

**COUNTY OF HENRICO, VIRGINIA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING
January 27, 2015**

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, at 5:45 p.m., in the County Manager's Conference Room, Administration Building, Henrico County Government Center, Parham and Hungary Spring Roads, Henrico, Virginia.

Members of the Board Present:

Frank J. Thornton, Chairman, Fairfield District
Tyrone E. Nelson, Vice Chairman, Varina District
Richard W. Glover, Brookland District
David A. Kaechele, Three Chopt District
Patricia S. O'Bannon, Tuckahoe District

Other Officials Present:

John A. Vithoukas, County Manager
Joseph P. Rapisarda, Jr., County Attorney
J. Thomas Tokarz, Deputy County Attorney
Barry R. Lawrence, CMC, Assistant to the County Manager/Clerk to the Board
Tanya B. Harding, Deputy Clerk to the Board/Administrative Assistant
Joseph A. Casey, Ph.D., Deputy County Manager for Administration
Jane D. Crawley, Deputy County Manager for Community Services
Timothy A. Foster, P.E., Deputy County Manager for Community Operations
Randall R. Silber, Deputy County Manager for Community Development
Tamra R. McKinney, Director of Public Relations & Media Services

Mr. Thornton called the meeting to order at 5:49 p.m.

Cobbs Creek Reservoir Update

Mr. Vithoukas noted the Board has discussed the Cobbs Creek Reservoir project on many previous occasions and the County will soon own all of the property necessary for this multi-phased project. He further noted the project will be a huge benefit to the environment, economic development, and the residential community.

Mr. Vithoukas recognized Bill Mawyer, Assistant Director of Public Utilities, who narrated a slide presentation on this item. Mr. Mawyer recognized the efforts of the following persons who have assisted with the project: William Overmann from the Department of Public Utilities, who has served as the on-site project manager; Melvin Slough from the Department of Public Utilities, who has been instrumental in maintaining the working relationships with the property owners in Cumberland County; Art Petrini, Director of Public Utilities; Paul Peterson, the project's

consulting engineer; Jon Tracy, Director of Real Property, who handled the acquisition of property for the project along with other members of his staff; Joe Rapisarda, County Attorney; Tom Tokarz, Deputy County Attorney; Denise Letendre, Assistant County Attorney; the late Ben Thorpe, Assistant County Attorney; Tom Owdom, Director of Information Technology; Cecelia Stowe, Purchasing Director; and Carolyn Effort, Procurement Supervisor. He also recognized the leadership of Mr. Foster and Mr. Vithoukias in regards to this project. Mr. Mawyer pointed out the project began in August 2010 when the memorandum of understanding (MOU) was approved by Henrico and Cumberland Counties. He reviewed an aerial photograph of the project's main dam, which is 3,850 feet long with a maximum height of 160 feet, and then reviewed a map of the project's other features, which include a saddle dam with a maximum height of 25 feet; a 2.6 mile utility realignment corridor; 150 million gallon per day (MGD) river withdrawal facilities; a 72-inch and 84-inch transfer pipeline; and a 1,117-acre reservoir storing 14.8 billion gallons of water. In response to a question from Mrs. O'Bannon, Mr. Mawyer explained the reservoir's flow rates.

The Board recessed for dinner at 6:00 p.m. and reconvened at 6:09 p.m.

In response to a question from Mr. Vithoukias, Mr. Mawyer confirmed that the County considered environmental factors and looked at 52 sites in three different counties before choosing this Cumberland County site for the reservoir. He resumed his presentation by reviewing a map identifying property the County has acquired for the project. He pointed out that resolutions authorizing Mr. Vithoukias to sign the final two property acquisition contracts for the project were on the Board's 7:00 p.m. agenda. Upon the approval of these resolutions, the County will have acquired 1,830 acres for the project at a cost of \$9.8 million, which is well within the \$10.7 million budgeted for this purpose. Mr. Mawyer advised Mr. Kaechele that the County to date has spent \$55 million on the reservoir project.

Mr. Mawyer continued his presentation by reviewing schematics highlighting the project's first two phases, which will include relocation of two Colonial Pipeline Company petroleum underground pipelines and a Dominion Virginia Power transmission line into a new utility corridor. The utility corridor construction is anticipated to begin in June 2015 and be completed in February 2016. Mr. Mawyer went on to discuss a pair of schematics identifying the project's communication tower links to Goochland and Henrico Counties and profiling the major components of the third phase of the project, which will involve dam and facilities construction. The dam and facilities construction, which will include the construction of a boat launch facility among other improvements, is scheduled to begin in June 2017 and be completed in late 2021. Mr. Mawyer then shared photographs of similar reservoir intakes currently under construction elsewhere and a photograph of a floating dock similar to what will be constructed at Cobbs Creek as part of this project. He responded to questions from Mrs. O'Bannon and Mr. Kaechele regarding the reservoir's intake and floating dock.

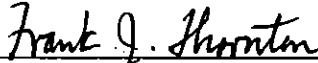
Mr. Mawyer next addressed the project's \$280 million budget, which includes a previous appropriation of \$156 million, \$20 million requested in the County's Fiscal Year 2016 Capital Improvements Program (CIP), and bonds to be considered in future CIP appropriations. He responded to questions from Mr. Kaechele and Mr. Glover pertaining to the project's budget and the financial impact of the project on Henrico households served by public water and sewer. Mr.

Mawyer concluded his presentation by reviewing an aerial photograph of the new, partially-filled Stafford County reservoir. Mr. Peterson elaborated on previous operational difficulties that Stafford County experienced with the reservoir. At the conclusion of Mr. Mawyer's presentation, Mr. Vithoukias and Mr. Petrini joined him in responding to questions from the Board concerning the project's benefits and financing. Mr. Thornton thanked Mr. Mawyer for his cogent presentation and remarked that he hoped to have this topic presented at one of his upcoming constituent meetings.

Regular Meeting Agenda Items

Mr. Vithoukias reviewed the agenda for the 7:00 p.m. regular meeting. He advised the Board that he had one Manager's Comment relating to the Sheriff's recent appointment as an officer of a national organization. Mr. Vithoukias briefly referred to the two rezoning cases and one provisional use permit on the agenda and then reviewed the two other public hearing items. He alerted the Board that Item No. 28-15 on the general agenda should be brought forward for consideration prior to the public hearing for Item No. 26-15 because the Board should authorize acquisition of this particular real property parcel for the Cobbs Creek Reservoir project prior to authorizing execution of an easement on the property. He and Capt. Mike Cox, Assistant Fire Chief for Operations, responded to questions from Mr. Kaechele and Mrs. O'Bannon regarding Agenda Item No. 30-15 that would authorize the lease of a boat slip at 9950 Hoke Brady Road. In response to questions from Mr. Kaechele and Mrs. O'Bannon pertaining to Agenda Item No. 33-15, Mr. Vithoukias and Mr. Foster briefly updated the Board on the status of Phase I of the County's traffic calming program that permits an additional fine of \$200 for speeding on roads where at least 75 percent of the residents have requested it.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.



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Henrico County, Virginia