

## **VIRGINIA:**

A Town Hall meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Charles City County Government and School Board Administration Building thereof on **Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.** in the 239<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth and the 380<sup>th</sup> year of the County.

PRESENT: William G. Coad, Chairman  
Gilbert A. Smith  
Floyd H. Miles, Sr.

Bill Coad opened the meeting asking for Public Comments. The following comments were made:

David Ledbetter, 16530 The Glebe Lane, Charles City, VA.

- Invited everyone to come out to the Charles City Ruritan Club annual Steak Feast on September 17; all proceeds will go to the Ruritan's Club scholarship fund.
- Commented on DEQ and Waste Management, he asked since we entered into an agreement with DEQ what is the County doing to get in compliance. Bill Coad stated CH2MHill reports violations to the Board; the Board contacts Waste Management on anything that needs to be corrected. The last report received was very positive.
- In reference to the Decide Smart Study, people are excited about the School Board and Superintendent. David Ledbetter asked were there any priority in working together as in IT and Finance. Bill Coad stated the Decide Smart is continuing their work and giving recommendations on what to apply.

Helen Payne-Jones, 9096 Kimages Road, Charles City, VA.

- Asked the Board if they could give an update on how the County is doing? Any update on short falls and litigations? Floyd Miles stated when we developed the budget last year we did not have the revenue we have gotten thus far. Bill Coad stated positions that were eliminated last year will not be replaced; we have serious issue with Waste Management; our fund balance is looking the best in years; the County is doing a lot better. Floyd Miles stated the lawsuit had a hearing; the only change in venue the County would accept would be in New Kent County, the judge agreed. The County is waiting on the judge to give us a hearing date which will be sometime next year, depending on his calendar.
- Gilbert Smith stated the Economic Development Department has a committee working on the development of the County. They have had several companies come into the County to look at putting a company here. There are several things companies take into consideration, demographics, telecommunication etc. There will be a joint meeting with the Board and the Planning Commission on Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Alton Washington, 10605 Sturgeon Point Road, Charles City, VA.

- Asked was there anything that can be done about the wetlands that are causing drainage problems and the beavers residing on wetlands. He asked about three buildings in the County that he thinks should be recognized, 1) Parrish Hill 2) Miker 3) Barnetts. He stated it would be nice to see them refurbished. Floyd Miles stated Barnetts School belongs to Gilfield Baptist Church, and the other two properties are privately owned. Floyd Miles also stated the Board is working with VDOT to solve the issue with the wetlands; they have looked at the Beaver Dams, there are only so much feet of land owned by VDOT.
- Loggers in Charles City County have ruined the streams; water cannot flow properly from the big trucks and equipment disturbing the land. Floyd Miles stated there are state laws stating how close you can get to water streams.

David Lee Stanford – 7720 S. Lott Cary Road, Providence Forge, VA.

- Asked had the County considered taking over the landfill? Bill Coada stated we want to get good at what we are doing before we take on anymore.

James Carter – 2160 John Tyler Memorial Highway, Charles City, VA

- Asked if the Board would change the laws before deer season on using different firearms for hunting. Every firearm he asked about could currently be used for hunting in Charles City County.

Floyd Miles asked for an update on the School opening. Mrs. Helen Payne-Jones stated they had a very successful day; a bus did break down; she did state unofficially that all schools are accredited with the middle school having a warning in math and reading.

Floyd Miles encouraged everyone to come out and make comments when there is a Town Hall Meeting. It helps to make the Board better able to serve you and hopefully you get something out of it.

Gilbert Smith thanked everyone for coming out.

Bill Coada stated he is excited about the schools and what they are doing.

Motion was made by Bill Coada to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters under Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) and consultation on legal matters pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(7). All were in favor.

Motion was made by Gilbert Smith to return to open session and Floyd Miles mad the motion to certify that the Board of Supervisors discussed only public business matters exempted from statutory open meeting requirements identified in the motion to convene to Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting will be held **Wednesday, September 10, 2014** at 7:30 p.m.