Saunders, and carried the following vote, the Board approved the budget appropriation for Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$572.11:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye
Mrs. Tyree – absent Mr. Brooks – aye
Mr. Saunders – aye

f. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report

i. Planning Project Updates

There was no discussion regarding this item.

g. County Attorney's Report

County Attorney, Kemper Beasley, had nothing to report.

11. **Consent Agenda**

- a. Approval of Bills
- b. Approval of Minutes (February 14, 2023, February 28, 2023, March 7, 2023 and March 9, 2023)
- c. Request to Set Public Hearings
 - i. Budget Appropriation

On a motion by Supervisor Saunders, seconded by Supervisor Tavernier and carried by the following vote, the Board approved the consent agenda as presented:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye
Mrs. Tyree – absent Mr. Brooks – aye
Mr. Saunders – aye

12. **Old Business**

N/A

13. **New Business**

- a. Resolution for Van Petty – Electoral Board Retiree

**Resolution of Appreciation Upon the Retirement of
Electoral Board Secretary Van Petty**

WHEREAS, Van Petty has retired from his position as Secretary of the Cumberland County Electoral Board on December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, On July 15, 2012, Van Petty was initially appointed to the Electoral Board by the Judges of the Circuit Court; and

WHEREAS, Van began his first term under the administration of then-Governor Robert “Bob” McDonnell and continuously served as a member of the Electoral Board during the terms of four Virginia governors, both Republican and Democratic; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure on the Electoral Board, Van served in two of the three administrative roles consisting of Board Secretary and Vice-Chair; and

WHEREAS, Van Petty, has been a long-standing member of this community, contributing to its success through service; and

WHEREAS, Van Petty has earned the respect and support of his fellow Board members, the Cumberland Board of Supervisors and the citizens of Our Community by demonstrating an unwavering commitment to the Law and to the electoral process; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petty has tirelessly served the County and its citizens with integrity and has earned deep respect, and esteem of those with whom he has worked over the years; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors, through this resolution, express its high regard and profound appreciation for the service that Mr. Van Petty has performed for the County of Cumberland and its citizens over the years, and wish him much success in his future endeavors.

Adopted the 14th day of March 2023.

On a motion by Supervisor Saunders, seconded by Supervisors Tavernier and carried by the following vote, the Board adopted the Resolution for Mr. Van Petty as presented:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye
Mrs. Tyree – absent Mr. Brooks – aye
Mr. Saunders – aye

b. Resolution for Child Abuse Prevention Month

Resolution for Proclamation of Child Abuse Prevention Month

WHEREAS, in Federal fiscal year 2020, 3.9 million reports were made to child protective services; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect are a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

WHEREAS, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of Cumberland County; and

WHEREAS, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that have lasting consequences for victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of children; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention activities succeed because of the partnerships created between child welfare professionals, education, health, community- and faith-based organizations, businesses, law enforcement agencies, and families; and

WHEREAS, communities must make every effort to promote programs and activities that create strong and thriving children and families; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community to increase awareness about child abuse and contribute to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable, and nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, prevention remains the best defense for our children and families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cumberland County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim April 2023 as NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH in Cumberland County, Virginia and urge all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to the task of improving the quality of life for all children and families.

Adopted the 14th day of March 2023.

On a motion by Supervisor Brooks, seconded by Supervisors Tavernier and carried by the following vote, the Board adopted the Resolution for Child Abuse Prevention Month as presented:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye
Mrs. Tyree – absent Mr. Brooks – aye
Mr. Saunders – aye

14. **Public Hearings**

a. Consideration of Lease Agreement and Dark Fiber Installation – Central Virginia Services, Inc.

County Administrator, Derek Stamey, presented the Board with an overview.

With no citizens signed up to speak, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Supervisor Brooks, seconded by Supervisor Saunders, and carried by the following vote, the Board approved the Consideration of a Lease Agreement and Dark Fiber Installation with Central Virginia Services, Inc.:

Vote: Mr. Stanley – aye Mr. Tavernier – aye
Mrs. Tyree – absent Mr. Brooks – aye
Mr. Saunders – aye

15. **Additional Information**

- a) Treasurer’s Report
- b) DMV Report
- c) Monthly Business License Report
- d) Monthly Building Inspections Report
- e) Commonwealth Regional Council Report
- f) Cumberland Extension Office Monthly Newsletter – N/A
- g) Approved Planning Commission meeting minutes – January 9, 2023 and January 23, 2023

- h) Approved EDA meeting minutes – N/A
- i) Approved BZA minutes – N/A

16. **Public Comments**

Bernard Pond questioned the policy change made to the transfer station’s acceptance of brush. He also addressed his lack of support for the proposed landfill project.

Betty Myers suggested that Board members reach out to citizens to hear their concerns in regards to the Green Ridge Host Agreement changes mentioned by the William Shewmake at the February 2023 Board of Supervisor meeting. She also suggested the Board consider staggering their terms served on the Board to provide continuity for the County. She then addressed her concerns regarding the intersection mentioned earlier in the meeting.

Laura Bunton addressed her concerns regarding the intersection in Cartersville. She provided County Administrator, Derek Stamey, a petition she drafted with neighbors.

17. **Chairman and Board Member Comments**

18. **Adjourn –**

On a motion by Supervisor Brooks and seconded by Supervisor Saunders, the Board adjourned until the next Budget Workshop at 6:00 p.m. on March 21, 2023 in the Cumberland County Board Meeting Room.

Brian Stanley, Chairman

Derek Stamey, County Administrator