



Mathews County Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting

Historic Courthouse

27 Court Street, Mathews, VA 23109

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INVOCATION

- A. The Rev. Ed Jordan, Pastor at Gwynn's Island Baptist Church is expected to provide the invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mike Walls asked for an amendment to move Mr. John Parker from Rheston Companies up on the agenda, before public comment.

Paul Hudgins I would like to amend the agenda to add under line 12, New Business item E – Removal of Planning Commission Appointees and to add under line 16, Appointments, item B, New appointments to the Planning Commission

MOTION: On Motion of Dave Jones, seconded by Mike Walls, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 4-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Approve the Agenda as Amended,

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye

Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Not Present

David Jones, Supervisor - Aye

Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye

Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

Rev. Dr. Mason joined the meeting at approximately 6:10 pm.

Mr. Parker shared an architectural drawing and details regarding the layout of the proposed Dollar

General.

Mike Walls asked to table the Dollar General for 30 days to gather information on the largest store Dollar General Superstore

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Dave Jones, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 4-1-0 as follows: Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; Jackie Ingram - nay; to Table the Approval of 1-CUP-22 Rhetson Companies Inc., 10,640 square foot retail building, Tax Map 9-A-3

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Nay

Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye

David Jones, Supervisor - Aye

Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye

Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

6. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZEN COMMENT (One opportunity of 3 minutes per speaker) • Comments from the public during the Citizens Comment period shall be limited to three (3) minutes. • The Chairman at his discretion may provide a verbal advisory to a speaker at the Podium when thirty (30) seconds remain of the specified time to conclude comments. • The citizen's name and a brief summary of their comments, along with submitted written statements shall be included in the Minutes.

Chris Bridge 90 Rigby Lane Diggs, VA	Tim Hill 1046 NewPoint Comfort Height	Janet Deschak 438 Bendall Lne Mathews, VA	Joey Taylor	Edith Turner 3965 Buckley Hall Rd	Mike Enneking North, VA	Christine Ulrich 139 Deer Path Cobbs Creek, VA	Bobby Dobson 1050 Roane Pt Cobbs Creek, VA	Chris White 157 Robert E Lee Dr, Mobjack, VA	Molly Hoffman 28 Seaside Way Gwynn, VA
Amy Bohannon- Stewart 11150 Buckely hall Rd., Mathews, VA	Donna Machen 278 Marina Rd Foster, VA	Donald Morgan Moon, VA	Sharon Frye 106 Weston Hall Rd., Port Haywood, VA	Sonny Fauver Port Haywood, VA, 23108	Ms. Machen 278 Marina RdFoster, VA	Capt. David W. Callis, Gwynn, VA 230 66			

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. ORDINANCE NO. 22-01 AMENDS THE MATHEWS COUNTY CODE TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION FROM SEVEN TO FIVE.

Please see the video link on the meeting portal for full comments.

Tim Hill Mathews, VA 23109	Dee Russell 276 Yieser Lane	Dave Rollins 744 Lovers Lane, Mathe ws, VA	Dan Hill 124 Triangle Rd. Gwynn, VA	Doug Wilton Halliford, VA	Donald Morgan Moon, VA
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Supervisor Jones read aloud a letter that Mr. Rollins (Chair of the Planning Commission) asked Mr. Knighton to compose regarding the attendance of one of the members. There are several members on the committee with an attendance issue. Rev Dr. Mason addressed the lack of training that many of the boards lack in order to help enhance them.

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Dave Jones, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Deny Ordinance No. 22-01

Roll Call Vote:
Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye
Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

- B. **ORDINANCE NO. 22-02 IS AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE TO SET THE REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL PROPERTY AND MACHINERY & TOOLS TAX RATES**
County Attorney Andrea Erard gave background information on the requested Ordinance 22-02
Please see the video link on the meeting portal for full comments.

Sonny Fauver 186 Chesapeake Shore Rd Port Haywood, Va 23108	Bobby Dobson P.O. Box 541 Cobbs Creek, VA 23035
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MOTION: On Motion of Dave Jones, seconded by Mike Walls, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Approve Ordinance 22-02 to LOWER the tax rate from .64.5 to .64.

Roll Call Vote:
Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye
Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

8. **RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- A. James Knighton, Director of Planning and Zoning - 5 Years of Service
- B. Carol Ann Dixon, 20 Years of Dedication to Protect and Serve the Citizens of Mathews County

9. **CONSENT AGENDA** *(roll call vote required)*

MOTION: On Motion of Jackie Ingram, seconded by Dave Jones, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Approve the Consent Agenda

Roll Call Vote:
Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye

Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

A. Meeting Minutes

1. April 26, 2022 Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting

B. Supplemental Appropriations

1. Commissioner of Revenue - 2023 reassessment fee
2. Animal Control Vehicle - correction of previously submitted request
3. Early Vote Grant Reimbursement
4. Library Donations Received
5. Mathews Volunteer Rescue Squad - FEMA Grant Received

10. REPORTS AND REQUESTS OF BOARDS, DEPARTMENTS, COMMISSIONS AND AGENCIES

A. Mathews County Department of Planning and Zoning: Mr. James Knighton, Director

1. 1-CUP-22 Rhetsen Companies Inc., 10,640 square foot retail building, Tax Map 9-A-3
Moved to line item 5

B. Mathews County Broadband Advisory Board: Mrs. Judy Rowe, Chair
Presented a slide show with a detailed status update of the Broadband Project.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Monument: Survey Update

Supervisor Hudgins asked Rev. Dr. Mason if she had given any more thought to developing a committee regarding the Monument to honor African American Veterans. Ramona does have a company lined up to complete the survey, but is waiting for the Board discussion to decide if there will be one or two parcels.

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. Lighthouse Overlook Project Information and Update: Stan Allen

Mr. Allen shared a detailed presentation. He requested the support of the county in the form of a Resolution. Mrs. Wilson presented the Resolution.

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Melissa Mason, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Approve the Resolution

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye
Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

B. Noise Ordinance Discussion - Sheriff Mark Barrick

Sheriff Barrick addressed occupancy in the Historic Courthouse Building. The occupancy is 50 and at the previous meeting there were around 30 people over that number at the beginning of the meeting. The Captain of the Fire Department as well as the Sheriff are receiving complaints. The lack of a noise ordinance in Mathews County is causing a lot of our citizens problems. Sheriff Barrick passed out a copy of a noise ordinance in a neighboring county. There was a suggestion of a possible workshop to move forward if the decision is made to implement an ordinance.

C. Public Comment Rules of Procedure Discussion

The decision was made to keep both of the Public Comment options on the agenda. Due to some position changes within the administration office, there is a need for edits to the current by-laws.

D. New County Logo

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Dave Jones, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Accept the resignation of Mr. Rollins, Chair of the Planning Commission

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye
Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

12E (Amended line item) Three current members are in violation of the attendance policy, however one has resigned. Mike Walls read Code 15.2-2212. The current members in violation are Danette Machen and Mr. Tim Hill who will be removed from the committee.

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Dave Jones, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; Melissa Mason - nay; to Approve removing the two named Planning Commission members for attendance violations.

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye
Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Nay
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

13. SUPERVISORS' REPORT *At this time, Supervisors may bring up matters for the Board's discussion, consideration or information which is not on the agenda and which are not more appropriately discussed or considered in closed meeting.*

A. Supervisor Jones

1. Hole in The Wall Update

Supervisor Jones read the engineering report (a copy has been placed on the county website) performed at The Hole in The Wall. It has been determined the building is currently unsafe for occupancy. The building officials will be posting the building as unsafe, allowing no one to enter until necessary repairs are made. Supervisor Jones made a motion that the Board of Supervisors conduct a full investigation of the building to include how it was inspected and released. [Structural Engineering Report for The Hole In The Wall](#)

MOTION: On Motion of Dave Jones, seconded by Mike Walls, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Approve the investigation of the inspection process of county property located at 384 Old Ferry Road, also known as The Hole In The Wall Restaurant.

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye

Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye

David Jones, Supervisor - Aye

Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye

Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

14. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Financial Reports

B. Various Department Reports

C. Budget Meeting Schedule

The Joint Workshop meeting has been changed to June 7, 2022.

D. New Phone Service Provider for all County offices

Mr. Walls shared his report as follows :There is a conflict between the Planning Commission and School Board Meetings, so a suggestion was made to change the Planning Commission meetings to meet on the second Tuesday of the month.

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Dave Jones, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Approve the change in the Planning Commission meeting schedule.

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye

Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye

David Jones, Supervisor - Aye

Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye

Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

15. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZEN COMMENTS *(One opportunity of 3 minutes per speaker)*

Full comments are available on the meeting portal at the following link: [Mathews County Meeting Portal](#)

Josie Thorpe Hallieford, VA	Sonny Fauver Port Haywood, VA	Donnie Lewis MVFD	Billy Cooke Mathews, VA	John Craig Lewis Port Haywood, VA	Bobby Dobson Cobbs Creek, VA
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16. APPOINTMENTS

A. Arlene Armentor, Reappointment to the Social Services Board

MOTION: On Motion of Melissa Mason, seconded by Dave Jones, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Reappoint Arlene Armentor to the Social Services Board

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye
Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

Mike Walls made the motion to appoint Harry Meeks to fulfill the remainder of Tim Hills' term ending 12/2023, appoint Donald Morgan to fulfill Danette Machen's term expiring 12/2025 and Paul Logan to fulfill David Rollins' term expiring 3/2025.

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Dave Jones, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 4-1-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; Melissa Mason - nay; to appoint the current applicants.

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye
Melissa Mason, Supervisor -Nay
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

17. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: On Motion of Dave Jones, seconded by Melissa Mason, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Dave Jones, Mike Walls, Paul Hudgins - aye; None - nay; to Adjourn

Roll Call Vote:

Jackie Ingram, Vice Chair - Aye
Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
Paul Hudgins, Chairman - Aye

Paul Hudgins, Chairman
Mathews County Board of Supervisors

Ramona Wilson, County Administrator
Clerk to the Board

Judi Green, Senior Executive Associate
Deputy Clerk to the Board