

VIRGINIA: At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Accomack held in the Cafetorium of Metompkin Elementary School in Parksley on the 20th day of August, A.D., 2008.

Members Present: Ron S. Wolff, Chair
Steve D. Mallette, Vice Chair
Wanda J. Thornton
Grayson Chesser
Sandra Hart Mears
John Charles "Jack" Gray
Laura Belle Gordy
Donald L. Hart, Jr.
E. Philip McCaleb

Others Present: Steven B. Miner, County Administrator
Shelia Goodman, Administrative Assistant
Mark B. Taylor, County Attorney

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and with a prayer by Mr. Hart, after which the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Hart made a motion to adopt the Agenda as amended. Mrs. Thornton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation

The Chair read the rules governing Public Participation.

The following person read a letter from Chincoteague Mayor John Tarr concerning District Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Authorities:
John Jester, Vice-Mayor, Town of Chincoteague

The following person addressed the recent Real Estate Reassessment, future reassessments, the County relationship with the Town of Chincoteague, and the need to review the 2006 Interim Zoning Ordinance:
Toni Trepanier

The following person expressed opposition to the free family health insurance provided to the members of the Board of Supervisors:
Jim White

The following person addressed the recent Real Estate Reassessment and the Accomack County Supervisors' Order of Levy for the Imposition of Real Property Taxes for Fiscal Year 2009:
James Frese

The following person requested that the Board provide written disclosure of all facts, costs, and implications to the Public prior to any vote:
Linda K. Smith

Chair's Comments

The Chair summarized the *Accomack County Supervisors' Order of Levy for the Imposition of Real Property Taxes for Fiscal Year 2009* and related issues. He stated that he would like to request staff to prepare a presentation for the September Board Meeting, outlining the known elements of the Tri-County assessment versus actual sales, using the valid statistical measures available. The presentation would be in conjunction with the report concerning meeting the goal of annual assessments, also due at the September Board Meeting.

The Chair suggested the re-establishing of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, to discuss budget concerns, and that the Board schedule a workshop on State Budget cuts, specifically those affecting the Constitutional Officers.

Mrs. Gordy made a motion to re-instate the Board of Supervisors Finance Committee. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion.

Discussion of the potential members of the Finance Committee followed, with Mr. Miner and the County Director of Finance Reed Ennis responding to comments and questions from the Board.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Gordy made a motion to schedule a workshop on State budget cuts, primarily those affecting the Constitutional Officers. Mr. Mallette seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Mr. McCaleb requested that the following item be removed from the Consent Agenda to be discussed separately.

- g. Consider authorizing advertisement of Public Hearing on adoption of An Ordinance to Create Wallops Research Park Service District

Mr. Hart requested that the following item be removed from the Consent Agenda to be discussed separately.

- q. Consider the use of \$192.50 in E. D. 8 district funds to cover tipping fees associated with Wachapreague Carnival waste

Mr. Hart requested that the following item be added to the Consent Agenda, per his request at the July Board meeting.

- r. Consider requesting the County Department of Public Works to install a “No Wake Zone” sign at the Harborton Dock

Mr. Mallette requested that the following items be removed from the Consent

Agenda to be discussed separately.

- n. Consider the use of E. D. 5 district funds for the following:
 - i. \$2,000 as a contribution to the Central Accomack Little League
- p. Consider the use of E. D. 7 district funds for the following:
 - i. \$2,000 to the Central Accomack Little League

Mrs. Thornton made a motion to approve Items under the Consent Agenda, with the stated items removed for discussion. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- a. Renewed the contract for commissary services with Oasis Management Systems, Inc. for the two-year term of September 15, 2008 to September 14, 2010 in accordance with the renewal provisions of RFP #177. The Sheriff's Office and Oasis Management Systems, Inc. are in agreement to renew under the same terms and conditions with Oasis providing a 20.6% commission to the County on net sales
- b. Awarded petroleum contracts under IFB #615 as follows for the initial term of September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009 with three (3) one-year renewals available:
- c. Approved the award of IFB #611 for sitework for the Makemie Park Convenience Center to the low bidder, Gerald M. Moore & Son, Inc., in the total amount of \$643,275.00
- d. Approved the award of IFB #612 for the Compactor System for the Makemie Park Convenience Center to the sole bidder, Mid-Atlantic Waste Systems, in the amount of \$61,966.00
- e. Adopted the following Virginia Retirement System Resolution in order to comply with IRS Revenue Ruling 2006-43, requiring governmental employers to demonstrate "formal authorization" for their pick-up plans that allow member contributions to be treated on a pre-tax basis
- f. Approved re-authorization to advertise for Public Hearing to amend County Code regarding Pump and Haul as follows

**ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 94,
UTILITIES, ARTICLE 2, PUMPING AND HAULING OF SEWAGE UNDER CERTAIN
CIRCUMSTANCES
CHAPTER 94 - UTILITIES
ARTICLE 2. PUMPING AND HAULING OF SEWAGE
UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES**

Sec. 94-2. Pumping and hauling of sewage under certain circumstances.

(a) The county administrator of Accomack County, Virginia, is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and agreements containing such terms and conditions as he deems appropriate to execute such other documents as may be necessary to permit the permanent pumping and hauling of sewage on a case-by-case basis by a private contractor holding a valid sewage hauling permit in the circumstances and under the conditions set out in subsections 94-2(b) through (f), below.

(b) No agreement or contract permitting the pumping and hauling of sewage shall be entered into by a county administrator except in connection with: (1) real property owned by churches and used for religious purposes, (2) real property occupied and used for human residency, (3) real property used in the operation of a small business. In the case of a small businesses allowed to use pump and haul as a wastewater disposal method under this section, shall be limited to not more than fifteen (15) employees fixtures shall be limited to one toilet and one hand sink.

(c) No agreement or contract permitting the pumping and hauling of sewage shall be entered into by the county administrator except in connection with property which does not have practical access to a central sewage system, and cannot otherwise obtain an Accomack County health department permit for a septic system using a subsurface drain field.

(d) No agreement or contract permitting the pumping and hauling of sewage shall be entered into by the county administrator except upon execution of a bond in favor of Accomack County, by the owner of the property from which the sewage is to be pumped and hauled, in the amount of \$5,000.00 guaranteeing the payment of the private contractor, and indemnifying Accomack County, Virginia, for any liability it may incur in connection with or as a result of entering into the agreement or contract.

(e) Every agreement entered into by the county administrator pursuant to this section shall provide the agreement shall terminate upon willful violation of health department regulations in connection with the pumping and hauling by the beneficiary of the permit, or upon the failure to provide or renew the bond provided for in subsection (d) of this section, or in the event the property is made subject to the agreement is continuously unoccupied for a full month or more, or upon central sewage treatment or a septic system using a subsurface drain field becoming available.

(f) Every agreement entered into by the county administrator with a homeowner or owner of a small business pursuant to this section shall also terminate upon the change of ownership of the real property. Additionally, every agreement entered into by the county administrator with the owner of a small business being acquired by a different owner shall terminate. In the event of a change of ownership of a home or a small business, the new owner shall be required to renegotiate a new contract pursuant to subsections 94-2(a) through (d) herein.

(Code 1982, § 22.5(1)--(5); Ord. of 4-16-97, § 1--6)

- h. Approved the preparation of a Resolution of Respect for Sherwood “Shakey” White to be presented to the family by Mrs. Mears
- i. Approved the following proclamation proclaiming September 15 – 19, 2008 as Constitution Week

PROCLAMATION
Proclaiming September 15 – 19, 2008
as
Constitution Week

WHEREAS, We the People did ordain and establish a Constitution for the United States of America to secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens fully understand the provisions, principles, and meaning of the Constitution so they can support, preserve, and defend it against encroachment; and

WHEREAS, the Bicentennial of the Constitution provides a historic opportunity for all Americans to learn about and to reflect upon the rights and privileges of citizenship and its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the President and the Congress of the United States have designated the week of September 15 – 19, 2008, as Constitution Week; and

WHEREAS, the people of the County of Accomack do enjoy the blessings of liberty, the guarantees of the Bill of Rights, equal protection of the law under the Constitution, and the freedoms derived from it:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the County of Accomack in cooperation with the Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution, do hereby proclaim the week of September 15–19, 2008, as Constitution Week, and invite every citizen and institution to join in the national commemoration.

- j. Approved the use of \$8,000 in E. D. 1 district funds to the Town of Chincoteague for Town projects
- k. Approved the use of \$4,185 of E. D. 2 district funds for the removal and disposal of sediment that has accumulated on ramp at the Hammocks
- l. Approved the use of \$5,000 in E. D. 3 district funds for the expansion/modification of proposed pond at Makemie Park Convenience Center to facilitate installation of a dry hydrant
- m. Approved the use of \$4,000 of E. D. 4 district to the Parksley Volunteer Fire & Rescue Co. to purchase 3M Opticom emitters for emergency vehicles
- n. Approved the use of E. D. 5 district funds for the following:
 - ii. \$4,000 to Bloxom Volunteer Fire & Rescue Co. to purchase 3M Opticom emitters for emergency vehicles
- o. Approved the use of \$10,000 in E. D. 6 district funds for the replacement of approximately 50' of bulkhead at the Southside Chesconessex boat ramp
- p. Approved the use of E. D. 7 district funds for the following:
 - ii. \$5,000 each to the Towns of Onley and Onancock

Consider Authorizing Advertisement of Public Hearing on Adoption of an Ordinance to Create Wallops Research Park Service District

Mr. McCaleb stated that information that is more specific was needed concerning the Wallops Research Park Service prior to scheduling a Public Hearing to adopt the following proposed Ordinance to Create the Wallops Research Park Service District.

Discussion followed, with Mr. Miner, Mr. Taylor, and County Director Economic Development Larry Forbes responding to comments and questions from the Board.

Mr. McCaleb made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing to adopt the following proposed Ordinance to Create Wallops Research Park Service District. Mr. Hart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**ACCOMACK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 74,
SPECIAL DISTRICTS, TO PROVIDE FOR WALLOPS RESEARCH PARK
SPECIAL DISTRICT.
CHAPTER 74 – SPECIAL DISTRICTS
ARTICLE 3. WALLOPS RESEARCH PARK SPECIAL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Board of Supervisors to promote the development of space and flight technology related industry in Accomack County, inasmuch as such industry can bring lucrative jobs, desirable economic activity, and workforce training opportunities to our community; and

WHEREAS, Accomack County owns tracts of valuable real estate adjacent to NASA/Wallops Flight Facility and the Marine Science Consortium, at a unique location most attractive and commodious for the development of space and flight technology related industry in a technology park setting ideal for the attraction of desirable economic development in Accomack County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is authorized pursuant to the federal Space Act to enter into an agreement with NASA to secure access to NASA facilities at the NASA/Wallops Flight Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is authorized pursuant to the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act to undertake partnering ventures with private entities for the development and operation of public facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is authorized pursuant to §§ 15.2-2400 et seq. of the Code of Virginia to create Service Districts to provide additional, more complete or more timely services of government than are desired and/or practicable in the locality as a whole at this time; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is inclined to create the Wallops Research Park Service District, to consist of Accomack County Tax Map Parcels **28-1-A1, 28-1-A2, 28-1-A2A, 28-1-A3, 28-1-A3A, 28-1-B, 28-2-C, 28-2-D, 28-2-D1, 28-2-D2, 28-A-75** (part), as a means of providing additional, more complete and/or more timely services of government to such district as a means of attracting and securing, in cooperation with NASA, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the Marine Science Consortium, the development of new aeronautical, aerospace and space technology related industry for the economic benefit of Accomack County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors specifically finds that securing Accomack County access to runway facilities at NASA/Wallops Flight Facility through a Space Act Agreement with NASA and the provision, by separate agreement with NASA, of water & sewer service within the designated Service District, together with the installation of an access road, financed in part by a grant from the Department of Housing and Community Development, should provide an adequate basis for Accomack County to secure private investment in Wallops Research Park through the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act, through which Accomack County intends to realize the construction of a workforce training facility and secure amenities such as signage, landscaping installation & maintenance, trash collection, security, and routine operation of the Wallops Research Park workforce training center; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Supervisors to facilitate the future development of Wallops Research Park, as identified herein, through designation of the same as a Service District (Tax Parcels **28-1-A1, 28-1-A2, 28-1-A2A, 28-1-A3, 28-1-A3A, 28-1-B, 28-2-C, 28-2-D, 28-2-D1, 28-2-D2, 28-A-75** (part)); and

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Wallops Research Park Service District will further the public health, safety and welfare of all of the citizens of Accomack County by attracting highly desirable economic development to our community and by creating employment and workforce training opportunities for our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED as an Amended Ordinance of Accomack County, that Accomack County Code Section 74-3 is hereby amended, as follows:

Sec. 74-3. Wallops Research Park Special District.

There is created pursuant to Code of Virginia, § 15.2-2400, the Wallops Research Park Special District to provide additional and more complete services of government to support economic development within the Wallops Research Park, to create jobs and economic development through and including aerospace at Wallops Flight Facility, United States Navy Launch Facility and the Marine Science Consortium. Such Wallops Research Park Special District to be comprised of those certain tracts or parcels of land designated as Parcels **28-1-A1, 28-1-A2, 28-1-A2A, 28-1-A3, 28-1-A3A, 28-1-B, 28-2-C, 28-2-D, 28-2-D1, 28-2-D2, 28-A-75** (part) . The additional public services to be provided in this Special District may include, but shall not be limited to, public water and sewer, streets, trails, lighting, signage and aesthetic controls.

State law references; Code of Virginia § 15.2-2400 et seq.

E. D. 8 District Funds

Mr. Hart explained that the Wachapreague Volunteer Fire Department had been charged tipping fees associated with the Wachapreague Carnival for the first time.

Mr. Hart made a motion to use \$192.50 in E.D. 8 district funds to cover the tipping fees, and to request the County Public Works Department to install two “No Wake Zone”

signs in the Harborton area of Pungoteague Creek, allowing up to \$300 for the installation of such signs. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

E. D. 5 and E. D. 7 District Funds

Mr. Mallette stated that he was questioning the use of \$2,000 in E. D. 5 and E. D. 7 District Funds for donations to Central Accomack Little League (CALL) based on the Board's decision in previous years that donations to non-profit organizations were not an appropriate use of taxpayers' money. Mrs. Gordy replied that similar donations had been approved in the past, and that Mr. Ennis said it was allowed as a one-time donation. She then explained that the donation was due to the costs associated with the loss of the CALL Fields.

Mrs. Gordy made a motion to approve the use of \$2,000 in E. D. 5 and \$2,000 in E. D. 7 District Funds as a contribution to the Central Accomack Little League, Mrs. Thornton seconded the motion. Ayes: Mrs. Thornton, Mrs. Mears, Mr. Gray, Mrs. Gordy, and Mr. Hart. Nays: Mr. Chesser and Mr. Mallette. Abstain: Mr. McCaleb.

Highway Matters

Mr. Timothy Holloway, Residency Administrator, Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), reported on various road projects and responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Forestry Department Report

Robbie Lewis, Area Forester, gave an update on forestry activities and responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Treasurer's Report

County Treasurer Dana Bundick responded to questions and comments from the Board. Mrs. Bundick asked the Board to approve an extension for the submission of the mandatory Delinquent Tax List. The Chair stated that submission at the next monthly meeting would be acceptable.

Accomack County Public Schools

W. Richard Bull, Division Superintendent, Accomack County Public Schools, summarized his monthly report and responded to questions.

Director of Planning

James M. McGowan, Director of Planning, presented the monthly report and responded to questions from the Board.

Mr. McGowan reported that the Planning Commission had voted to forward the Thompson Rezoning Application to the Board with a Recommendation for Disapproval. Mr. McGowan asked the Board to schedule a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 17, 2008, on Thompson Rezoning Application.

Mrs. Thornton made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 2008, in the Cafetorium of Metompkin Elementary School to afford interested persons the opportunity to be heard or to present written comments concerning the Rezoning of Tax Parcel 41-A-123 located on Route 695, Saxis Road, from Agricultural to Residential. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of the proposed Seaside Water Quality Protection Ordinance followed.

Green Infrastructure Center, Inc.

Karen Firehock, Executive Director of the Green Infrastructure Center, Inc. in Charlottesville offered a presentation regarding a proposal for a Green Infrastructure Plan for Accomack County.

Mrs. Mears made a motion to send a Letter of Interest to Green Infrastructure Center, Inc. to express the Board's willingness to participate as a Field Test Locality in a Green Infrastructure Plan. Mr. McCaleb seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion passed unanimously.

Response to State Budget Cuts

Mr. Ennis explained the State Budget Cuts in Aid to Localities and the potential impact to County offices. The total reduction to Accomack County was approximately \$224,000 for Fiscal Year 2008/2009 and anticipated being the same for Fiscal Year 2009/2010.

Mr. Ennis stated that Capital Reserve Funds could cover the shortfall in the short-term, but continuing sources of funding need to be identified.

Mr. Ennis reported that Northampton County had decided to negotiate to have that county's solid waste taken off the Eastern Shore, and terminate the current agreement between the counties for the use of Accomack County Landfills. Mr. Ennis stated the

financial impact on Accomack County's projected revenues would be significant. As with the State Budget Cuts in Aid to Localities, Capital Reserve Funds could cover the shortfall in the short-term, but continuing sources of funding need to be identified.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Hart made a motion to adopt the recommendations from the Finance Department. Mr. McCaleb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Recess

On a consensus of the Board, the Chair declared a five-minute recess.

Northampton County's Solid Waste

Mr. Ennis stated that the decision by the Northampton County Board of Supervisors to consider proposals to transport that county's solid waste off the Eastern Shore was due in large part to the cost with Accomack County and suitability to that Board's plans.

Discussion followed.

Process for Board Appointments

Mr. Miner provided a summary of the requirement for district appointments to boards, commissions, and committees, and responded to comments and questions.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Chesser made a motion that all appointments to boards, commissions, and committees be at-large, unless prohibited by State law. Mr. McCaleb seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The Chair offered a friendly amendment stating that all persons being placed for consideration be included in the Agenda Packet or the consideration would not take place. Mr. Chesser and Mr. McCaleb accepted the friendly amendment. The Chair stated that should the motion fail, he would have the friendly amendment stand alone as a separate motion. Ayes: Mr. Mallette, Mr. Hart.

*****Note: The audio was not audible. Since the Minutes are signed by the Chair, only Mr. Mallette and Mr. Hart could be understood. A hand vote was taken which indicated a 5-4 vote rejecting the motion, but those voting Aye or Nay were not recorded.***

The Chair made a motion that all nominations for Board appointments be included in the Agenda Packet or the consideration would not take place. Mr. Hart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Appointments

Accomack County Utility Cost Committee

Mrs. Gordy made a motion to appoint Mrs. Jane E. Corson-Lassiter to the Accomack County Utility Cost Committee to fill the unexpired term of Mr. George McMath. The term will begin immediately and end on June 30, 2011. Mr. Hart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Eastern Shore Disabilities Services Board

Mr. Hart made a motion to direct staff to send a letter to the Eastern Shore Community Services Board asking for suggestions of a qualified individual for the Eastern Shore Disabilities Services Board, to complete the unexpired term of Mrs. Linda Martin Warner. Mrs. Thornton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

Mrs. Mears made a motion to appoint Mrs. Janice B. Welch to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Sherwood White. The term will begin immediately and end on June 30, 2011. Mrs. Thornton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Workforce Investment Board

Mrs. Mears made a motion to direct staff to send a letter to the Workforce Investment Board stating that the Board would not appoint a new member to replace Rose Rulon, but instead to have one representative, Mr. Kelvin Pettit, whose term ends June 30, 2010. Mr. Hart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Alternate Members to the Accomack County Wetlands Board

County Director of Building and Zoning David Fluhart explained the requirement for the appointment of alternate members to the Local Wetlands Board by quoting from Code of Virginia Section 28.2-1303, "The governing body shall also appoint at least one but not more than three alternate members to the board. The qualifications, terms, and compensation of alternate members shall be the same as those of members."

Discussion followed.

Mrs. Thornton made a motion to appoint Mrs. Darlene Floyd to a five-year term on the Accomack County Wetlands Board as an Alternate Member. The term would commence immediately and end June 30, 2013. Mr. Hart seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mallette made a motion that the Board appoint two Alternate Members to the Accomack County Wetlands Board. Mrs. Gordy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Mears made a motion to appoint Mr. George Tankard Parker from Onley to a five-year term on the Accomack County Wetlands Board as the second Alternate Member. The term would commence immediately and end June 30, 2013. Mr. Chesser seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Department of Environmental Quality Public Hearing Request

Mr. Miner explained that the wording of the Agenda item was incorrect in stating that the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) was requesting the Board to authorize a Public Hearing on proposed amendments to the Water Quality Standards.

The DEQ notification about the Public Hearings was to provide the Board an opportunity to submit comment on proposed amendments to the Water Quality Standards - 9VAC25-260-275. Protection of Eastern Shore Tidal Waters for Clams and Oysters.

By consensus of the Board, there were no comments to submit.

Resolution Requesting the Development of an Economic Development Strategy for Accomack County

Mr. Forbes read the proposed Resolution Requesting the Development of an Economic Development Strategy for Accomack County.

Mr. Mallette made a motion to adopt the following Resolution Requesting the Development of an Economic Development Strategy for Accomack County. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR ACCOMACK COUNTY

WHEREAS, the County of Accomack has participated in regional economic development planning and has adopted a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) through the Accomack-Northampton Regional Planning District Commission, and

WHEREAS, the County still has need of local economic development strategies and implementation plans, and

WHEREAS, economic opportunities and infrastructure have increased in the County in the past year through announcements by businesses affiliated with the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport, the Wallops Research Park, general activity and the assurances

of the placement of a fiber backbone to provide lower-cost broadband services which will run in dual pathways,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors added an Economic Development position to its staff in the past year for the purpose of seeking to enhance the economy and development of the county, and

WHEREAS, the Board has authorized - and the IDA approved - a change of name of the former Accomack Industrial Development Authority (IDA) to the Accomack Economic Development Authority (EDA), signifying the broadening of the economic development approach in the County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board hereby requests the EDA to work with County Staff, including the County's Community and Economic Development Director, to produce a draft Local Strategic Plan for Economic Development for the Board's consideration.

The EDA may also further provide support, guidance and policy recommendations regarding economic development best practices with the purpose of supporting and maintaining existing businesses, attracting new businesses and industries to the County and improve the quality of life for all Accomack citizens. The purpose of such with the express intent of increasing the number of good, well paying jobs, increasing the tax base while preserving pristine environmental assets.

County Administrator's Report

Mr. Miner provided status reports on various reports and projects requested by the Board.

County Attorney's Report

Mr. Taylor stated that he was acutely concerned about the possible violation of the Sunshine Law at the Economic Development Authority meeting during which Mr. George Parker was appointed.

Mr. Mallette made a motion to direct the County Attorney to vigorously pursue the investigation of the alleged violation of the Sunshine Law. Mr. Chesser seconded the motion.

Discussion followed.

The motion passed unanimously.

Board of Supervisors Comment Period

Mrs. Gordy reported the Social Services Board had requested that the overgrowth on the County-owned property adjacent to the Social Services Building be removed as soon as possible. The brush presents a safety issue for workers entering and leaving the office alone or after dark.

Mrs. Gordy stated that she would like the Board to work on the Boundary Adjustment with the Town of Onley.

Mrs. Thornton asked that the Board consider amending the County Attorney's employment contract as was discussed during a recent Closed Meeting.

Mr. Mallette stated, by way of explanation and apology, that the County Attorney had submitted items to the Personnel Committee, composed himself and the Chair, and they had not processed the items in a timely manner, noting that a report would be prepared for the next monthly meeting.

Budget Items

Mrs. Mears made a motion to approve the Budget Items. Mrs. Gordy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2009

Grants, Etc.

Increase Revenues

From the Commonwealth \$97,000

Increase Expenditures

Quinby Boat Harbor \$97,000

-- Quinby Boat Harbor Improvements (VPA)-Commercial Phase grant award

Increase Revenues

From the Commonwealth \$60,000

Increase Expenditures

Quinby Boat Harbor \$60,000

--Quinby Boat Harbor Improvements – Va. Transportation Enhancement Program grant award

Increase Revenues

From the Commonwealth \$1,100

Increase Expenditures

Health Department related \$1,100

--Teen Pregnancy prevention grant award adjustment

Increase Revenues

From the Commonwealth \$88,543

Increase Expenditures

Community Corrections \$88,543

--Community Corrections grant award

Increase Revenues

From the Commonwealth \$45,847

Increase Expenditures

Victim/Witness Assistance \$45,847

--Victim/Witness Assistance grant award

Increase Revenues

From the Commonwealth \$11,051

Increase Expenditures

Clerk of Circuit Court \$11,051

--Library of Va. funding

From Contingencies (\$68,131 operating and \$526,000 Capital contingency unappropriated balances as of 8/7/08)

Increase Expenditures

Contingencies \$1,342

Decrease Expenditures

County Administrator \$1,342
--Portable Digital Recording System for web audio

Other

Increase Revenues

From the Health Department \$20,000

Increase Expenditures

Emergency Services \$20,000
--Generator installation (Pass thru funds from Health Dept.)

Increase Revenues

From Northampton County \$6,600

Increase Expenditures

Juvenile Probation \$6,600
--Shared expenditure reimbursement

Payables

Mrs. Mears made a motion to authorize the payment of invoices. Mrs. Gordy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. McCaleb made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Chair