

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD THEIR REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING ON TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020, AT 1:30 P.M., IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING ROOM LOCATED IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 1255 FRANKLIN STREET, SUITE 104, ROCKY MOUNT, VIRGINIA.

THE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH (ORDINANCE #02-04-2020)
EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO EFFECTUATE TEMPORARY CHANGES IN CERTAIN DEADLINES AND TO MODIFY PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES TO ADDRESS CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH PANDEMIC DISASTER

THERE WERE PRESENT: Mike Carter
Tommy Cundiff
Leland Mitchell
Ronald Mitchell
Lorie Smith
Tim Tatum
Ronnie Thompson

OTHERS PRESENT: Christopher Whitlow, County Administrator
Jim Guynn, Legal Counsel
Madeline L. Sefcik, Clerk

Chairman Mitchell, called the meeting to order.

Invocation was given by Supervisor Tommy Cundiff.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Lorie Smith.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Steve Angle, Mayor Town of Rocky Mount

Mayor Angle addressed the Board regarding a concern in the level of coverage for the fire station that serves the Town of Rocky Mount.

Supervisor Carter responded by saying he has addressed this Board, and thinks it is time to step up and hire these positions.

2. Bill Richardson

Mr. Richardson spoke to the Board and urged the Board to vote against the Special Use Permit application for short term rentals at the proposed Strawberry Banks location.

3. Everette Boone

Mr. Boone addressed the Board and invited each of the members to attend a Constitutional Event to be held in July.

4. Chuck Hitzemann

Was unable to attend physically but submitted the following

Subject: Special Use Permit for Short Term Rental at 601 Strawberry Banks Drive

I am Chuck Hitzemann, owner of Lot 25 in the Montego Bay subdivision. I appear before you as President of the Montego Bay Property Owner's Association Board of Directors. Montego Bay consists of 45 properties of which 30 are lakefront. Montego Bay also consists of a community dock with slips owned by off-water individuals. Six of the lakefront properties and the community dock are directly across the cove from 601 Strawberry Banks Drive.

Over the past several weeks, I have communicated with each of you by email about this special use permit application. Those communications were either petitions or written comments from Montego Bay property owners. In addition, each of you received emails directly from Montego Bay property owners. Without exception, each communication represented strong opposition to the approval of this application.

Many of us, me included, were told that Franklin County was a preferred location for establishing residence because short-term rentals were not allowed. The reasoning was that the presence of short-term renters would be a negative influence on residential neighborhoods. Individuals or families renting for a weekend, a week, or other short term do so to have a great, maybe even raucous time on the lake. Because the renters are in and out, there is no vested interest in the neighborhood. Short term renters produce negative neighborhood impacts such as increased traffic, noise and safety concerns, all of which create unnecessary and unwarranted disruption to the neighborhood.

I spoke before you in May and stated several reasons why short term rentals at this property is a very bad idea. Today I focus only on the safety issue.

I have lived on this cove for eighteen years and it is a very popular and busy place during boating season. All kinds of boats, personal watercraft, jet ski racers, skiers, wakeboarders and tubers are present, often at the same time. As one who regularly uses this water, I can attest to the imperative that safe operation requires the highest level of skill and attention.

Short term renters, who in all likelihood may not be familiar with this water, will only increase the high level of danger that already exists. Safety is at the top of Montego Bay property owners' objections to the special use application.

Several Montego Bay property owners have expressed real fear that something tragic may happen in this cove. They have seen the jet ski racing, wave jumping, and excessive speeding and are very concerned. Heaven forbid that there is a tragic event resulting in bodily injury or death. It could happen and would be even more tragic if the cause was an inexperienced operator who was renting 601 Strawberry Banks Drive on a short term basis.

Please, on behalf of 45 Franklin County properties in Montego Bay, I implore you: vote against approval of this Special Use Application.

5. Francis Amos

Dr. Amos addressed the Board and expressed his support of keeping the historical monument outside of the courthouse.

6. Arthur Lekeith Tolliver

Good Afternoon, first I want to thank the members of the board for allowing me the opportunity to speak today. My name is Arthur Lekeith Tolliver, I was born and raised right here in Franklin County, Va. I enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in September of 2000, where I swore to support and defend the constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic. You may have taken a similar oath. I served our country HONORABLY, with respect, dignity, and unbending principle for 16 years, and retired through the Temporary Early Retirement Act. I stand before you today seeking equal representation, for not just myself, but for all individuals within the community of Franklin County. I want to make it clear, that this is not an attempt to create hostility within the community, but rather to start an overdue conversation. Confederate symbolism does not echo the morals and values of which Americans live by. And as such, confederate symbolism should not stand front and center as representation of this town in 2020. It's time for change. Change is happening around the world as we speak. Many individuals will argue that it's about preserving history. I agree.... All parts of history should be maintained. But the location of such artifacts speaks volumes. And the United States Supreme Court said themselves, monuments placed in public places are a form of government speech. With that, I would request for the members of the board to ask themselves, what message is being sent to the residents of Franklin County and its' visitors, by allowing this form of representation to cast a shadow upon Main Street and its' court house doors?

Confederate Vice President Alexander Stephens gave the Cornerstone Speech in 1861, where he expressed his support of slavery, calling it the fundamental and just result of the inferiority of the black race. In 1863, William T. Thompson, co-founder of the Savannah Morning News, published an editorial expressing approval of the revised Confederate Flag, which he later coined "The White Man's Flag". He said the white background of the flag was symbolic of white people's fight to maintain the Heaven-ordained supremacy of the white man over the inferior or colored race. Many modern day supporters of the Confederacy carry the same ideologies, while hiding behind THE "it's just heritage and history" banner. The flag was displayed in response to the Civil Rights movement of the 1950s and 1960s, and it's waved in support of White Nationalist and White Supremacist movements in present day. Dylan Roof, a self-avowed white supremacist, terrorist, and domestic enemy flew the Confederate flag proudly. Support for the preserving of the monuments on historical grounds have been plenty for the neo-confederates, and far-right groups who openly praise white supremacy and slavery. White supremacy support like that of James Alex Fields Jr who drove all the way from Ohio to Charlottesville, Va. to plow his car into a group of peaceful counter-protesters at a white nationalist rally, killing one and injuring dozens. There is an indisputable trend of support of the Confederacy from 1861 to present day by individuals and groups that believe in white superiority and the oppression of colored people for no reason other than because this WAS and always WILL be the initial message.

African-Americans will never be free in America until America wins the Civil War. The war on the battlefield ended 160 years ago for everyone else, but it has continued to be waged against us on jobs, at schools, military bases, and courthouses to name a few, to this day. America has already begun, laying to rest, the vestiges of our domestic enemy. Most notable, the statues that have been LEGALLY removed in Norfolk Virginia, Louisville Kentucky, Jacksonville Florida, Alexandria Virginia, and Mobile Alabama, as well as a host of un-removed statues in other cities that local officials have already vowed to remove. That is indicative of compassion for their entire community, not just a select few. It appears that the people of Franklin County share the same sentiment for its' own people as well, given the recent ban of the Confederate Flag from the public school dress code by the school board. Leader of the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia, General Robert E. Lee himself, was opposed to Confederate memorials. He penned a letter in 1866 stating that the erection of such monuments in this country, would have the effect of retarding, instead of accelerating our accomplishments.

The petition you received, requests for a vote to remove the statue of the Confederate Soldier, the cement base bearing the engravings of the Confederate flag, and all plaques and/or symbols pertaining, from the courthouse building and lawn. And we request that it not be destroyed, as we agree that it is a part of history. But, to be relocated to the Jubal A. Early Preservation Trust of Hardy, Va., or donated to a museum or public cemetery.

Thank you for your time

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTING, APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTING, APPROPRIATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF MAY 19, 2020, MAY 26, 2020 AND JUNE 2, 2020 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

Authorization to Revise Budgetary Appropriations					
To:	Franklin County Board of Supervisors				
From:	Brian J. Carter, Director of Finance				
Please be advised that on June 16, 2020, the Board of Supervisors of Franklin County authorizes by resolution, the following supplemental appropriations and transfers.					
Department	Purpose	Account		Amount	
FY 2019-20					
Sheriff	Drug Restitution	3102-	55412	\$391	
Sheriff	Video Visitation	3301-	57011	\$828	
Sheriff	VSTOP Grant	3105-	51001	\$35,390	
Registrar	Presidential Primary Reimbursement	1301-	51003	\$19,020	
Registrar	Presidential Primary Reimbursement	1302-	53005	\$16,057	
Clerk of Circuit Court	Part-Time Reimbursement	2106-	51003	\$3,194	
Library	Reimbursements/Donations	7301-	55460	\$5,290	
Public Safety	RSAF Grant	3508-	55468	\$117,524	
Solid Waste	Additional Landfill Fee Collections	4203-	53002	\$150,000	
Tourism	Ag Fair Deposits	8110-	55903	\$500	
Family Resources	VDSS COVID-19 reimbursement	5310-	55413	\$1,168	
				\$349,362	
Transfers Between Funds, Departments or Capital Accounts				(Decrease), Increase	
Collection Centers	Transfer from General Fund to Capital	30360044-	57001	150,000	
Refuse Collection	Transfer from General Fund to Capital	4203-	53002	(150,000)	
	Total Transfers			\$0	

EMS AMBULANCE PURCHASE

Ambulances for all volunteer and career stations are funded through the CIP budget by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors. Placement of units is formulated through a collaborative workgroup comprised of volunteer and career providers.

In FY 14/15 an ambulance was purchased and placed into service at the Westlake Fire/EMS station. This unit is a 2014 Dodge VIN 3C7WRLCL1EG270710 with an Osage ambulance body. The unit currently has 159,207 miles and 6,629 hours of service on it. This unit is becoming unreliable and has been moved to "reserve" status stationed at Callaway Rescue Squad.

Due to this being a remounted unit Vest Sales and Service is the sole source distributor for Osage Ambulances in our area. This remount will not only consist of a 2020 Dodge 5500 chassis but a complete redo of the ambulance box. Vehicle will have the same warranty as a new unit.

Vest Sales and Service located in Floyd County, Virginia is an emergency vehicle distributor and repair center for Osage ambulances. Franklin County Public Safety administration has determined that a 2020 Type 1 Dodge Ram 5500 4 X 4 172" Osage ambulance remount with a Stryker 6390 Power Load System will best meet the needs of the first responders and for our citizens, visitors and businesses. The cost of this remounted unit is \$173,500.00. Funds have previously been allocated in the EMS Vehicle Refurbishment capital account under line item 3023-0030-57001.

The newly remounted vehicle will be placed at the Boones Mill Fire/EMS station as a first run apparatus replacing the current vehicle at Boones Mill, a 2014 Dodge 4500 4X4 VIN 3C7WRLVL3FG578044 with 84,152 miles and 3,964 hours. This unit will be moved to "reserve" status and stationed at Callaway Rescue Squad.

Staff has also received the support of the county vehicle committee and finance department for this purchase.

Staff respectfully recommended that the Board of Supervisors authorize the remount of the ambulance as outlined in this summary for the Boones Mill station. Funds are currently budgeted in the EMS Vehicle Refurbishment capital account 3023-0030-57001.

(RESOLUTION #05-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to approve the Consent Agenda as presented above.

MOTION BY: Ronnie Thompson

SECONDED BY: Tim Tatum

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

TODD DANIEL, RESIDENT ENGINEER – VDOT

Mr. Daniel presented the following.

MAINTENANCE

Maintenance Activities for Previous 30 Days:

- Ordinary maintenance – Pavement (pothole) repair, gravel road repair, right of way brush cutting operations (County wide), shoulder repairs (County wide), storm water culvert repairs and cleaning (County wide) and guardrail repairs.
- Route 869 (Turtle Hill Rd.)/Route 40 (Old Franklin Turnpike) – Intersection improvements on Route 869 (Turtle Hill Rd.) at Route 40 to include re-aligning and widening of the intersection. Pavement and pavement markings to be completed in upcoming weeks.
- Primary and secondary mowing operations.
- Route 678 (Northridge Rd.) – Slope repair. COMPLETED
- Route 760 (Telegraph Rd.) – Pipe replacement. COMPLETED
- Patching operations in preparation for plant mix schedule.
- Route 122 (Booker T. Washington Hwy.) – Paving operations from Route 616 (Scruggs Rd.) to 0.21 mi. north of Route 636 (Lost Mountain Rd.). COMPLETED
- Slope repairs on Route 748 (Five Mile Mountain Rd.). COMPLETED
- Paving on Route 220 at intersection of Route 697 (Wirtz Rd.). In progress.

Maintenance Activities for Next 60 Days:

- Ordinary Maintenance – Pavement (pothole) repair, gravel road repair, right of way brush cutting operations (County wide), shoulder repairs (County wide), storm water culvert repairs and cleaning county wide, guardrail repairs.
- Over the rail mowing to include primary and secondary routes.
- Route 647 (Kay Fork Rd.) – Preparation for pipe replacement for failed pipe; ongoing closure.
- Route 640 (Six Mile Post Rd.) – Installation of headwalls for drainage structure to begin mid-June; one lane will be open to traffic.

- Route 618 (Muddy Fork Rd.) – Installation of headwalls for drainage structure to begin late May; one lane will be open to traffic.
- Route 1083 (Countrywood Rd.) – Pipe replacement to begin late June; one lane will be open to traffic.
- Route 740 (Algoma Rd.) – Pipe replacement to begin late June; closed to traffic.

Maintenance Activities for Next 60 Days (cont.):

- Slope repair near frontage road Route F611 (Cornell Rd.) and Bernard Rd. (Town of Rocky Mount).
- Ongoing cleanup of trees and debris from flooding event on various routes.
- Route 714 (Washboard Rd.) – Preparation for pipe replacement.
- Route 723 (Lucy Wade Rd.) – Preparation for pipe replacement.
- Route 643 (Coles Creek Rd.) – Low water structure replacement tentatively to begin mid-June; road will be closed for approximately 5 weeks.
- Primary and secondary mowing operations.
- Patching operations in preparation for plant mix schedule.
- Overlay on Route 122 north of Route 616 (Scruggs Rd.).
- Route 116 (Jubal Early Hwy.) – Closure due to flooding event. The road is closed at the intersection of Route 681 (Coopers Cove Rd.) to 1.5 mi. east of Route 1520 (Windy Ridge Parkway). The closure is expected to be closed at least 2 months – a detour is in place.
- Route 220N – Slope repair from approximately 0.25 mi. north of Route F611 (Cornell Rd.) to south of Route 1055 (Wooddale Dr.).

LAND DEVELOPMENT & PERMITS

- 127 Active permits to include: 57 utilities, 55 private entrances, 3 commercial entrances, 5 roadside memorials, 2 private utility permits, 2 maintenance of traffic permits, 1 grading permit and 2 locally administered permits. Of these, 24 were issued in May.

4 site plan reviews:

- James River Equipment – Site plan review for office building on Route 122.
- WVWA – Review for utility installation on Route 919 (Grassy Hill Rd.)
- WVWA – Review for utility installation on Route 220 between Route 983 (Shady Lane) and Route 220 Business.
- Summit View Segment D3 – Review of Locally administered project (LAP) for Summit View to connect Phase II to Route 696 (Pleasant Breeze Rd.).

Additional Land Development Activities:

- Facebook Fiber Project – Intermittent flagging operations in the Callaway, Wirtz and Burnt Chimney area.
- WVWA – Installation of sewer line along Route 220; lane closure to be installed on Route 220S near intersection of Route 635 (Bonbrook Mill Rd.).
- Fox Run Subdivision – Review subdivision for future state maintenance.
- Penhook Pointe Subdivision – Review subdivision street for future state maintenance.

CONSTRUCTION

Franklin County

- Route 122 (Booker T. Washington Hwy.) Bridge over Blackwater River – Construction underway. The traveling public can expect delays due to flagging operations throughout the life of the project. Project completion is planned for late Fall 2020.

Roanoke County – US220

- Route 220 Bridge over Back Creek – Bridge replacement to include increased width, 6-foot inside shoulder and 10-foot outside shoulder. The project includes grading to improve sight distance at the intersection of Route 657 (Crowell Gap Rd.) and Route 220. Northbound traffic is switched to the new bridge section and the existing northbound bridge is being removed. Route 220 crossover at Crowell Gap Road and Winter Drive is closed and no left turns are allowed. The project is scheduled to be completed in July 2021.
- Route 220 southbound – Left turn lane construction in conjunction with the bridge construction at the crossover/intersection with Route 657 (Crowell Gap Rd.)

TRAFFIC STUDIES/SPECIAL REQUESTS

Requested Safety Studies:

- Route 616 (Scruggs)/Route 942 (Blue Water) – Request to review intersection for safety improvements and possibly a four-way stop.
- Route 220N (Virgil Goode Hwy.) – Request to review extension of existing 45 mph speed limit in Boones Mill to Roanoke County Line.

Completed Safety Studies:

- N/A

PROJECT STATUS

- Route 122 (Booker T. Washington Hwy.)/Route 636 (Hardy Rd.) – Original advertisement date delayed. Plan revision underway; plan revision to include a round-a-bout intersection improvement. Revised advertisement date of December 2020. (UPC 109287)
- Route 834/670 (Brooks Mill Rd./Burnt Chimney Rd.) – Construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Route 834 and Route 670; advertisement scheduled for February 2022. (UPC 111364)
- Route 718 (Colonial Turnpike) – Bridge replacement; project was advertised on January 28, 2020. Fixed completion date 12/1/2021.

PROJECT STATUS cont....

- Route 641 (Callaway Rd.) – Superstructure replacement near intersection of Route 602; construction scheduled to begin June 15, 2020. One lane will be open to traffic during the construction.
- Ongoing discussions with Salem Location and Design and County Staff to refine the design concepts for Smart Scale applications.

CAPTAIN DENNEY, VIRGINIA STATE POLICE

1. Status of Franklin County Coverage:

Earlier this year the Board of Supervisors expressed concerns surrounding the potential strain on Virginia State Police (VSP) coverage in Franklin County. Following a consensus of the Board, staff coordinated with the Virginia State Police to invite a representative to a Board Meeting to address these concerns. VSP Superintendent Gary Settle was notified of the request for a briefing on the trooper staffing shortage in Franklin County and Superintendent Settle assigned Captain Richard Denney to meet with the Board.

The Board shares the concern of statewide trooper shortages and asked as to when can Franklin County get back to a full complement of troopers, thereby expressing for the VSP to actively work to fill the vacancies within Franklin County. Furthermore, the Board questions the possibility of extended wait times on accidents for Public Safety Fire-EMS staff / volunteers due to limited VSP staffing with sometimes only one trooper working a shift. Another concern expressed with the statewide shortage of troopers is the possibility of insufficient time for adequate trooper investigations, as well as trooper fatigue when working multiple, consecutive days. The Board is inquiring as to the population metric for staffing coverage in Franklin County and how, if anything, can the Board assist the VSP in the effort to fully staff troopers here?

Due to the fluid COVID-19 situation the Virginia State Police representative was rescheduled from the March Board Meeting to the June Board Meeting.

Captain Denney spoke on the region-wide shortage of State Troopers, communicating the need for more Troopers in every area he represents. When the Board asked how to help him with this shortage he responded by letting them know a letter to the General Assembly would be an excellent place to begin.

Supervisor R. Mitchell asked a few clarifying questions in regard to the coverage within Franklin County and he voiced his concern for his Franklin County Troopers.

Supervisor Carter and Supervisor Thompson thanked the State Troopers for their time at the Board Meeting today.

STEVEN SANDY, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Steve Sandy addressed the following board items.

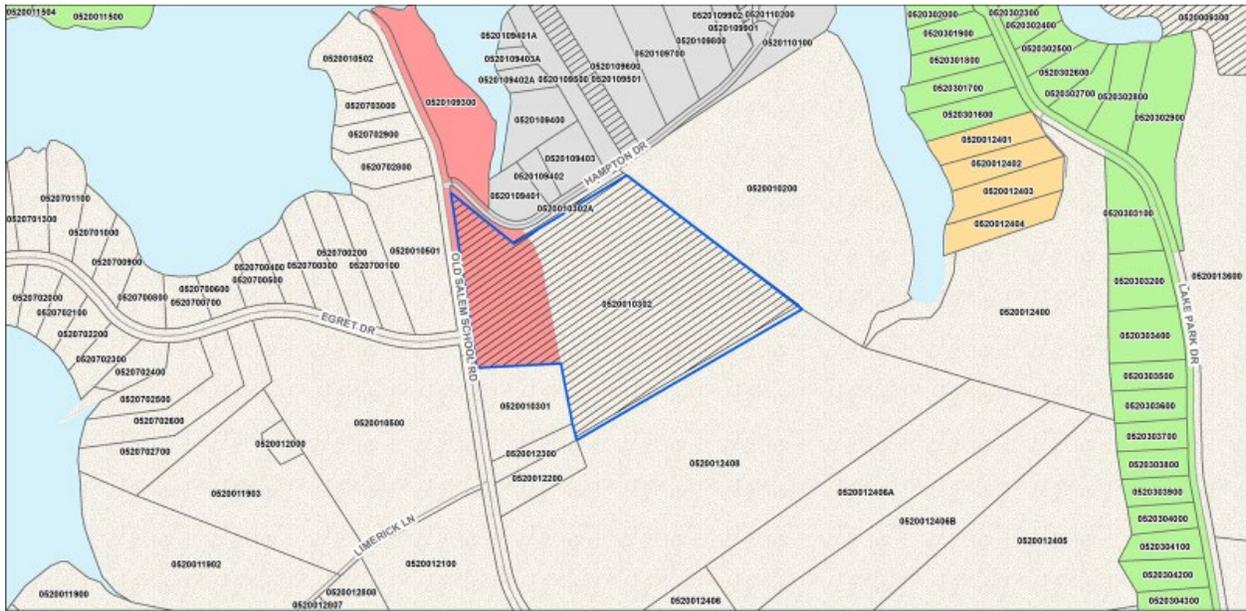
1. Mathena Special Use Permit

Steven Sandy, Director of Planning and Community Development presented the following:

CASE # 02-20-16531

APPLICATION for SPECIAL USE PERMIT- Application of John Mathena, Applicant, and South Lake Motor Sports, LLC, Owners, requesting to amend condition #4 attached to an existing Special Use Permit that was granted by the Board of Supervisors on January 15, 2019. Specifically the applicant is requesting to (1) substitute a single welded wire fence for the approved split rail fence with wire mesh, and (2) to substitute Eastern Red Cedar trees with a height of two (2) feet to four (4) feet, for the previously approved six (6) foot tall Green Giant Arborvitae. The Eastern Red Cedar's would be planted in a single row twenty (20) feet on center along the property boundaries that already have existing mature vegetation. Eastern Red Cedars with a height of three (3) feet to five (5) feet would be planted in a staggered double row twenty (20) feet on center along the north/northwest property lines adjacent to Hampton Drive.

The Board of Supervisors tabled this request after conducting a public hearing on May 19, 2020.



- Parcels
- Special Use Permit
- Zoning Classifications**
- A1 - Agricultural
- B2 - Limited Business District

- R1 - Residential Suburban Subdivision
- R2 - Residential Suburban Subdivision
- B1C1 - Residential Combined Subdivision
- UW - Under Water

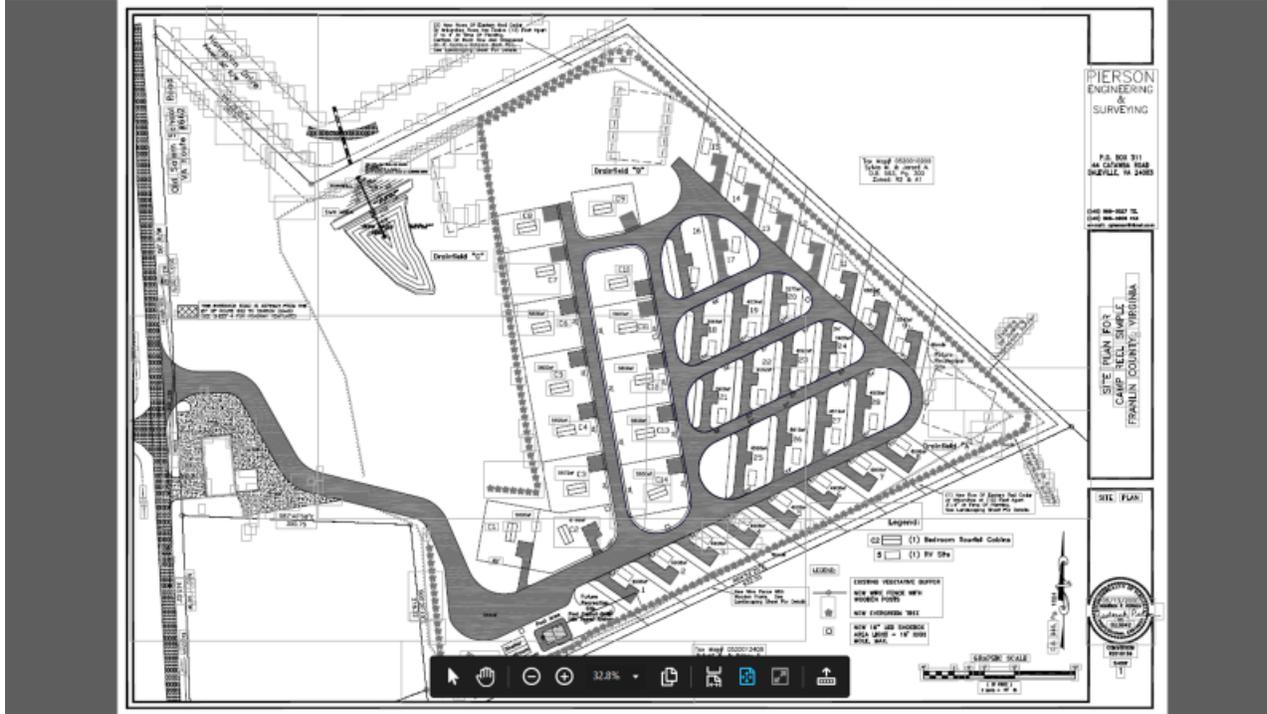


Tax Map # 0520010302
 SPEC-02-20-16531
 John Mathena



The data shown on this map has been compiled from various sources within a geographic information system (GIS) for the primary use of Franklin County. The data provided herein are intended to be used for informational purposes only. There can only be a 100% certainty as to the accuracy of the information. No guarantee, assurance or warranty is made regarding the accuracy, reliability, or completeness of the data. Users who are planning to use this information for any purpose other than that for which it was originally intended should make appropriate inquiries to the appropriate data source.

Date: 3/16/2020



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SITE PLAN FOR
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 FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA

SITE PLAN





PROPOSED FENCING

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

- Modify fencing from split rail with wire to wire fence with wood posts.
- Allow option of Eastern Red Cedars in addition to Green Giant Arborvitae.
- Reduce required height of trees at time of planting from 6' to 3-4'.
- Reduce double row buffer requirement along northern and eastern property lines to a single row.
- Modify buffer requirement along Hampton Drive to maintain double row along Hampton Drive and add single row along perimeter of cabins.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission finds that the modification of the perimeter evergreen buffer and fencing conditions adopted as condition #4 on Resolution 04-02-2019 to be consistent with the purpose and intent of the Comprehensive Plan and good zoning practice and will not be of substantial detriment to the community. Therefore, they recommend approval of the SUP request, by a vote of 5-1-1-0, with condition #4 as follows:

4) A wire fence with wooden posts similar to that depicted in Attachment A shall be installed along the common property line with tax parcels 0520012408 and 0520010200. The fence shall be extended from the property corner with tax parcel 0520010200 to the boundary line along Hampton Drive and then extended for 100 linear feet along the boundary of Hampton Drive. The fencing and entire boundary line along Hampton Drive shall include signs stating "No Trespassing (or No Campers) Beyond This Point" and shall be placed along the fencing every fifty (50) linear feet. An existing vegetative buffer consisting of a minimum width of twenty (20) feet shall be maintained around the entire perimeter of the parcel (except for roads, utility easements, etc).

In addition to the existing vegetation, a new evergreen buffer shall be established along the perimeter of the campground area to provide a visual buffer from adjoining properties. The established buffer shall consist of Green Giant Arborvitae or Eastern Red Cedar trees with a minimum height of 3- 4 feet at the time of planting. This evergreen buffer shall consist of a single row of trees spaced 10 feet apart except along Hampton Drive. Along Hampton Drive, the evergreen buffer shall consist of a double row of trees to the drain field area, and then a single row shall go perpendicular to Hampton Drive behind the cabins. The vegetative buffer shall be maintained by the property owner for the entire period that the use approved by this special use permit is conducted. This buffer and fencing shall be in place prior to the campground opening. A new site plan confirming the vegetative buffer and fencing, along with a photo of the proposed fencing, shall be provided.



Supervisor Smith asked if all VDH and DEQ issues have been addressed. She also asked if public buildings were under the same regulation of septic tanks being emptied each five years? Mr. Sandy will follow-up with this answer.

(RESOLUTION #06-06-2020)

APPLICATION OF JOHN MATHENA APPLICANT, AND SOUTH LAKE MOTOR SPORTS, LLC, OWNERS, REQUESTING TO AMEND CONDITION #4 OF AN EXISTING SPECIAL USE PERMIT, ON PROPERTY CURRENTLY ZONED A-1, AGRICULTURAL, AND B-2, GENERAL BUSINESS, AND CONSISTING OF +/- 14.25 ACRES, LOCATED AT 2000 OLD SALEM SCHOOL ROAD, IN THE UNION HALL DISTRICT OF FRANKLIN COUNTY AND FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP/PARCEL # 0520010302. (CASE # SPEC-02-20-16531).

WHEREAS, John Mathena did file an application requesting to amend condition #4 of an existing special use permit, on an approximate 14.25 acre parcel, located in the Union Hall District, and

WHEREAS, the approximate 14.25 acre property is currently zoned A-1, Agricultural, and B-2, General Business, and

WHEREAS, after due legal notice as required by Section 15.2-2204/2205 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors did hold public hearings on May 12, 2020 and May 19, 2020, respectively, at which time, all parties in interest were given an opportunity to be heard, and

WHEREAS, after full consideration, the Franklin County Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request to modify the conditions and the Board of Supervisors agrees to the amendments as follows:

1. The RV campground and tourist facility will be developed in general conformity with the concept plan entitled "Site Plan For Camp Reel Simple", dated May 13, 2020 with additional requirements as outlined in following conditions.
2. The proposed RV Campground will comply with all the development standards contained in Section 25-155 of the County Code.
3. Each phase of development shall have an approved development plan detailing all land disturbing activities and storm water management in accordance with State and local regulations.

4. A wire fence with wooden posts like that depicted in Attachment A, dated June 15, 2020, shall be installed along the common property line with tax parcels 0520012408 and 0520010200. The fence shall be extended from the property corner with tax parcel 0520010200 to the boundary line along Hampton Drive and then extended for 100 linear feet along the boundary of Hampton Drive. The fencing and entire boundary line along Hampton Drive shall include signs stating, "No Trespassing (or No Campers) Beyond This Point" and shall be placed along the fencing every fifty (50) linear feet. An existing vegetative buffer consisting of a minimum width of twenty (20) feet shall be maintained around the entire perimeter of the parcel (except for roads, utility easements, etc).

In addition to the existing vegetation, a new evergreen buffer shall be established along the boundary of the campground area to provide a visual buffer from adjoining properties. The established buffer shall consist of Green Giant Arborvitae trees. A single row of evergreen tree buffer shall be planted along the perimeter from RV space #1 through RV space #15. Trees shall be four (4) feet tall at planting and spaced twelve (12) feet apart. A double row of evergreen trees shall be planted along the property boundary from RV space #15 to Hampton Drive, west along Hampton Drive to the proposed drain field "C" area, and then perpendicular to Hampton Drive behind all the cabins. There shall also be a double row of evergreens to screen the pool, recreation, garbage and restroom areas from adjacent properties. The two rows shall be planted twelve (12) feet apart and staggered on eight (8) foot centers between each row. Trees in the double row shall be six (6) feet tall at time of planting. The vegetative buffer shall be maintained by the property owner for the entire period that the use approved by this special use permit is conducted. This buffer and fencing shall be in place prior to the campground opening. The vegetative buffer and fencing shall be delineated on the approved site plan for the development.

5. A full-time campground manager shall be retained by the owners to manage the campground operations. On-site management shall post a sign on office with contact number if the manager leaves site. The manager shall develop policies for use of the facility and make these available to the County prior to the campground opening. The policies shall include, but not limited to, the following:
 - Establishment of quiet hours from 10 pm until 7 am
 - No more than fourteen (14) consecutive day rentals.
 - No amplified music allowed.
 - No tent camping allowed on site.
6. All lighting in the campground shall comply with all county lighting standards and shall not exceed an intensity of .5-foot candles at any property line.
7. Compliance with State Regulations:
 - a. All uses of the property shall be approved by the Virginia Department of Health to ensure compliance with respect to water supply, waste disposal and food service and preparation prior to the approval of a final site plan/plat for the project.
 - b. VDOT shall approve all required permits authorizing the proposed driveway connection to Old Salem School Road prior to the approval of the final site plan/plat for the project.
 - c. No gasoline or oil products shall be stored on the subject property without the approval of VA Department of Environmental Quality, Franklin County Fire Marshal and/or Franklin Building Official.
8. Property owner shall submit a plan to ensure the perpetual and proper care and maintenance of property, parking areas, buildings, landscaping including vegetative buffer and storm water management facilities prior to site plan/plat approval. Such plan shall be reviewed and approved by the Zoning Administrator prior to approval of site plan. Plan shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - a. Grass and vegetation, in areas of the site that have been developed or used for campground/cabins, are kept at a height no greater than eight (8) inches.
 - b. No inoperable or unlicensed vehicles shall be located on the property.
 - c. Common areas and parking lots are always in good repair and safe for public.

- d. Trash/Litter: All trash generated on the subject property shall be properly contained and secured on site until it can be picked up by licensed trash hauler or properly disposed at appropriate facility.
 - e. Burn pits, campfire pits or grilling location shall be shown and approved by Fire Marshal.
 - f. Visible 911 address for individual lots shall be established for easy access and identification by first responders in the event of medical, fire or emergency situations. Should be visible and on display in orderly fashion for each lot or cabin as approved by Franklin County GIS.
9. Any access to the property shall be limited to Old Salem School Road. The access roads shall be constructed to a minimum width of twenty-eight (28) feet to accommodate two-way traffic. The roads shall be built to accommodate emergency apparatus weighing a minimum of 50,000 lbs.
 10. No overflow parking shall be provided on this parcel or any other parcels for recreational vehicles awaiting a space in the park. All recreational vehicles on site shall be parked in one of the approved spaces with approved water and sewer hookups.
 11. All-terrain vehicles (ATV) shall only be allowed for owner's use. No rentals of ATVs or golf carts. Golf carts belonging to campers shall only be allowed on campground site.
 12. A sign shall be installed on the subject property (outside of the VDOT right of way) stating "No Recreational Vehicles/Trailers Beyond This Point" at main entrance prior to the campground opening.

WHEREAS, after full consideration, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors determined that the requested modifications will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent property, that the character of the zoning district will not be changed thereby, such use will be in harmony with the purpose and intent of the County Code with the uses permitted by right in the zoning district and with the public health, safety and general welfare of the community and APPROVED the request to amend the previously approved special use permit with conditions adopted in Resolution 04-02-2019 as noted above.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Clerk of the Planning Commission, the Franklin County Commissioner of Revenue and the Franklin County Zoning Administrator and that the Clerk be directed to reflect this action to APPROVE the amended conditions in the zoning records of Franklin County.

On the motion by Tommy Cundiff to APPROVE the amended conditions, and seconded by Ronnie Thompson, said motion was approved by the following recorded vote:

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

Roll call was taken

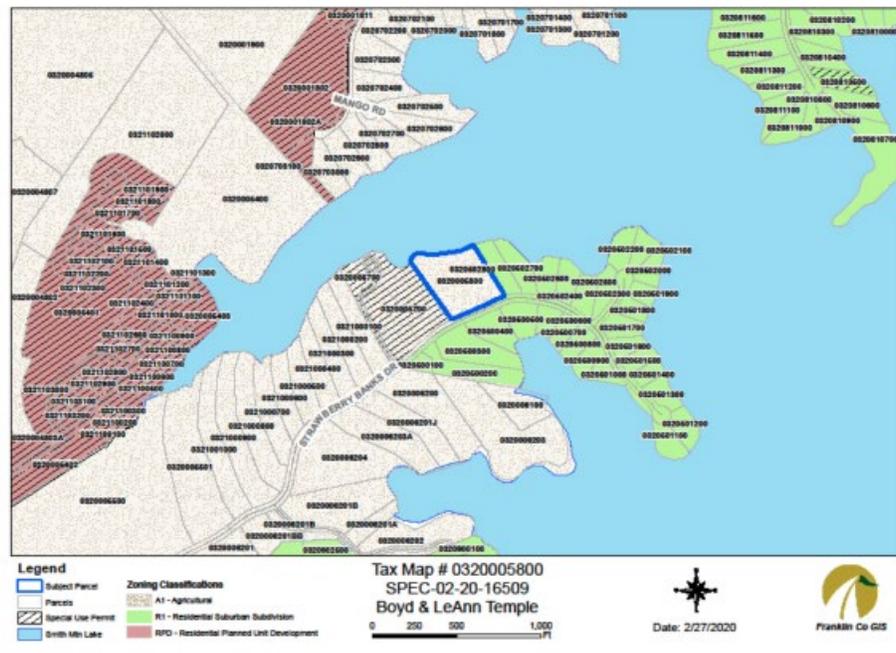
2. Temple Special Use Permit

Mr. Steven Sandy, Director of Planning and Community Development presented the following:

CASE # 02-
20-16509

APPLICATION for SPECIAL USE PERMIT – Application of Boyd K. Temple and LeAnn L. Temple, Applicants and Owners, requesting a Special Use Permit with possible conditions, to allow for the short term tourist rental of a dwelling, located on an approximate 3.29 acre property. The property, currently zoned A-1, Agriculture, is located at 601 Strawberry Banks Drive in the Gills Creek District of Franklin County and is further identified by Franklin County Real Estate Records as Tax Map/Parcel # 0320005800. Short term tourist rentals of a dwelling is a permitted use by Special Use Permit in A-1 Agriculture zoning districts and subject to the supplemental regulations found in Section 25-138 of the Franklin County Code. The property has a future land use designation of Low Density Residential.

The Board of Supervisors tabled this request after conducting a public hearing on May 19, 2020.



RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission recommends approval of this special use permit request, by a vote of 6-1-1-0, with the following four (4) conditions:

- 1) This special use permit authorizing the short term rental dwelling on tax parcel # 0320005800 shall only apply to the existing dwelling on the property. No future dwelling on the property shall be used for short term rental unless this special use permit shall be revised by the Board of Supervisors after review and recommendation of the Planning Commission.
- 2) The owner shall always comply with the supplementary regulations for short term rentals found in Section 25-138 of the Franklin County Code

RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

- 3) The County Building Official and Fire Marshall shall inspect the proposed short term rental use within 30 days of the approval of the special use permit for the short term rental. No short term rental of the property shall be authorized until these inspections take place, and the property is found to be compliant with the applicable county building and fire codes.
- 4) Prior to using the property as a short term rental use, a certified professional engineer shall evaluate the existing septic system serving the house and provide the county with a report that certifies that the system is functioning properly and can meet the demands of a one bedroom home.

REVISED CONDITION #4

Revised condition #4 as requested by owner:

- 4) Home shall contain no more than three (3) bedrooms. Prior to using the property as a short term rental, the VDH and County Building Official shall approve septic system and all bedrooms.

(RESOLUTION #07-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to deny the special use permit of the Temple's with conditions as presented today based on the surrounding zoned areas and the precedent that it will set.

MOTION BY: Lorie Smith
SECONDED BY: Ronald Mitchell
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum
NAYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, Thompson

Roll call was taken

MOTION FAILED

(RESOLUTION #08-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to approve the special use permit of the Temple's with conditions as presented today including the added dock inspection.

MOTION BY: Ronnie Thompson
SECONDED BY: Mike Carter
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum
NAYS: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, Thompson

Roll call was taken

Brief discussion occurred and Ms. Smith suggested four amendments (no more buildings, no portable toilets, no parking of campers and SUP would expire with the sale of the property) The amendment was later removed from the motion.

3. Khawaja Special Use Permit

(RESOLUTION #09-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to table this item until the July 21, 2020 Board of Supervisors Meeting.

MOTION BY: Lorie Smith
SECONDED BY: Ronald Mitchell
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

4. Short-Term Rentals

During the May 19, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting, the Board held public hearings as related to County Code amendments addressing short-term rentals. Following the public hearings, the Board adopted Code Amendments that instituted the following items:

- Short-term rental registry with annual application fee.
- Methods to improve safety in structures currently used as short-term rentals.
- Acquisition of services of a 3rd party vendor to monitor and track short term rentals.
- Increased fines for non-compliance
- Uniform regulations for short term rentals in the zoned and non-zoned areas.

At recent meetings the Board briefly discussed additional restrictions that might be applied in the zoned areas of the County to allow for more oversight. In particular, discussion revolved around possibly requiring short-term rentals in all zoned areas of the County to obtain a special use permit.

In addition to the initial tasks undertaken by the staff to increase monitoring, compliance and safety of short-term rentals, some members of the Water's Edge community have asked that the County consider additional regulations on short-term rentals in the zoned areas of the county. Many Board members received emails in the past from some citizens requesting the Board take more action relative to short-term rentals.

Primarily, the request is to eliminate all by-right use of short-term rentals in the zoned areas (currently allowed in RPD- Residential Planned Development and PCD – Planned Commercial Development zoning districts) and require a special use permit in the RPD and PCD like the current requirement in Agriculture (A-1) zoning districts. This change would require anyone wishing to have short-term rentals in the A-1, PCD and RPD zoned areas of Franklin County to obtain a special use permit. This process requires a public hearing before both the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors and notification of the adjacent property owners. Short term rentals would still be prohibited in all other zoning districts.

Additional proposals have been discussed by some Planning Commission members and members of the community as listed below:

- **Setback requirements between dwellings** - For example, a dwelling used for a short-term rental must be at least 100-feet from an adjacent dwelling.
- **Minimum lot size requirements** - Currently, there is no minimum lot size to conduct a short-term rental. As an example, a requirement could be considered that no short-term rental can occur on a lot that is less than 0.5 acres in size.

After discussion at the April 21st meeting, no consensus was reached on next steps. It was requested that this discussion be continued until all members of the board were present to participate.

At the May meeting, there was still only six members present, therefore, the discussion was once again carried over until June 16th meeting.

Planning staff respectfully requested that the Board of Supervisors discuss the above proposals to amend short-term rental zoning regulations and consider referring any proposed amendments to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation prior to conducting required public hearings.

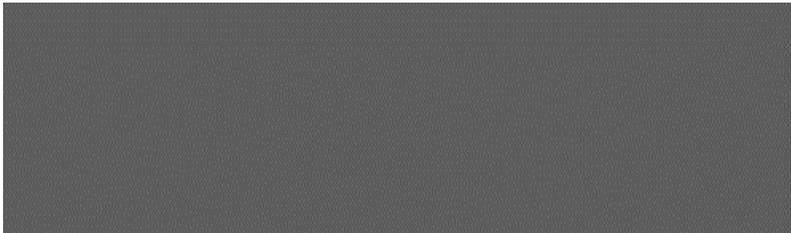
Mr. Steven Sandy, Director of Planning and Community Development presented the following:

-  Members of the Water's Edge community have asked that the County consider additional regulations concerning short-term rental.
-  The request is to eliminate all by-right use of short-term rentals in the zoned areas (currently allowed by-right in RPD and PCD zoning districts) and require a special use permit similar to the current requirement in Agriculture (A-1) zoning districts.
-  This change would require anyone wishing to have short-term rentals in the A-1, PCD and RPD zoned areas of Franklin County to obtain a special use permit.
-  This process requires a public hearing before both the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors and notification of the adjacent property owners.



POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL ZONING REGULATIONS





ADDITIONAL ZONING REGULATIONS



Setback requirements- Create a minimum distance between structures (e.g., 200 feet)

Minimum lot size requirement- Create a minimum lot size requirement (e.g. 1 acre)

Supervisor Thompson would like to make it known he does not like to hinder the property rights of citizens.

Supervisor Smith voiced her want for all short-term-rental permit requires and special use permit. Supervisor Tatum made it known this is just for zoned areas within the County.

Supervisor Thompson wants it to be known he is against any kind of restricting people's property rights.

(RESOLUTION #10-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to refer amendments to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation prior to conducting required public hearings (specifically setback requirements and lot size requirements).

MOTION BY: Mike Carter
SECONDED BY: Lorie Smith
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum
NAYS: Cundiff, L. Mitchell, Thompson

BRIAN CARTER, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

- 1. Monthly Report



FRANKLIN COUNTY

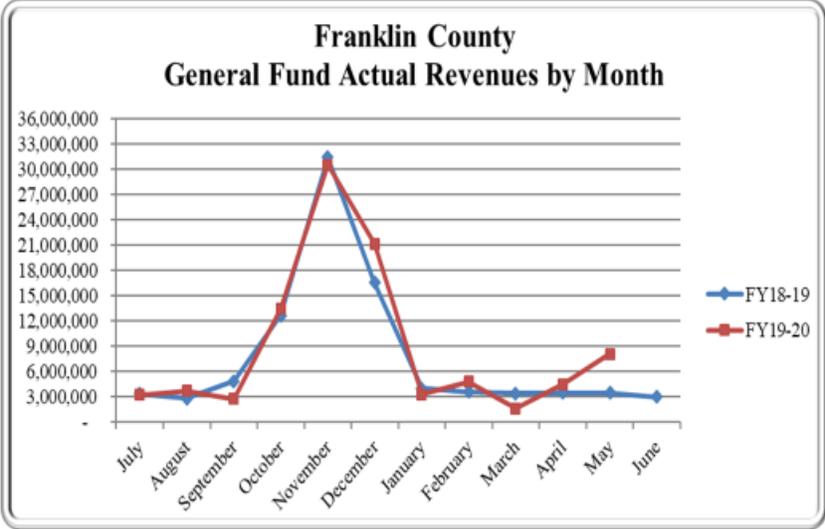
MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT

June 16, 2020



Franklin County
Cash Basis Revenue and Expenditure Summaries (Unaudited)
General Fund and School Fund Only
For the Month Ended May 31, 2020

REVENUES:	Budget and Appropriations Current Year	Actual Year to Date Revenues	Balance To Be Realized	Percent of Budget
General Property Taxes	55,095,914	57,029,422	1,933,508	103.5%
Other Local Taxes	12,220,752	11,747,236	(473,516)	96.1%
Permits, Fees and Licenses	395,241	447,836	52,594	113.3%
Fines and Forfeitures	43,499	35,726	(7,773)	82.1%
Revenue from the use of Money and Property	644,790	630,541	(14,249)	97.8%
Charges for Services	2,704,331	2,843,586	139,255	105.1%
Miscellaneous Revenue	882,293	714,239	(168,054)	81.0%
Recovered Costs	603,699	517,888	(85,811)	85.8%
Revenue from the Commonwealth	15,210,154	20,358,397	5,148,243	133.8%
Federal Government	3,636,872	2,890,054	(746,818)	79.5%
Total	91,437,545	97,214,925	5,777,380	106.3%
Fund Balance/Carryover Funds	3,261,591	(80,395)		
Transfers	144,429	144,429		
Total General Fund	94,843,565	97,278,959		
Schools				
Cafeteria, Misc, State, Federal	53,357,617	46,863,655	(6,493,962)	87.8%
Local Funding from County	34,365,178	31,425,921	(2,939,257)	91.4%
Total School Fund	87,722,795	78,289,576	(9,433,219)	89.2%
EXPENDITURES:	Budget and Appropriations Current Year	Actual Year to Date Expenditures	Balance Expended	Percent of Budget
General and Financial Administration	5,009,018	4,597,380	411,638	91.8%
Judicial Administration	3,005,327	2,555,108	450,219	85.0%
Public Safety (Sheriff, Corrections, Fire, EMS)	15,144,763	13,385,389	1,759,374	88.4%
Public Works	4,098,231	3,460,311	637,920	84.4%
Health and Welfare	14,446,407	13,787,754	658,653	95.4%
Parks, Recreation, Libraries, Community College	2,312,738	2,002,628	310,110	86.6%
Community Development	3,256,868	2,661,342	595,526	81.7%
Transfers to Schools, Capital, Debt	47,570,213	43,643,304	3,926,909	91.7%
Total General Fund	94,843,565	86,093,216	8,750,349	90.8%
School Fund	87,722,795	80,594,861	7,127,934	91.9%





	<u>FY17-18</u>	<u>FY18-19</u>	<u>FY19-20</u>	<u>18/19 to 19/20</u> <u>% Change</u>
Total Revenue Year to Date (July - May)	35,395,783	39,542,180	39,694,503	0.4%
Dollar Increase			152,323	
Percent of Budget	100.09%	100.18%	99.93%	



	<u>FY17-18</u>	<u>FY18-19</u>	<u>FY19-20</u>	<u>18/19 to 19/20</u> <u>% Change</u>
Total Revenue Year to Date (July - May)	9,863,698	10,963,742	12,223,165	11.5%
Dollar Increase			1,259,423	
Percent of Budget	100.33%	103.01%	111.72%	





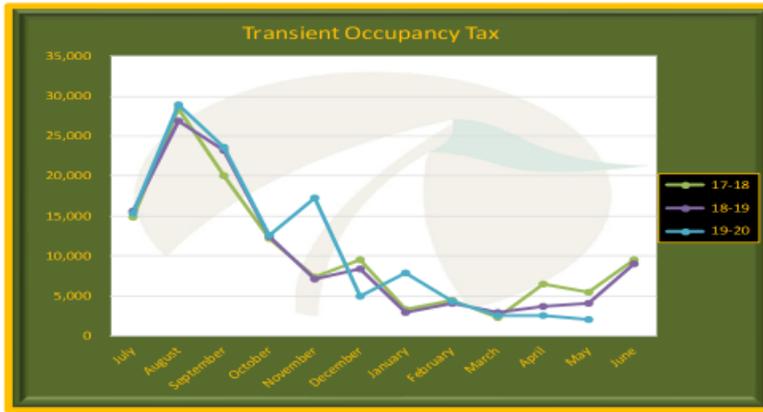
	<u>FY17-18</u>	<u>FY18-19</u>	<u>FY19-20</u>	<u>18/19 to 19/20</u>
Total Revenue Year to Date (July - May)	4,205,487	5,128,744	4,988,081	% Change -2.7%
Dollar Increase			(140,663)	

*Revenue collections are at 99.1% of Budget

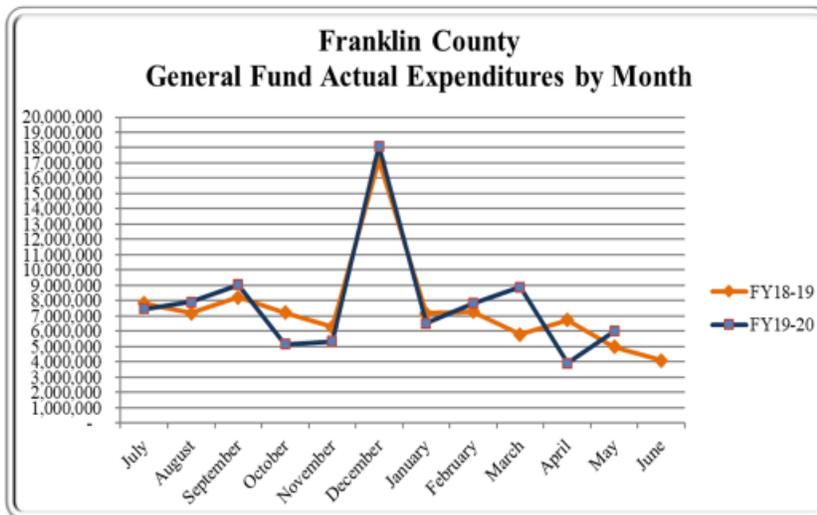


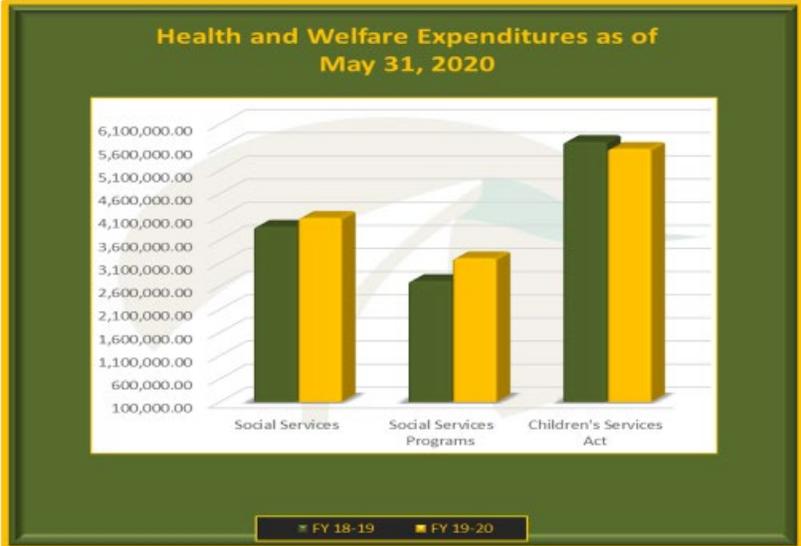
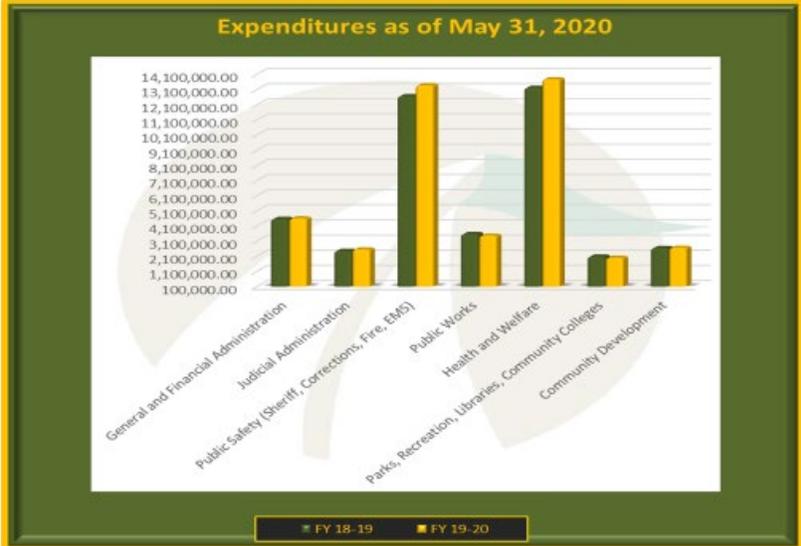
	<u>FY17-18</u>	<u>FY18-19</u>	<u>FY19-20</u>	<u>18/19 to 19/20</u>
Total Revenue Year to Date (July - May)	1,008,254	1,072,024	1,066,409	% Change -0.5%
Dollar Increase			(5,615)	





	<u>FY17-18</u>	<u>FY18-19</u>	<u>FY19-20</u>	18/19 to 19/20
Total Revenue Year to Date (July - May)	114,376	111,347	122,170	% Change 9.7%
Dollar Increase			10,823	





Fund Balance

Unassigned Fund Balance 6/30/19	\$23,704,454
Less:	
BOS Approved Rollovers	-\$1,421,851
Capital Project Reserve	-\$1,400,000
School Carryover Approved	\$0
Policy Minimum 20% of GF Revenues	<u>-\$18,780,531</u>
Remaining Available	<u><u>\$2,102,072</u></u>



Economic Update

- Real GDP is forecasted to decline 37.6% in the 2nd Quarter of 2020 per Wells Fargo followed by a significant rebound with growth of 23.9% in the 3rd Quarter and 10.6% in the 4th Quarter
 - Forecasted GDP decline of -5.8% in calendar 2020 and increase of 3.3% in 2021
 - Virginia May revenue collections
 - Individual Income taxes decreased 3.6%
 - Sales taxes decreased 12.5%
 - Virginia budget relies heavily on income taxes (70%) and sales taxes (18%)
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Economic Update (cont.)

- Anticipated impact to localities is unknown as the State revenue reforecast is anticipated in July or August
 - Current State estimates include \$1 billion losses in FY 2021 and FY 2022
 - Over 50% of County/School combined budget is funded with State and Federal funds
 - Local revenues May collections
 - Meals Tax collections decreased 36%
 - Transient Occupancy Tax collections decrease 49.9%
 - Local Sales Taxes increased 9.5%
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Supervisor Smith noted she spoke with Delegate Poindexter regarding state funding and he hopes that localities will not experience a large decrease of funding reductions.

MIKE BURNETTE, DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BRIAN CARTER, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Local CARES Act Funding Overview



LOCAL CARES ACT FUNDING

FEDERAL CARES ACT FUNDING (Through Commonwealth of Virginia)

- Federal government passed *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020* that created a \$150 billion pool for state and local governments
- Virginia received \$3.1 billion, of which \$1.3 billion is slated to be allocated to localities
- \$645 million disbursed to localities in the first round and must be spent by December 30, 2020 or must be returned
- Funds can only be used for necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020; were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020.
- Cannot be used to make up for Revenue shortfalls

LOCAL CARES ACT FUNDING

FEDERAL CARES ACT FUNDING (Through Commonwealth of Virginia)

- Franklin County received \$4,889,448 in funding
- \$87.25 per capita
- Must be spent by December 30, 2020 or returned to state/feds
- Expenditures will be reviewed AFTER THE FACT by state/feds and must be repaid if found to be ineligible
- County Attorneys and Auditors around the Commonwealth are advising being very conservative on the types of projects funded
- Guidance on what is or is not an eligible expense is constantly changing
- Main item NOT ELIGIBLE is recovery by County of lost tax revenues
- Must disburse "equitable share" to towns within County – Staff recommends providing Boones Mill and Rocky Mount with identical per capita funding as County received

LOCAL CARES ACT FUNDING

FEDERAL CARES ACT FUNDING (Through Commonwealth of Virginia)

- Staff Team has continuously reviewed changing guidelines, projects undertaken in other localities, and direction from VACo/VML/statewide finance directors/statewide County Attorneys/etc.
- County Departments and Constitutional Offices were surveyed for potential projects
- Received projects were compiled and reviewed for eligibility
- A FIRST ROUND of recommended projects is being presented today that encompass projects that seem to meet the narrowly viewed eligibility requirements
- As additional guidance is received from the federal and state governments as well as Auditors and County Attorneys, more projects may be deemed eligible and recommended for a future round
- Important items not included in the first round that may be a priority if deemed eligible: Broadband, Hazard Pay, & Non-Profits

LOCAL CARES ACT FUNDING

RECOMMENDED FIRST ROUND PROJECTS TOTAL AVAILABLE = \$4,889,448

• Distribution to Town of Boones Mill (234 Citizens)	\$ 20,417
• Distribution to Town of Rocky Mount (4,748 Citizens)	\$ 414,263
• Small Business Grants	\$1,000,000
• Program Administration Contract	\$ 50,000
• Distribution of 75,000 Facemasks	\$ 51,750
• PPE and Other Public Safety Expenses (prior and upcoming)	\$ 238,000
• Rent/Utilities Assistance Grants to Citizens (thru non-profit)	\$ 800,000
• Unemployment Insurance Self-Reimbursement	\$ 100,000
• Information Technology	\$ 890,000
• Laptops, Remote Work, Franklin Center, Energov, & BOS/B-75/ACR AV	
• Touchless Faucets in Government Center	\$ 10,000
• Sheriff's Office – Technology, Video Visitation, and PPE	\$ 112,896
• Approximate Remaining Funds for Future Rounds	\$1,202,122

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused immeasurable damage to the local, state, national, and global economies. The United States government has approved several bills providing funding to various sectors of the American economy in an effort to boost economic activity. The signature bill to date is called the CARES Act which, in part, provides billions of dollars to states and localities to assist with COVID-related expenses. Franklin County has received \$4,889,448 from the Commonwealth of Virginia as a pass through from the United States Treasury.

Staff will provide the Board with an overview of the CARES Act as it relates to the funding received locally and discuss potential expenditures of these funds as directed by the Act. The law broadly outlines how the County can spend the grant funding and requires that all funds be expended by December 30, 2020. Any funds not spent by the deadline must be sent back to the federal government. All potential projects must be related to the COVID-19 crisis in some way. Eligible expenses purchased after March 1st and not included in the County's annual budget as of March

27th may be reimbursable from the CARES Act grant. The guidance and frequently asked questions from the US Treasury are attached.

A team of staff members have been meeting to review potential projects and how those projects fit with the received federal guidance. Various County departments have submitted potential projects for review. Unfortunately, federal guidance is somewhat vague and continues to change on a weekly basis. The final CARES Act law allows local governments to spend the funds on COVID-related items as the locality deems "reasonable". While this seemed to provide a great deal of flexibility, the Act also included a provision that the uses of the money would be reviewed only after the expenditures were made and if the expense was deemed later to be non-compliant then the County would have to return the ineligible expenses out of its own funds. Due to the vagueness of the original Act wording, auditors and County Attorneys across Virginia are cautioning that only a very select group of expenses should be contemplated until further Treasury guidance is received. Staff is attempting to achieve a balance between making use of the funds to the greatest extent possible while also ensuring that no non-allowable expenditures are made.

Staff respectfully requested that the Board hear a staff presentation on the CARES Act and an initial list of potential expenditures for which these funds can be used.

Supervisor R. Mitchell voiced the opinion that he would like the Sheriff's office to be on the committee of the CARES Act funding.

A consensus was made to put the infrastructure of these programs into place

CLOSED MEETING

(RESOLUTION #11-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors to enter into a Closed Meeting in Accordance with 2.2-3711, (A)(1), Personnel Discussion of appointments to County Boards, Commissions, etc.; (A) (3) Discussion of the acquisition of real property or the disposition of real property; (A) (5) Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry; (A)(7) Consultation with legal counsel, (A) (29) Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

MOTION BY: Ronald Mitchell
SECONDED BY: Lorie Smith
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

Roll Call was taken

MOTION: Leland Mitchell RESOLUTION: #00-06-2020
SECOND: Tommy Cundiff MEETING DATE: June 16, 2020

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712(d) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Franklin County Board of Supervisors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Franklin County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Franklin County Board of Supervisors.

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

Roll call was taken

Chairman Mitchell recessed the meeting for dinner.

(RESOLUTION #012-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to reappoint Ms. Maggie Gray to the Aging Services Board.

MOTION BY: Lorie Smith
SECONDED BY: Ronnie Thompson
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

(RESOLUTION #13-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to reappoint Mr. James Colby to the Planning Commission to represent the Gills Creek District.

MOTION BY: Lorie Smith
SECONDED BY: Tim Tatum
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

(RESOLUTION #14-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to reappoint Ms. Reba Dillion to the Recreation Committee.

MOTION BY: Lorie Smith
SECONDED BY: Ronnie Thompson
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

(RESOLUTION #15-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to appoint Mr. David Pendleton to the Planning Commission to serve the Blackwater District.

MOTION BY: Ronnie Mitchell
SECONDED BY: Tim Tatum
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

Chairman Mitchell called the board meeting back to order for previously scheduled Public Hearings.

1. The Franklin County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider proposed amendment to **(Chapter 1- General Provisions: Section 1-17; Provision local courthouse security)**

The Office of the Sheriff, County of Franklin is a full-service law enforcement agency with jail, court security, and law enforcement responsibilities. The Franklin County Sheriff's Office is charged with courthouse and courtroom security at the Franklin County courthouse. The Franklin County Court system has one Circuit court, one General District court, and two Juvenile and Domestic Relations courts. Due to the increase in cases being

heard, the second J&D court was opened in 2015. These courts operate Monday through Friday and have seen an increase in cases and business in the courthouse over the last few years.

In 2015, the Franklin County courthouse underwent several renovations; to include limiting access by providing one entry point. This entry point is staffed with Franklin County Sheriff's Office deputies that screen individuals entering the courthouse. This screening is completed through several means to include; staff, metal detectors, handheld wands and other equipment. Bailiffs provide security to the courtroom, judge and citizens as well as transport prisoners to and from the Franklin County jail. The Sheriff's Office utilizes full time and part-time deputies to assist in the security of the courthouse. Part-time deputies are paid an hourly rate.

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office incurs costs to staff and keep the courthouse and courtrooms safe and secure. There are challenges in maintaining staffing of part-time deputies that are Law Enforcement certified. The hourly rate for these part-time deputies is \$15.45 per hour. Similar positions in surrounding jurisdictions have significantly higher pay rates for these positions, making it more appealing to go to those areas for employment. The Franklin County Sheriff's Office has not seen an increase in the part-time salaries line item (2107 51003) for several years. Not only is there an employee cost, but there are equipment costs as well. Metal detectors and the x-ray machine require yearly maintenance and calibrations. There will also be a significant cost when the time comes to replace that equipment at end of life.

The importance and significance of courthouse security is demonstrated under Code of Virginia 53.1-120. The Franklin County code adopted this code in Chapter 1, Section 1-17. - Provision local courthouse security. This code section assesses a ten dollar (\$10) charge as part of the costs in each criminal or traffic case in Franklin County General District, Juvenile and Domestic, or Circuit Courts in which the defendant is convicted. The assessment shall be collected by the clerk of the court, remitted to the treasurer and held by the treasurer subject to appropriation by the governing body to the Sheriff's Office for the funding of courthouse security.

Governor Northam recently signed Senate Bill 149 into law and will go into effect July 1, 2020. This bill allows localities to increase Courthouse and Courtrooms security fees from \$10 to \$20. Increasing the courthouse security fee to \$20 is estimated to add approximately \$50,000 in new revenue to the County budget. Prior to a fee increase, a public hearing is required to amend the current County Code Chapter 1, Section 1-17. - Provision local courthouse security.

The Office of the Sheriff respectfully requests that the Board of Supervisors to consider amending County Code Chapter 1, Section 1-17 to increase the Courthouse security fee to \$20.00. If Code amendment is approved, the Office of the Sheriff requests such new revenue from the fee increase be designated into the Office of the Sheriff budget for part-time salaries and other expenses in Courthouse/courtroom security to include equipment maintenance and replacement.

Sec. 1-17. - Provision local courthouse security.

Pursuant to the provisions of Code of Virginia § 53.1-120, there is hereby assessed a charge of **twenty dollars (\$20.00)** as part of the costs in each criminal or traffic case in Franklin County General District, Juvenile and Domestic or Circuit Courts in which the defendant is convicted. The assessment shall be collected by the clerk of the court, remitted to the treasurer and held by the treasurer subject to appropriation by the governing body to the sheriff's office for the funding of courthouse security.
(Ord. of 5-16-02(1); Ord. of 6-26-07(2))

Chairman Mitchell opened the public hearing

Gerald Conner:

Are we expecting some sort of short fall that we need this?

Public hearing was closed

(ORDINANCE #16-06-2020)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA TO AMEND COURTHOUSE SECURITY FEE PURSUANT TO AMENDMENTS TO § 53.1-120 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, Pursuant to §53.1-120 of the Code of Virginia any county or city may, by Ordinance duly adopted, impose a security fee against any person convicted of a criminal or traffic offense within said county or city, the proceeds of which are to be used for purposes of courthouse security, in accordance with state law and;

WHEREAS, §1-17 of the Franklin County Code currently assesses a charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) as part of the costs in each criminal or traffic case in Franklin County General District, Juvenile and Domestic or Circuit Courts in which the defendant is convicted and;

WHEREAS, effective July 1, 2020, the Commonwealth of Virginia has permitted such courthouse security fees to be increased to \$20.00 and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Franklin County is mindful of the need to maintain appropriate security for the safety of citizens of the County and the officers and employees of the courts, and is further mindful of the increasing costs of personnel and equipment over time, and has determined that the fee should be increased in accordance with state law.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED, that after a duly advertised public hearing, the courthouse security fee as established in §1-17 of the Franklin County Code be, and it hereby, is increased to \$20.00 to be levied and collected as a part of the costs to be paid by each person convicted of a criminal or traffic charge in the Courts of Franklin County.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other provisions of §1-17 of the Franklin County Code shall remain in full force and effect.

This ordinance shall be effective July 1, 2020.

MOTION BY: Ronnie Thompson

SECONDED BY: Tim Tatum

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

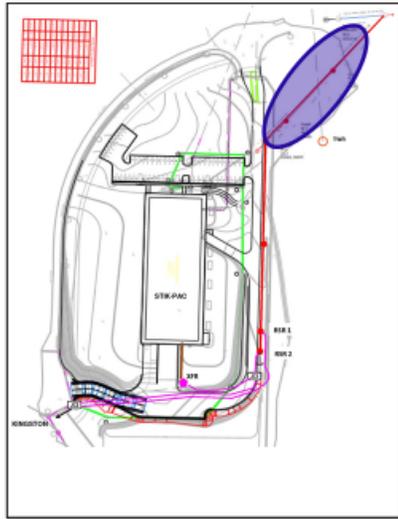
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

2. In accordance with the provisions of Section 15.2-1800 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, notice is hereby given to all interested parties that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Franklin, Virginia will conduct a public hearing on a proposed easement for electrical power infrastructure on County property located at the Summit View Business Park, Rocky Mount, Virginia with said property identified as a portion of Franklin County Tax Map #0370005400. The County of Franklin is interested in providing an easement to Appalachian Power Company for the location of certain electrical infrastructure and related improvements and rights of way within the park.



SUMMIT VIEW
BUSINESS PARK

Think Outside.



AEP Easement

- AEP Easement for Stik-Pak Line
- Hold public hearing for consideration of transfer of 40' wide easement to AEP for running of three-phase overhead power from existing overhead line to Stik-Pak site



Think Outside.



*Chairman Mitchell opened the public hearing
No one spoke
Public hearing was closed*

(RESOLUTION #17-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to transfer easement to AEP.

MOTION BY: Lorie Smith
SECONDED BY: Tommy Cundiff
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

- 3. APPLICATION for SPECIAL USE PERMIT-** Application of Karen S. Saunders, Applicant and Owner, requesting a Special Use Permit with possible conditions to allow for the short-term tourist rental of a dwelling on an approximate 6.71-acre property. The property, currently zoned A-1, Agricultural, is located at 345 Hermitage Road in the Union Hall District of Franklin County and further identified by Franklin County Real Estate Records as Tax Map/Parcel # 0470007000. The short-term rental of a tourist dwelling is a permitted use by issuance of a special use permit in A-1, Agricultural, zoning districts. The property has a future use designation of Low Density Residential.

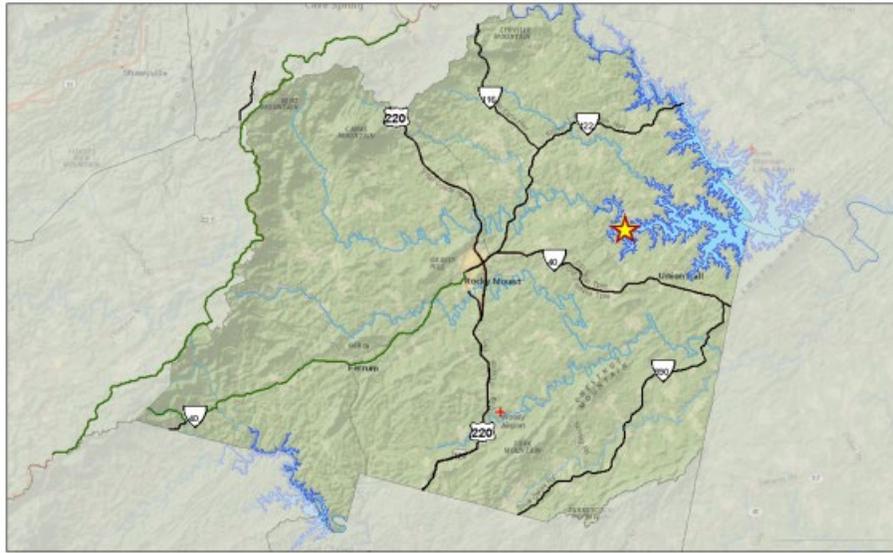
Mr. Steven Sandy, Director of Planning and Community Development:

CASE # 03-20-
16560

APPLICATION for SPECIAL USE PERMIT- Application of Karen S. Saunders, Applicant and Owner, requesting a Special Use Permit with possible conditions to allow for the short term tourist rental of a dwelling on an approximate 6.71 acre property. The property, currently zoned A-1, Agricultural, is located at 345 Hermitage Road in the Union Hall District of Franklin County and further identified by Franklin County Real Estate Records as Tax Map/Parcel # 0470007000. The short term rental of a tourist dwelling is a permitted use by issuance of a special use permit in A-1, Agricultural, zoning districts. The property has a future land use designation of Low Density Residential.

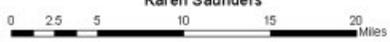
BACKGROUND

- Ms. Saunders is the owner of a single family home on Hermitage Rd. in Wirtz, VA. Her career is requiring that she move out of state for the next ten years. She would like to retain ownership of her home so that it is available as a possible retirement location.
- Approval to use the house as a short term rental will be a source of income to offset maintenance costs and management fees and will allow her to periodically visit and stay at the home while she resides out of state.
- The Saunders property is zoned A-1 Agricultural. Per Section 25-179 of the County Code, short term rentals are permitted in A-1 zoning districts provided the Board of Supervisors issues a special use permit for the use.



 Subject Property Location

Tax Map # 0470007000
SPEC-04-20-16560
Karen Saunders



Date: 4/29/2020



- Legend**
-  Subject Parcel
 -  Parcel
 -  Special Use Permit
 -  Smith Mt. Lake
 - Zoning Classifications**
 -  A1 - Agricultural
 -  R1 - Residential Suburban Subdivision

Tax Map # 0470007000
SPEC-04-20-16560
Karen Saunders



Date: 4/29/2020





- Legend**
- Subject Property
 - Tax Parcels
 - Low Density Residential

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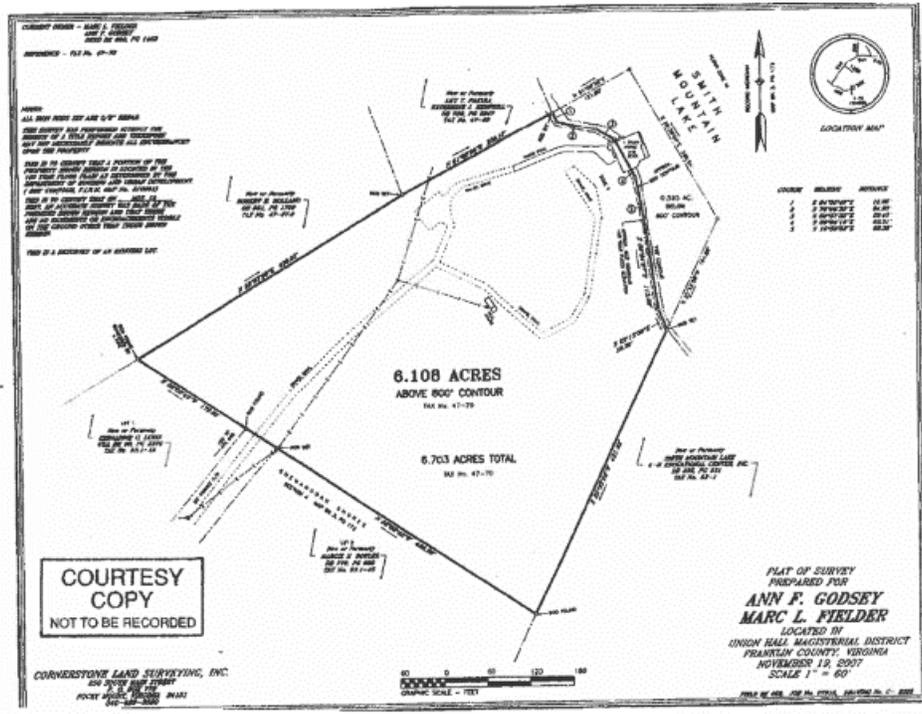
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 The Future Land Use designates the property located at 345 Hermitage Road as Low Density Residential according to the 2007 Franklin County Comprehensive Plan.

 The comprehensive plan would support the special use permit for this property to be used as a short term rental dwelling unit due to the fact the property would not adversely impact surrounding properties.

 The location of the dwelling is situated that it cannot be seen from other properties and the trees buffering between the two neighbors will help screen and reduce noise.

 There were no public comments received at the advertised public hearing.



STAFF ANALYSIS



RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission recommends approval of this SUP request by a vote of 5-0-1-1, to allow the short term rental of the Saunders residence with the following three conditions:

- 1) This SUP shall only apply to the existing house located at 345 Hermitage Rd. and shall not apply to any additional homes that may be constructed on tax parcel 0470007000.
- 2) The Franklin County Building Official and Fire Marshal shall inspect the structure proposed for short term rental use prior to the structure being used for short term rental to ensure all safety requirements are met.
- 3) The property owner shall complete the "Short Term Rental Certificate of Compliance Form" and submit the form to the zoning administrator prior to using the house as a short term rental. The property owner shall at all times comply with the supplementary regulations for short term rentals.

Chairman Mitchell opened the public hearing

Mr. DeWitt spoke on behalf of Ms. Saunders and wanted Ms. Smith to know he has worked with AEP.

Public hearing was closed

(RESOLUTION #18-06-2020)

WHEREAS, Karen Saunders did file an application requesting a Special Use Permit to allow for the short term tourist rental of a dwelling on an approximate 6.71 acre parcel, located in the Union Hall District, and

WHEREAS, the 6.71 acre Saunders property is zoned A-1, Agricultural and short term tourist rentals of a dwelling are a permitted use by special use permit in A-1 districts, and

WHEREAS, after due legal notice as required by Section 15.2-2204/2205 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors did hold public hearings on May 12, 2020 and June 16, 2020, respectively, and

WHEREAS, after full consideration, the Franklin County Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the Special Use Permit with the following three (3) conditions:

1. This SUP shall only apply to the existing house located at 345 Hermitage Rd. and shall not apply to any additional homes that may be constructed on tax parcel 0470007000.
2. The Franklin County Building Official and Fire Marshal shall inspect the structure and dock proposed for short term rental use prior to the structure being used for short term rental to ensure all safety requirements are met.
3. The property owner shall complete the "Short Term Rental Certificate of Compliance Form" and submit the form to the zoning administrator prior to using the house as a short term rental. The property owner shall at all times comply with the supplementary regulations for short term rentals.

WHEREAS, after full consideration, The Board of Supervisors determined that such use will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent property, that the character of the zoning district will not be changed thereby, and that such use will be in harmony with the purpose and intent of the County Code with the uses permitted by right in the zoning district, and with the public health, safety and general welfare to the

community and APPROVED the request with the three (3) conditions recommended by the Planning Commission as contained in this Resolution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Clerk of the Planning Commission, the Franklin County Commissioner of Revenue and the Franklin County Zoning Administrator and that the Clerk be directed to reflect this action to APPROVE the Special Use Permit in the records of Franklin County.

On the motion by Supervisor Cundiff to approve the requested Special Use Permit, and seconded by Supervisor Thompson, said motion was APPROVED by the following recorded vote:

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

4. **AMENDMENT TO FRANKLIN COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN-** Application of Franklin County, requesting a comprehensive plan amendment of the Franklin County Facilities Map, identified as Map # 21, in the 2007 Franklin County 2025 Comprehensive Plan adopted by the Board of Supervisors in May 2007. The purpose of requesting the review is to update the existing Franklin County Facilities Map by adding existing and proposed public safety facilities, to add existing or proposed government office and facilities, and to update all existing elementary schools. The Franklin County Facilities Map is located in the Appendix 2 of the Comprehensive Plan.

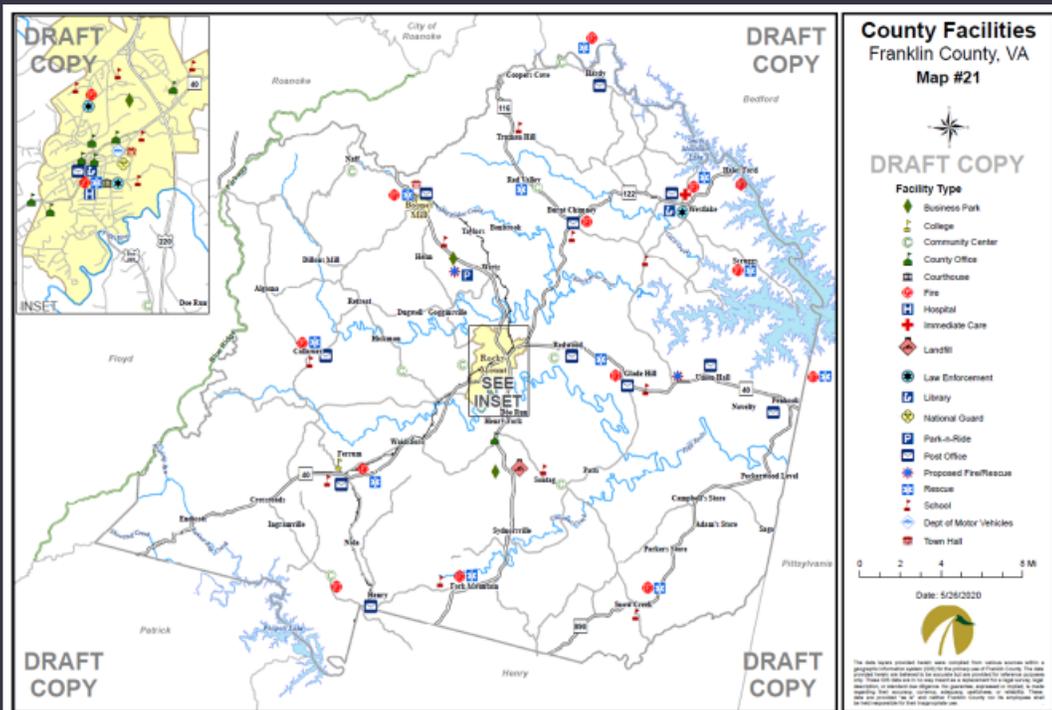
Mr. Steven Sandy, Director of Planning and Community Development:

CASE # A-05-20-002

AMENDMENT TO FRANKLIN COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN- Application of Franklin County, requesting a comprehensive plan amendment of the Franklin County Facilities Map, identified as Map # 21, in the 2007 Franklin County 2025 Comprehensive Plan adopted by the Board of Supervisors in May 2007. The purpose of requesting the review is to update the existing Franklin County Facilities Map by adding existing and proposed public safety facilities, to add existing or proposed government office and facilities, and to update all existing elementary schools. The Franklin County Facilities Map is located in the Appendix 2 of the Comprehensive Plan.

BACKGROUND

- Staff is requesting a comprehensive plan amendment of the Franklin County Facilities Map, identified as Map # 21, in the 2007 Franklin County 2025 Comprehensive Plan.
- The purpose is to update the existing Franklin County Facilities Map by adding existing and proposed public safety facilities, to add existing or proposed government office and facilities, and to update all existing elementary schools.
- There were no public comments received during the advertised public hearing.



RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission recommends by a vote of 7-0-0-0, that the Board of Supervisors adopt "Franklin County Facilities Map" dated May 26, 2020 and incorporate this new Facilities Map as part of the County's Comprehensive Plan.

*Chairman Mitchell opened the public hearing
No one spoke
Public hearing was closed*

(RESOLUTION #19-06-2020)

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to approve amendment to the Franklin County Comprehensive Plan as presented.

MOTION BY: Tim Tatum
SECONDED BY: Tommy Cundiff
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

- 5. APPLICATION for SPECIAL USE PERMIT-** Application of Franklin County Public Safety, and County of Franklin, Owners, requesting a special use permit, with possible conditions, to allow for the construction of an emergency services facility for the Glade Hill Fire/EMS Station. The property is approximately 5.43 acres, currently zoned A-1, Agricultural, and located at 9825 Old Franklin Turnpike in the Union Hall District of Franklin County and further identified by Franklin County Real Estate Records as Tax Map/Parcel # 0660004201. The property has a future land use designation of Low Density Residential. Emergency service facilities are a permitted use by issuance of a special use permit in A-1 zoning districts.

Mr. Steven Sandy, Director of Planning and Community Development:

CASE #SPEC-05-20-16597

APPLICATION for SPECIAL USE PERMIT-

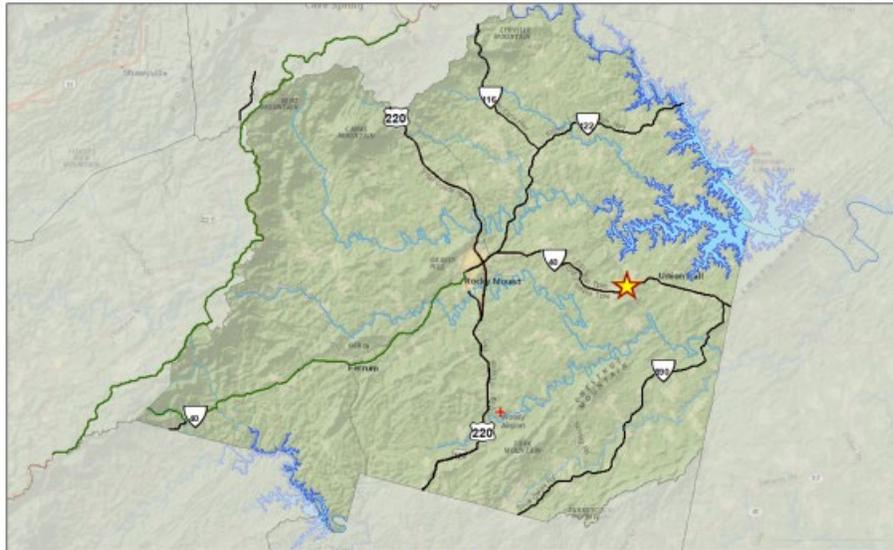
Application of Franklin County Public Safety, and County of Franklin, Owners, requesting a special use permit, with possible conditions, to allow for the construction of an emergency services facility for the Glade Hill Fire/EMS Station. The property is approximately 5.43 acres, currently zoned A-1, Agricultural, and located at 9825 Old Franklin Turnpike in the Union Hall District of Franklin County and further identified by Franklin County Real Estate Records as Tax Map/Parcel # 0660004201. The property has a future land use designation of Low Density Residential. Emergency service facilities are a permitted use by issuance of a special use permit in A-1 zoning districts.

BACKGROUND

Franklin County proposes to construct an 11,597 square foot combined fire station and EMS facility on a 5.43 acre parcel of land owned by the County, and located at 9825 Old Franklin Turnpike (Route 40).

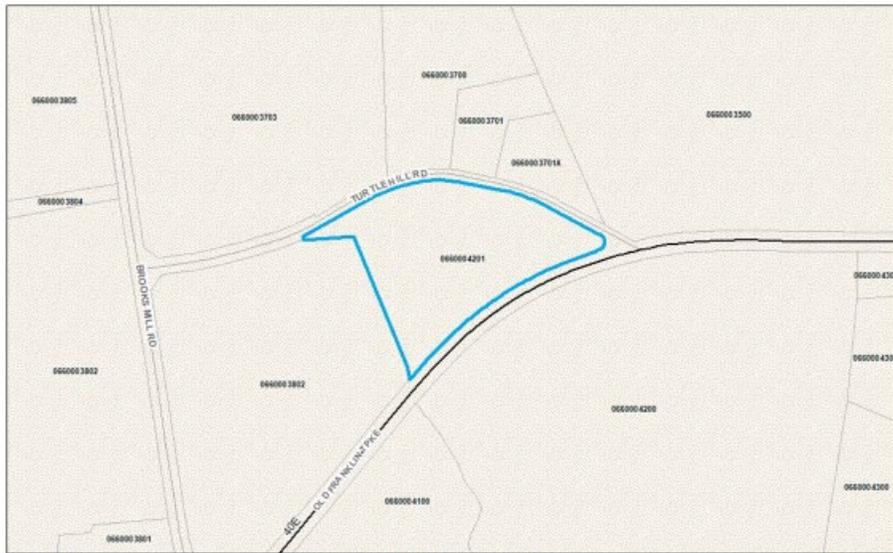
The property is zoned A-1, Agricultural, and is located at the intersection of Route 40 and Turtle Hill Road (SR 86g). Emergency Services facilities are permitted by special use permit in A-1 zoning districts.

The proposed station will include areas devoted to fire and EMS vehicles, bunk rooms, training/community room, day room and kitchen and dining area. Office space will be devoted to career and volunteer personnel.



★ Subject Property Location

Tax Map # 0660004201
 SPEC-05-20-16597
 William Ferguson/ FC Public Safety



- Legend**
- Subject Parcel
 - Parcel
 - Special Use Permit
 - Smith Mill Lane
 - A1 - Agricultural

Tax Map # 0660004201
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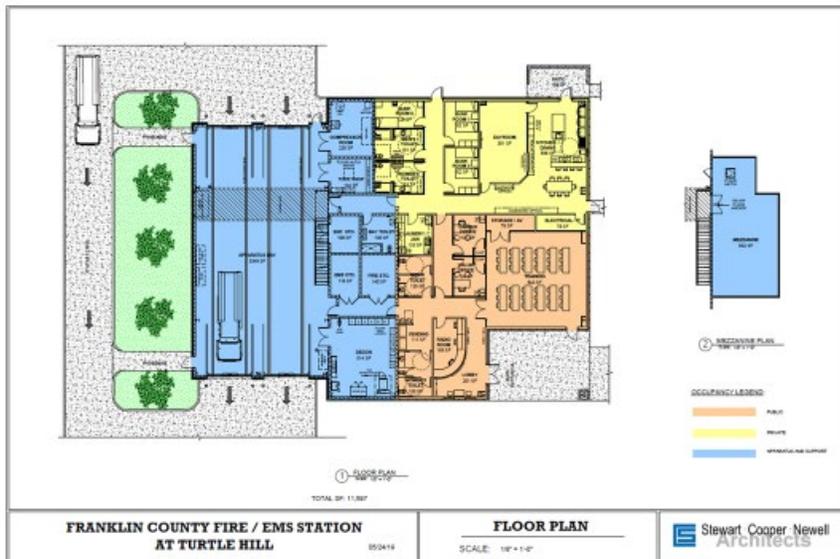
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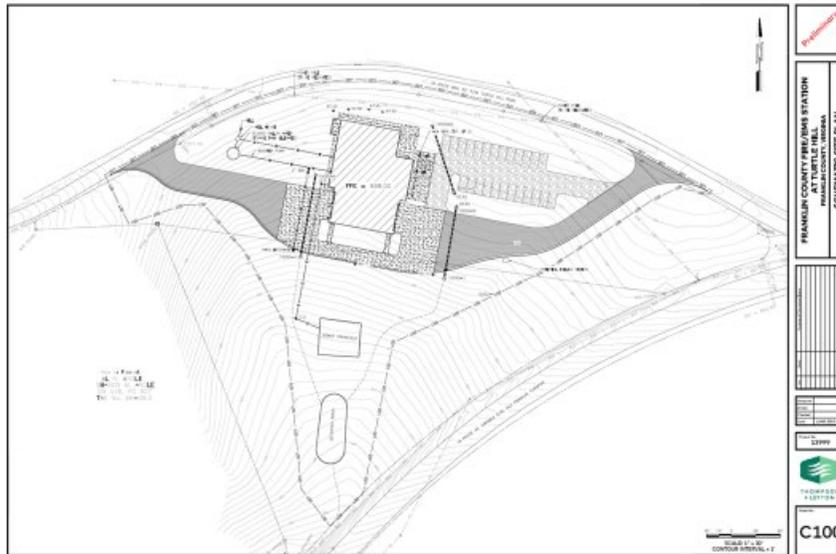
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North Arrow
 Date: 5/27/2020



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STAFF ANALYSIS

- Traffic in the community will increase as a result of emergency response vehicles and fire and EMS personnel using the site as a base of operations.
- Lighting will likely be installed on site. Intensity of installed lighting will be controlled by zoning standards and will not exceed .5 foot candles at any property line.
- These impacts will likely be minor yet be greatest on the three single family properties that are located on Turtle Hill across from the proposed facility.
- There were no public comments received during the advertised public hearing.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission believes the proposal will be in conformance with the amended community facilities map in the comprehensive plan and recommends approval of this special use permit request, by a vote of 7-0-0-0, with the following condition:

- 1) The property shall be developed in general conformity with the schematic site plan entitled "Franklin County Fire/EMS Station at Turtle Hill; prepared by Thompson & Litton and dated June 2019.

Chairman Mitchell opened the public hearing

No one spoke

Public hearing was closed

(RESOLUTION #20-06-2020)

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Safety did file an application requesting a Special Use Permit to allow for an emergency services facility on an approximate 5.43 acre parcel, located in Union Hall District, and

WHEREAS, the 5.43 acre property is zoned A-1, Agricultural and emergency services facilities are a permitted use by special use permit in A-1 districts, and

WHEREAS, after due legal notice as required by Section 15.2-2204/2205 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors did hold public hearings on June 9, 2020 and June 16 2020, respectively, at which time, all parties in interest were given an opportunity to be heard, and

WHEREAS, after full consideration, the Franklin County Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the Special Use Permit with the following one (1) condition:

1. The property shall be developed in general conformity with the schematic site plan entitled "Franklin County Fire/EMS Station at Turtle Hill; prepared by Thompson & Litton and dated June 2019.

WHEREAS, after full consideration, The Board of Supervisors determined that such use is in conformance with the County's Comprehensive Plan and will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent property, that the character of the zoning district will not be changed thereby, and that such use will be in harmony with the purpose and intent of the County Code with the uses permitted by right in the zoning district, and with the public health, safety and general welfare to the community and APPROVED the request with the one (1) condition recommended by the Planning Commission as contained in this Resolution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Clerk of the Planning Commission, the Franklin County Commissioner of Revenue and the Franklin County Zoning Administrator and that the Clerk be directed to reflect this action to APPROVE the Special Use Permit in the records of Franklin County.

On the motion by Tommy Cundiff to approve the requested Special Use Permit, and seconded by Tim Tatum, said motion was APPROVED by the following recorded vote:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to approve the special use permit with the condition as set forth by the Planning Commission.

VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

Public Comment Period Continued (if any citizen wishes to speak) –

David Campbell-

He is white and he is listening. He has stated he is supporting the decision to remove the confederate soldier outside of the Courthouse. He wants to be inclusive and wants to keep all companies within the County aware of the decisions made by the County officials.

Robert Meredith-

Noted both Jubal Earl and Booker T. Washington contributed to the history of Franklin County. He is supportive to keep the statue outside of the Courthouse. He wants to erect a statue to Booker T. Washington as well.

William Prillaman-

He wants to first thank the Board for their time and remind everyone that heritage is not defined by four years. It is built from the ground up and will continue to be built up. Context and consent and war memorials should be erected in this way. All memorials invoke an emotion and it is not our place to determine the personal emotions. They should be viewed with consent. We want to uphold the order of law.

Tom Ford-

Thanked the Board for their opportunity to speak.

Don Vineyard-

Asks the Board to remove the statue outside of the Courthouse.

Sandra Micheal-

Made the argument that the victors write history, and this is obvious here in the United States.

Henry Turnage-

He is here to say the statue today represents terror and he is here to ask the Board to remove the statue. He compared the statue to the Berlin Wall in Germany. The argument was made with this statue people do not trust law enforcement. The statues are coming down. He would like to move the statue because he believes it is not in the correct place.

Cheyenne Turnage-

Ms. Turnage spoke in support of her brother and she brought it to the attention of the Board that this statue triggered something in her brother and she never even knew it was there. She wants the Board to know it affects people. Please look at this from other people's point of view.

Linyae Harris-

If we are all equal, why does the Board not feel the same when everyone cries? Just because it has been this way, that does not make it right. We want to see this movement in the right direction. We are looking to the future.

Brian Larry Moore-

He makes the argument the "participation statues" need to be removed. As an African American he finds this offensive. He suggested some other options of honoring those confederate soldiers.

Jerry Conner-

He does not think the comments made right now are necessary or productive. He recognizes that there is pain on both sides of the coin in this situation. He does not think it is wise to remove a statue for anyone who was lost for fighting for something they believed was right.

Aaron Hodges-

Mr. Hodges came here to give the Board a warning. His people are getting stronger and they will be.

Brian Witcher-

Noted this is not just a Black Movement. The world is watching, and it does not matter what race people are. He thinks this issue will get bigger if something is not done. He referenced the Virginia bills that give the localities the right to remove the statues. Prayer changes things and everyone answers to God.

Shannon Brooks-

Ms. Brooks spoke on her childhood and wants to emphasize that many times we used to believe things that are not true. She listed the things that we believed back when the confederate statue outside of the courthouse was erected. She supports removing the statue.

Eddie Seay-

He states we cannot continue to disgrace a race of people and continue to support the soldier outside of the Courthouse. We will overcome division with love. He also noted the confederate flag driving into the County is not okay. We must take the statue down.

Serena Bonds-

She is from Franklin County and has since moved to Washington D.C. When she grew up she was not taught black history the way that it should be, they do in D.C. She only sees white people everywhere and she wants to see more black people. She is very upset and sad. Racism is still here.

Larry Moore-

He is a retired soldier and he is here to ask the Board Members to remove the statue at the front door of the Courthouse. The Daughters of the Confederacy put the statue up there for the wrong reasons and it belongs in the museum. Please move the statue.

Jeff Hairston-

We want to talk about love and beginnings, and he wants to continue this teaching and teach love. It makes it difficult for him to preach when he has children who look at the confederate soldier often. He wants our community to move forward.

Tom McDeavitt- absent

LaKeith Tolliver-

There is a trend of people that believe in white supremacy and it is continued with our jobs and schools. General Lee himself was against confederate statues and we must follow other cities who are removing these statues.

Sam Winkler-

He began by thanking the board. He wanted to note there needs to be a way to recognize those who died for a cause they believe in. They did not lose their life in vain.

Kobe Levisky-

He voiced his opposition for the statue outside of the Courthouse. The statue does not represent him. He urges the Board to move the statue.

Stephanie Cook-

She hopes the Board has been listening to the citizens speak and hopefully can empathize. Each heart matters and we need to move the statue.

Reyhan Deskins-

Mr. Deskin has great and fond memories. He remembers when they changed the name of his high school and that did not change any of the memories he had. The main issue is not slavery, it is the treatment of black Americans.

Sophia Meggs-

She makes the statement the statue outside of the Courthouse represents many emotions and taking down that statue is not the answer. History repeats itself if we are not reminded. Maybe we should move the statue, maybe we should add another statue next to it. (MLK or Booker T. Washington).

Sherman Witcher-

Mr. Witcher believes either the Courthouse must go, or the Statue must go. We can not have both outside.

Gregory Maxwell-

He is a lifelong resident of Franklin County Virginia. He wants to recognize that lots of emotion is in this issue and he wants to appeal to the heart of the Board. We have heard many things today and he wants to know that the statue invokes many different emotions. Please take this item up on the agenda in July.

CHRISTOPHER WHITLOW, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Christopher Whitlow wanted to note and thank the Board for their work with COVID-19 and the many things that have happened in the last few months. Mr. Whitlow would also like to thank the Sheriff's Department for their security for today's meeting and for the citizens of the County as they were able to conduct business in a formal and appropriate matter.

Mr. Whitlow reminded the Board of the upcoming VACo virtual meeting this Thursday. He also noted the VACo conference will take place in November and will be an option for Board Members to attend.

Mr. Whitlow would like to bring to the attention the Friends of the Blueways to create access and send a letter of support.

RESOLUTION #21-06-2020

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors to approve an extension of (**ORDINANCE #02-04-2020**) **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO EFFECTUATE TEMPORARY CHANGES IN CERTAIN DEADLINES AND TO MODIFY PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES TO ADDRESS CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH PANDEMIC DISASTER** through December 30, 2020.

MOTION BY: Lorie Smith
SECONDED BY: Mike Carter
VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:
AYES: Carter, Cundiff, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

OTHER MATTERS BY SUPERVISORS

Supervisor Smith would like to see the Board adopt a resolution that reinforcing the use of facemasks. Supervisor Smith asked if there is a way to do some traffic calming in the area of Park Place subdivision in Gills Creek. She would like to work with VDOT on this item. Supervisor Thompson also wanted to remind the Board that is VDOT's road.

Supervisor R. Mitchell wanted to thank the Deputies for their work here. He also would like to address the CTE building. They have the consensus of the School Board. Supervisor R. Mitchell wanted to check on the status of the extractors for the firefighters. Mr. Whitlow answered and let the Board know one has already been ordered. Station one's truck needs to be addressed as it is in the fiscal year to replace the truck. Supervisor Mitchell would like the Board to send a letter to the General Assembly for the coverage of State Police.

Chairman Mitchell adjourned the Board until July 21, 2020