

March 19, 2024

At the special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Prince Edward County, held at the Court House, thereof, on Tuesday, the 19th day of March, at 2:00 p.m., there were present:

Pattie Cooper-Jones
J. David Emert
Llew W. Gilliam, Jr.
E. Harrison Jones
Odessa H. Pride
Jerry R. Townsend
Cannon Watson

Absent: Victor “Bill” Jenkins

Also present: Douglas P. Stanley, County Administrator; Cheryl Stimpson, Director of Finance; and Crystal Baker, Finance Manager.

Chair Cooper-Jones called the reconvened meeting to order.

In Re: Presentation of Donation Requests

Mr. Douglas Stanley, County Administrator, stated the meeting is to hear from organizations in the County.

Supervisor Jenkins entered the meeting during the donation requests portion of the meeting.

Presentations and donation requests from the various agencies were as follows:

AGENCY / ORGANIZATION	REQUESTED	RECOMMENDED BY ADMINISTRATOR	AMOUNT PROPOSED IN WORK SESSION
Prince Edward Firefighters Association	\$8,000	\$8,000	
Farmville VFD	\$85,000	\$80,000	
Rice VFD	\$85,000	\$80,000	
Prospect VFD	\$85,000	\$80,000	
Hampden-Sydney VFD	\$85,000	\$80,000	
Darlington Heights VFD	\$85,000	\$80,000	
Meherrin VFD	\$85,000	\$80,000	
Pamplin VFD	\$85,000	\$80,000	
VFD Insurance	\$60,000	\$60,000	
VFD Fuel	\$40,000	\$40,000	
Prince Edward Rescue Squad	\$110,000	\$98,000	
Meherrin Rescue	\$25,000	\$25,000	
Hampden-Sydney First Responder	\$5,000	\$5,000	
STEPS – Community Action Program	\$22,171	\$22,171	
Southside VA ASAP	\$5,000	\$5,000	
Farmville/Prince Edward Library	\$316,118	\$316,118	
Piedmont Soil & Water District	\$6,840-Operations	\$6,840-Operations	

	\$5,000 Dam Maint.	\$5,000 Dam Maint.
Crossroads Community Services	\$75,000	\$130,868
Commonwealth Regional Council	\$19,000	\$19,000
SVCC	\$8,649	\$8,649
Virginia's Retreat/Virginia's Crossroads	\$4,500	\$4,500
Farmville Airport	\$7,600	\$7,600
Farmville Area Bus	\$25,000	\$25,000
Virginia Cooperative Extension	\$85,024	\$75,000
Habitat for Humanity	\$5,000	\$5,000
Virginia Legal Aid	\$1,534	\$1,534
PE-FA Youth Association	\$25,000	\$25,000
Downtown Farmville	\$12,000	\$8,000
Heart of Virginia Free Clinic	\$6,000	\$6,000
Piedmont Senior Resources	\$30,036	\$30,036
YMCA	\$60,000	\$30,000 Total
		\$10,000 Summer Program \$20,000 Co Program
R. R. Moton Museum	\$8,500	\$8,500
Heart of Virginia Festival	\$4,000	\$3,000
STEPS	\$20,000	\$20,000
Longwood Small Business	\$6,500	\$6,500
Special Olympics	\$1,200	\$1,200
FACES	\$6,650	\$6,250
Madeline's House	\$20,000	\$10,000
Longwood Center for Visual Arts	\$2,000	\$2,000
VA Children's Book Festival	\$5,000	\$0
Jolly Glee Senior Citizens	\$2,500	\$2,500
Blackstone Area Bus	\$8,480	\$8,480
Piedmont Area Veterans Council	\$20,000	\$15,000
Meals on Wheels		\$5,000
Farmville Chamber of Commerce	\$300	\$300
Contingency Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000

Mr. Stanley asked the Board to review and consider the requested amounts from the various agencies. He stated they would review the list at the next work session.

Supervisor Jenkins left the meeting following the presentation portion of the meeting.

In Re: VDOT Six-Year Plan Work Session

Mr. Bill King, Jr., Assistant Residency Administrator, VDOT, and Brian Lokker, Assistant Residency Engineer Land Use, VDOT, led a discussion of the current Six-Year Plan projects.

Mr. King said the projects on Route 771 (Briery Way Road), Route 780 (Old Oak Road), and Route 632 (Falkland Road), all are complete and will be tarred and graveled by the end of April. He said funding is currently

unknown but they are assuming the same for the next Six-Year Plan, and they may not recoup the funding that was not needed for winter weather issues.

Mr. Brian Lokker led a discussion about the FY25-30 Six-Year Plan projects. He stated the criteria is a minimum of 50 vehicles per day (vpd) to be eligible for inclusion in the Secondary Six-Year Rural Rustic program funding. He said he would like to identify the roads to be included in the FY25-30 Six-Year Plan. Once the funds are confirmed, they will set the Plan. He stated the Code of Virginia does not require a public hearing but VDOT will need a resolution to move forward.

Supervisor Townsend requested the addition of the Mountain Creek Road unpaved sections as they need to be tarred and graveled all the way to Leigh Mountain Road. He said there are a lot of new homes on that road.

Supervisor Pride requested work on Mud Dusty Road, off of Route 15. Mr. King said that is under the 50 vpd but will check for an exact count.

Supervisor Gilliam requested Buffalo Church Road, which may have 50 vpd.

Other roads requested were: Oak Grove Road (less than 50 vpd); Miller Scott Road (under 50 vpd); Old Pamplin Road (161 vpd); and Old Peach Tree Road, and Lunenburg may have scheduled the portion of that road to be done this year in that county.

Mr. Lokker said the cost is now approximately \$150,000-\$200,000 per mile. He said the roads listed on the FY24-29 Plan are fully funded and prioritized, but the Board may reprioritize them.

Discussion followed regarding Bell Road.

Supervisor Townsend said Oak Grove [Road] needs regrading and the ditch line needs pulled.

Mr. Stanley asked for a draft Plan, and said a public hearing will be advertised for the April regular meeting.

In response to questions raised of the March 12, 2024 meeting, Mr. King stated crews are working on the potholes and have completed the shoulder work in Pamplin. He said utilities have been called and will pull the ditch at the Dollar General tomorrow. He added that the road has been repaired where the logging was taking place. He then stated the amount of funding for future Safety Funding will be a reset amount of \$51,301; that will reset in July or August and once that is guaranteed that funding is coming, we can save up to three years of funding but that it must be used within three years. He said they like to use it quickly because of the many safety issues going on. He said dead trees are being removed, and a new guardrail has been installed at Rice's Depot Road by the Dollar General. Mr. King said that on Zion Hill Road, the contractor pulled the pipe out and will do a total replacement of the pipe and pave at one time during Easter break week. Mr. King then said Redd Shop Road and Walton Town Road are on

the schedule. The Abilene Road safety project will start later this spring, likely in April or May; he said the project will begin at School [Road] to Darlington Heights Road.

Supervisor Gilliam said the Five Forks Road ditch line which had been cleared has been dumped into again with a load of #3s and the pipe is covered. Mr. King said the #3s will drain for a while; they are doing a lot of placing #3s and #5s to give someone people to ride on instead of riding in the ditch and still allowing it to drain some.

Supervisor Emert said Hard Times Road is breaking up from the traffic; Supervisor Gilliam said the trucks going to the landfill have a lot of weight. Supervisor Emert then said that road is not designed for that much traffic and is narrow.

Mr. King requested the Board forward any potential safety projects as they arise; he said any that involve trees are completed with separate funding.

Supervisor Gilliam said there is a red oak tree at the intersection of Twenty Two Road and Five Forks Road that is going to come down. Mr. King said that a crew will check to see if it is a threat to the roadway; and if so, they will go to the landowner and get permission [to do work] from the landowner.

On motion of Supervisor Emert, seconded by Supervisor Watson, and adopted by the following vote:

Aye:	Pattie Cooper-Jones	Nay: None
	J. David Emert	
	Llew W. Gilliam, Jr.	
	E. Harrison Jones	
	Odessa H. Pride	
	Jerry R. Townsend	
	Cannon Watson	
Absent:	Victor "Bill" Jenkins	

the meeting was recessed at 4:54 p.m., until Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.