

A REGULAR MEETING WAS HELD BY THE NEW KENT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THE 11TH DAY OF MARCH IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN IN THE BOARDROOM OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, NEW KENT, VIRGINIA, AT 6:00 P.M.

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IN RE: CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Tiller called the meeting to order.

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IN RE: ROLL CALL

Thomas W. Evelyn	Present
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Present
Patricia A. Paige	Present
Ron Stiers	Present
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Present

All members were present.

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IN RE: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Tiller gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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IN RE: CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was presented as follows:

1. Minutes
  - a. January 30, 2019 Work Session Minutes
  - b. February 11, 2019 Regular Session Minutes
2. Miscellaneous
  - a. Approval of Street Name – Crump Acres Trail
  - b. Adoption of Resolution R-04-19 – Recognizing the New Kent High School 2019 Group 3A State Champion Wrestling Team<sup>1</sup>
  - c. Adoption of Resolution R-05-19 – Airport Apron Rehabilitation Contract
3. FY19 Supplemental Appropriations
  - a. Program Income Received for FY19 - CDBG Plum Point Grant Participants, \$78.
  - b. Donations to the Animal Shelter, \$938.
  - c. Extension Program Sponsorship Revenue for: 2019 Ag Conference - Bayer, \$100.
  - d. Gifts & Donations to: Fire/Rescue - Samaria Baptist Church (\$500) and Donna Starkey (\$100), \$600.
  - e. Funds received from VML Insurance: Sheriff's Dept. - Veh #309 Deer Strike - DOL 1/19/19 (\$1,834.82), Fire/Rescue -Veh #974 Deer Strike - DOL 2/15/19 (\$2,774.73), Building Inspections - Veh #615 Deer Strike - DOL 1/2/19 (\$1,937) and Parks and Recreation - Damage to Batting Cage during Hurricane Michael - DOL 10/12/18 (\$5,450.67), \$11,997.22.
  - f. Funds for Security Detail: New Kent County Public Schools - NKHS Sporting Events Dec 2018 - Jan 2019, \$1,017.30.
  - g. Youth Sports Scholarship Funds: Safe & Sound, LLC (\$200), New Kent Jr. Womans Club (\$200), Holbert Family Orthodontics (\$200), Maidstone

Dental Inc. (\$200), Windmill Realtors LLC (\$200), Brockwells Septic and Service Inc. (\$200), Brads Automotive (\$200), New Kent Christian Center (\$200), Saint Peter's Parish Church (\$200), Vincent Funeral Home (\$200), Ace House Movers Inc. (\$200), Hopewell Baptist Church (\$200) & Rappahannock Concrete Corp (\$200), \$2,600.

- h. Donations Received for TRIAD: Carolyn V. Dooley (\$200), Feed More, Inc. (\$150), Becky Ringley (\$100), Va. Association of Area Agencies on Aging (\$100) and William & Nancy Goodman (\$100), \$650.
- i. Revise the FY19 Victim Witness Budget to Reflect the FY19 State Approved Budget, \$1,226.
- j. Additional Funds Received by Social Services to Provide State Approved and/or Mandated Services for Current Client's Continued Services, \$56,475.
- k. Interest Earnings on the Bank of American Fire Apparatus Lease Purchase Bond, \$39,414.38.
- l. Reallocate Leftover Fire Apparatus - BOA Lease Purchase Funds (\$51,000) and to Appropriate FONK Proffer Funds (\$228,540) for the Purchase of a New Ambulance, \$279,540.
- m. FONK Proffer Funds (\$21,460) and Funds Received for the Sale of Surplus Fire Equipment (\$170,000) for the Remodel of Fire Station 3, \$191,460. (Note - \$75,000 of the Sale of Surplus Equipment was Originally Appropriated to Fire Apparatus Replacement).

\$460,095.90 - Total  
(\$19,894.52) - Total In/Out - General Fund (1101)  
(\$56,475.00) - Total In/Out - Social Services (1201)  
(\$39,414.38) - Total In/Out - Capital Projects (1302)  
\$688.00 - From Fund Balance - General Fund (1101)  
(\$345,000.00) - From Fund Balance - Capital Projects (1302)

- 4. FY19 Interdepartmental Budget Transfers
  - a. New Kent Sheriff's Department - From Radio Equip. Sheriff & Fire MDT to CAD System Upgrade, \$118.
  - b. Victim Witness Assistance Program - From Salary-Director (\$1,100) and From Salary-Advocate (\$500), \$1,600 to Mileage (\$800), to Office Supplies (\$300) and to Salary-Overtime (\$500), \$1,600.
- 5. Treasurer's Report: Cash as of January 2019, \$51,465,291.99.

<sup>1</sup>Members of the New Kent High School 2019 Group 3A State Champion Wrestling Team were Freshmen: Domonic Baker, Trey Bowman, Daniel Colgin, Nathaniel Fly, Evan Holloway, Tyler Nuttall, Travis Ragland, Cole Townsend, Nicholas Vafiadis and Nick Wiles; Sophomores: Joey Campbell, Leighton Fessman, Conner Ford, Ray Goode, Brayden Hohman, Benjamin Johnson and Jackson Taylor; Juniors: Mariano Bassett, Brandon Bauman, Jamar Christian, Gannon Jones and Tyler Williams and Seniors: Brenden Day, John Holland, Christopher Wade and Buddy Whitecotton. Team Coaches were Mike Faus, John Goodbody, Sonny Close, Devontae Fitzgerald and Zack Shupe.

Mr. Davis had previously asked County Administrator Rodney Hathaway to provide more information on two FY19 Supplemental Appropriations involving Fire-Rescue.

Mr. Hathaway drew attention to the first item (Item 3.I.) which involved appropriations for the purchase of a new ambulance to replace an existing unit. He reported this ambulance would help the County assist with the opening of Colonial Downs as it was a requirement that an ambulance be present during training sessions and horse racing. Because Colonial Downs would be paying for these services, the County would eventually recoup this cost.

The cost of the ambulance and equipment would be \$279,540. Appropriation requests included \$228,540 from a Farms of New Kent Planned Unit Development proffer which was designated specifically for Fire-Rescue and \$51,000 in interest earned on the funds borrowed for the purchase of five new fire engines. Due to the lag time in building fire engines, these funds had been borrowed almost a year in advance of the payment due date and interest had been earned during that time. He noted all recommended appropriations for the new ambulance were from funds which were previously designated for Fire-Rescue.

Moving to the second item (Item 3.m.), Mr. Hathaway reported these appropriations were for the rehabilitation of Fire Station 3. Noting the previously mentioned purchase of five new fire engines, he reported the County was in the process of selling the old engines and funds generated by those sales were to be appropriated to the renovation of Station 3. (At its November 28, 2018 work session, the Board approved the appropriation of funds from the sale of these engines to Station 3 renovation.) Mr. Tiller asked if the revenue from the sale of the equipment would be sufficient to cover the renovation costs. Mr. Hathaway noted the Board was being asked to appropriate \$191,460. He reported the County was currently in the process of receiving quotes and based on information received from Fire Chief Rick Opett, those quotes were within the requested appropriation.

In regard to the purchase of a new ambulance, Mr. Evelyn noted this ambulance would be replacing a vehicle which had gone out of service while on a call. Fire Chief Rick Opett confirmed a 2006 ambulance had experienced a blown engine while out on a call and the new ambulance would replace that unit. Mr. Davis asked Chief Opett if Colonial Downs would have ambulances for the horses. Chief Opett indicated the track would be supplying transports for the horses. He also reported that beginning July 25, 2019, New Kent Fire-Rescue would have one ambulance stationed at Colonial Downs for fifty-two straight days of training. Coverage on those days would be from 5:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday race nights beginning August 2, 2019, two ambulances would be dedicated to the track. Chief Opett indicated a contract was in place with Colonial Downs for these services and the County would be compensated. Mr. Stiers asked if the ambulances would be manned by volunteers or paid staff. Chief Opett reported there would be an opportunity to sign up for these shifts and he believed there would be a combination of both volunteer and career staff. He also suggested there could be a need to hire seasonal employees to assist during these training and racing periods.

Ms. Paige moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and that it be made a part of the record. The members were polled:

Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
Patricia A. Paige	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye

The motion carried.

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IN RE: SMALL BUSINESS CLOSE UP – EMPOWERED EYEWEAR

Economic Development Director Matthew J. Smolnik introduced Sean McGinley, the founder of Empowered Eyewear. Mr. Smolnik noted many in the room were wearing eyeglasses and suggested Mr. McGinley's presentation would change the way we think about eyewear. He invited Mr. McGinley to share details about the business.

Mr. McGinley thanked the Board for the invitation to speak. He introduced Matt Proffitt as a partner in the business and noted two other partners including Mike Broz and Joe Flinn were not present. Mr. McGinley reported the idea for the business had started approximately five years ago when his wife and daughter had been shopping for eyewear for their daughter. His daughter had been very excited about shopping for her glasses but unfortunately, after many of hours had returned home disheartened by the experience. It was this that had initiated the development of an interchangeable eyewear frame system for which Empowered Eyewear had since received a patent. Frames were made of high grade hypoallergenic Italian acetate and were available in eight color options with three styles for women and one style for men. Mr. McGinley indicated a goal had been for the frames to be affordable and he reported they were "well priced" at \$95 to \$149. Empowered Eyewear would initially be an ecommerce business with launches of its website and on the Kickstarter platform planned for the next two weeks. Mr. McGinley also noted he was excited to announce that business expert, entrepreneur, author and speaker Jen Groover would be the face of the product. The product had won "Best New Technology" at a vision expo the previous year and others in the eyeglasses business such as Luxottica® and Safilo® had described their technology as "very disruptive." Mr. McGinley indicated that what would be "even more disruptive" was the lenses would be free. Mr. McGinley thanked the Board again for allowing him to speak and entertained questions.

Mr. Davis asked if a customer needed a prescription to place an online order. Mr. McGinley indicated a prescription was needed and could be uploaded to the website. He also reported the website would have a virtual mirror which would allow the purchaser to try on the frames while sitting in front of the computer. Mr. Stiers indicated he had first heard of this product about a year ago and asked how many had been sold. Mr. McGinley noted there would be no sales until the site was officially launched in a few weeks. Mr. Stiers asked if research was suggesting women would be more interested than men. Mr. McGinley suggested men seemed to be just as excited about the interchangeable frames as were women. Mr. Proffitt noted that when he and Mr. McGinley had first started working on this product it had been with their children in mind. Mr. Evelyn suggested Mr. McGinley wasn't giving himself enough credit and referenced an article published in the "Startup Spotlight" of the Richmond Times Dispatch. Mr. McGinley thanked Mr. Evelyn for his comment and noted it had taken five years and the patent process had been tough. Mr. Proffitt also agreed and noted obtaining the patent and making the product had been the most challenging. Mr. McGinley indicated they would like to eventually have a brick and mortar store and be able to get into the schools to help students with vision needs. Mr. Davis asked where the glasses were made. Mr. McGinley reported they were made in China. He closed by noting a person's face was the first thing you see and they believed they had a good market.

Board members thanked Mr. McGinley for his presentation and wished him and his partners good luck with the business.

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IN RE:                   CITIZENS COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Tiller opened the citizens comment period and provided brief instructions on procedures. He called Kate Ferris of 2832 Tea Rose Court, Quinton to the podium. Ms. Ferris indicated she was representing her new company, New Kent Tours. She reported she and her husband, Adam as well as business partners Dave and Jessica Kuehl would be launching a beer and wine tour company based in New Kent. Wine tours would include all New Kent wineries as well as White Plains Winery in Hanover County. Beer tours would originate in New Kent and travel to Scott's Addition in the City of Richmond and Williamsburg. Tours would be scheduled on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Ms. Ferris indicated one thing that would be very important to her would be "that we are showing the very best New Kent

County that we can.” She suggested the County “doesn’t look so hot” with road sides covered with litter. She and her business associates had decided that if they were going to promote New Kent County and launch this business, they needed to be sure New Kent looked as good as it possibly could. She announced they were interested in a County cleanup day and had called Supervisor Stiers to discuss this. They had learned Mr. Stiers was already working on something like this. She had let Mr. Stiers know they wanted to be a part of this and wanted to help facilitate the process. She had suggested they go ahead and pick a day and move forward with cleaning up the County. She noted there had been a great deal of conversation on social media and a number of individuals had expressed interest in helping. She suggested New Kent Tours would love to help spearhead this project. She offered to coordinate the Quinton area and use their tour bus to transport volunteers to and from clean up sites. She announced Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> had been suggested as a possible date and she encouraged the Board to consider being a part of this by helping to get the word out “so we can make New Kent County as great as possible.”

Mr. Tiller thanked Ms. Ferris for her comments.

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IN RE: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – RESIDENCY  
ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

VDOT Resident Administrator Marshall Winn introduced Maintenance Manager Jeff Allgood who had recently filled the position vacated by Bruce Puffenbarger. He reported Mr. Allgood had over 25 years of experience with VDOT some of which had been in New Kent County. In response to the comments made by Ms. Ferris, Mr. Winn indicated VDOT would be glad to help any way they could and reported they could supply the orange garbage bags. He suggested it had been a never ending battle with trash not only in New Kent County but throughout the entire Ashland Residency.

A written report on maintenance items completed over the past thirty days had been provided and reported a variety of work at various locations throughout the County including pothole repair, tree removal and blading dirt roads. 105 work requests had been received and 37 completed. Mr. Winn drew attention to the construction and traffic engineering projects report. He indicated advertisements for three Route 60 projects would be out for bid in April with construction scheduled to begin late June or early July. These three projects would include a little more than eight miles of roadway. He noted progress was being made on Route 60 and another round of projects were planned for the following year. He reported Traffic Engineering had completed several studies including:

- Route 628 – Mt. Pleasant Road – additional signage had been recommended.
- Route 249 – New Kent Highway and Route 612- Tunstall Road Roundabout – advisory speed plaques would be added to the roundabout warning signs.
- Route 611 – Quaker Road – A speed study had been conducted from Route 638 – Cosby Mill Road to Route 613 – Dispatch Road. The recommendation was to retain the 45 MPH speed limit.

A study of the Route 1380 – Market Place Drive and Route 60 – Pocahontas Trail intersection was listed as pending. Mr. Winn reported a deck repair project for the Route 155 bridge over the Chickahominy River Canal would be advertised April 19, 2019. The existing surface would be replaced with concrete and a detour would be in place during the construction. More details would be provided closer to the actual construction date.

Board members provided the following comments and reported the following concerns:

Mr. Davis reported an issue at 16301 Cooks Mill Road. He indicated dirt had washed out around a pipe under the roadway and the washout was almost to the edge of the road. He

noted VDOT had solved the flooding problem on Carter Road but reported the edge of the roadway was now cracking. He also noted VDOT had cleaned a ditch behind Whitmore Chevrolet the previous spring and the drainage had been much better since then. He suggested similar ditch cleaning was needed on a small portion of state road across the street from Whitmore and behind the Washington Burgess Inn where water sometimes crossed the road. Mr. Davis also noted that about a year ago VDOT had given the Board three options for the bridge on Holly Fork Road (Route 600) over Goddens Pond. He indicated the Board had agreed with the option recommended by VDOT but the work had not started. He asked for an update. Mr. Winn indicated he would have to get with the bridge engineers for an update and report back to the Board.

Referencing Mr. Winn's report of work on the Route 155 bridge, Mr. Stiers asked if this was the Wakie Howard Bridge. Mr. Winn indicated it was not the Wakie Howard Bridge and was in fact a truss bridge across the Chickahominy River Canal. Referencing the earlier comments of Kate Ferris, Mr. Stiers reported he had been receiving calls for a number of months regarding the litter. He also reported he had spoken with Mr. Winn and with New Kent County Sheriff Joe McLaughlin about a one-day county-wide litter cleanup day. April 13<sup>th</sup> had been selected and the plan was to have team captains responsible for certain areas of the County. He noted the Barhamsville area would have a captain, Ms. Ferris had volunteered to take the Quinton area and he would have the Providence Forge area. He suggested what was needed from VDOT and the Sheriff would be orange bags and he asked if the volunteers would be required to wear orange vests. Mr. Winn indicated volunteers should wear safety vests and VDOT could supply them. Mr. Stiers asked if VDOT could supply pick-up tools. Mr. Winn suggested these tools were expensive and he would like an estimate of the number of individuals expected to volunteer. He also noted VDOT would come out and pick up and remove the bags of garbage. County Administrator Rodney Hathaway also reported the Clean County Committee had several litter pick-up kits which could be checked out and included garbage bags, safety vests and pick-up tools.

Ms. Paige reported the Clean County Committee had discussed having a county-wide litter pick-up day and had originally considered doing this in March. The Committee had since decided to hold a recycling day in March and litter pick-up in June. Ms. Paige reported the Clean County Committee had purchased two trash pick-up kits about two years ago and in addition to the items mentioned by Mr. Hathaway, plastic gloves were also provided. These kits could be signed out through the Environmental Department.

Mr. Davis suggested Barham Road and Farmers Drive were some of the worst roads in the County and indicated he would like to see the Sheriff's Office writing tickets for littering. Mr. Evelyn suggested littering was a problem all across the County. Mr. Stiers suggested "we all get slammed" on social media for the littering and noted he was getting tired of it. He suggested it was "time for somebody to step up to the plate and start trying to address the problem." Mr. Stiers suggested social media comments had indicated the Sheriff could force offenders to come out and pick up trash but in reality that was not true. He reported he had discussed the possibility of the Sheriff's Office placing portable electronic signs around the County alerting drivers of the county-wide cleanup day and urging them to drive with caution. He also reported there had been social media suggestions that perhaps scouts could assist with the litter pick-up. He expressed concerns regarding kids out on the highways. Mr. Winn indicated he would not advise involving children.

Mr. Evelyn noted the litter pick-up was a part of VDOT's annual contract for grass mowing and the contractors had someone pick up the trash before mowing. Mr. Winn agreed. Mr. Stiers indicated this was why he was suggesting a litter pick-up day in April because if they waited until the mowing in June, the contractor would mow all over the trash. Mr. Winn

indicated grass mowing should begin in May. Mr. Stiers again noted this was why it was important to have this clean-up day in April and indicated he would encourage various organizations and civic groups to also become involved.

Ms. Paige indicated she would like to comment as a Clean County Committee representative and as the Board's representative to the Central Virginia Waste Management Authority Board of Directors. She reported she had been in communication with VDOT Maintenance Superintendent Jay Fread regarding the method one needed to go through including a blanket permit to be on the roadways picking up litter. She reported VDOT was encouraging the practice of allowing no children under the age of 17 to participate.

Mr. Hathaway asked if a one-day pick-up event would require VDOT's standard Land Use Permit. Mr. Winn indicated he didn't think so but noted a staff member in the central office was looking into this.

Mr. Evelyn noted a group of citizens had offered to work on the beautification of the roundabout at Route 612 and he asked for an update on this project. Mr. Hathaway reported the final plans had not been submitted. Bowman and Associates were working on a set of plans that were required in order to get a permit. Mr. Hathaway indicated he would follow up with them and report back. Mr. Evelyn reported concerns regarding the stoplight sequence on Route 106 and noted traffic was backing up to I-64 on the weekends. Mr. Winn indicated he would have someone look into this.

Ms. Paige indicated she had nothing more to report.

Mr. Tiller reminded Mr. Winn of a previously reported "speed bump" on Route 60 near the Taco Bell. Mr. Winn reported VDOT had been having difficulty getting asphalt but suggested staff from the area headquarters would be working on this area in the next few weeks.

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IN RE: CENTRAL VIRGINIA WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (CVWMA) – RETHINK WASTE!

Central Virginia Waste Management Authority (CVWMA) Executive Director Kim Hynes thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak. She indicated she wasn't sure if she could help with the litter problem but suggested the VDOT Adopt a Highway program and the Keep Virginia Beautiful organization could be options. Ms. Hynes reported the CVWMA was a regional public service authority including thirteen member localities encompassing 2,500 square miles. CVWMA was serving a population of approximately 1,200,000 and was governed by a twenty member board of directors. Board members were appointed by the member governing bodies and Ms. Paige was currently serving as New Kent's representative and as secretary to the board. She reported Mr. James H. Burrell who had served as New Kent's representative for many years and was an avid recycler was also present. Ms. Hynes reported there were many benefits to being a member of the CVWMA most notably the economies of scale. She indicated CVWMA was procuring, negotiating and administering cost-effective programs to benefit multiple localities. Recognizing that one size does not fit all, member localities were offered a menu of recycling services and solid waste programs which were all contracted out with the private sector. She also reported CVWMA was responsible for developing, amending, updating and maintaining the regional Solid Waste Management Plan with a focus on meeting the state's mandated goal of recycling 25% of the region's waste. She reported the CVWMA's recycling rates had been well above the state's mandated goal of 25% with the last few years being at or near 60%. CVWMA was also responsible for coordinating the hauling and disposal of items collected at the County's four convenience centers. Ms. Hynes reviewed a graph depicting trash volumes over the

last nine years and suggested waste generation was a good economic indicator with waste generation and disposal going up as the economy improved. She reported New Kent had generated 1.6% less waste through its convenience centers in 2018 than it had in 2010 even though the County's population had increased 21.8%. County residents were able to recycle paper, cardboard, plastics, cans, glass, propane tanks, used oil, used antifreeze, used oil filters, paint, solvents, appliances, scrap metal and lead-acid batteries. 6,882 tons of recyclables had been processed in the CVWMA region in 2018 with 575 tons or 9% coming from New Kent County's four convenience center recycling stations. Ms. Hynes reported a new contract with a different hauler would go into effect on July 1, 2019.

Ms. Hynes reported on recent paper recycling industry developments. The market had been disrupted as a result of China's July 2017 ban on 24 imported items including mixed paper. China had historically been the largest importer of mixed paper with approximately 25% of paper recovered in the United States being exported to China. China had also announced a new quality standard in November 2017. Current United States paper stock standards allowed for up to 5% contamination and China had set the standard at .5% which could not be met by current single stream recycling programs. As a result, Chinese paper mills were not buying mixed paper for fear it would be rejected. The recycled paper markets in the United States, India, Korea and Vietnam had been flooded with mixed paper and prices had been driven down to \$0. This trend was having a significant impact on the CVWMA. Traditionally revenue from the sale of recyclable materials had covered the cost of processing, sorting, baling and getting the materials to market and had also helped keep the cost of collection low. Mixed paper and cardboard made up approximately 67% of the fiber collected and the market price for these products had been \$0 since Spring 2018. Ms. Hynes noted that because of this recyclers were being economically challenged. She reported CVWMA was committed to sustaining its recycling program and not landfilling those materials even though in the short-term it would cost more. She also reported CVWMA was working with localities and other vendors to improve the quality of the recycling stream. They were educating residents and students on what's acceptable and not acceptable for recycling. She reported plastic bags were the number one contaminate in CVWMA programs and were causing down time with sorting equipment. Although plastic bags could be recycled, CVWMA did not have a plastic bag recycling program and those wishing to recycle them were encouraged to return them to retailers with recycling stations. Ms. Hynes also reported CVWMA operated a call center with 3.5 staff members receiving 55,000 calls and 4,200 emails per year. They were also heavily involved in education and outreach and had distributed over 12,000 publications and giveaways.

Ms. Hynes introduced CVWMA Recycling Education and Outreach Specialist Kate Carney. She noted Ms. Carney was out in the schools and the community emphasizing the importance of recycling. Ms. Carney had developed an educational program which included recycling education for all school levels. Ms. Carney had presented information on this program to the New Kent School Board the previous week and was hopeful to be able to get this program into County schools. Ms. Hynes turned the floor over to Ms. Carney.

Ms. Carney thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak. She reported three distinct levels of education tailored to K-5 students, middle and high school students and preschool and VPI (Virginia Preschool Initiative) students were provided. Programs were cross-curricular, aligned with the Virginia SOLs and designed to enhance and support the classroom curriculum. Ms. Carney reported the K-5 "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" program was the most popular. Instruction was focused on what can and cannot be recycled and what can be made from recycled materials. The "Rethink Waste!" program was geared toward middle and high school students and in addition to the instruction provided to K-5 students included more in-depth discussion on environmental issues and how landfills work. The

program for preschool students was called "Let's Recycle with R3 and CVWMA." R3 was the CVWMA mascot encouraging the principles of reduce, reuse and recycle. Ms. Carney suggested this program was excellent for library story time as well as preschool programs. She reported this program had been very successful and she had received several phone calls from families wanting more information on what they needed to do to begin recycling. She again thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak and entertained questions.

Mr. Davis suggested cardboard was a big thing and noted Amazon boxes were being delivered almost every day. He reported the cardboard did not compact well in the recycling bins at the convenience centers and asked if it would be worth considering a portable compactor. Ms. Hynes reported some localities did have compactors at their sites. Some were also doing their own baling and CVWMA had agreements in place for contractors to pick up the bales. Mr. Davis suggested cardboard probably had the most value of all recyclables. Ms. Hynes indicated cardboard and aluminum generally carried higher values than other recyclables. Mr. Davis noted the charge was the same for picking up a bin that was half full as for picking up a full bin. Ms. Hynes agreed. Mr. Davis asked what size compactors other localities were using for cardboard. Ms. Hynes indicated she didn't have that information with her but could get back to him. She suggested there were various compactor sizes. Mr. Davis asked if there would be any benefit of the County trying to deal directly with the local paper mill. Ms. Hynes indicated some localities were baling and hauling their own material to a mill or processing facility and whether or not it would benefit the County would depend on what these facilities were willing to pay. Mr. Davis asked for the current price. Ms. Hynes reported the price this month was \$65 a ton but noted this price had been as high as \$180 a ton. She also reminded the Board that New Kent was receiving a rebate for recycled cardboard. Ms. Paige thanked Ms. Hynes and Ms. Carney for their presentation. Mr. Tiller asked Ms. Hynes if she thought Virginia would ever go to mandatory recycling. Ms. Hynes suggested this probably would not happen and further suggested the legislature didn't seem to be in support of this. Mr. Tiller asked why CVWMA was not recycling Styrofoam. Ms. Hynes indicated they did not have a viable market for recycled Styrofoam. She reported she was not sure what was being done with the product but Publix grocery stores were taking some Styrofoam products. Mr. Tiller thanked Ms. Hynes and Ms. Carney for their presentation.

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IN RE:           ARTS ALIVE ANNUAL REPORT

Arts Alive Vice President Betsy Mountcastle thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak. She further thanked the Board for its longstanding partnership with Arts Alive and for recognizing the importance of supporting arts in the community. Ms. Mountcastle noted Board members had been provided a handout which included a number of statistics regarding Arts Alive programs and New Kent County. She indicated she wished to express appreciation and to touch on the various parts of Arts Alive that bring color, understanding and variety to our community. She noted she was most interested in hearing from CVWMA because one of the performances hosted by Arts Alive this season had been "Vocal Trash." This was an internationally known group of musicians and performers who were using only recycled elements in their musical instruments. Arts Alive offered an annual series of five performances and of the 372 season subscribers, almost one third were from New Kent County. Arts Alive was also hosting art exhibits in local libraries including the Heritage Public Library. Two annual summer camps were offered including summer arts camp with 46 different offerings and the Missoula Drama Camp. She also reported the Arts Alive Visual Arts Committee coordinated a variety of visual art workshops which were taught by Virginia Museum of Fine Arts educators as well as local artists. She suggested these workshops were a real bargain at only \$15 each. The Visual Arts Committee also coordinated and hosted a gallery showing at each of the five series performances at the

Robinson/Olsson Fine Arts Center. The upcoming performance would be a tribute to Chicago and New Kent resident Gudrun Kiel-Bullock would be the featured gallery artist. Ms. Mountcastle noted Arts Alive was also supporting and reinvesting in the community. Two \$1,000 scholarships were offered each year to graduating seniors within the service area who were pursuing the visual arts, performing arts, set design or costume design. She again pointed out there were statistics included in the handout but suggested the real signs of success were the looks on the faces of the children who were involved in the programs and the applause and satisfaction of those attending the series performances. She added that Arts Alive was a successful venture and she was hopeful the partnership with New Kent County would continue on into the future. She entertained questions.

Mr. Tiller asked if the Chicago tribute would be recorded. Ms. Mountcastle indicated that it would not but she encouraged him to purchase tickets and attend. Mr. Tiller indicated he had been excited to see this performance on the schedule but unfortunately would not be able to attend. There being no further questions, Ms. Mountcastle once again thanked the Board for their support. Board members thanked her for the presentation.

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IN RE: ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mr. Davis suggested "spring will get here eventually."

Mr. Stiers reported he had hosted a meet and greet at the Brickshire Owners Clubhouse the previous Wednesday. Residents had been introduced to top executives with Colonial Downs. He reported he had expected 15 to 20 to attend and had been surprised when there had been standing room only. He suggested this had been a great event and the residents had been given the opportunity to share their ideas and thoughts on events they would like to see other than horseracing at Colonial Downs. He noted it was great to bring the two groups together and to know they would be great neighbors. Mr. Stiers also reported he had met with Marshall Winn and a representative of CSX railroad regarding problems with flooding on Route 60. Eight culverts which were blocked had been identified east of Providence Forge. Work to clear these should begin in a few weeks.

Mr. Evelyn reported he would be hosting a constituents meeting at 6:30 p.m. on April 11<sup>th</sup> at the New Kent Visitors Center. County Administrator Rodney Hathaway would be present to discuss the budget, Colonial Downs executives would be present and New Kent School Superintendent Dr. David Myers would be present to discuss the new school.

Ms. Paige announced the New Kent Clean County Committee would be sponsoring a shredding and recycling event from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on March 30<sup>th</sup> at the New Kent County Administration Building. She reported residents would be able to recycle tires and electronics. Tires should be off the rim and free of mud and dirt. Farm equipment or large industrial equipment tires would not be accepted. Electronics would be identified as "anything with a plug." Paper shredding would be available and any cardboard boxes brought to the site would be broken down and carried to a County convenience center. April 6<sup>th</sup> had been set as a rain date. Ms. Paige also reported the Clean County Committee did have clean up kits which included safety vests, pick up tools, gloves, trash bags and a first aid kit and these were available for sign out by citizens. She urged anyone interested in picking up litter to please be careful on the roadways. Reporting from the Richmond Region Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO), she noted the SMART SCALE request to widen I-64 through New Kent had been declined. The RRTPO had formed an I-64 work group with Ms. Paige serving as chair. Ms. Paige also reported New Kent Relay for Life would be held from 3:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. on April 27<sup>th</sup> at New Kent High School. A

reception for survivors and caregivers would be held at 2:00 p.m. followed by an opening ceremony at 3:00 p.m. She encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy the day's events.

Mr. Davis asked Ms. Paige how many tires an individual could bring to the recycling event. Ms. Paige indicated there was no limit but reminded everyone that no big tires would be accepted. She noted tire recycling, electronics recycling and paper shredding were all unlimited.

Mr. Tiller indicated he had nothing to report.

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IN RE: STAFF REPORTS – PROPOSED LAND PURCHASE

County Administrator Rodney Hathaway distributed copies of a proposed purchase and sales agreement for 86.8 acres currently owned by Karen Hemphill and Lynn Johnson. The property was located adjacent to George Watkins Elementary School off of New Kent Highway. The purchase price would be \$700,000 and the purpose would be for future construction of school and/or public facilities. Provisions of the agreement gave the County 120 days to close and to allow sufficient time for due diligence. Mr. Hathaway noted if the Board approved this agreement, work on the title search would begin the next day and an on-call engineering consultant would be brought in to begin environmental work.

Mr. Stiers asked if the owners had agreed to the \$700,000 price. Mr. Hathaway indicated the owners had agreed and noted the agreement which he had distributed had been signed by both parties. Mr. Evelyn mentioned it had taken two or more years to find land suitable for the construction of a new elementary school and enrollment at both elementary schools was now over 700. He noted that due to population, the new elementary school would need to be in the western end of the County. Several properties had been considered but, with prices of \$1 million or more, had not been viable options. When the property near Watkins Elementary had come on the market, the County had begun looking into this for future County needs. Mr. Evelyn pointed out this purchase would keep future Boards from having to go through the same lengthy land search they had. Referencing the Board's recent decision to buy 15 acres across from the Quinton Community Center for an elementary school, he noted the two purchases collectively would net the County approximately 100 acres for a little over \$1 million and should meet the County's future needs. Mr. Davis offered kudos to Mr. Evelyn for his involvement in negotiating these purchases. Mr. Tiller agreed. Ms. Paige agreed and noted it was looking toward the future to purchase this property for schools and other facilities that would be needed as the County continued to grow. She noted if there was no further discussion, she would like to make a motion.

Ms. Paige moved to authorize the County Administrator to execute the proposed purchase and sales agreement for the purchase of 86.8 acres of land, owned by Karen J. Hemphill and Lynn C. Johnson, located adjacent to George Watkins Elementary School off of New Kent Highway. The agreed upon purchase prices would be \$700,000 and the purpose of the purchase would be for future school and public facilities. She also moved that funds be appropriated from the School Construction Set-Aside Account for this purchase. The members were polled:

Patricia A. Paige	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye

The motion carried.

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IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

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IN RE: APPOINTMENTS – DELEGATED BY DISTRICT

There were no appointments delegated by district.

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IN RE: APPOINTMENTS – NOT DELEGATED BY DISTRICT

There were no appointments not delegated by district.

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IN RE: APPOINTMENTS – REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Mr. Evelyn moved to appoint John Moyer as New Kent’s Planning Commission representative to the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission to serve a one-year term beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2019. The members were polled:

Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
Patricia A. Paige	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye

The motion carried.

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IN RE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND ADJOURNMENT/  
CONTINUATION

Mr. Tiller announced the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors would be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 8, 2019, and the next work session at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 both in the Boardroom of the County Administration Building. A Budget Retreat would also be held at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, March 15, 2019 at the Providence Forge Recreation Center, 9900 Carriage Road, Providence Forge, Virginia.

Mr Evelyn moved to continue the meeting until 9:00 a.m., Friday, March 15, 2019 at the Providence Forge Recreation Center, 9900 Carriage Road, Providence Forge, Virginia. The members were polled:

W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
Patricia A. Paige	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye

The motion carried. The meeting was dismissed at 7:28 p.m.