



Prince Edward County Administration Accomplishments 2023

The following is a summary of activities and accomplishments of the County staff over the course of the past year.

General Government

MONTH	INITIATIVE
January	FY 2022 Audit Completed
February	Award of contract for Pre-Audit Services – Mary K. Earhart, PLLC to begin June 1, 2023
March	Approved amendment to Chapter 70 – Taxation, Article VIII, Transient Occupancy Tax of County Code
March	Approved amendment to Chapter 54 – Floods, of County Code (comply with requirements of FEMA’s National Flood Insurance Program regulations)
March	Approved proclamation – Child Abuse Prevention Month – April 2023
April	Hiring of IT Manager (to begin June 1)
May	Budget approval on-time
May	Approved 2025 General Reassessment Contract with Wampler-Eanes
August	Received VACo Achievement Award for Partnership between the Cannery and Virginia Food Works – “Our Recipe for Success”
October	Approved Mutual Aid Agreement with Charlotte County
December	Engaged Commonwealth Strategies Group to lobby and advocate for 1% Sales Tax Bill
December	Authorized 5-Year lease extension with USDA at County Ag Building

Planning/Community Development

MONTH	INITIATIVE
March	Approval of Siting Agreement, Prince Edward Solar LLC for proposed 5MWac solar energy facility (Llama Road, Pamplin)
April	Approval of SUP and Siting Agreement, Elam Road Solar LLC for proposed 3MWac community solar energy facility (Elam Road, Pamplin)
April	Approval \$100,000 of ARPA funds for STEPS Supportive Housing Project
May	Adopted Zoning Ordinance Amendments as part of County Code Review
May	Comprehensive Plan Contract Award, The Berkley Group
September	Approval of Special Use Permit for Car Wash
September	Restructured Planning Commission from 10 to 9 members
September	Received Draft Water Withdrawal Permit from DEQ for Sandy River Reservoir (30-Day Public Comment Period)
September	Updated Building Department Fee Schedule
October	Kick-off of Update of 2014 Prince Edward County Comprehensive Plan
October	Reorganization of County Planning Commission – From 10 to 9 members

Capital Improvement Planning

MONTH	PROJECT
January	Application submitted to Virginia Resource Authority Spring or Summer Bond Pool to fund construction costs - \$55,000,000
February	Rice Convenience Site – contract to Webb Development, LLC (\$879,292)
February	Sale of SCOPE Building (finalized February 9, \$100,499.79)
March	Lease/Purchase of Landfill Loader - \$446,606
April	Approved Phase 2 of CTA’s project, to develop Procurement Document, Evaluation of Proposals, & Contract Analysis (P25 compliant public safety radio system)
April	Approval of \$100,000 of ARPA funds for STEPS Supportive Housing Project
May	Completed Upgrades to the Cannery
May	Advertised PPEA Comprehensive Agreement for the Sandy River Reservoir Project for 30-day Public Comment Period
May	Courthouse Cupola repaired & painted
June	Replaced air handler and fire doors at Courthouse
August	Completed Rice Convenience Site
August	Completed Sandy River Reservoir Dam Inspection
August	Board selected Option #3 for Renovation of Prince Edward County Elementary School
September	Completed Industrial Access Road at Prince Edward Business Park
November	Conducted repairs to Sandy River Dam Riser and Emergency Spillway
December	School Board approval of architect’s contract for Elementary School Project
December	Approved purchase of P25 UHF Public Safety Radio System - \$7,222,468.22
December	Authorization to bid Cell F construction at Prince Edward County Landfill
December	Board approval of Space Needs and Concept Plan Scope

Economic Development/Tourism

MONTH	PROJECT
February	Appropriated \$15,000 Grant Match from Special Projects Fund for development of an economic development strategic plan to attract/retain key industries
March	AFID Grant received, appropriated to IDA/SR Distillery (\$25,000)
March	\$25,000 Contribution to Town of Pamplin City, for completion of western terminus parking lot of High Bridge Trail State Park
May	IDA negotiated marketing agreement with Rhett Weiss of DEALTEK, Ltd., to market the HIT Park site
August	Re-hired Chelsey White as Director of Economic Development and Tourism
September	Completed Industrial Access Road at Prince Edward Business Park
September	Approval of MOU with Town of Farmville for sewer line at Industrial Access Road
October	Sale of parcel in Business Park for 5 Pillar Meats project
October	Awarded \$20,000 AFID Planning Grant for Economic Strategic Plan Development
November	Awarded \$10,000 VTC Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program: Forever Starts in Prince Edward County Grant
November	Sale of parcel in Business Park for car wash
December	Start of construction for Wawa and car wash

Grants

MONTH	PROJECT	AMOUNT
January	AFID – Steampipes/Equipment AFID Grant – Replace steam pipes, traps, valves, gauges; chain hoist temperature/pressure recorders; steam pot stems; blades on robot coupe	\$89,000
March	Reformatting/Indexing Grant - Library of Virginia Circuit Court Records Preservation program (Deed Books 48-93, 1754-1916 for local records preservation; being completed by CW Warthen)	\$28,184
March	Grant – VA DEQ, Litter Prevention & Recycling Program activities, \$11,294 (covers recycling televisions, electronics through Synergy)	\$11,294
May	Applied for \$5 million grant from the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) for the Sandy River Project	
July	ARPA Grant for PECISO for Purchase of 4 Vehicles, 18 Radio Repeaters, and 2 Ballistic Shields	\$414,030
August	Assistance for Firefighter’s Grant (AFG) – The County was awarded the Countywide AFG grant for Thermal Image Cameras (2-3 per Department).	\$162,585
July	Department of Criminal Justice Services – Local Probation and Pretrial Services	\$684,718
October	AFID Planning Grant for Economic Strategic Plan Development	\$20,000
November	VTC Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program: Forever Starts in Prince Edward County Grant	\$10,000
November	DEQ Litter Prevention Grant	\$14,767
December	Opioid Abatement Authority Grant	\$50,000
December	VA250 Marketing Grant	\$10,000
	Total	\$1,494,578

