

VIRGINIA:

At a recessed meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Northampton, Virginia, held in the former circuit courtroom, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia, on the 12th day of January, 2009, at 4:00 p.m.

Present:

Jeff Walker, Chairman

Richard Tankard, Vice Chairman

Laurence J. Trala

Dave Burden

H. Spencer Murray

William A. Hughes

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

Closed Session

Motion was made by Mr. Murray that the Board enter Closed Session in accordance with Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended:

(A) Paragraph 1: Discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees or employees of any public body.

Appointments to Boards/Commissions

(B) Paragraph 3: Discussion or consideration of the condition, acquisition, or use of real property for public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held property.

(C) Paragraph 5: Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

(D) Paragraph 7: Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members, consultants, or attorneys pertaining to actual or probable litigation, and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by the Board of Supervisors regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by counsel.

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All members were present and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

After Closed Session, the Chairman reconvened the meeting and said that the Board had entered the closed session for those purposes as set out in paragraphs 1,3, 5 and 7 of Section 2.1-3711 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended. Upon being polled individually, each Board member confirmed that these were the only matters of discussion during the closed session.

Mr. Murray offered the invocation.

The Chairman read the following statement:

It is the intent that all persons attending meetings of this Board, regardless of disability, shall have the opportunity to participate. Any person present that requires any special assistance or accommodations, please let the Board know in order that arrangements can be made.

(1) Organizational Matters

Mr. Burden nominated Mr. Walker to serve as Chairman of the Board for 2009. There being no further nominations, the floor was closed. Motion was made by Mr. Burden that Mr. Walker be elected Chairman. All members were present and voted “yes,” with the exception of Mr. Walker who abstained. The motion was passed. Mr. Walker retained the chair.

Mr. Trala nominated Mr. Murray to serve as Vice Chairman of the Board for 2009. Mr. Burden nominated Mr. Tankard to serve as Vice Chairman. There being no further nominations, the floor was closed. On the matter of Mr. Murray to serve as Vice Chairman, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Trala and Mr. Walker voted “yes”. On the matter of Mr. Tankard to serve as Vice Chairman, Mr. Burden and Mr. Tankard voted “yes.” Mr. Murray was elected Vice Chairman.

Motion was made by Mr. Tankard that the Board set its regular meeting dates, times and locations as follows:

Regular meeting: second Tuesday of each month, closed session beginning at 4:00 p.m.,

public session (county officials) beginning at 5:00 p.m., public session (public hearings) beginning at 7:00 p.m., in the former circuit courtroom, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia.

Work session: fourth Tuesday of each month, commencing at 5:00 p.m., in the former circuit courtroom, 16404 Courthouse Road, Eastville, Virginia.

All members were present and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

Mr. Tankard suggested the following modifications to the Board Member Manual. On page 13, add “For those boards, committees and commissions that meet annually or less, there are no term limits.” On page 26, add a full day’s holiday on Christmas Eve, with the idea that the holiday schedule will be evaluated annually. On page 12, move the County Administrator’s report to the 7:00 p.m. session. Motion was made by Mr. Tankard that the Board Member Manual be adopted as modified. All members were present and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

Board & Agency Presentations:

(2) Mr. Robert Isdell, Virginia Department of Transportation, commented on routine maintenance operations and noted that the Route 636 project is still on schedule and due for bid in July. He also informed the Board that Honeysuckle Lane construction is due to commence in April.

Consent Agenda:

(3) Minutes of the meetings of December 9, 16 and 31, 2008. Following a rewording on page 16 of the December 16th minutes relative to additional review time for the Planning Commission, motion was made by Mr. Murray that the minutes of the meetings of December 9, 16 and 31, 2008 be approved as corrected. All members were present and voted “yes.” The

motion was unanimously passed.

(4) Consider adopting a resolution in support of Community Unity Day.

WHEREAS, Northampton County's economic and social well-being requires the best efforts and cooperation of county residents of all races, creeds and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the Northampton County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Citizens for a Better Eastern Shore, and the Northampton County Public Schools have organized a COMMUNITY UNITY DAY to commemorate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which includes a community breakfast to be held at 8:30 a.m. at Northampton High School, followed by a walk to Eastville.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Northampton County Board of Supervisors does hereby endorse the COMMUNITY UNITY DAY to be held January 19, 2009.

Motion was made by Mr. Murray that the Resolution be adopted as set out above. All members were present and voted "yes." The motion was unanimously passed.

County Officials' Reports:

(5) Mrs. Glenda Miller, Director of Finance, distributed the following budget amendments and appropriations with associated explanations:

"The attached supplemental appropriations and budget amendments represent the appropriation of grant proceeds for the Indiantown Park Renovation project, two insurance reimbursements, a redistribution between line items for the Victim/Witness program and an adjustment for the capital portion of the transient occupancy tax transfer to the Tourism Commission. Also attached are proposed budget reductions for FY 09 due to the projected budget shortfall in tax revenues. These reductions total \$178,670 in the General Fund.

<u>G/L Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Debit Amount</u>	<u>Credit Amount</u>
235-0035-45455	US HUD – Indiantown Project	247,500.00	
235-7101-57400	Project Administrative Expenses	39,500.00	
235-7101-57850	Construction/Improvements	78,600.00	
235-7101-58250	Site Work	67,000.00	
235-7101-58400	Machinery & Equipment	62,400.00	
100-3102-55600	Veh. & Equip. Supplies – Insurance claim	620.00	
100-0018-42075	Insurance Adjustments	620.00	
100-2107-50050	Salaries & Wages – Part time		4,598.00
100-2107-50250	FICA & Medicare		352.00

100-2107-51750	Meals & Lodging	1,250.00
100-2107-55350	Office Supplies	1,750.00
100-2107-55400	Office Equipment	1,950.00
100-3102-55600	Veh. & Equip. Supplies	730.00
100-0018-42075	Inurance Adjustments	730.00
100-8108-52725	VA's ES Tourism Commsn.	38,100.00
100-9600-57085	Transfer – Tourism Comm. Capital	43,525.00
100-0011-40000-2008	Real Estate 2008 FY 09 mid-year budget reductions	178,670.00
100-1101-51800	Tuition & Registration	1,549.00
100-1204-55350	Office Supplies	176.00
100-1209-51150	Postage	200.00
100-1209-51200	Telephone	1,000.00
100-1209-55500	Office Supplies – Comp. Software	200.00
100-1210-50530	Prof. Services	15,000.00
100-1213-50750	Prof. Services	1,611.00
100-1213-51200	Telephone	1,230.00
100-1213-51750	Meals & Lodging	150.00
100-1213-51800	Tuition & Registration	500.00
100-1220-50250	FICA & Medicare	1,000.00
100-1220-55400	Office Supplies	111.00
100-1220-55450	Office Supplies – Comp. Hardware	1,500.00
100-1240-51750	Meals & Lodging	600.00
100-1240-51800	Tuition & Registration	1,575.00
100-1240-55350	Office Supplies	674.00
100-1240-56050	Books & Subscriptions	500.00
100-1301-50510	Compensation – Election Official	5,000.00
100-1301-50930	Printing & Binding	2,000.00
100-1301-51600	Rent of Equipment	800.00
100-2101-50930	Printing & Binding	1,429.00
100-2101-56050	Books & Subscriptions	200.00
100-2102-51600	Rent of Equipment	217.00
100-2102-55350	Office Supplies	93.00
100-2102-56050	Books & Subscriptions	29.00
100-2104-50800	Repairs & Maint.	200.00
100-2104-56350	Other Operating Supplies	126.00
100-2106-50930	Printing & Binding	1,103.00
100-2106-51650	Mileage, Tolls	500.00
100-2106-51750	Meals & Lodging	1,450.00
100-2201-50517	Comp. – Coroner's Inquest	200.00
100-2201-51200	Telephone	100.00
100-2201-55350	Office Supplies	36.00
100-3102-50000	Salaries & Wages, Regular	16,865.00
100-3102-50250	FICA & Medicare	2,273.00
100-3102-50350	Health Insurance	1,087.00
100-3102-50400	Dental Insurance	53.00
100-3102-50450	Group Life Insurance	150.00
100-3401-50800	Repairs & Maint.	200.00
100-3401-51150	Postage	12.00
100-3401-51650	Mileage & Tolls	200.00
100-3401-51750	Meals & Lodging	100.00
100-3401-51800	Tuition & Registration	100.00
100-3401-55350	Office Supplies	170.00

100-3401-55500	Office Supplies – Comp. Software	85.00
100-3401-55550	Veh. & Equip. Supplies – Fuel	364.00
100-3502-55350	Office Supplies	936.00
100-3505-56350	Other Office Supplies	8,800.00
100-4101-55350	Office Supplies	171.00
100-4204-50000	Salaries & Wages – Regular	10,000.00
100-4204-50250	FICA & Medicare	800.00
100-4204-50300	Retirement	800.00
100-4204-50350	Health Insurance	1,000.00
100-4204-50400	Dental Insurance	100.00
100-4204-50924	Waste Hauling Services	12,533.00
100-4204-50925	Waste Disposal Services (Tipping)	12,533.00
100-4302-50050	Salaries & Wages – Part time	3,404.00
100-4302-50800	Repairs & Maint.	7,247.00
100-4302-50930	Printing & Binding	500.00
100-4302-51750	Meals & Lodging	263.00
100-4302-51800	Tuition & Registration	500.00
100-4302-55550	Veh. & Equip. Supplies – Fuel	2,000.00
100-4302-55600	Other Veh. & Equip. Supplies	500.00
100-4302-56350	Other Operating Supplies	1,600.00
100-4302-58400	Machinery & Equipment	3,700.00
100-7101-50000	Salaries & Wages – Regular	2,776.00
100-7107-50800	Repairs & Maint.	1,000.00
100-8101-50350	Health Insurance	2,174.00
100-8101-50500	Compensation – Board Member	450.00
100-8101-50750	Prof. Services	1,064.00
100-8101-51800	Tuition & Registration	994.00
100-8104-55330	Misc. Reimb. Code Enforcement	2,300.00
100-8106-50500	Compensation – Board Member	1,575.00
100-8107-51650	Mileage, Tolls	2,000.00
100-8107-51750	Meals & Lodging	3,000.00
100-8107-51800	Tuition & Registration	775.00
100-8301-51800	Tuition & Registration	500.00
100-8301-56000	Educ. Supplies	500.00
100-8301-56350	Other Oper. Supplies	1,189.00
100-8305-50050	Salaries & Wages – Part time	1,000.00
100-8305-50923	Recycling services	1,000.00
100-8305-56250	Other Oper. Supplies – Agriculture	398.00
100-9600-57000	Transfer – Social Services	25,870.00
210-0044-48000	Transfer from General Fund	25,870.00
210-5300-50000	Salaries & Wages – Regular	19,150.00
210-5300-50250	FICA & Medicare	1,475.00
210-5300-50300	Retirement	2,866.00
210-5300-50350	Health Insurance	2,175.00
210-5300-50400	Dental Insurance	204.00

Motion was made by Mr. Murray that the budget amendments and appropriations be approved as presented. All members were present and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

(6) Ms. Sandra Benson, Director of Planning, presented her departmental update including activity reports for the following projects: Community Housing Committee; Zoning Ordinance Review/Comprehensive Plan Update, Board of Zoning Appeals, and Staff & Planning Commission Activities & Training. With regard to the economic impact analysis, Ms. Benson indicated that Thomas Pointe & Associates has been selected to perform the study.

(7) Ms. Katie Nunez, County Administrator, presented the following work session agenda schedule for the Board's information:

- (i) 1/13/09: public hearing on proposed comprehensive zoning ordinance amendments
- (ii) 1/27/09: To be determined
- (iii) 2/24/09: To be determined

The County Administrator's bi-monthly report was presented as follows:

I. PROJECTS:

Budget – FY09: Each department has been required to reduce their budget based upon a 5% calculated reduction of their amended expenses only budget (less any grant awards) and were able to determine how to apply the cut across their budget (up to and include the personnel line items). In addition, I have now instituted a 90-hiring freeze on any personnel vacancy, unless a determination is issued from my office that a position is essential to the operations and services of that particular department. This policy is consistent with the state policy that has been in effective since 7/1/07 for the Commonwealth Attorney, Commissioner of Revenue, Treasurer and Clerk of Courts offices and since 7/1/08 for the Sheriff's Department & Regional Jail.

This measure is implemented based upon the anticipated revenue reductions for this year and for next year.

Transfer Station Status: The paving has occurred at the project site; however, the quality of the paving is not satisfactory to the County. We have obtained a third party inspection of the paving and will be submitting a report to Wagner Construction of the issues and the recommended remediation of the problems to bring the paving in compliance with the bid specifications. There have been delays in the completion of the electrical work. We are pressing the contractor for completion of this work. Until this is completed, we are not able to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy. Our engineers have compiled all of the other documentation for submittal to DEQ for review and final permitting but are on

hold until the Certificate of Occupancy is issued for inclusion in this packet.

A contract is almost finalized with Allied Waste for the operations of the hauling and disposal component of the Transfer Station and will be in place once we are permitted by DEQ. The Caterpillar 930H Wheel Loader has been received by the County for our side of the Transfer Station operations.

Regional Jail Construction Reimbursement: The County has submitted a revised request to the Department of Corrections for the increased costs of the project. This packet is being reviewed by DOC staff and will be placed before the Corrections Board for action.

Fire/Rescue Volunteer Incentive Program: As requested by the Board at their August 12, 2008 meeting, Supervisors Burden and Trala worked with EMS Director and the members of the Fire/Rescue Commission to develop an application process relative to determining the number of volunteers that qualify for a potential incentive from the County. The application forms were provided to each company and completed and tallied. Seventy (70) individuals met the qualifications established regarding participation, training, and response within their individual fire/rescue companies. The County is now reviewing the qualifying list to verify that the individual listed had been billed for personal property tax and had paid said tax by the deadline. Therefore, the maximum cost for providing this incentive in Fiscal Year 2009 would cost \$7,000.

The County did not provide funding within the FY2009 budget for this program. If the Board did consider approving this program for FY2009, the possible funding source could be the funds that were budgeted for our maintenance contributions to the Burn Building in Accomack County in FY2008 which were not spent and were returned to the Undesignated Fund Balance in the amount of \$7,000.

It was the consensus of the Board that the budget committee should review the proposed incentive to make sure that it can be continued annually prior to its implementation.

Eastern Shore Tourism Commission – Infrastructure Committee & Application: We have been working with representatives from the Eastern Shore Tourism Commission to finalize the application process for the Infrastructure funds for Tourism Capital Infrastructure Improvements. As you may recall, with the dedication of 3% of the Transient Occupancy Tax (3% TOT) for tourism purposes, the County dedicates 75% of this 3% TOT for the operation of the Tourism Commission and the balance goes to a dedicated Capital Infrastructure Fund to be awarded to qualifying applications for infrastructure improvements associated with tourism or expansion of tourism.

A cover letter from the Tourism Commission, the application, and the Tourism

Strategy will be available on-line at the County website as well as the Tourism Commission no later than the end of this month.

II. MEETINGS

State of the School District: Thursday, January 15, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Northampton High School Auditorium, Superintendent Rick Bowmaster will provide a State of the School District Address.

The County Administrator reported that a meeting has been scheduled by the Department of Environmental Quality of January 28th, at 6:00 p.m. at Northampton High School concerning new regulations for Eastern Shore clams and oysters in tidal waters.

III. GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

IV. OTHER

Digital TV Transition- Digital-to-Analog Converter Box Coupon Program: Between January 1, 2008, and March 31, 2009, all U.S. households will be eligible to request up to two coupons, worth \$40 each, to be used toward the purchase of digital-to-analog converter boxes. As described above, these converter boxes are designed to make over-the-air digital television signals viewable on analog-only TVs, and thus are not intended for analog-only TVs hooked up to cable or satellite service. The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) is running the coupon program. (Please note that these coupons will expire 90 days after mailing). For more information, visit the NTIA Web Site at www.dtv2009.gov.

At the request of the Virginia Association of Counties, the County Administrator distributed a draft resolution for the Board's consideration as set out below:

**RESOLUTION
BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS**

WHEREAS, the Northampton County Board of Supervisors is committed to ensuring fiscal sustainability at the local and state levels of government because fiscal sustainability enables the Commonwealth and its local governments to provide high quality, cost effective, core public services that benefit Virginians today and for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, the current difficult economic and financial times require government, at all levels, to evaluate service delivery responsibilities and to determine the continued importance of programs meeting critical needs; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth must resolve an estimated 2009 and 2010 biennial revenue shortfall approaching \$3 billion that may in fact continue to escalate in the near term; and

WHEREAS, the Northampton County Board of Supervisors must resolve significant local revenue shortfalls for these periods as well; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth's General Fund supports most critical core government services including public education, health and human resources, including the Comprehensive Services Act, public safety, natural resources and environmental services by dedicating almost 50 percent of the state's General Fund to local governments (with 74 percent of this funding supporting K-12 public education); and

WHEREAS, if one level of government establishes and ensures a priority, it is then incumbent upon that level of government to adequately fund the services necessary to meet that priority; and

WHEREAS, the current economic environment threatens the sustainability of these critical core public services if the Commonwealth is required to reduce its contribution to the financial partnership between the state and its local governments including Northampton County; and

WHEREAS, specific and necessary state budget reductions may impact a wide array of core public services, including but not limited to public education, the Comprehensive Service Act, and public safety, and many local governments, including Northampton County, will absorb significant state reductions in 2009 and has already been compelled to increase real property taxes to help ensure the continuation of vital core public services; and

WHEREAS, Northampton County stands ready to partner with the Commonwealth to make the difficult budgetary decisions required, including thoroughly evaluating programs and working together to maintain a structural balance between revenues and expenditures that promotes the long-term viability of our Commonwealth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Northampton County respectfully offers the following budget and revenue recommendations for the 2009 legislative session to the Governor and Virginia General Assembly including Senator Ralph Northam and Delegate Lynwood Lewis, serving as Northampton County's representatives:

- Budget and appropriate sufficient withdrawals from the state's Revenue Stabilization Fund ("Rainy Day Fund") to help offset necessary state budget reductions. Global and national financial markets are imbalanced; consequently, Virginia is one of many states facing a significant state revenue shortfall. The Commonwealth is required to replenish the Fund when economic conditions improve, and Northampton County supports recapitalizing the Fund in better economic times.
- Before budgeting and appropriating necessary state budget reductions, revisit recent state tax exemptions. Since the late 1990s the state has enacted more than \$1.8 billion in net biennial tax reductions and specific General Fund transfers.

- Oppose the enactment of new unfunded and under-funded state mandates that will impose new costs on local governments. Additionally, consider repealing specific, unfunded and under-funded state mandates. In the area of public education, the Governor and Virginia General Assembly should consider providing localities and school districts maximum flexibility to i) suspend specific mandates and ii) manage specific public education reductions.
- Enact a law authorizing equal taxing authority for counties. Counties should be enabled, like cities and towns, to institute specific taxes, including a meals tax without a referendum. The new sources of revenue would be tailored to the needs of a jurisdiction and could help local governments protect adequate funding for the core government services including K-12 public education, and reduce county dependence on property taxes.
- Consider additional possibilities for mitigating the impact of state cuts on local governments. Local governments will have to make significant cuts in services because of flat or decreasing real estate revenues. Permit local governments, at their option, to implement a one-half percent increase in the sales tax as a way to minimize the potential burden passed on to homeowners through increased real property taxes.

Furthermore, Northampton County offers these recommendations in the spirit of compromise and partnership to the Governor and Virginia General Assembly including our representatives of Senator Ralph Northam and Delegate Lynwood Lewis

The final item on the County Administrator's Report was Goals & Objectives for 2009 which will be discussed later in the meeting.

At 6:30 p.m., the Chairman recessed for the supper break. The Chairman left during the supper break.

At 7:00 p.m., Vice Chairman Murray reconvened the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

At this time, the Board recognized members of the Northampton County Electoral Board and Registrar who were in attendance. The following Resolution of Commendation was

presented to them:

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION

WHEREAS, the Northampton County Board of Supervisors has identified public service and community leadership as critical components in defining excellence and in improving the vision of Northampton County; and

WHEREAS, the Northampton County Electoral Board and staff of the Voter Registration Office worked tirelessly to assure that the November 4, 2008 General Election would be fair and efficient; and

WHEREAS, due in part to their ceaseless efforts, the dire predictions of chaos and ineptitude as a result of a predicted large voter turnout and media fears of disruptions on Election Day did not occur; and

WHEREAS, the Northampton County Electoral Board, at the time of the November 4th Election, included Stuart Mackler, M.D., Chairman, Edward A. Parry, III, Vice Chairman, and Leonard Spady, Jr., Secretary. The Registrar is Theresa A. Wisner and her Deputy is Jacqueline Jennell.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northampton County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt this Resolution of Commendation for the Northampton County Electoral Board and the staff of the Voter Registration Office and their valuable contributions to the health, safety and well-being of the citizens of Northampton County and the Eastern Shore.

Citizen Information Period:

Mr. Robert Richardson's written comments were submitted for the record as follows:

January 12, 2009

Northampton County Board of Supervisors

Subject: Comments for the Citizens Information Period

Good evening Mr. Chairman and members of the board, I am Robert Custis Richardson from Seaview.

In this new year of changes, I have confidence that the board will enter a period of enlightenment for Northampton County.

In the 1600s my ancestors, who were Caucasian immigrants, moved from Jamestown to the Eastern Shore. During the past 300 years we have purchased and cleared land, built homes to

shelter our families, established and worked in businesses, fought in wars for freedom and democracy, and participated in all of the activities that make this country the leader of the world.

For the past 280 years we used our lands on the shore carefully and nurtured the lands with freedom to build and house our families and to create enterprises for earning trade goods or currency.

In approximately 1989 the Board of Supervisors entered into a process called the Zoning Ordinance. This ordinance is similar in effect to a malignant cancer, starting out small and unnoticed until it is too late to save the body, be it land or person.

The ordinance has caused the adverse possessions of property by the county, the denial of Vested Rights, the removal of rights to shelter citizens families, and the opportunity for citizens to create businesses and earn a living for themselves and their families.

In the past 20 years the county, through an administrative process, has moved from a democratic type of government to a communist type of government. The time has come to stop this Zoning Ordinance process and to call citizen meetings in each supervisory district to access the ramifications of the continuation of the Zoning fiasco. I call upon the elected supervisors from each district to schedule meetings with their property owning, taxpaying, voting constituents in order to resolve this disastrous miscarriage of government before it is too late.

/s/ Robert C. Richardson

Public Hearings:

(8) Special Use Permit 09-01 NHCO: Kings Creek Commercial LLC, property owner, and Harmony Investments, applicant, have applied for a special use permit to allow installation of an mass drainfield that is a component of a sanitary sewerage system with secondary treatment using fixed film technology. The property, located at the northwest quadrant of Lankford Highway and Parsons Circle, is zoned CD-CG Community Development-Commercial General, and contains 19.5 acres. The property is further described as being parcel 59A of Tax Map 84, double circle A.

The Vice Chairman asked if there were any present desiring to speak.

Ms. Benson indicated that the Planning Commission was recommending approval for an on-site alternative wastewater treatment system, also known as an alternative sewage system, including a mass drainfield and all necessary collection and treatment system, filter pods, etc., and subsurface dispersal installation, similar to the AdvanTex AX100 commercial treatment

system, which will provide secondary treatment to wastewater and effluent flow, provided that the engineered plans will be subject to final review and approval by the Planning Commission, and with the following conditions:

1. That the installed, on-site fixed-film system and mass drainfield be solely for the use of a proposed 110-unit hotel and that no effluent collection or treatment from any other source be allowed;
2. That a maintenance agreement be in force during the entire time of the use of the system; and
3. That the special use permit, including adopted conditions, the specifics of the system, including an “as-built” diagram, and the maintenance agreement be recorded in the land records of Northampton County.

Ms. Benson also read the “Staff Comment” section of the Staff Report as follows:

“The vicinity of the property is significantly developed, consistent with the planning and zoning that has been in place for a number of years. It seems unlikely that the parcel will be farmed again. Provided that Health Department approval for a sewage treatment system to serve a motel would be forthcoming, and in consideration of the fact that new construction must comply with the Highway Corridor Overlay District and perimeter screening requirements, as well as all Virginia erosion and sediment control and stormwater requirements, staff would recommend approval of a special use permit for the treatment system with the condition that the highest possible level of effluent treatment be provided in consideration of the site’s proximity to King’s Creek.”

Mr. Clay Massey of Massey Design and Mr. Brooks Johnson of Harmony Investments, noted the specifics of the drainfield system being considered as well as the hotel’s proposed appearance and amenities. They indicated that the site features are planned to be environmentally friendly including large amounts of open space and extreme shading of the parking areas.

Ms. Alice Morehouse provided the following comments:

Comments in OPPOSITION to the Proposed Hampton Inn at the intersection of U S 13 and Parsons Circle in Northampton County from David C. and Alice M. Morehouse

- * We understand current zoning allows this use but it seems inconsistent with the goals of the revised land use plan to allow a hotel on this property. The revised plan would change the acceptable use of this property to agriculture.
- * This facility seems inconsistent with the high level goals set forth by the revised land use plan.
- * Allowing a large drain field system seems inconsistent with the goal of improving the water quality of the Bay by requiring municipalities to improve sewage treatment systems. We understand that the system proposed is sophisticated but that does not insure that leachate will not get to the Bay.
- * It is not clear what the impact of a hotel will be on the aquifer that supports the housing in this area. A hotel of that size will require a very large well. Water quality and availability needs to be considered in conjunction with waste disposal.
- *Continued development on HWY 13 will exacerbate the decline of the “main” streets of the communities in the county.
- * Another hotel on the HWY 13 corridor will pull business away from the existing hotels and small inns.
- * Continued development on HWY 13 will exacerbate noise and light pollution. It will also diminish the view shed of surrounding residential properties.
- * The continued building on vacant land vs. infill on currently developed sites that are for sale will exacerbate sprawl and blight.
- * Continued development on HWY 13 will exacerbate traffic and safety issues. In the area where the hotel is located there are multiple business entrances, road intersections, and turning lanes. Safety needs to be considered.
- * Continued development that allows direct access to the highway and encourages traffic to “crossover” to enter businesses can cause safety and traffic flow problems. It does not seem that a Transportation Impact Analysis was done in conjunction with this proposed development.

Thank you for your consideration.

It was noted that two letters have been received in opposition from David Boyd and Amy & Rich Wagner.

There being no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Mr. Burden that Special Use Permit 09-01 NHCo be approved for an on-site alternative wastewater treatment system, also known as an alternative sewage system, including a mass drainfield and all necessary collection and treatment system, filter pods, etc., and subsurface dispersal installation, similar to the AdvanTex AX100 commercial treatment system, which will provide secondary treatment to wastewater and effluent flow, provided that the engineered plans will be subject to final review and approval by the Planning Commission, and with the following conditions:

1. That the installed, on-site fixed-film system and mass drainfield be solely for the use of a proposed 110-unit hotel and that no effluent collection or treatment from any other source be allowed;
2. That a maintenance agreement be in force during the entire time of the use of the system; and
3. That the special use permit, including adopted conditions, the specifics of the system, including an “as-built” diagram, and the maintenance agreement be recorded in the land records of Northampton County.

All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

(9) vacant

The Vice Chairman called to order the following public hearing:

(10) SUP 08-12 NHCO: Cynthia Carneal has applied for a special use permit to operate a bed and breakfast at 27495 Lake Drive in the Guys Landing Subdivision. The property, zoned A-1 Agriculture, contains 1.7 acres of land and is described as being parcel 9 of Tax Map 104A, double circle 4.

Mr. Murray asked if there were any present desiring to speak.

Ms. Benson indicated that the Planning Commission was recommending approval of the petition and read the following excerpt from the Staff Report:

“The Northampton County Health Department has approved the proposed change of use of the single-family dwelling to a Bed and Breakfast Inn (B&B) based on three (3) guest bedrooms, one owner bedroom, and 3.5 bathrooms. There is ample parking area on the site, and it would appear that the proposed use would in no way adversely impact the vicinity in which it would be located.”

Ms. Cynthia Carneal, the applicant, indicated that the two closest neighbors were in favor of the request.

Mr. John Coker, representing the Bay Creek owners association, indicated that the association was afraid that the approval of the bed and breakfast application would set a precedent.

There being no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Mr. Burden that Special Use Permit 08-12 NHC0 as petitioned by Cynthia Carneal, be approved as recommended by the Planning Commission and in keeping with staff report. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

Mr. Murray called to order the following public hearing:

(11) SUP 08-13 NHCO: Michael Steelman, agent for property owners J. David and Jean P. Steelman, have applied for a special use permit to operate a helipad at the end of Morris Court off South Bayside Road. The property is zoned Commercial Development Manufacturing One (CD-M1) and is further described as County Tax Map 84, Double Circle 10, Parcel 1.

Mr. Murray asked if there were any present desiring to speak.

Ms. Benson indicated that the Planning Commission was recommending approval as requested with conditions as recommended by staff (red balls are to be installed on the power wires to the east as recommended by the FAA; use of the helipad to be limited to the applicant’s spraying operations, personal use by the applicant and his family and associates, and emergency use, unless a further change of use for the property, such sight-seeing tours or a commercial heliport, is approved in accordance with all regulations applicable at the time such change or

addition is sought).

Ms. Benson also read the “Staff Comment” portion of the Staff Report as follows:

“The applicant has obtained written statements from the adjacent property owners indicating no objections to the proposed use. The Northampton County Health Department has approved the proposed change of use for the property, and VDOT has approved the current entrance to accommodate the proposed use. The Virginia Department of Aviation has approved the installation of a private-use helipad contingent upon approval by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the county. On December 22, 2008, staff of the FAA conducted an Obstruction Evaluation and Airport Airspace Analysis for a Non-Rule-Making Airport, and the checklist from that evaluation indicated “No objection,” with a recommendation for the installation of red balls on the power wires to the east of the proposed helipad. On January 5, 2009, the Northampton County Board of Zoning Appeals approved a variance request for relief from the 250-foot setback requirement from the property lines.

Based upon aerial photographs of a number of existing helipads in Virginia provided by the Virginia Department of Aviation to the applicant, it appears that the current setback requirements in the county zoning regulations with respect to heliports are unreasonable. A review of zoning regulations for the City of Virginia Beach revealed that airports, heliports, and helistops are by-right uses in both the Light Industrial and Heavy Industrial Districts, with 30-foot front and rear setbacks (unless immediately adjacent to a residential district) and zero side setback requirements. According to the city ordinance, the Light Industrial District is intended to provide employment centers near residential concentrations, so it may reasonably be assumed that such districts, similar to the county CD-M1 District, are near residential areas.

Mr. Steelman has indicated his intent to provide agricultural crop spraying services, with the possibility of conducting sight-seeing tours in the future. It should be noted that the VDOT and Health Department approvals are based upon the anticipated use of the helipad for spraying operations employing only a few persons, and a commercial venture such as a sight-seeing tours that would generate more traffic would require additional review by those agencies.

Staff recommends approval of the special use permit as requested with the following conditions:

- 1) Red balls are to be installed on the power wires to the east as recommended by the FAA;
- 2) Use of the helipad is limited to the applicant’s spraying operations, personal use by the applicant and his family and associates, and emergency use, unless a further change of use for the property, such sight-seeing tours or a commercial heliport, is approved in accordance with all regulations applicable at the time such change or addition is sought.

Mr. Michael Steelman requested favorable consideration of the petition.

It was noted that a letter of support had been received from Bill Parr as an adjacent

property owner.

There being no further speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Mr. Tankard questioned whether the applicant would be better served by a different process (a zoning text amendment). Some board members indicated their preference for adjusting the setback regulation rather than grant a special use permit which includes the need for a variance as well. When asked, Mr. Steelman indicated that he would not be ready to start his helicopter operations until late spring-early summer.

Motion was made by Mr. Burden that Special Use Permit 08-13 NHC0 be tabled. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

Motion was made by Mr. Burden that staff be requested to prepare a zoning text amendment for public hearing to address setbacks required for heliports as soon as possible. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

Action Items:

(12) Considering adopting a resolution reaffirming the Board’s intent to abandon State Route 9959, the circle drive in front of the former Hare Valley School, Hare Valley, Virginia, in accordance with provisions of the Code of Virginia.

Motion was made by Mr. Tankard that the following resolution be adopted. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed. Said resolution as adopted is set forth below:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Route 9959, exclusively serving Northampton County’s Hare Valley School, was included in the state system of secondary roads pursuant to Virginia Code Section 33.1-68, which provides for state maintenance of roads leading from state roads to public schools; and

WHEREAS, Hare Valley School ceased operation as a public school and was conveyed from the County School Board of Northampton County, Virginia, to Northampton County, Virginia, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, by Deed dated June 15, 1994, which said deed is recorded in the Clerk's Office of Northampton County, Virginia, in Deed Book 291, at page 23, and therefore maintenance of Route 9959 by the Commonwealth of Virginia is no longer necessary or appropriate; and

WHEREAS, a public notice was posted as prescribed under Section 33.1 – 151, Code of Virginia, announcing a public hearing to receive comments concerning abandoning the section of road described below from the Secondary System of State Highways, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation was provided the prescribed notice of this Board's intent to abandon the subject section of road, and

WHEREAS, after considering all evidence available, this Board is satisfied that no public necessity exists for the continuance of school access Route 9959 and hereby deems that section of road, being the entirety of Route 9959, no longer necessary as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Board abandons the above described section of road and removes it from the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to Section 33.1 – 151, Code of Virginia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded the Residency Engineer of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

(13) Matters Presented by the Board Including Committee Reports & Appointments

Motion was made by Mr. Tankard that Ms. Maureen Lawrence be appointed to the Eastern Shore Public Library Board of Directors, for a term of office ending June 30, 2012. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted "yes." The motion was unanimously passed.

Motion was made by Mr. Burden that Ms. Carolyn Weigner be appointed to the Eastern Shore Public Library Board of Directors, for a term of office ending June 30, 2011. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted "yes." The motion was unanimously passed.

Motion was made by Mr. Murray that Mr. Scott R. Walker be appointed to the Northampton County Wetlands Board, replacing Ms. Tamsey Ellis, for a term of office commencing July 1, 2008. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

Motion was made by Mr. Trala that Ms. Hollye Carpenter be recommended for appointment to the Tidewater Emergency Medical Services Council, for a new term of office commencing February 1, 2009. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

Motion was made by Mr. Burden that the County Attorney be authorized to work with the Zoning Administrator to settle the litigation instituted in connection with Variance 08-12 NHC0 [Mlodynia] in an expeditious manner. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

At this time, the Board discussed Goals & Objectives for 2009 by amending the Final 2008 Goals as set out below. Italicized print illustrates new items added at this time:

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
2008 GOALS & OBJECTIVES
FINAL REPORT – JANUARY 8, 2009**

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
LAND USE		
Short Term	Comprehensive Plan - revision and adoption of remaining component of plan (Economic Development Chapter)	Economic Chapter: Planning Commission Public Hearing held on 12/3/08 & BOS Public Hearing held on 12/9/08. Matter tabled until

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
		recommendation received from Planning Commission
	Land Use Map Adoption – Summer 2008	Land Use Map and Zoning Ordinance: Planning Commission
	Zoning Ordinance Adoption –Summer 2008	Public Hearing held on 12/17/08. BOS Public Hearing scheduled for 1/13/09. PC Recommendation due to BOS by 2/10/09. Economic Impact Analysis Study has been awarded to Thomas Point Associates, Inc. in January 2009 with an anticipated 6-8 weeks completion timeframe.
	Create Watershed Management Plan. <i>Board to take responsibility for moving this item forward</i>	
	Proffer Policy. <i>Board to create a committee, consisting of two board members, to review submitted proffers prior to public hearing</i>	
	<i>Evaluate working relationships of Planning Commission & Towns</i>	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
Medium Term	Historic Corridor/Architectural Review	
	Subdivision Ordinance – review for compliance with revised Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance	
	Historic Corridor Designation for Business 13 Eastville and Stone Road in Cape Charles	
Long Term	US Route 13. <i>Continue to implement the changes to further the goals of Rt. 13 Access Mgmt. Plan</i>	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
SOLID WASTE		
Short Term	Collection Centers (remaining 2 of 6 sites: Cheapside, Eastville)	Working on acquisition of Eastville property.
	Institute recycling for County offices.	
	Construction and Operation of a Transfer Station	Transfer Station construction is nearly complete. Paving is finished; waiting on electrical to finish then can obtain Certificate of Occupancy. Paperwork is ready for submission to DEQ for permitting once CO is issued. Contract almost finalized with Allied Waste to handle the hauling and disposal of solid waste from the Transfer Station.
	Landfill Closure	Draft bid specifications for capping have been reviewed by the County and submitted to DEQ for review. Anticipated approval from DEQ is late February with a March timeframe for issuing bids.

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
Medium Term	Get Assign-a-Probationer widespread in County	87 Probationers assigned in 2008 to program. 321 Miles of Roadway cleaned with removal of 649 bags of trash, equating to approximately 13 tons of trash. Total In-kind value is \$7,024.90
	Anti-Litter Enforcement	
Long Term	Beautify Waste Collection Centers and sponsor competitive beautification program for the 6 centers	
	Review Solid Waste Enforcement Ordinance	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
AFFORDABLE HOUSING		
Short Term	CDBG List Update	
	Continue to provide housing/rehabilitation of homes for communities through CDBG funding	West Fairview Housing Rehab CDBG project started.
	Increase frequency of Delinquent Tax Sales	<p>Three auctions held in 2008: April 17, 2008 – 19 parcels were auctioned; August 19, 2008 – 17 parcels were offered for auction and 14 were purchased; October 23, 2008 – 16 parcels were auctioned.</p> <p>Since the start of this program in March 2007, 92 properties have been returned to the tax rolls.</p>
	<p><i>Support efforts of ANHRC and ANRHA and to clarify the roles of the Board of Supervisors & ANPDC</i></p> <p><i>County to investigate use of CDBG funds to help ESAAA/CAA in the old Hare Valley school</i></p>	
Medium Term	Designate land dedicated to the construction of low to moderate & workforce housing incomes and work	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
Long Term	with developers to encourage this type of housing development	
	Pursue through the ANPDC the development of 20 units of rental housing for moderate and low income families through the identification of suitable real estate; identification and pursuit of planning grant; and obtaining funding.	
	Pursue through the ANPDC the development of a home ownership subdivision for moderate and market rate families (80% area median) through the identification of land for subdivision; identification of funding source; identification of design; and pursuit of funding.	
	<i>Evaluate collection of delinquent accounts through internet methods</i>	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY		
Short Term	Drainage, County wide Comprehensive plan to begin process of clearing ditches in the more heavily impacted neighborhoods	
	Review of existing PSA structure and determine suitability for use, possibly for Cape Charles/Cheriton	Copies of PSA Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation were provided to Cape Charles.
Medium Term		
Long Term	Review of existing PSA structure and determine suitability for use	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
EDUCATION		
Short, Medium & Long Term	Be thrifty in all programs so as not to shortchange education funding, our largest priority	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
Short Term	Finish Economic Development Portion of Comprehensive Plan	Economic Chapter: Planning Commission Public Hearing held on 12/3/08 & BOS Public Hearing held on 12/9/08. Matter tabled until recommendation received from Planning Commission
	Sell the STIP and resolve all issues associated with the sale (including the Nature Preserve Property and the 2 acre leased property) (also under County Property)	Appraisal received on the ROW – in negotiations with DCR and Fish & Wildlife regarding value. Extension until 12/31/2009 to resolve valuation on the ROW and transfer of this property to DCR.
<p><i>Identify an individual/entity responsible to the business community in the county (“economic development point person”) and clarify their responsibilities</i></p> <p><i>Annually update the CEDS</i></p>		

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Medium Term	Tourism/Agriculture/Aquaculture/Fisheries need to be encouraged in the Land Use Plan. Need to then translate this to the various boards and committees to be implemented as part of their mission and goals.	The ES Tourism Commission, the Agriculture Committee, the Aquaculture Committee and the NC Chamber of Commerce were instrumental in the development of the draft Economic Chapter of the Comp Plan.
	Elimination of Merchant's Capital Tax - determine level of compliance of reporting of this tax and collection efforts. <i>Budget subcommittee to look at this.</i>	
	Institute a Business License (but not BPOL)	
Long Term	Lower Taxes on Existing Businesses	
	Obtain legislation for creation of Aquaculture Enterprise Zone	

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RECREATION		
Short Term	<p>Make needed improvements to Main Building: Indiantown Park</p>	<p>Bathrooms have been repaired, main doors have been replaced, and roof repair is underway. Engineering RFP is out to bid with due date of 1/14/09 to handle the soccer field improvements.</p>
Medium Term	<p><i>Privatize administration of recreation programs</i></p> <p><i>Work with School System to evaluate and maximize recreational use of middle school</i></p>	
	Acquire bayside beach in Northern half of county	
	Investigate feasibility of a firing range at closed landfill	
Re-assess recreation opportunities at the Landfill site		

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
Long Term	Community Docking	
	Expansion of recreation opportunities for youth	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
COUNTY PROPERTY		
Short Term	Sell the STIP	STIP property sold to Southport Investors, LLC on 2/29/08.
	Renovate THU for Sheriff's Office	Renovations are complete and Sheriff, Dispatch and Emergency Operations Center have all moved into the building. The old sheriff's office has been turned back over to the School Board.
	Build J&DR Court Services building	Finalizing RFP for Architectural/Engineering Services. Anticipated issuance by 1/23/09.
	Get nighttime lighting to be more dark-sky friendly	
	Sell Hare Valley School to ESAAA/CAA purchased	

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>	
Medium Term	ESAAA/CAA	property on 11/7/2008 for \$250,000	
	Work with School Board and Admin. to obtain a site for shared garage and storage facility	Looking at property in Eastville for this project.	
	Implement fee system for non-locals at county owned boat ramps		
	Renovate Admin buildings and utilize 1914 jail	Finalizing RFP for Architectural/Engineering Services. Anticipated issuance by 1/23/09.	
	<i>Commit to locating the health department in the former middle school</i> <i>Develop general management plan for the use of the former middle school</i> <i>Investigate whether the use of CDBG funds can be used for NMS renovations</i>	Devise strategy for Raccoon Park	
		Obtain old Eastville HS property by US 13 and sell to private redevelopment company	
		Sell all holdings east of Courthouse Road	
	Long Term		

<u>GENERAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TOPIC</u>	<u>STATUS REPORT</u>
	Locate ES Health Department at the County Complex – if not the whole service, then a branch of the Environmental Health Services	With transition of Middle School to the County, Health Dept. approached about locating in this facility. With current state budget reductions, Health Department is interested but cannot commit to a move in FY09.

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OTHER		
Short Term	Nassawadox Creek Project	Refunds issued April 2008. ITEM DONE FOR NOW.
	Property Maintenance Code Enforcement	
	Boat Tax (reduction or elimination)	As part of the FY09 Budget, the boat tax was reduced from \$2.05 to \$.99
	Improve Town/County relations & communications	
	Gateway Signage program – completion and installation of Town signage <i>Pursue “Eastern Shore specific”</i>	Bid specifications were revised and approved by the Towns and VDOT; bids issued in fall 2008 for construction of signs.

	<p><i>signage rather than generic VDOT signage to be an asset for local businesses</i></p> <p>Signs have been completed and are ready for installation by County staff at the approved locations – will be done in spring 2009.</p>
	<p>Boundary Adjustment request from the Towns of Cheriton, Eastville & Exmore</p>
	<p>Abandoned Cars & Abandoned Structures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 400 Vehicles - 50 structures – develop prioritized list <p><i>Shift emphasis to structures rather than vehicles</i></p> <p><i>Create inventory of abandoned structures</i></p>
	<p>Designate Bayside Road (south of Nassawadox) as a Scenic By-Way</p>
	<p>Continue Merit Pay pool for County Employees</p> <p>Board adopted FY09 Merit Pool Schedule on 7/8/08.</p>
	<p>Update Hurricane Preparedness Plan</p> <p>County continues to hold emergency training drills for staff on hurricane preparedness.</p>
	<p>Close more median crossings on US 13</p> <p>BOS issued finalized list of 2nd round of median closures and/or improvements to VDOT on 10/14/2008.</p>

Medium Term	<i>Make uniform all benefits packages for county, school and constitutional office employees</i>	
	Evaluate elevation requirements for structures located near tidal waters	
Long Term	Restructuring EMS System	
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Mr. Tankard also said that he would like to take the initiative to create a new county flag, one which utilizes the same color scheme as the newly-developed Eastern Shore Brand. The Board concurred.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Mr. Trala that the meeting be adjourned. All members were

present with the exception of Mr. Walker and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

_____ CHAIRMAN

_____ COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR