

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
STAFFORD COUNTY, VIRGINIA
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 1, 2022

CALL TO ORDER – A regular meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Crystal Vanuch, Chairman, at 3:01 p.m. on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, in the Board Chambers, George L. Gordon, Jr. Government Center, 1300 Courthouse Road, Stafford VA.

ROLL CALL – The following members were present: Crystal L. Vanuch, Chairman; Pamela Yeung, Vice Chairman; Tinesha O. Allen; Meg Bohmke; Thomas C. Coen; Darrell E. English; Monica L. Gary.

Also in attendance were Frederick J. Presley, County Administrator; Rysheda McClendon, County Attorney; Cheryl Giles, Deputy Clerk; Julia Holmes, Assistant Deputy Clerk; various staff members; and other interested parties.

Ms. Vanuch called the meeting to order and noted that there would not be a 7:00 p.m. Board of Supervisors meeting.

INVOCATION – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chairman Vanuch asked for attendees to rise for the invocation, led by Supervisor Gary, and the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Ms. Vanuch.

Ms. Vanuch expressed gratitude to the Stafford County Sheriff's Office for their response to a child stranger abduction. She said that the young girl fought through her fear and escaped, and the Sheriff's Office mobilized so quickly, they had the suspect in custody within hours. She stated that the Board's partnership with the Sheriff's Office is crucial to public safety, and the Board is extremely proud that they have supported the resources used to locate the suspect so quickly. She said they used the drone team, robots, SWAT Team, crisis negotiation, and the full K-9 team.

Ms. Vanuch stated that the Sheriff's Office left no tool or resource unused to catch the criminal. She thanked each individual at the Sheriff's Office for handling the situation and called out those who had gone above and beyond in their duties: Deputy Weatherholtz identified a major lead on the vehicle, which ultimately proved to be the vehicle in question. She said that the Early Arrest Team set up the perimeter and was coordinated by Sergeant Mangan. She said that the SWAT Team was also called out, and many of these individuals work the day shift, evenings, and midnights, and ended up clocking in a 23-hour day.

Ms. Vanuch stated that the team was led by Lieutenant Bice, who also safely removed family members from inside the home of the suspect. She said that those who answered the call on their days off and worked the 23-hour shifts were Sergeant Lytle, Sergeant Assur, First Sergeant Rakoczy, Sergeant Fetterhoff, Detective Torrice, the robot operator, Deputy Bolinski, Sergeant Lucas Burgess, Deputy Pearce, and Sergeant Justin Forman, the SWAT medic. She said drone operators were Detective Jamie Wright and Steven Curtis; Detective McBride, who worked as a detective that day but was called into the SWAT Team to act as a sniper. She said that other critical detectives who filled major roles behind the scenes in the event are First Sergeant Fouts, Sergeant Steininger, Sergeant Woodson, and detectives Carper, Hinson, Jacobs, Lynch, Martin, Sanchez, Talbot, Warnick, Young, and Ridings—who served as lead.

Ms. Vanuch recognized that Master Deputy Truslow, who works with the K-9 unit, also worked a 24-hour day. She said that Deputy Truslow was strategically staged so if the suspect tried to escape the building, he would have been caught immediately. She recognized Sergeant Demirci, whose canine, Titan, found the suspect hiding in the wall of the home. She noted that she has personally attended canine trainings and has watched these men with their dogs, witnessing firsthand how much time they put in—on and off the clock—to ensure that the dogs are ready for this kind of situation.

Ms. Vanuch closed by stating that she was proud to represent a county with such an amazing Sheriff's Office, and she reiterated her thanks to them on behalf of the Board.

Ms. Vanuch stated that February is Black History Month, and the Board has some special things planned in honor of the month. She said that Stafford has almost 350 years of African Americans living, working, volunteering, and helping to establish the community. She stated that Black history is everyone's history, but they specifically honor it in February. She said that she, Supervisor Yeung, and Supervisor Allen have filmed videos highlighting Stafford's history. Ms. Vanuch noted that a teaser video would be coming out soon on the County's website and social media on February 14; the main video with Ms. Yeung and Ms. Allen would come out on February 15. She stated that they filmed the videos in front of the African American history wall at the Rowser Building, and she recommended that everyone visit and look at the remarkable items on that wall.

PROCLAMATION - STORM HEROES PROCLAMATION

Ms. Vanuch stated that she has asked individuals representing some of the departments that went above and beyond during the January 3rd blizzard to attend this Board meeting. She recognized First Sergeant Bob Parsons from the Sheriff's Office, Deputy Chief Mike Dunn from Fire and Rescue, First Lieutenant Brian Jacobs representing 911 dispatchers, Chris Adkins from Parks,

Recreation and Community Facilities, Kim Strader from Social Services, and James Canty from Utilities. Ms. Vanuch mentioned that a fire/rescue personnel member walked five miles in the snow to help someone, then five miles back to his engine. She commented that there were utility workers cutting trees to clear roads, riding ATVs to those stranded on I-95 and across the community, and 911 operators answering an historic number of calls.

Ms. Vanuch said that the proclamation also recognizes individuals in the community who checked on their neighbors, helped clear roads, and shared resources. She stated that Stafford is a community that works together and is proud that they banded together in this time of need and emergency. She read the proclamation aloud to those in attendance who were being honored.

PRESENTATIONS - REAL ESTATE REASSESSMENT UPDATE

Mr. Scott Mayausky, Commissioner of the Revenue stated that this is the new supervisors first presentations with him and said they could stop him along the way with any questions they had.

Mr. Mayausky stated that Stafford is in the process of completing the 2022 reassessment and just received some figures Friday that they are still analyzing. He reported that Virginia is very well regarded in terms of property tax, a leader in the nation, and part of that is because of a constitutional requirement to assess property to 100% fair market value—which is unusual among states. He said that to embolden that, the state comes in and audits their work every year to ensure that assessments don't fall below 70%; if they do, the state can withhold state funding. He stated that State Corporation Commission taxes are also tied to that ratio, and all utilities such as Verizon and cell towers are taxed by the FCC; the County gets a percentage of revenue as it matches the assessment ratio. He noted that if large inequities occur in an assessment, it can be completely thrown out by the courts.

Mr. Mayausky explained that most people think reassessments are done to generate tax revenue, but that's not the purpose; the purpose of a reassessment is to redistribute the tax burden. He said when people talk about real estate markets, they talk about it as one giant market that moves up or down in the same percentage, but a real estate market is really a collection of submarkets—hundreds or thousands of them. He stated that localities go through and look at sales that occur in all of those submarkets and adjust values accordingly; some neighborhoods are more valuable than others, so prices will rise faster in those; some become less desirable as they get older, so the value is lowered in those. He said that as the tax burden is redistributed and the County sets the tax rate, the tax bill will reflect the market.

Mr. Mayausky stated that they reassess every two years, and what they're seeing is that the total real estate base increased by 21%; the residential market increased by 24%, the commercial market

by 11%, and the agricultural market by 13%. He noted that most agricultural land values remain flat, so the increase they are seeing in these properties is due mostly to new homes or subdivisions. He stated that multi-family assessments are up 23%.

Mr. Mayausky reported that Virginia is considered a “truth in taxation” state, which means they have an *effective tax rate*—so when he does a reassessment, the current tax rate gets adjusted downward as the values go up. He said that as the values went up 21%, the 97-cent rate dropped, and that becomes the new tax rate the Board votes on in April. He stated that the *effective tax rate* now is 78 cents, and the Board can vote it up as high as they want, but it must be done through a public hearing.

Mr. Mayausky said that the composition of the tax base still skews heavily residential, but the commercial base is growing; Stafford is now 84% residential, 16% commercial. He noted that this can be misleading, and he presented a slide that showed 22 years of movement within the tax base. He explained that 2004-2008, when there was a real estate bubble, their commercial percentage of the base dropped as low as 12%. He said this didn’t mean they were losing commercial property, it’s just that the residential values were increasing so rapidly, it skewed the commercial number down. He stated that when the bubble burst, commercial properties increased as a percentage of the base, and the commercial base was constantly growing. He noted that with the current potential real estate bubble, the commercial base is now 16%.

Mr. Mayausky reported that the total taxable value of the County is \$24 billion, which is the highest it has ever been, and he pointed out the growth of that base since 2012. He stated that in January, the County finalized its values, and all values are based on January 1st. He said that notices would go out February 10, and the Board would likely start receiving calls from constituents. He emphasized that the Supervisors are not responsible for reassessments—he is—so the Board should direct people to him.

Mr. Mayausky said that state law requires only 14 days of appeals, but Stafford plans for 30 days and will never turn anyone away. He said that they would conduct appeals all through the month of March, with the goal of having all of the appeals done and the values changed, so when the Board votes on the rate in mid-April, they have a real number, know what the tax base is and can apply the rate to the base to get the revenue needed to fund the budget.

Mr. English asked if Stafford was more on the higher end than lower, which had been his observation.

Mr. Mayausky responded that Stafford has very little affordable housing in the County.

Mr. English asked if that caused their rate to go up.

Mr. Mayausky replied that they can drill down by neighborhood and look at the sales occurring there, then adjust accordingly. He said that each neighborhood is different, with market dynamics that affect each—and recognizing and capturing those is what changes the assessments in the neighborhoods. He reiterated that overall, Stafford is up 21%, and that number is what would drive the tax rate, which would affect each neighborhood differently because of the modified assessed values that are based on what's happening there.

Mr. Mayausky explained that the Board would set the rate in April, and tax bills are usually mailed around May 5 and due June 5; this year, that falls on a weekend so they will be due June 6. He said that the Treasurer is only required to mail the tax bills 15 days before they are due, and historically, Stafford gives 30 days—which taxpayers are very accustomed to, so it's important to have the rate set in April to meet the timeline.

Mr. Mayausky presented information on what a two-year reassessment cycle looks like, stating that staff spends the bulk of it (about 18 months) cleaning up data. He stated that the data must be good in mass appraisals, or the values will be bad. He said that once they know the data is good, they look at sales, which determine what a property is going to be valued at, and they try to break it down on as micro-level as possible to get as comparable as they can with sales and make appropriate adjustments. He stated that they then finalize the values, have appeals, and close the book on the reassessment with the Board of Equalization. He explained that this Board is a three-member committee appointed by the Circuit Court, and they have the power to change any and all of the assessments. He noted that they are the next level of appeals after they appeal to the County, and the level after the appeal to the Board of Equalization is Circuit Court.

Mr. English asked if it costs the taxpayer anything to do that.

Mr. Mayausky responded that it does not. He provided his office number and reiterated that the Board is not responsible for the assessments, so constituents should be sent to him to start the appeal process. He emphasized that appeals actually do some good, and the County does change values—and the March timeframe is important in terms of revealing any mistakes.

Ms. Allen asked if he used comparable states or counties when making assessments and what process they undergo to establish assessment values.

Mr. Mayausky responded that they try to keep it as local as possible, and there are plenty of residential sales in Stafford County, so they never go outside the County looking for sales. He said that they try in most cases to stay within a neighborhood, which is usually possible here because

there are so many sales. He noted that there are some unique commercial properties for which he will look at what's happening in other localities, but that isn't done for residential.

Ms. Allen asked about new subdivisions and how those assessments are established.

Mr. Mayausky responded that "market value" typically applies to resale, not first-time sales, so his office will try to find comparable resales and not rely on the first sale unless they absolutely must. He said that in most neighborhoods, they can find those resales, and with first-time sales, the cost might reflect a lot premium—and by the time those properties resale, they don't sell for any more than other properties.

Ms. Allen asked if the assessment impacts the appraisal, because a lot of people will say that's not what their house appraises for and they feel they are being over- or under-assessed.

Mr. Mayausky explained that they do "mass appraisal," which is 156,000 parcels and eight appraisers, so they rely more on statistical models and data. He said that the appraisal to which most people refer is a bank appraisal, when they buy or refinance a house, and that appraiser is only looking at the single property and finding comparables to it. He stated that the values should be similar, but they are derived from two completely different methodologies: The bank appraisal is determining the fair market value of the property on a specific day, and equity and comparables are not considered; the County's assessment must treat everyone comparably with similar properties, and they are not trying to assess at 100% fair market value.

Mr. Mayausky noted that they aim for 92%, because the "coefficient of dispersion" measures how far above the median a property is, above and below. He stated that if there is a COD of eight, and you are at 92%, that means your assessments are all falling between 84-100%. He said that they do not want to over-assess anyone, they shoot below 100%.

Ms. Yeung asked how people might know that they are being unfairly assessed, and whether there was something online or mailed that would show someone what their assessment was before and what it is now. She said he had mentioned there was no cost, and she wanted to ensure that they would be helped even if it went all the way up to the courts.

Mr. Mayausky responded that the notice has a lot of information on it, including the prior year's assessment, as well as directions on how to appeal and what they can bring in to help their case. He said that there are more details on the website, and it's easier to have the conversation if people bring in data such as a property down the street that just sold; the County will also provide data to them, and even if they don't come in with anything, the County will still show them the data they relied on and what's happening in their neighborhood. He said that staff informs them every step

of the way of what their rights are and what the next steps are; a lot of what the County does is education, as many people don't understand the process.

Mr. Coen said at the beginning of the year, there were many citizens concerned about a plastic bag tax, and he asked for a status update.

Mr. Mayausky responded that they got the problem under control for the most part, but the issue caught his office out of the blue. He reported that staff went out and visited all the businesses they had heard were charging the tax, and he put out a "hotline" on Facebook that asked people to private message him. He said they then sent out a letter to all retailers in the County, instructing them to stop collecting the tax if they were doing it. He stated that they also had something in the economic development newsletter, and they would also do a follow-up letter. He said what should be happening with that money is that it should be remitted to the state whenever that store remits their January sales tax. He said if they can't get that money back to the customer, they need to remit it to the state—they cannot keep that money, because it was collected under false pretenses, and it needed to be remitted to the state in March. He added that his office would follow up after that.

ADDITIONS - DELETIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR AGENDA

Mr. Presley stated that the proclamation to honor the heroes of the January 3, 2022 blizzard had already been heard, and there were no other items.

Ms. Bohmke motioned, seconded by Mr. Coen, to approve the agenda with that addition.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea:	(7)	Allen, Bohmke, Coen, English, Gary, Vanuch, Yeung
Nay:	(0)	

PRESENTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC - I (3 MINUTES EACH)

1. Ms. Margaret Lowry stated that she lives in the Rock Hill District and was before them to highlight the lack of parity in the County's five high school athletic facilities. Ms. Lowry said that after the artificial turf installation had begun in the stadiums at Brooke Point and Stafford High School, the *Free Lance-Star* featured an article: "Artificial Turf Starting to Grow in Local Schools." She said that article stated that Stafford plans to put artificial turf on its three high schools, starting with North Stafford in the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2015. She said the article was written in August 2014, and it is now February 2022, and

North Stafford is still waiting for the artificial turf field. She said that many residents think that all five high schools already have turf fields.

Ms. Lowry stated that in 2013, members of the School Board and Board of Supervisors were concerned about parity among the five high schools and supported the turf fields put in Brooke Point and Stafford—with the understanding and expectation that all of the other schools would eventually and in a timely manner receive turf fields. She said that if they had installed turf at North and Forge years ago, they would not be facing the financial impact that the pandemic has had on inflation and increasing costs. She emphasized that every day they delay, the cost of those two fields increases. She said that as a former assistant principal for activities and athletics at North Stafford, she wanted to make the point that this is a parity and a financial inequity issue; Brooke Point, Stafford, and Mountain View do not have to spend school funds to paint and maintain their stadium; they do not have to spend school funds for home games to move to turf fields; they do not have to pay possible revenue when they move those home games.

Ms. Lowry said that she believes the current Board of Supervisors is concerned about parity, and they have many other things they have to consider, but the inequity issue cannot be dropped to the bottom of the list. She stated that she is asking them to work with the School Board to find the funds in 2022. She emphasized that they cannot keep saying to the students at Colonial Forge and North Stafford that they are not worth the money, and she thanked the Board for serving Stafford County.

2. Ms. Carol Lysher stated that she resides in the George Washington District and is here to follow up on the parity issue of not being afforded the same quality competition turf fields that exist in three of the County high schools. She said that she does commend the School Board for authorizing the funding for the design work for turf at North Stafford and Colonial Forge this summer. She commented that knowing that the design team had been at the school was a big boost, as they carried on the season with a grass stadium field, but it was a huge setback when towards the end of the season they were informed that the turf was not happening anytime soon.

Ms. Lysher said that they did some research, and their newest and current CIP confirmed that two turf fields were now listed for the 2024 budget—unfunded. She said that in digging further, the previous CIP for 2018-2027 listed Colonial Forge to be slated for turf in 2019, with North in 2023. She said that Colonial Forge's installation date never happened, and they need to right the wrong of kicking the can down the road. She stated that High School #6 is currently being planned and is scheduled to open its doors in 2025, and it was an exciting time to be forging ahead with a much-needed high school. She said that she could

only expect that the high school would have a high-quality turf stadium field, and it was the accepted form in the Stafford High School rebuild back in 2014.

Ms. Lysher asked if the new High School #6 would open up with a quality turf stadium field before North Stafford and Colonial Forge get their recommended turf installations; there is the opinion that those schools would be left feeling second class if their turf installation doesn't happen before High School #6. She commended the Board for their positive support to correct the parity issue, as shared publicly by some Supervisors, and they need to work together with the School Board to find the money to achieve parity in school stadiums as soon as possible, and they need their continued support in upgrading the grass stadiums to turf at North and Forge for equity in County high schools and for student athletes. She asked them to fix the parity issue in 2022, before the new high school construction even begins.

3. Mr. Richard Coleman stated that he lives in the Aquia District, and he said that previously the Board voted to approve R221-357, which condemned critical race theory—without making any effort to define it. He said that he did not believe the resolution was about CRT but served as a tool to suppress the discussion of racial practices and continue ignoring discriminatory practices in American History and provide a tool that would eliminate any effort to discuss those. He stated that CRT was never taught at the elementary school level, but it did look at history and government practices, and if they expect the Board to understand the complexities of public law, they should expect them to understand the distinction between teaching the existence of public laws and studying the impact of those laws at the grad-school level. He said that he did not know if the Board had any malevolent intent or just voted on the resolution in hopes the topic would go away without considering the impact of a discriminatory policy. Mr. Coleman said that the verbiage may go away, but the topic would continue as long as discriminatory practices continue to be allowed to exist. He stated that since the Board threatened to withhold funding for CRT, they would hopefully make an effort to define what it is and what should cause funds to be withheld. He said that creating a discriminatory policy and passing off implementation to the school system is unacceptable, and it is an issue worth considering why CRT exists.

REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Coen stated that after the last meeting, he asked staff to look into different options to try to get the turf field issue moving faster and see how it could be expedited. He said that staff was working hard to explore different options, and they would hopefully have something soon in terms of how to move forward.

Mr. English commented that there was a fire Saturday night, and he spoke with Mr. Welsh, who said the Fire Department had done an excellent job. He said that he also appreciated the blizzard proclamation. Mr. English commended Chris Adkins and Travis Sullivan for removing both Christmas decorations and snow—and he appreciated their work.

Ms. Gary thanked the women who came to speak about the turf field, and stated she has contacted state delegates about securing more funding. She commented that she is personally invested in this, as she has seven children, and five of them are still in school—with her youngest being age seven.

Ms. Gary commented on those who worked in the community for the snow event, including those in her own district: Katie Kitzmiller, who helped access mutual funds from Woodbridge; Tracy Mason, who coordinated from Florida and came up after the event to make sure things were in place for future emergencies; and Nate Thompson, who had recently been replaced as police chief but was still in the neighborhood every day to help out.

Ms. Yeung expressed her gratitude to the Sheriff's Office and the young girl who escaped the attempted abduction. She said that they need more resources on Embrey Mill Road, in her district, and she would be interested to know whether the school system would be changing the location on this road where the buses are picking up children. She said that because there is no light, it is easy to get on the road, turn on Courthouse Road, and get on I-95. Ms. Yeung also asked why the suspect was allowed to be out in two years, when considering his background.

Ms. Yeung stated that in terms of Black History Month, Black history isn't just American history—it's world history. She said that in celebration of the recognition, the National Museum of African American History and Culture would examine the theme of "Black Health and Wellness" by creating a space that highlights Black pioneers' trailblazing contributions to Western medicine, addresses health disparities facing communities, and encourages healing through education. She said that Black History Month is a time to celebrate the fullness of history and culture, but it cannot be contained in one month alone.

Ms. Yeung reported that the Board held a redistricting work session on January 27 to discuss reapportionment of representation among election districts to give representation on the basis of population, as nearly as practicable. She stated that on January 28, she met with the Workforce Investment Board Executive Director Jackie Davis to discuss marketing of the work they do for the public. She said that she also met with the Virginia Railway Express (VRE) and the committee that considers operational matters. She said that on January 29, she attended a ribbon-cutting ceremony for "NOVA Brows," and she congratulated the business and owner Melanie Margot for the grand opening of her growing business.

Ms. Yeung noted that she had met the previous day with Anthony Toigo, Mike Smith, and Jeff Harvey to look at development and discuss Mine Road concerns, as well as ensuring there are clean, walkable ways, and to discuss the will of her constituents wanting to see more businesses they need in light of zoning laws. She stated that she attended the Community and Economic Development Committee meeting to discuss the County's current plan review and permit processes for commercial development, and they heard information on zoning regulations and changes between agricultural and rural areas. She noted that there had been an infrastructure meeting today at which they discussed upcoming issues needing attention, such as utilities, structural, and road issues.

Ms. Yeung said that she wanted to be sure they were working on the "lessons learned" report, working on communication, and getting rid of the trees and branches on Eustace, Embrey Mill, and Mine Road.

Ms. Allen stated that people could follow her *Supervisor Tinesha Allen* Facebook page, which includes information such as comments on Black History Month. She congratulated and recognized staff for getting the community through difficult weather events. She thanked the owner for putting Little Clifton into a conservation trust, and stated she was recently notified that this owner has put 40 acres into a conservation easement into perpetuity.

Ms. Allen commented that John Mercer Langston was born free in 1829 in Louisa County, the youngest of a daughter and three sons of Lucy Jane Langston—a freed woman of African American and Native American descent, and Ralph Quarles, a white planter from England and the former master of his mother. Ms. Allen said that before his death, Mr. Quarles arranged for his Quaker friend, William Gooch, to be made guardian of his children; when John Langston was four, Gooch moved the boys and their half-brother William to Ohio, a free state. She said that Quarles had reserved funds for their education, and in 1835, the older brothers, Gideon and Charles, started at the Oberlin Preparatory School and were the first African American students to be admitted. She said that John's older brothers and their colleagues, the first Black graduates of Oberlin College in Ohio, inspired him to attend their alma mater. She said that Langston received a BA in 1849 and an MA in theology in 1852; he wanted to become a lawyer, a profession that only three Black men in the nation had officially achieved in the early 1850s.

Ms. Allen stated that after two law schools denied his admission, Langston studied under local abolitionists in Ohio; in September 1854, a committee under district court confirmed his knowledge of the law, deeming him "nearer whiter than black" and admitting him to the Ohio Bar. She stated that in 1852, Langston officially allied himself with the Free Democrats, who condemned a fugitive slave law, allowed Black delegates at their conventions, and elected Frederick Douglass as a national party secretary. She stated that Langston's political career soared

throughout the 1850s and 1860s, and on April 2, 1855, he became one of the first African Americans elected to public office in the United States in Brown Helm Township voted him clerk on the Liberty Party ticket.

Ms. Allen said for the first two decades of the post-war era, Langston held prominent political and education appointments; in 1868, he returned to Washington D.C., where he established the Law Department at Howard University—a new college founded to educate African Americans. She stated that in early 1870, Senator Charles Sumner sought his aid in drafting his civil rights bill; in 1871, Langston received an appointment from then-president Ulysses Grant, whom he had campaigned for in 1868 to the District of Columbia Board of Health. She noted that he served as Howard University's dean from 1868-1875, and as vice-president and acting president from 1874-1875. She said that he was the first Black person elected to Congress from Virginia, and he was the last for another century. She stated that in a period of disenfranchising Black men in the South, he was one of five African Americans elected to Congress during the Jim Crow era of the last decade of the 19th century. She stated that two men were elected from South Carolina and two from North Carolina in that time period—and after them, no African Americans would be elected to Congress from the South until 1972, the passage of the Voting Rights Act.

Ms. Allen stated that lastly, John Mercer Langston was the great uncle of the famed African American poet Langston Hughes.

Ms. Bohmke thanked Ms. Allen for sharing that interesting story, and she knows that there are many more stories of Black history out there that people are not aware of.

Ms. Bohmke stated that there were other heroes in the Falmouth District, and there were people who took stranded folks into their homes. She mentioned a family that took in people from New York, who stayed with them for two nights, and it was unbelievable what people did for others during the storm.

Ms. Bohmke commented that if she has her way, the turf fields would be built before the new high school—and she did not recall the schools bringing up the fields in their CIP or highlighting it the way the speakers have. She said that she would also like to understand why one was going to be built in 2019 and was already under design, with North slated for completion in 2023 or 2024. She stated that the Board is very strategic about how it makes its decisions, and she would like to understand how the schools made those decisions. Ms. Bohmke thanked the speakers for raising the issue of the turf fields, as it is important to the student athletes at those schools.

Ms. Bohmke reported that Thursday would be General Assembly Legislative Day, and she invited people to come down and meet with her and other legislators. She said that the VACO website had

“hot topics,” with a lot of the bills being shared in the “Capital Alert” section. She stated that Mr. Toigo was also a great source of information but was often too busy to get to the phone.

Ms. Bohmke said she would like to pull Item 3 from the Consent Agenda.

Ms. Vanuch stated that she would discuss the “parent’s choice” item, and she said that she would like to urge the School Board to follow Executive Order #2 from Governor Glenn Youngkin, who was “elected overwhelmingly in the state of Virginia” because he campaigned on parents mattering in a child’s education and parent choice. She said that the School Board has now chosen to selectively follow Senate Bill 1303; CDC recommendations mentioned in the bill say they “recommend” masks in schools and also “vaccines.” She stated that they mandate masks but not vaccines, and she is not encouraging the latter but has an issue when people force their will on others.

Ms. Vanuch said that they are already not aligned with the CDC guidelines for quarantine, and she is curious why the School Board has chosen to selectively follow SB1303 and negate Governor Youngkin’s order. She stated that the other pertinent aspect to the order is that it gives schools a way out and says they are to follow the recommendations from the CDC to the maximum extent practicable, so the schools should be finding out what that means, to give parents a choice. She stated that in listening to upset parents, she is concerned about students who have learning disabilities and what masks are doing, as they are falling behind severely.

Ms. Vanuch said that she has also spent a significant amount of time talking with parents in the Hispanic community and ESL learners, and it is difficult for those who are learning English to try to understand what people are saying and to try to read lips. She urged the School Board to “figure it out, give the parents a choice.”

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

There was no report.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Presley stated that the monthly expenditure listing was provided to the Board in the background report.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Coen motioned, seconded by Ms. Bohmke, to approve the Consent Agenda minus Item 3.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (7) Allen, Bohmke, Coen, English, Gary, Vanuch, Yeung
Nay: (0)

Item 1. County Administration; Approve January 11, 2022, Board of Supervisors Annual Organization Minutes.

Item 2. County Administration; Approve the Minutes of the January 18, 2022 Board Meeting.

Item 3. Capital Projects Transportation; Authorize the County Administrator to Execute a Contract Amendment with Rinker Design Associates, P.C., for the Route 1 & Telegraph Road/Woodstock Lane Safety Improvement Project, and Budget and Appropriate Prior Yearend Utilities Funds.

Ms. Bohmke said that as she was reading over the background report, she wanted to note that she is not against the \$25,000 expense for the betterment change for this agenda item, but she needs staff to explain the increase from \$634,000 to \$1,056,000.

Transportation Program Manager Alex Owsiak stated that in terms of the cost increase for the RDA contract, they did not include right-of-way acquisition services, and that represents the \$400K change. He explained that they were going back and forth on design specifics, and VDOT at the time asked them not to include the acquisition services until they could pin down how many properties they would have to acquire.

Ms. Bohmke stated that they knew they would have to buy right-of-way, but VDOT was not recommending that they do it in the original contract.

Mr. Owsiak confirmed that VDOT wanted them to wait until they knew the exact number of parcels in line before seeking price quotes from the consultant.

Ms. Bohmke commented that this seems very odd, but she appreciated the explanation.

Ms. Allen motioned, seconded by Mr. Coen to adopt proposed Resolution R22-17.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea: (0) Allen, Bohmke, Coen, English, Gary, Yeung, Vanuch
Nay: (0)

Resolution R22-17 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH RINKER DESIGN ASSOCIATES, P.C. FOR ENGINEERING AND DESIGN SERVICES ON THE ROUTE 1 & TELEGRAPH ROAD/WOODSTOCK LANE SAFETY

**IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AND BUDGETING AND APPROPRIATING
ADDITIONAL FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Board identified the completion of road improvements on Route 1 (US-1) at the intersections of Telegraph Road (SR-637) and Woodstock Lane (SR-639) (Project), located within the Griffis-Widewater Election District, as a critical part of Stafford County's road improvement plan; and

WHEREAS, the County has an existing contract with Rinker Design Associates, P.C. (RDA), pursuant to Contract #15-4111-P124-RDA, to provide engineering and design services on the Project; and

WHEREAS, during the design phase of the Project, Department of Utilities staff identified an existing waterline within the Project limits in need of replacement and upsizing; and

WHEREAS, staff determined that it would be most cost-effective to replace the existing waterline in conjunction with the planned roadway improvements; and

WHEREAS, RDA submitted a proposal to amend its current contract to provide additional engineering and design services for the waterline betterment, outside their original scope of work, in the amount of \$25,354; and

WHEREAS, staff reviewed this proposal and determined that it is reasonable for the scope of work requested; and

WHEREAS, this contract amendment, together with previously executed amendments, would increase the contract value from the original awarded amount of \$634,884 to \$1,056,485; and

WHEREAS, additional funds must be budgeted and appropriated from the Utilities Fund in order to execute the contract amendment with RDA for additional engineering and design services on the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a contract amendment with Rinker Design Associates, P.C. for engineering and design services in support of the Route 1 & Telegraph Road/Woodstock Lane Safety Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$25,354), for a total contract amount of \$1,056,485, unless modified by a duly executed contract amendment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Utilities prior yearend fund balance reserve funds are budgeted and appropriated as follows:

Fund	Purpose	Amount
Utilities Fund	Route 1 & Telegraph Road/Woodstock Lane Safety Improvement Project	\$25,354

Item 4. Capital Projects Transportation; Authorize the County Administrator to Execute a Task Order with Wallace Montgomery & Associates, LLP for Design and Right-of-Way Services for the Staffordboro Boulevard Sidewalk Project, and Budget and Appropriate Funding.

Resolution R22-40 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A TASK ORDER WITH WALLACE MONTGOMERY & ASSOCIATES, LLP FOR DESIGN AND RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION SERVICES FOR THE STAFFORDBORO BOULEVARD SIDEWALK PROJECT, AND BUDGETING AND APPROPRIATING FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Board identified the completion of sidewalk improvements along Staffordboro Boulevard (SR-684) between the Juggins Road Connector and Pike Place (Project), located within the Griffis-Widewater Election District, as a critical part of the County's transportation improvement plan; and

WHEREAS, Wallace Montgomery & Associates, LLP (Wallace Montgomery) was selected as one of the qualified firms to provide on-call engineering services for Category A-Transportation Engineering, pursuant to Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 21-011-9602SP; and

WHEREAS, Wallace Montgomery submitted a proposal to provide engineering design and right-of-way acquisition services in support of the County's Staffordboro Boulevard Sidewalk Project (Project) at a cost of \$413,357; and

WHEREAS, both County and Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) staff reviewed the proposal received and determined it is reasonable for the scope of work requested; and

WHEREAS, \$190,000 was budgeted in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Budget and is available in the Garrisonville Road Service District Fund for appropriation to the Project; and

WHEREAS, the additional \$223,357 is available in the Transportation Fund prior yearend fund balance reserve and can be budgeted and appropriated to the Garrisonville Road Service District Fund for the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a task order with Wallace Montgomery for design and right-of-way acquisition services related to the Staffordboro Boulevard Sidewalk Project in an amount not to exceed Four Hundred

Thirteen Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars (\$413,357), unless modified by a duly-executed contract amendment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Garrisonville Road Service District funds are appropriated as follows:

Fund	Purpose	Amount
Garrisonville Road Service District Fund	Staffordboro Boulevard Sidewalk Project	\$ 38,000
Garrisonville Road Service District Fund- Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)	Staffordboro Boulevard Sidewalk Project	\$ 152,000
Appropriation Total		\$ 190,000

; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED, that prior yearend fund balance reserve funds held in the Transportation Fund are budgeted and appropriated as follows:

Fund	Purpose	Amount
Transportation Fund	Staffordboro Boulevard Sidewalk Project	\$ 223,357

Item 5. Community Engagement: A Proclamation to Honor and Recognize the Heroes of the January 3, 2022, Blizzard.

Proclamation P22-18 reads as follows:

**A PROCLAMATION TO HONOR AND RECOGNIZE THE HEROES OF THE
JANUARY 3, 2022, SNOWSTORM**

WHEREAS, Stafford County was the epicenter of a devastating and record-breaking blizzard on January 3, 2022, which dropped more than a foot of heavy, wet snow on the county in a few short hours; and

WHEREAS, trees and power lines fell across the county, stranding and trapping people, including the abandonment of many cars across our roadways. The storm also caused the majority of residents to be without electricity for several days; and

WHEREAS, members of Stafford County staff and the community acted heroically to meet the needs of the citizens during the storm and in the days following the storm; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Stafford committed remarkable good deeds during and after the storm, helping their neighbors, assisting stranded motorists, removing trees from roads, sharing resources, giving essential workers rides and much more; and

WHEREAS, members of Stafford Fire and Rescue, the Sheriff's Office, Utilities, Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities, and Social Services, in particular, went above and beyond their everyday jobs, rescuing people in the snow by foot, vehicle or four-wheeler, clearing roads with chainsaws, sleeping at water plants to keep them running, trekking to emergency towers to ensure generators were functioning and many other heroic actions; and

WHEREAS, Stafford's community members and local government staff exemplify the words of President Ronald Reagan, "By working together, pooling our resources and building on our strengths, we can accomplish great things;"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors, on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that it be and hereby does honor and recognize the heroes of the January 3, 2022, snowstorm.

Item 6. Fire and Rescue; Authorize the County Administrator to Execute a Contract with Gravois Aluminum Boats, LLC DBA Metal Shark to Purchase a Fireboat and Related Equipment.

Resolution R22-23 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH GRAVOIS ALUMINUM BOATS, LLC DBA METAL SHARK TO PURCHASE A FIREBOAT AND FIREBOAT EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Department of Fire and Rescue (Department) is responsible for providing fire, rescue, and emergency medical services for the citizens of Stafford County; and

WHEREAS, the Board has identified the provision of public safety services as a top priority for the County; and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to purchase a fireboat and related equipment to assist in the provision of emergency services on and near the water; and

WHEREAS, the fireboat may be cooperatively procured from Gravois Aluminum Boats, LLC doing business as Metal Shark, (Metal Shark) through the General Services Administration Contract # GS-07F-0362T; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of additional fireboat equipment not under the cooperative contract has been approved as a sole source purchase through Metal Shark by the County's Chief Financial Officer, in accordance with the County's Procurement Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Department has evaluated the prices and find the costs to be reasonable for the type of fireboat and related equipment desired; and

WHEREAS, funding for this purchase was budgeted and appropriated pursuant to Resolution R21-396;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a contract with Gravois Aluminum Boats, LLC, doing business as Metal Shark, for the purchase of a fireboat and related equipment in an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars (\$567,173), unless amended by a duly-authorized contract amendment.

Item 7. Legislative: Reappointment of Ms. Linda Musselman to the RAAA Healthy Generations Board for a Four-Year Term, and Appointment of Mr. Robert Hayden to the Wetlands/Chesapeake Bay Board.

Item 8. Planning and Zoning: Receive and Accept the 2021 Planning Commission Annual Report.

Item 9. Planning and Zoning: Authorize the County Administrator to Advertise a Public Hearing to Consider a Partial Plat Vacation to Remove Access Restrictions to Lakeview Drive for Tax Map Parcel No. 8G-23. (Project known as Equestrian Estates)

Resolution R22-14 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER VACATING A PORTION OF THE EQUESTRIAN ESTATES SUBDIVISION PLAT TO REMOVE THE ACCESS RESTRICTION TO LAKEVIEW DRIVE ON LOT 23, LOCATED WITHIN THE ROCK HILL ELECTION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the subdivision plat known as Equestrian Estates was recorded in the Stafford County Land Records (Land Records) at Plat Map Number PM040000283 on December 16, 2004 (Plat) and includes an access restriction to Lakeview Drive on Lot 23 (Parcel); and

WHEREAS, the Parcel is located on Tax Map Parcel No. 8G-23 and is zoned A-1, Agricultural Zoning District; and

WHEREAS, no restrictions outside of the access restriction on the Plat have been recorded in the Land Records for the Parcel aside from an additional access restriction to Woodland Drive; and

WHEREAS, the applicants and owners of the Parcel, Jerry and Sydney Mattiaccio, have applied to vacate the access restriction to Lakeview Drive from the Plat; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code §15.2-2272(2) and County Code Sec. 22-108, a public hearing is required prior to vacating a portion of the Plat;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to advertise a public hearing to consider vacating a portion of the Equestrian Estates subdivision plat to remove the access restriction on Lot 23 to Lakeview Drive on Tax Map Parcel Number 8G-23.

Item 10. Sheriff; Authorize the County Administrator to Execute a Ten-Year Contract with Axon Enterprises Incorporated.

Resolution R22-39 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
TO EXECUTE A TEN-YEAR CONTRACT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE,
INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF BODY-WORN CAMERAS, TASERS,
AND FLEET 3 CAMERAS

WHEREAS, Stafford County Sheriff's Office desires to purchase and deploy body-worn cameras; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code § 15.2-1723.1, the Sheriff's Office is required to adopt a written policy prior to the operation or deployment of body-worn cameras (Policy); and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has established a Policy consistent with Virginia law and regulations, which requires body-worn cameras to activate upon taser activation or when the Deputy's firearm has been drawn from the holster; and

WHEREAS, Axon Enterprise Inc (Axon) is the only vendor that incorporates tasers, body-worn cameras, and mobile fleet cameras, and data storage into one interconnected platform (System); and

WHEREAS, with Axon's System, drawing a taser or firearm would activate all cameras within a certain distance of each other to capture the event from multiple camera angles; and

WHEREAS, Axon's System also includes cameras that sync at once, allowing for a storyline feature of events and easier storage and retrieval of footage and data; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has negotiated a ten-year contract with Axon, the sole source provider of the Axon System; and

WHEREAS, a ten-year contract with Axon will ensure that the Sheriff's Office is using the latest technology; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution R21-390, the Board budgeted and appropriated funds for the first year costs, with funding for additional contract years subject to annual Board budget and approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a ten-year contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the purchase of body-worn cameras, tasers, and Fleet 3 cameras, and data storage, for a total contract amount of Eight Million One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars (\$8,123,839); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the first year of the contract and subsequent renewal years shall not exceed Eight Hundred Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars (\$812,384) per contract year, unless amended by a duly-executed contract amendment.

Item 11. Utilities; Authorize the County Administrator to Approve Additional Expenditures with Premier Magnesia; LLC for Wastewater Chemicals.

Resolution R22-38 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO
APPROVE EXPENDITURES WITH PREMIER MAGNESIA, LLC FOR
WASTEWATER CHEMICALS

WHEREAS, at its June 15, 2021 meeting, the Board approved the first of four optional one-year contract renewals with Premier Magnesia, LLC, pursuant to Contract No. 20-5030-SB161-PM for the purchase and delivery of wastewater treatment chemical, magnesium hydroxide; and

WHEREAS, staff anticipates that the total FY2022 expenditures will exceed the Board approved Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 expenditures of \$460,000, necessitating further Board approval; and

WHEREAS, funds for the purchase and delivery of additional magnesium hydroxide are available in the FY2022 Utilities Fund Operating Budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to approve additional expenditures with Premier Magnesia, LLC, for the purchase and delivery of magnesium hydroxide, in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) for a total FY2022 expenditure of Five Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$585,000), unless modified by a duly-executed contract amendment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 12. Human Resources; Consider Updating the County's Drug-Free Workplace Policy and Related Sections in Other County Human Resources Policies.

Ms. Vanuch stated that Assistant Director of Human Resources Andrea Wilson presented on this item at the last Board meeting, and Ms. Gary found some legal information that she sent to Ms. McClendon earlier in the day. Ms. Vanuch said that Ms. McClendon asked for some time to review that information to be able to provide a recommendation, and she suggested that the Board defer this to Unfinished Business at the next meeting.

Ms. McClendon stated that she had been able to review that information, and if the Board would like to receive that information, they can. She said that what has been brought forward are changes made to the definition of “hemp,” and while it’s policy that the Board may want to consider, she does not believe that it controls their actions today—and it is up to them whether they would like to account for the federal legislation and HR policies.

Ms. Vanuch asked Ms. McClendon if she could put together an opinion piece for the Board on how it would be incorporated or not into the policy.

Ms. McClendon responded that it wouldn’t necessarily be in the policy, but it would inform their decision. She said if the Board would like to defer to have that information, staff can bring it back at the next meeting.

Ms. Bohmke motioned, seconded by Ms. Gary to defer the item to February 15, 2022.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea:	(7)	Allen, Bohmke, Coen, English, Gary, Vanuch, Yeung
Nay:	(0)	

NEW BUSINESS

Item 13. Planning And Zoning; Consider Granting Time Limit Extensions for Certain Zoning Reclassification and Conditional Use Permit Applications (Projects Known as Adair Plantation, Belmont Park, Mabudian, Westlake, and Crucible).

Mr. Jeff Harvey stated that County Code requires that a developer who has a land use case coming before the Board of Supervisors must do so within 18 months of filing the application. He said the purpose of that ordinance was to make sure the applications moved through the process in a timely

manner, both on the County side and on the developer side. He stated that there have been a number of cases that have taken more than 18 months, and some have been sitting around for a number of years. Mr. Harvey said that part of the purpose of the ordinance was to help clear the way and help Supervisors when an application has been lingering for a long time and the public is inquiring about the status.

Mr. Harvey said that the code requires that the applicant, within the 18-month timeline, must write to the Board of Supervisors and ask for a time extension, if they are so inclined. He stated that in their request, the applicant must specify the date to which they want the extension. He noted that this ordinance was passed about 20 months ago, so it is the first time it is taking effect, and that's why there are numerous applications coming before the Board at one time. He stated that there are various applications in various districts, and the item will come back as Unfinished Business when the Board can take action. He said the Board can choose to grant or not grant the extensions, and he offered to answer questions.

Ms. Bohmke asked if these were rezonings, by-right subdivisions, etc.

Mr. Harvey responded that they were rezonings and conditional use permits.

Mr. Coen asked if the Board could get more history on these, as some may have been years in the works and sitting dormant. He recalled that when they discussed changing the timeframe, one of the concerns was an item that has been sitting for a long time.

Mr. Harvey confirmed that he would do that.

Item 14. Board of Supervisors; Consider Adopting an Addendum to the Stafford County Emergency Operations Plan to Establish Roles and Responsibilities for the Board Liaison Positions.

Assistant Fire Chief Joseph Grainger said that at the January 18 Board meeting, the Board Liaison positions were created, and staff has worked to develop Addendum 1 to the Emergency Operations Plan for the County of Stafford. He said that his presentation covered the roles, responsibilities, and position requirements for their review.

Chief Granger explained that when the Emergency Operations Center is in full activation, the Board Liaison positions would be responsible for being a conduit of information between Board members, the public, and Emergency Operations Center staff. He said the liaisons would be provided updates and briefing sessions with the command and general staff, situation updates ongoing as the Emergency Operations Center works through the planning process; they would

share the right information with the right people at the right time. He said that they have established a fully equipped workstation within the operations center for the Board Liaisons.

Chief Grainger stated that they have also worked to develop some position requirements for the Board's review; the first would be to review the County's Emergency Operations Plan. There are two subject matter requirements from FEMA for the Senior Executive Quick Reference Guide and a Resource for Senior Officials. He said there are also four independent study courses produced by FEMA: IS-700 and IS-800, and ICS-100 and ICS-200, which are foundational requirements for positions within Fire and EMS, and the Incident Command System.

Ms. Vanuch asked the Board if this should be deemed time-sensitive or return as Unfinished Business at a future meeting.

Ms. Bohmke said she was fine with it returning in a few weeks. Other Board members agreed.

Mr. English asked if the liaisons were required to do the NIMS training.

Chief Grainger responded that anyone can participate in the NIMS training.

Mr. English said he meant that they had to have it.

Chief Grainger confirmed that it was a NIMS compliance issue.

CLOSED MEETING

At 4:11 p.m., Ms. Yeung motioned, seconded by Mr. Coen, to adopt proposed Resolution CM22-06 to authorize closed session.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea:	(7)	Allen, Bohmke, Coen, English, Gary, Vanuch, Yeung
Nay:	(0)	

Resolution CM22-06 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Board desires to hold a Closed Meeting for consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members pertaining to probable litigation regarding a proposed development in the Garrisonville Election District, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711 (A)(7) such discussions may occur in Closed Meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that it be and hereby does authorize discussion of the above matters in Closed Meeting.

CERTIFY CLOSED MEETING

At 4:32 p.m., Ms. Yeung motioned, seconded by Ms. Bohmke, to adopt Resolution CM22-06(C) to certify the closed meeting.

The Voting Board tally was:

Yea:	(7)	Allen, Bohmke, Coen, English, Gary, Vanuch, Yeung
Nay:	(0)	

Resolution CM22-06(c) reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY THE ACTIONS OF THE STAFFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN A CLOSED MEETING ON FEBRUARY 1, 2022

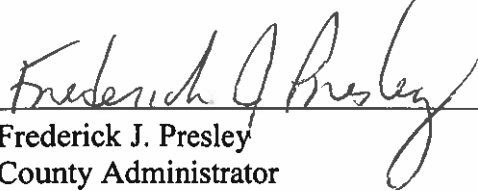
WHEREAS, the Board has, on this the 1st day of February, 2022, adjourned into a Closed Meeting in accordance with a formal vote of the Board and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Freedom of Information Act provides for certification that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stafford County Board of Supervisors does hereby certify, on this the 1st day of February, 2022, that to the best of each member's knowledge (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened, were heard, discussed, or considered by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:33 p.m., Chairman Vanuch adjourned the February 1, 2022 Stafford County Board of Supervisors meeting.



Frederick J. Presley
County Administrator



Crystal L. Vanuch
Chairman