



Mathews County Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting
Mathews High School
Harry M. Ward Auditorium
9889 Buckley Hall Road
Mathews, VA 23109

Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order by the Chairperson at 6:00pm.

2. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Pastor Gary Barker.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Board of Supervisors Members Present: Vice-Chair Paul Hudgins
Supervisor Jackie Ingram
Supervisor Melissa Mason
Supervisor Mike Walls
Chairperson Dave Jones

Board of Supervisors Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Ms. Ramona Wilson, County Administrator, Clerk
Ms. Judi Green, Senior Executive Associate and Deputy Clerk
Ms. Megan Evjen, Administrative Assistant
Ms. Ashley Hubbard, Accounting Analyst
James Knighton, Director of Planning & Zoning
Ms. Andrea G. Erard, Esq., County Attorney

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Roll Call Vote:

Paul Hudgins, Vice Chair - Aye

Jackie Ingram, Supervisor - Aye

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

6. RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- A. Mathews Volunteer Fire Department - 50 or more years of Service Recognitions
The following Mathews Volunteer Firefighters were recognized for their many years of dedicated and loyal volunteer service to the citizens of Mathews County:
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| Jimmy Hudgins- 50 yrs of service | Sammy Dutton - 50 years of service |
| Kenny Garrett - 50 yrs of service | Jimmy Stewart - 60 yrs of service |
- B. Kim Callis, Chief Deputy for The Commissioner of Revenue- 15 years of Service
- C. Jody Lewis Harvey, Commonwealth Attorneys Office - 30 years of Service and Retirement Recognition

7. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZEN COMMENTS - NOT FOR PUBLIC HEARING TOPICS *(One opportunity of 3 minutes per speaker, alternating between in-person and written comments)*

Mary Katherine Diggs Port Haywood, VA Re: Concerns for our county and the way it is progressing.	Bobby Dobson Cobbs Creek, VA Re: Taxes/HIW/False Info in the newspaper
Scotty Bergman Gwynn's Island Re: A Planning Commission member acted unprofessionally.	Dee Russell Hudgins, VA Re: Personal opinions should not be a part of Board meetings.
Ruth Machen Foster, VA Re: Loss of Freedom	

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Proposed Dangerous and Vicious Dog Ordinance
1. Revision and Update of the Dangerous and Vicious Dog Ordinance to conform with State Law
Mirror the state code????? Sent email to Andrea

MOTION: On Motion of Paul Hudgins, seconded by Jackie Ingram, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 2-3-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins- aye, Jackie Ingram - aye; Melissa Mason- nay, Mike Walls-nay, Dave Jones-nay; to table/postpone for 30 days for review.

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

David Jones, Chairperson - Nay

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

B. Proposed Budget Amendment

1. A Resolution containing a budget amendment to address proposed expenditures exceeding 1% of the total operating budget for the County.

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

- C. Input from Matthews County Taxpayers to use County funds of approximately \$307,000.00 to make repairs to an unsafe structure at 384 Old Ferry Road (Hole in The Wall Waterfront Grill).

Those who are **OPPOSED**:

Alan Clark
303 South Bay Haven
Hudgins, VA
Billy Cook Jr.
430 Thurston Rd
Mathews, VA
Richard Hicks
North, Va

Ray Mulvaney
1368 Crab Neck Rd
Hudgins, VA
Robert Peterson
2199 Tabernacle Rd
Mathews, VA

Bobby Dobson
1050 Roane Point Dr
Cobbs Creeks, VA
Mike Pittman
7882 New Point Comfort Hwy
Port Haywood, VA
Patricia Stall
11 Rose Cottage Ln
North, VA
Carla Callis
299 Cricket Hill Rd
Gwynn, VA
Donald Morgan
Moon, VA

Those who are **NEUTRAL**:

Conrad Bareford
Mathews, VA

Shelly Van Cleve
Gwynn, VA

Catherine Diggs Forrest
2773 Ridge Rd
Gwynn, VA
Ruth Machen
278 Marina Rd
Foster, VA

Dee Russell
278 Yieser Ln
Hudgins, VA
Sharon Dequaine
417 Henry Rd
Gwynn, VA
Karl Braun
499 Bavon Beach Dr
Port Haywood, VA
Peter Machen
278 Marina Rd
Foster, VA

A 5 minute recess was declared by Chairperson Jones and to return at 8:35 pm.

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

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

A. Meeting Minutes

1. Board of Supervisors Regularly Scheduled Meeting, February 28, 2023

2. Board of Supervisors Budget Options Workshop, March 14th, 2023

B. Department of Social Services - Received funds for their Family Partnership Meetings, \$1,267.50

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

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

1. **APPLICATION 1-CUP-23:** Request from Melissa Moughon for a Conditional Use Permit per Section 175-5.3 of the Mathews County Zoning Ordinance to operate a home enterprise for the purpose of real estate closings on parcel 26A2 (7) 3. This parcel is in the Residential-2 (R2) district.
MOTION: On Motion of Melissa Mason, seconded by Paul Hudgins, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Approve the 1-CUP-23 Application as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

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

2. Zoning Complaints

- B. Virginia Department of Transportation: Mr. Lee McKnight, Saluda Residency Administrator
Mr. McKnight updated the projected completion date of the Gwynn's Island Bridge project from December of 2023 to the Fall of 2023.
- C. Broadband Advisory Board, Judy Rowe, Chair
Ms. Rowe provided an update on the towers project.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Move the April 11th, 2023 Public Hearing on proposed Tax Rates to Tuesday, April 18th, 2023. This is to adhere to the advertising requirements. The Public Hearing will be held at the Historic Courthouse at 6:00 pm.

MOTION: On Motion of Melissa Mason, seconded by Paul Hudgins, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Approve moving the April 11th, 2023 meeting to Tuesday April 18th, 2023 at 6:00pm at the Historic Courthouse.

Roll Call Vote:

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

- B. Resolution to Adopt the New County Logo

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

- C. Update of Fire Station Property
County Administrator, Ramona Wilson, provided an update on the Fire Station Property.

12. NEW BUSINESS

13. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- A. Other Reports and Financials
- B. Updates and News

1. Changes in Administrative Departments

Patrick Depumpo - Director of Technology will be starting on April 3, 2023

Tim Tillage - Manager of Facilities and Grounds

2. [NextRequest Link](#) Our new FOIA Portal is live. Please follow the link to become familiar with NextRequest.

3. Potential Property Purchases by the County

14. 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. At this time, Supervisors may bring up matters for the Board's discussion, consideration or information which is not on the agenda and which is not more appropriately discussed or considered in closed meeting. When speaking during Supervisors' Reports, Board members shall be limited to ten (10) minutes, at which time the Chairman may at his discretion suspend further presentation from the Board member and request action by consensus agreement of Board members present at the Board Table to permit additional time to conclude the presentation.*

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Paul Hudgins, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 3-2-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason - nay; to Approve sending a letter to the 9th District Circuit Court Judge along with a copy of the registered letter that we sent to Mrs.Sue Thomas and a copy of the video of the January 11th, 2023 BZA meeting in question.

Roll Call Vote:

Paul Hudgins, Vice Chair - Aye

Jackie Ingram, Supervisor - Aye

Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye

Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye

David Jones, Chairperson - Aye

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

Richard Hicks
North, VA
Re: HITW

Bobby Dobson
Cobbs Creek, VA
Re: New Fire Dept. suggests including an event room for the public to rent

16. APPOINTMENTS

A. Planning Commission

1. Billy Cook, Jr. (Reappointment)

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

Roll Call Vote:

Paul Hudgins, Vice Chair - Aye

Jackie Ingram, Supervisor - Aye

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

B. Board of Zoning Appeals

1. Peter Clendenin - (Reappointment)

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Paul Hudgins, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to recommend to reappoint Mr. Peter Clendenin to the Board of Zoning Appeals Committee. His new term will expire on April 30th, 2028.

Roll Call Vote:

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

C. VA250 Committee

1. Martha McCartney

MOTION: On Motion of Paul Hudgins, seconded by Melissa Mason, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Appoint Martha McCartney to the VA250 Committee.

Roll Call Vote:

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

2. Leslie Search

MOTION: On Motion of Paul Hudgins, seconded by Jackie Ingram, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Appoint Leslie Search to the VA250 Committee.

Roll Call Vote:

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

3. Tom Edwards

MOTION: On Motion of Paul Hudgins, seconded by Jackie Ingram, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Appoint Tom Edwards to the VA250 Committee

Roll Call Vote:

Paul Hudgins, Vice Chair - Aye
Jackie Ingram, Supervisor - Aye

Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Chairperson - Aye

4. Joe Syslo

MOTION: On Motion of Paul Hudgins, seconded by Mike Walls, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Appoint Joe Syslo to the VA250 Committee.

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

5. Reed Lawson

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Melissa Mason, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Appoint Reed Lawson to the VA250 Committee.

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

6. Fred Lyon

MOTION: On Motion of Paul Hudgins, seconded by Mike Walls, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Appoint Fred Lyon to the VA250 Committee.

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

17. **CLOSED MEETING** *(if necessary)*

A. Enter Closed Meeting

- Pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1) for the discussion or consideration of the performance and disciplining of a specific *appointee* of the Mathews Board of Supervisors.

MOTION: On Motion of Paul Hudgins, seconded by Mike Walls, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Enter Closed Session for the consideration of the performance and disciplining of a specific appointee of the Mathews Board of Supervisors.

Roll Call Vote:
Paul Hudgins, Vice Chair - Aye
Jackie Ingram, Supervisor - Aye

Melissa Mason, Supervisor - Aye
Mike Walls, Supervisor - Aye
David Jones, Chairperson - Aye

B. Return to Open Meeting and Certification

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

Roll Call Vote:

Paul Hudgins, Vice Chair - I so certify
Jackie Ingram, Supervisor - I so certify
Melissa Mason, Supervisor - I so certify
Mike Walls, Supervisor - I so certify
David Jones, Chairperson - I so certify

C. Action on Closed Matters (if necessary)

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION: On Motion of Mike Walls, seconded by Paul Hudgins, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0-0 as follows: Paul Hudgins, Jackie Ingram, Melissa Mason, Mike Walls, Dave Jones - aye; None - nay; to Appoint Mr. Byron Rauch to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Paul Logan on the Planning Commission whose term expires on November 30, 2026.

Roll Call Vote:

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

18. PRESS CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS (if necessary)

19. ADJOURNMENT

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Dave Jones, Chairman
Mathews County Board of Supervisors

Ramona Wilson, County Administrator
Clerk to the Board

Judi Green, Senior Executive Associate
Deputy Clerk to the Board