

**FLUVANNA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Morris Room, County Administration Building  
June 3, 2020  
Regular Meeting 4:00pm**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** John M. (Mike) Sheridan, Columbia District, Chair  
Tony O’Brien, Rivanna District, Vice Chair  
Mozell Booker, Fork Union District\*  
Patricia Eager, Palmyra District\*  
Donald W. Weaver, Cunningham District

**ABSENT:** None.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Eric M. Dahl, County Administrator  
Fred Payne, County Attorney  
Caitlin Solis, Clerk for the Board of Supervisors

*\*Due to health concerns, Mrs. Booker and Mrs. Eager are attending the meeting virtually/by telephone*  
- Mozell Booker, (Calling from 258 Bass Lane)  
- Patricia Eager, (Calling from 1107 Mechunk Creek Drive)

**1 - CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, & MOMENT OF SILENCE**

At 4:03 pm, Chair Sheridan called to order the Regular Meeting of June 3, 2020.  
After the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was observed.

**3 - ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Accept the amended Agenda, for the June 3, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.				
<b>MEMBER:</b>	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O’Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
<b>ACTION:</b>			Second		Motion
<b>VOTE:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>5-0</b>				

**4 - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

Mr. Dahl reported on the following topics:

- Free Drive through testing for COVID-19
- Friday June 5, 2020
- Fluvanna County High School, in the bus loop
- Tests have been booked up
  - Currently putting on a waiting list
- If more are scheduled, next location?

Virginia Unemployment Commission - Fluvanna:

- Fluvanna has a workforce of 14,400
- Continued Claims (receiving) as of May 23<sup>rd</sup> = 7.1% (1,033)
- Initial Claims (applied) May 2 through May 23 = 3.5% (505)
- Potential Unemployment = ~10.6%

County Information Resources

- County Website: <https://www.fluvannacounty.org/>
  - Dedicated pages to the latest COVID-19 info and resources for Businesses
- Sign-up for FAN Mail: <https://www.fluvannacounty.org/subscribe>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FluvannaCountyGovernment/>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/fluvannacounty>

Next BOS Meetings:

Day	Date	Time	Purpose	Location
Wed	Jun 17	7:00 PM	BOS Regular Meeting	Morris Room
Wed	Jul 1	4:00 PM	BOS Regular Meeting	Morris Room
Wed	Jul 1	7:00 PM	BOS Regular Meeting	Morris Room

**5 - PUBLIC COMMENTS #1**

At 4:11 pm, Chair Sheridan opened the first round of Public Comments.

- Rudy Garcia, 802 Rivanna Woods Drive, implored the BOS to make a statement condemning the death of George Floyd and recognize the oppression the racist society has placed on the African American community.

- Mr. Dahl read a letter sent in by Bayley R. Leyshon, written in support of equality of all and specifically the African American community.

With no one else wishing to speak, Chair Sheridan closed the first round of Public Comments at 4:21 pm.

6 - PUBLIC HEARING

None.

7 - ACTION MATTERS

Compressor Storage and Filling System with Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Equipment – Cyndi Toler, Purchasing Officer

Emergency Request

- The County has an emergent need for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus and related equipment as many of the County’s units are beyond their expected useful life and their replacement is a matter of public safety and this procurement is conducted under 2.2-4303(F); Emergency Procurement.
- Code of Virginia 2.2-4303(F). In case of emergency, a contract may be awarded without competitive sealed bidding or competitive negotiation; however, such procurement shall be made with such competition as is practicable under the circumstances. A written determination of the basis for the emergency and for the selection of the particular contractor shall be included in the contract file.

Grant Information

- In January 2020 Fluvanna applied for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant that if awarded would pay for the county to replace the SCBA’s for the fire department.
- Unfortunately we will not receive a decision on the grant quickly enough to ensure the safety of our volunteers.
- If the grant is awarded to the county we will be reimbursed the amount of the award.
- \$818,000.00 was requested for the grant.
- There is a CIP for this project in the amount of \$939,000

SCBA Compressor System

- The entire project is for the purchase of the SCBA Masks, air tanks, 4 air compressor systems, and a fit test machine.
- This contract is for the SCBA Compressor Systems to be installed at each of the 4 fire stations only.
- An RFP was issued on April 27 we received one submittal for the air compressor systems.
- After a negotiation with the supplier, we were able to get compressors within our needed budget.
- After the purchase of the SCBA’s, approved in May, the remaining balance in the CIP is \$171,431
- This purchase is for \$162,062.00
- Leaving \$9,369 for the purchase of the Fit Test machine that will be done as a small purchase.

MOTION:	Approve the emergency contract with Safe Air Systems, Inc. for Compressor Storage and Filling System totaling \$162,062.00, and further authorize the County Administrator to execute the agreement, subject to approval as to form by the County Attorney.				
MEMBER:	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O’Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
ACTION:		Motion			Second
VOTE:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
RESULT:	5-0				

Ratify Advertisement for the Supplemental Appropriation of FY20 CARES Act Funding – Mary Anna Twisdale, Director of Finance

- Congress passed and the President recently signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020.
- This Act provides funding for a number of different programs to address the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Fluvanna County’s allocation is \$2,379,202
- Per the Code of Virginia 15.2.2507, any additional appropriation(s) which increases the total budget by more than 1% of the total expenditure budget for that fiscal year is required to be advertised for a public hearing at least seven days prior to the Board of Supervisors’ approval of such appropriation; with such advertisements authorized by the County Administrator, unless the County Administrator deems such request for advertisement should require Board of Supervisors approval.

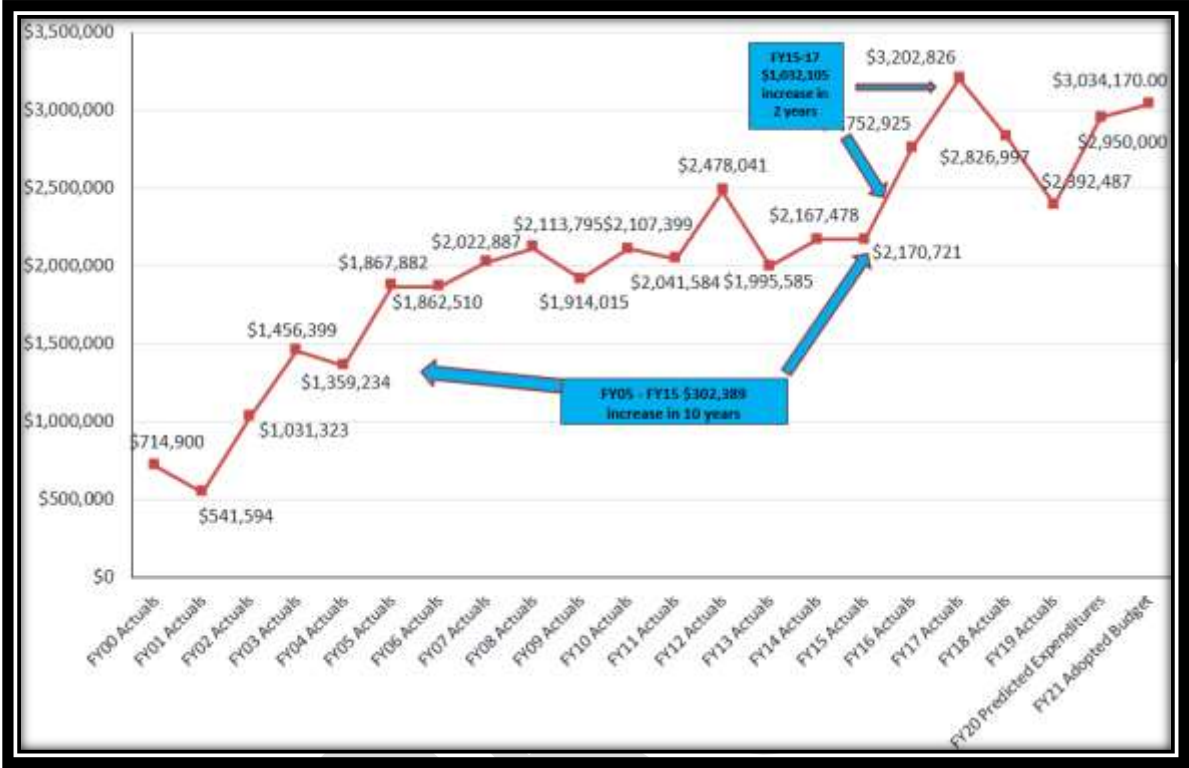
MOTION:	Ratify the advertisement of a Public Hearing for the supplemental appropriation of CARES Act Funding for FY20.				
MEMBER:	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O’Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
ACTION:		Motion	Second		
VOTE:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
RESULT:	5-0				

FY20 Budget CSA Purchase of Services Supplemental Appropriation – Bryan Moeller, CSA Coordinator

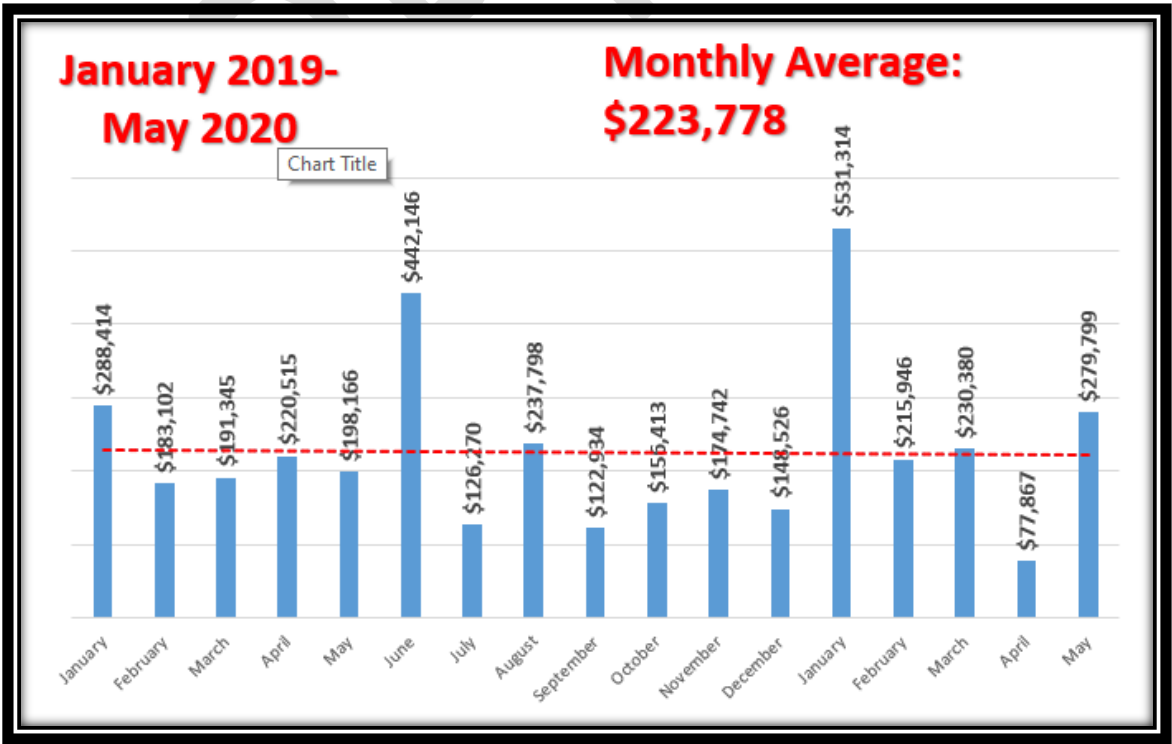
FY20 Budget:

- FY20 CSA Purchase of Services
  - Adopted Budget: \$2,850,000
  - Projected Budget: \$2,950,000
- CSA Purchase of Services is projected to be over budget by \$100,000
  - \$47,640 Local Share (Unassigned Fund Balance)
  - \$52,360 State Share

CSA Expenditure History (Purchase of Services):



CSA Expenditures by Month:



Residential/Educational Services FY18-FY20

- Approximately over one third (35%) of our clients account for almost two thirds (62.8%) of our costs.
- Fluvanna County CSA currently has served 114 children and families this year.

	FY18 Actuals	Clients	FY19 Actuals	Clients	FY20 Projected	Clients
Total CSA POS	\$2,914,568		\$2,392,487		\$2,850,000	
Private Day	\$900,003	15	\$947,170	18	\$1,062,868	20
Residential	\$492,427	16	\$222,944	11	\$378,278	12
Residential Education	\$422,979	18	\$284,008	13	\$349,656	20
Total Residential & Private Day Costs	\$1,815,409	33	\$1,454,122	31	\$1,790,802	40
% Residential & Private Day Budget	62.3%		60.8%		62.8%	

Children in Private Day/Residential Placements

- 10% increase in private day placements for FY20
  - Consistent with state trends
- 23% increase in residential education costs
  - Increased census of residential placements

MOTION:	Approve a supplemental appropriation of \$100,000 for the FY20 CSA Purchase of Services Budget, with the \$47,640 local portion of funding to come from Unassigned Fund Balance and the state portion of \$52,360 to come from the Office of Children’s Services.				
MEMBER:	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O’Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
ACTION:	Second		Motion		
VOTE:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
RESULT:	5-0				

Ratify Advertisement of VRA Bond Pubic Hearing – ZXR Water/Sewer Project – Mary Anna Twisdale, Director Finance

- The Board originally planned to fund up to \$3,000,000 out of fund balance to complete the Zion Crossroads Water/Sewer Project.
- During budget discussions is was decided instead of cash funding, the County would debt fund the balance of the project.
- In February 2020, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) approached the County about extending the Zion Crossroads waterline on Hwy 250 1.1 miles west of where it currently terminates on Memory Lane, to properties contaminated by an old petroleum release.
- The overall cost for this Phase 2 Zion Crossroads waterline extension is estimated at \$1.5M. DEQ will provide a maximum funding for this project of \$1.0M, with the Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors wishing to issue Revenue Bonds for the remainder of the project.
- On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, the Board of Supervisors (the “Board”) of Fluvanna County, Virginia (the “County”), will hold a public hearing on the proposed issuance of a water and sewer revenue bond of the County, in the estimated maximum principal amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 (the “Bond”), to be sold by the County to the Virginia Resources Authority (“VRA”), which is expected to purchase the Bond pursuant to a Local Bond Sale and Financing Agreement between the County and VRA with a portion of the proceeds of the sale of the VRA’s Series 2020B Bonds (Virginia Pooled Financing Program). Proceeds generated from the sale of the Bond to VRA will be used for the purpose of financing the planning, acquisition and construction of certain water and wastewater infrastructure improvements in the Zion Crossroads area of the County and paying certain costs of issuance of the Bond.
- **Code of Virginia 15.2-2606:** “...before the final authorization of any bonds by a locality, the governing body of the locality shall hold a public hearing on the proposed bond issue. Notice of the hearing shall be published once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper published or having general circulation in the locality. The notice shall state the general purpose or purposes and the estimated maximum amount of the bonds proposed to be issued and shall specify the time and place of the hearing at which persons may appear and present their views.”

MOTION:	Ratify the advertisement of a Public Hearing on the proposed issuance of a water and sewer revenue bond in the estimated maximum principal amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 to be sold to the Virginia Resources Authority (VRA).				
MEMBER:	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O’Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
ACTION:			Motion		Second
VOTE:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
RESULT:	5-0				

7A – BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Deferred the following Board, Commission, or Committee appointment(s) until the July 1, 2020 meeting.

- Community Planning and Management Team, Vendor Representative, Term July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022.

8 - PRESENTATIONS

PARC Projects Update – Aaron Spitzer, Director of Parks and Recreation

PARC Committee members:

Kristine Krechoweckyj-Chairperson, Jackie Bland, Calvin Hickman, Tricia Johnson, Kathleen Kilpatrick, Kornel Krechoweckyj, Jan Pavlacka, Aaron Spitzer-County Advisor

Additional Project Volunteers:

Jeffrey Bland, Kelly Belanger Harris, Steve Nichols, Walter Hussey, Carylton Pavlacka

Beautification Projects:

Village Bench Project

- 5 Benches with Brass Commemorative Plaques acquired through sponsorship
- 4 Installation Sites in Village:  
Old Court House, Treasury Building, Village Park, Across from Village Park
- 4 Donated Wreaths:  
2 at Old Court House, 2 at Maggie’s House

Civil War Park & Old Stone Jail

- New Bench installed in the park
- PARC proposed:
  - Cutting back the shrubs
  - Improving park accessibility by removing 2 wall sections

Historical Projects:

Village Signage

- 6 Oval Slate signs installed in village
- Coordinates with the new Village Walking Tour
- Two Educational Display Posters in locked cases at the historic courthouse

Route 15 Signage

- PARC designed “Welcome to Historic Palmyra” Road Sign for locations on Rt. 15
- Project incorporated into EDTAC county sign project
- Continue to follow-up for:
  - Replacement of Historic Courthouse Marker on Route 15
  - Request additional historic markers for:
- Old Stone Jail
- Pleasant Grove House

Historical Activities:

Village Walking Tour

- Revised & expanded Village Walking Tour with 28 stops extending to bridge walkway
- Tour begins at Village Park with 3 color coded tour options
- “4 Miles 4 Museums and a Historic Courthouse” Program
  - Promotes visitation to Palmyra’s Four Museums and Historic Courthouse
  - Proposed special museum day(s)

Village Projects:

Due To State Shutdown – Following Projects Are Delayed

- Building a Village Kiosk, cost estimate for kiosk supplies \$612
- Completing Rail Trail Nature Hike
  - To begin at Village parking lot; proposing 12-14 stations along ½-mile trail
  - Cost estimate for wood posts \$30 which has been sponsored
  - Cost estimate for 12 to 14 (3-½x3-½”) metal numbered markers \$50

**Financial Report:**

- Revised Sponsorship Brochure
- Donations run through Parks & Recreation

<b>2018-2020 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY</b>		
<b>Operating Funds</b>		
	Bench/plaque Sponsorship Donations	\$3,123.62
	Donations	\$295.00
	Board of Supervisor Funding	\$5,000.00
	<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>\$8,418.62</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
	Benches/plaques purchased by sponsorship	\$2,841.62
	Posters purchased with county funds	\$287.00
	Slate signs purchased with county funds	\$1,470.00
	Slate sign purchased by sponsorship	\$245.00
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$4,843.62</b>
	<b>Funds Remaining</b>	<b>\$3,575.00</b>

**Next Steps:**

- PARC initiatives not completed will be transferred to EDTAC
- PARC offers project ideas to EDTAC:
  - Build a second kiosk for the village
  - Develop a Master Plan for the village
  - Develop a self guided Ghost Tour for the Village
  - Promote the "4 Miles 4 Museums and a Historic Courthouse" program
  - Plan Educational Lectures to be presented at the Historic Courthouse
  - Install landscape lighting behind the Old Jail to attract interest to village
  - Improve upstairs room at Historic Courthouse to recreate a Judge's Chamber
  - Plan Christmas reading and/or caroling at the Historic Courthouse
  - Participate in developing a mapping function noting county historic, tourism and economic sites
  - Improve village park accessibility by removing sections of existing wall
  - Solicit additional volunteers to staff PARC projects
- Guidance for PARC within EDTAC will be offered by Aaron Spitzer and Bryan Rothamel

**COVID-19 Update - County Operations – Eric Dahl, County Administrator****Timeline:**

- March 16, 2020 – County Building use reduced to the public
  - Cancelled Boards, Committees and Commission meetings
  - Suspended Parks & Rec programs and rentals
- March 18, 2020 – County Declared Local State of Emergency
  - BOS started meeting via telephonic/electronic means
- March 19, 2020 - County buildings closed to the Public
  - Closed public access to all County owned/operated buildings
  - Employees will continue working and the County will continue to operate on a normal schedule
- March 24, 2020 – County Staff began teleworking
  - Where possible, County staff began limited/rotating staffing and teleworking.
- March 24, 2020 - Governor Northam's Executive Order 53
  - Closure of certain non-essential businesses, bans all gatherings of more than 10 people, and closes all K-12 schools for the remainder of the academic year.
- March 30, 2020 – Governor Northam's Executive Order 53
  - Issues Stay-At-Home Order
  - Will remain in place until June 10, 2020, unless amended or rescinded by a further executive order.
- May 15, 2020 - The Governor Northam's Executive Order 61
  - Phase 1 easing of certain temporary restrictions on businesses
  - Allow gatherings of no more than 10
  - Employees working in customer-facing areas must wear face coverings
- May 26, 2020 - The Governor Northam's Executive Order 63
  - Makes it a requirement to wear face coverings while inside buildings as patrons, and employees of essential retail businesses.
- June 5, 2020 - The Governor Northam's Executive Order 65



- Phase 2 easing of certain temporary restrictions
- Allow gatherings of no more than 50

**Future Tentative Timeline:**

- June 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> ? – County staff return to the office in Part-Time (Limited Teleworking) or Full-Time basis
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> ? – County Offices reopen to the public by appointment only, with the exception of the Treasurer's Office being open fully
- June 29<sup>th</sup> or July 6<sup>th</sup> ? – All County Offices fully reopen to the public

June 2020						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				
Jun 14: Flag Day		Jun 20: June Solstics		Jun 21: Father's Day		

**Considerations?**

- Boards, Commissions and Committees meeting dates
  - Board of Supervisors
  - Planning Commission
  - Others
- Parks and Rec
  - Summer Camp programs
  - Classes
- Use of Pleasant Grove Park by sports leagues
  - Fluvanna Youth Softball and Fluvanna Youth Baseball
- Late Summer Events
  - County Fair

Mr. O'Brien suggested getting all Parks and Recreation participants sign waivers and consent to contact tracing forms as well as getting temperatures taken every time they participate in a parks and rec event.

**9 - CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items were discussed:

I - PSAP VESTA Call System for 911 – Cyndi Toler, Purchasing Officer

The following items were approved under the Consent Agenda for June 3, 2020:

- Minutes of May 20, 2020 – Caitlin Solis, Clerk to the Board
- PSAP VESTA Call System for 911 – Cyndi Toler, Purchasing Officer
- Commonwealth Attorney's Office Paralegal Salary – Jessica Rice, HR Manager
- FY20 Sheriff Department Insurance Claim – 2016 Ford Taurus VIN#8356 – Liz McIver, Management Analyst
- FY21 CSA Provider Agreement – Bryan Moeller, CSA Coordinator

<b>MOTION:</b>	Approve the consent agenda, for the June 3, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting.				
<b>MEMBER:</b>	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
<b>ACTION:</b>			Second		Motion
<b>VOTE:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>RESULT:</b>	5-0				

**10 - UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*Local Allocations for Federal CARES Coronavirus Relief Funds* – Eric Dahl, County Administrator

**Background:**

- Congress passed and the President recently signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020.
- This Act provides funding for a number of different programs to address the COVID-19 pandemic.

- A primary component of the CARES Act is \$150 billion in assistance to state, local, territorial, and tribal governments for the direct impact of the COVID-19 pandemic through the establishment of the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF).

These funds may be used for qualifying expenses of state and local governments. The CARES Act provides that payments from the CRF only may be used to cover costs that:

1. are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
2. were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government; and
3. were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020.

**Allocation of CRF Funds to Localities:**

- Each locality's allocation will be based on the proportion that the locality's population represents of the statewide total population.
- Fluvanna County's allocation is \$2,379,202
  - Funds were received by the County on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Nonexclusive examples of eligible expenditures:**

Eligible expenditures include, but are not limited to, payment for:

1. Medical expenses such as:

- COVID-19-related expenses of public hospitals, clinics, and similar facilities.
- Expenses of establishing temporary public medical facilities and other measures to increase COVID-19 treatment capacity, including related construction costs.
- Costs of providing COVID-19 testing, including serological testing.
- Emergency medical response expenses, including emergency medical transportation, related to COVID-19.
- Expenses for establishing and operating public telemedicine capabilities for COVID-19- related treatment.

2. Public health expenses such as:

- Expenses for communication and enforcement by State, territorial, local, and Tribal governments of public health orders related to COVID-19.
- Expenses for acquisition and distribution of medical and protective supplies, including sanitizing products and personal protective equipment, for medical personnel, police officers, social workers, child protection services, and child welfare officers, direct service providers for older adults and individuals with disabilities in community settings, and other public health or safety workers in connection with the COVID-19 public health emergency.

3. Payroll expenses for public safety, public health, health care, human services, and similar employees whose services are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID- 19 public health emergency.

4. Expenses of actions to facilitate compliance with COVID-19-related public health measures, such as:

- Expenses for food delivery to residents, including, for example, senior citizens and other vulnerable populations, to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.
- Expenses to facilitate distance learning, including technological improvements, in connection with school closings to enable compliance with COVID-19 precautions.
- Expenses to improve telework capabilities for public employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.
- Expenses of providing paid sick and paid family and medical leave to public employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.
- COVID-19-related expenses of maintaining state prisons and county jails, including as relates to sanitation and improvement of social distancing measures, to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.
- Expenses for care for homeless populations provided to mitigate COVID-19 effects and enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

5. Expenses associated with the provision of economic support in connection with the COVID-19 public health emergency, such as:

- Expenditures related to the provision of grants to small businesses to reimburse the costs of business interruption caused by required closures.
- Expenditures related to a State, territorial, local, or Tribal government payroll support program.
- Unemployment insurance costs related to the COVID-19 public health emergency if such costs will not be reimbursed by the federal government pursuant to the CARES Act or otherwise.

6. Any other COVID-19-related expenses reasonably necessary to the function of government that satisfy the Fund's eligibility criteria.



**Nonexclusive examples of ineligible expenditures:**

The following is a list of examples of costs that would not be eligible expenditures of payments from the Fund.

- 1. Expenses for the State share of Medicaid.3
- 2. Damages covered by insurance.
- 3. Payroll or benefits expenses for employees whose work duties are not substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- 4. Expenses that have been or will be reimbursed under any federal program, such as the reimbursement by the federal government pursuant to the CARES Act of contributions by States to State unemployment funds.
- 5. Reimbursement to donors for donated items or services.
- 6. Workforce bonuses other than hazard pay or overtime.
- 7. Severance pay.
- 8. Legal settlements.

**Funding Uses:**

- Business Grants -\$\$\$?
- PPE Supplies – \$30K
  - Masks (current and reserve), Plexiglass barriers, Temperature Kiosk
- Sanitary Supplies – \$15K
  - Hand Sanitizer, Cleaning Supplies, Cleaning Equipment
- Unemployment Insurance Costs - \$25K
- Salaries – \$100K
  - Full-time, Part-time, Overtime, Paid FMLA
- Construction Costs – \$30K
  - Courthouse/COC, COR Office, Planning & Building Inspection, Both Parks & Rec locations
- Public Health – \$5K
  - Face Mask Communication (Full Page Ad - \$380, Yard Signs - \$3,750)
- Telework, Phone & Remote Electronic Equipment - \$35K

**11 - NEW BUSINESS**

- The Board asked to get signs distributed throughout the County promoting wearing masks in public and letting people know where to get health care if they are uninsured (Health Center, Goochland Cares, etc.).
- *Mr. O’Brien asked to follow up on recommendations made by Mr. Garcia and the letter from Ms. Laeyshon such as a resolution or proclamation as well as better communication with the public stating racism is not tolerated in any way, shape, or form by our governing body.*
- *Mr. O’Brien asked the Sheriff to give an update on the efforts he’s making to ensure no bias or discrimination is found in the sheriff’s office.*
- *Mr. O’Brien also supported the suggestion made by Ms. Laeyshon to pursue a group with governmental influence led by Black people in our community specifically for Black interests.*
- *Mrs. Booker mentioned a panel on Fluvanna Together Striving for Equality that should be advertised for Sunday, June 7, 2020*

**12 - PUBLIC COMMENTS #2**

At 6:45pm, Chair Sheridan opened the second round of Public Comments.

- Rudy Garcia, 802 Rivanna Woods Drive, commented on the discussion on when to open the County. PVCC Going digital and how that could be used as an example for Parks and Rec. Donations made to MACAA from the Rotary Club. He also commented on the CARES Act and asked to have a large percentage of the revenue allocated to helping local businesses. He also supported the investment of CARES Act funds in a 90 day CD.

With no one else wishing to speak, Chair Sheridan closed the second round of Public Comments at 6:50 pm.

**13 - CLOSED MEETING**

MOTION:	At 6:59 pm, move the Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors enter into a closed meeting, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.2-3711 A.6 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, for the purpose of discussing Investment of Funds.				
MEMBER:	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O’Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
ACTION:			Motion		Second
VOTE:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
RESULT:	5-0				

MOTION:	At 7:30 pm, move Closed Meeting be adjourned and the Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors convene again in open session and “BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of
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	Supervisors does hereby certify to the best of each member’s knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Section 2.2-3711-A of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting.”				
MEMBER:	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O’Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
ACTION:			Motion		Second
VOTE:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
RESULT:	5-0				

14 - ADJOURN

MOTION:	Adjourn the regular meeting of Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at 7:31pm.				
MEMBER:	Mrs. Booker	Mrs. Eager	Mr. O’Brien	Mr. Sheridan	Mr. Weaver
ACTION:			Second		Motion
VOTE:	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
RESULT:	5-0				

ATTEST:

FLUVANNA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Caitlin Solis  
Clerk to the Board

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John M. Sheridan  
Chair

Times have been growing more complicated and emotionally distressing each day in recent months. I know we all are seeking out ways to comfort and protect ourselves, our families, and our communities. I firstly want to thank each and every one of you for the important work that you do. My name is Bayley Leyshon, and I have lived in Fluvanna my entire life. I have met some of you through my work with the high school's Alliance Club for LGBTQ+ students. I have met others of you during my role as valedictorian of the class of 2019 or throughout my senior year at FCHS (specifically on field trips with Mr. Pace). I have attended Board of Supervisors meetings for a multitude of reasons. I have a deep and personal connection to our county community, and I want to do everything in my power to make sure we succeed and are constantly uplifting those among us who need help and promoting equality above all. That is why I reach out to you today.

Recent acts of police brutality have been displayed by officers across the country who have pledged to protect and serve their communities. This is deeply disturbing. We cannot allow the power that comes with a uniform and a badge to fall into or stay under control of the wrong people. Elected officials have had a wide variety of responses to the protests that are happening every day, some of which (though unintentional) have been causing more harm.

Firstly, I believe that transparency in all matters and methods of police training and government workings should be paramount. An open dialogue with the community is necessary to truly 'protect and serve.'

Black Lives Matter. Black people face extreme disadvantages in our society because of our country's history of white supremacy. The effects of slavery and segregation are still felt today in a multitude of ways. Because of this history, we must support affirmative action and provide assistance to those in our community that are suffering the most. I do not know of any Black interest group within Fluvanna, but I believe that it would be worthwhile to pursue a group with governmental influence led by Black people in our community specifically for Black interests.

Mandatory minimum sentencing for nonviolent drug crimes is also an issue that affects many members of the Black community. I care deeply about equality within our local justice system, and though I may not be well versed in specific laws or ordinances, I know that convictions and sentences for Black Americans are often harsher than convictions and sentences for White Americans who commit similar crimes. We must actively work to combat this.

I also would encourage Fluvanna County to change the celebration of Columbus Day to a celebration of Indigenous Peoples Day. The atrocities committed against Native populations throughout America's history are innumerable, but recognition of these communities can go a long way in the same way that federal laws can improve conditions for those that are discriminated against.

I have also contacted the Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office with a list of measures that could be implemented to help reduce the number of these horrifying deaths we have seen in recent years. White people must step up in these situations to be active allies to the Black community. I have been educating myself and encouraging the white people around me to do the same in addition to signing petitions, sending emails (like this one!), and taking other actions.

I am enormously proud of the community that I was raised in, and all of my interactions with our county police have been positive and caring. My white privilege ensures that I am unlikely to face discrimination, but it also compels me to speak up for my Black friends and neighbors. I want to make sure that every resident of Fluvanna feels this way, because we have seen too many officers abusing their power over the country throughout the recent days and years. The people most often affected by these abuses of power are Black, Indigenous, and other people of color, as well as members of the LGBTQ+ community, especially transgender and gender nonconforming people.

Sheriff Hess's statement was a powerful reminder of what we can accomplish when we stand up for one another, and I was extremely grateful that the sheriff's department understands the severity of what is happening and is seeking ways to improve their work. As James Baldwin said, "I love America more than any other country in the world and, exactly for this reason, I insist on the right to criticize her perpetually." I feel this way about Fluvanna, and I believe that starting local is an extremely important way to build understanding, solidarity, and love between citizens and those who represent them.

Thank you for listening to and working with my concerns. I look forward to opening up a line of communication on further ways to protect all the residents of Fluvanna County as I continue to live and love within its borders.

Sincerely,  
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