

AT A WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, HELD ON THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE 2001, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARD ROOM, 101 MOUNTS BAY ROAD, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

A. ROLL CALL

John J. McGlennon, Chairman, Jamestown District
Bruce C. Goodson, Vice Chairman, Roberts District

Jay T. Harrison, Sr., Berkeley District, arrived at 4:20 p.m.
James G. Kennedy, Stonehouse District
Ronald A. Nervitt, Powhatan District

Sanford B. Wanner, County Administrator
Frank M. Morton, III, County Attorney

B. BOARD DISCUSSION

1. Water Conservation Program Update

Ms. Lisa Meddin, Water Conservation Coordinator, gave an update on the James City County Service Authority's current and future water conservation programs. She presented the "Let's Be Water Smart" program which is designed to encourage water conservation among citizens and area businesses; the BayScape plantings outside the JCSA building to encourage customers to follow "Water Smart" principles in their landscapes; conservation and the distribution of local drought resistant plant guides developed by the Master Gardeners.

The Board and staff discussed the benefits of the Forest Glen Neighborhood Water Conservation Retrofit Program; participation of local nurseries in conservation efforts; effects of tier pricing in water consumption rates; and targets/measurements to gauge the success of water conservation efforts.

2. Water Usage Update

Mr. Larry Foster, General Manager of the James City Service Authority, gave an overview of the water supply plan to provide adequate infrastructure and water supply while reducing the dependence on the Chickahominy-Piney Point Aquifer. He also provided the Board with water consumption projections through 2015, and regulatory permit requirements.

The Board and staff discussed factors used in the projections of water consumption and County population projections; historical growth projections utilized in prior reports; reliability of Newport News Water Works water supply through the term of the contract; impacts of new plumbing fixtures on water consumption rates; concerns regarding the drops in aquifer levels and the need to drill wells deeper; and the impacts of development on water consumption and conservation efforts.

3. Cash Proffers

Mr. John T. P. Horne, Director of Development Management, and Mr. John McDonald, Manager of Financial and Management Services, gave the Board an overview of the County's current proffer process and issues related to systematic cash proffers as they may apply in James City County.

The Board and staff discussed established systematic cash proffers of Chesterfield and Hanover Counties; increased cost of housing within the Primary Service Area (PSA); cash proffers as a policy and not a County ordinance, the correlation between voluntary proffers and developments approved by the Board, Board consideration of other factors affecting cases in addition to offered proffers; fair treatment of future developers if a policy of cash proffers is imposed; and the exclusion of low-cost housing from potential proffer policies.

The Board directed staff to propose a policy resolution for the Board's consideration.

4. Open Space Land Acquisition Update

Mr. Horne provided the Board with an overview of the open space land acquisition strategy; a summary of the evaluation criteria utilized to assist staff in evaluating and ranking potential properties for acquisition for public use; update of the funds used and available for acquisitions; update of site acquisitions; and an overview of the 2001-2002 goals and objectives for land acquisition strategies.

The Board and staff discussed the desire to protect agricultural and rural lands; the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) effort around the Powhatan Creek Watershed; and financial backing for acquisition initiatives.

Mr. Harrison made a motion to go into closed session at 5:48 p.m. pursuant to Section 2.1-344 (A) (3) of the Code of Virginia, to consider the acquisition of parcels of property for public use.

On a roll call, the vote was: AYE: Harrison, Kennedy, Nervitt, Goodson, McGlennon (5). NAY: (0).

Mr. McGlennon reconvened the Board into open session at 6:10 p.m.

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to adopt the closed session resolution.

On a roll call, the vote was: AYE: Harrison, Kennedy, Nervitt, Goodson, McGlennon (5). NAY: (0).

RESOLUTION

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, (Board) has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge: i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies; and, ii) only such public business matters were heard, discussed or considered by the Board as were identified in the motion, Section 2.1-344(A)(3) to consider the acquisition of parcels of property for public use.

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to adjourn.

On a roll call, the vote was: AYE: Harrison, Kennedy, Nervitt, Goodson, McGlennon (5). NAY: (0).

Mr. McGlennon adjourned the Board at 6:11 p.m.

Sanford B. Wanner
Clerk to the Board

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