



Page County Board of Supervisors

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PUBLIC NOTICE

*The Page County Board of Supervisors' **May 2, 2022** work session included the following agenda items and actions:*

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisors Keith Guzy (Dist. 1); Allen Louderback (Dist. 2); Mark Stroupe (Dist. 3); Larry Foltz (Dist. 4); Jeff Vaughan (Dist. 5); and Chairman Keith Weakley were present.

PAGE COUNTY TECHNICAL CENTER SIGN REQUEST

Supervisors heard a request to place a new directional sign on Route 340 for the Page County Technical Center, which is located on Middleburg Road. The new sign would help drivers locate the Tech Center, said members of the Page County Technical Center Foundation J.D. Cave and Robert Janney. They added that the Foundation hopes to eventually replace the directional sign with a larger, more permanent monumental sign paid for through donations. The off-premise sign is currently not permitted under County Code. Supervisors commended the project and by consensus asked that the Page County Planning Commission review the Code and make a recommendation for a potential amendment.

DRUG COURT UPDATE

Supervisors heard an update on Page County's new drug court by the program's coordinator Holly Williams. Since its inception in August 2021, 10 participants have collectively completed 1,619 hours of treatment and achieved 1,361 days of sobriety, as of March 2022. Funded by a three-year grant, Page County coordinators hope to grow the program to 25 to 30 participants. The 15-24 month drug court program offers qualifying participants a sentencing alternative of treatment and supervision. Page County is tentatively set to see its first program graduates in November 2022.

REVIEW OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT REQUEST: TOWN OF STANLEY

Supervisors reviewed a Special Use Permit (SUP) request from the Town of Stanley to operate a dog park located on the corner of Marksville and Hawksbill Park roads, adjacent to Stanley's Hawksbill Recreation Park and Pool. If approved, the Bailey Legacy Dog Park would utilize 3 acres of a 10.75-acre parcel currently zoned as Woodland-Conservation. Plans for the project include two fenced-in areas, parking and four dog waste stations, which would be maintained by the Town of Stanley's public works and parks and recreation departments. Supervisors unanimously voted to schedule a public hearing for the SUP request during the Board's June 6 work session.

TOT FUNDING REQUEST: SHENANDOAH VALLEY RACKET TERS

Supervisors unanimously approved a \$4,000 Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) request by the Shenandoah Valley Racket TERS to help market the nonprofit organization's 2023 installment of an annual Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet. Supervisors annually and quarterly allocate TOT funds, also known as "lodging tax" revenue, to local tourism efforts, as required by Virginia.

SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT: MID-ATLANTIC PRE-WAR SWAP MEET

Supervisors unanimously approved a Special Entertainment Permit request by the Shenandoah Valley Racket TERS for the group's annual Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet, scheduled for 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on May 13 and May 14 at the Luray VFW.

PRESENTATION OF THE MARKETING PLAN 2022-23

Page County Economic Development and Tourism Director Nina Fox presented a 2022-23 Marketing Plan for Page County. The "living document" serves as a strategic roadmap that defines the County's marketing goals and objectives and outlines a phased tactical plan aimed at inspiring visitation to Page County.

RESCUE SQUAD PROPERTY PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Supervisors approved a purchase agreement by and between the Shenandoah Volunteer Fire Co. and Page County. Through the agreement, the County will purchase real estate and personal property for \$317,700, including the Shenandoah Rescue Squad's building at 544 Fourth Street in Shenandoah, several tracts of land and equipment. Following a discussion, Supervisors approved the agreement 5-to-1, with Supervisor Guzy dissenting. He noted that the agreement was necessary in order to continue providing Shenandoah and Page County residents with service as a volunteer base wanes and commended the work of both career and volunteer first responders. Supervisor Guzy added that he did not agree with purchasing a building and equipment that "the taxpayer has already paid for" through donations.

BROADBAND FISCAL AGENT AGREEMENT WITH NORTHERN SHENANDOAH VALLEY REGIONAL COMMISSION

Supervisors unanimously approved a Fiscal Agent Agreement with the Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission for a regional broadband project that includes Page County, as well as Augusta, Clarke, Fauquier, Frederick, Rappahannock, Rockingham and Warren counties. Page County Administrator Amity Moler noted that the regional project, aimed at bringing high-speed internet access to every home in the County, is set to begin on July 1, and that the County will be notified 30 days in advance of work in a specified area. Page County will contribute \$7.8 million toward the project, using American Rescue Plan Act funds as well as County funds.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Supervisors discussed Page County's fiscal year 2023 proposed budget, including the County's contribution to Page County Public Schools. By consensus Supervisors agreed to wait until the Board's May 16 meeting to adopt the County's budget, noting that Virginia has not yet approved its next two-year budget, which includes State funding for Virginia Public Schools. Supervisors on April 18 held a public hearing on the proposed County and School budgets. The hearing drew no speakers. The fiscal year 2023 budget cycle will take effect on July 1.

CLOSED SESSION

Supervisors entered closed session for the purpose of legal matters to discuss potential litigation.

EXIT CLOSED SESSION / CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Supervisors exited the closed session and certified that no actions were taken.

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