

**COUNTY OF HENRICO, VIRGINIA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING
June 28, 2016**

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2016, 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:

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

Other Officials Present:

John A. Vithoukas, County Manager
Joseph P. Rapisarda, Jr., County Attorney
Barry R. Lawrence, CMC, Assistant to the County Manager/Clerk to the Board
Tanya B. Harding, Administrative Assistant/Deputy Clerk to the Board
Timothy A. Foster, P.E., Deputy County Manager for Community Operations
Douglas A. Middleton, Deputy County Manager for Public Safety
Randall R. Silber, Deputy County Manager for Community Development
W. Brandon Hinton, Assistant Deputy County Manager for Community Services
Tamra R. McKinney, Director of Public Relations & Media Services
Benjamin A. Sheppard, Assistant Director of Public Relations & Media Services

Mr. Nelson called the meeting to order at 5:55 p.m.

Mr. Vithoukas referred to the items listed on the special meeting agenda and advised the Board that staff would touch on the County's storm recovery efforts during his review of the regular meeting agenda items.

Central Virginia Waste Management Authority (CVWMA) Recycling Enhancements

Mr. Vithoukas recognized two of the County's representatives on the Central Virginia Waste Management Authority (CVWMA) Board of Directors who were in the audience, Bob Whiteman and Allen Lane. He noted the County's third CVWMA Board representative, Marcia Kelley, was out of town and unable to attend. Mr. Vithoukas then recognized Kim Hynes, CVWMA's Executive Director, who narrated a brief slide presentation on this item. Mrs. Hynes began her presentation by providing statistics on CVWMA's single-stream curbside recycling program and dual-stream drop-off recycling program. She then reviewed enhancements to these programs that

will become effective July 1, which will include the addition of plastic kitchen, laundry, and bath containers, lids, and caps as well as milk, juice, and soup cartons. Mrs. Hynes pointed out these will be the first new materials added to CVWMA's recycling programs in 20 years. She concluded her presentation by specifying the fiscal impacts that will result from these changes, which will include an estimated \$38,000 in savings to the County over the remaining seven years of CVWMA's curbside recycling contract and approximately \$10,700 in revenues the County will receive through the drop-off recycling program from higher prices on mixed paper and commingled containers. Mrs. Hynes invited the members of the Board to visit TFC Recycling's regional material recovery facility in Chester.

Following her presentation, Mrs. Hynes explained for Mr. Nelson how materials placed in recycling bins that are not recyclable are removed from the recycling stream. In response to a question from Mr. Thornton regarding recycling statistics, she noted the region served by CVWMA has a 58 percent recycling rate, the highest in the commonwealth. Mrs. Hynes also responded to questions from Mr. Thornton pertaining to the cost-benefit of incineration versus landfilling and of accepting interstate waste in the region's landfills.

Mr. Vithoukas introduced Justin Mattingly, a student intern from the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, who was sitting in for vacationing reporter Elliott Robinson.

2016 National Association of Counties (NACo) Achievement Awards Program Update

Mr. Vithoukas recognized Cristol Klevinsky, Management Specialist for the County Manager's Office, who narrated a slide presentation on this item. During her presentation, Mrs. Klevinsky provided background information on the NACo Achievement Awards program and reviewed the program's 21 different application categories, national and Virginia award statistics, and the County's 28 award-winning programs. Two of these award-winning programs, *Home Maintenance Workshops* submitted by the Department of Community Revitalization and *Fire Fit: An Intensive Focus on Firefighter Wellness* submitted by the Department of Human Resources, received Best of Category designation. Mrs. Klevinsky pointed out Henrico ranked sixth highest in the nation and led the state for the 11th consecutive year in terms of the total number of NACo awards received. She confirmed for Mr. Nelson that a press release announcing the awards will be sent to the media.

Mr. Vithoukas and Mr. Nelson thanked Mrs. Klevinsky for her efforts in coordinating the award submissions and also thanked the department heads of the agencies that submitted applications. Mr. Lawrence advised Mr. Nelson that the County typically holds its reception for award recipients on the fourth Tuesday afternoon in September. Mr. Vithoukas informed the Board that the reception will be streamlined this year.

Regular Meeting Agenda Items

Mr. Vithoukas reiterated he was using this time during the special meeting as an opportunity to discuss the County's storm recovery efforts. He mentioned the County's Police Communications Center received more than 1,000 calls within the first 48 hours of the storm; Henrico's number of citizens and businesses without power was equivalent to the number of

outages that occurred during Hurricanes Isabel and Gaston; and the Department of Public Works processed 5,753 orders for debris pickup. Mr. Vithoukas pointed out Anna McRay, the County's Deputy Coordinator of Emergency Management, staffed the Emergency Operations Center during the storm. He further noted the following agencies had personnel on the scene during the County's recovery efforts: the Divisions of Fire, Police, and Recreation and Parks; Sheriff's Office; and Departments of Building Construction and Inspections, General Services, Public Utilities, and Public Works. He asked representatives from these agencies to report to the Board.

Jon Clary, Solid Waste Division Director, narrated a slide presentation titled *Debris Management Update*. He provided information on the County's residential curbside debris collection program, which had collected debris from 2,699 County addresses as of June 28. He also offered information on his department's public use area debris collection program, which as of June 28 included 7,380 vegetative debris customers. Mr. Clary showed several photographs of debris collected under these programs. He and Mr. Vithoukas responded to questions from Mr. Nelson and Mrs. O'Bannon concerning how the debris is being disposed of.

Tony McDowell, Fire Chief, reported that the County had changed some of its emergency response procedures since Hurricanes Isabel and Gaston. He further reported that at the height of the storm the County's E-911 center was receiving about 200 calls an hour. In response to questions from Mr. Nelson, Chief McDowell gave examples of the types of calls the E-911 center received during the storm and confirmed the storm was more of a wind event than a rain event so there was no flooding. Mr. Foster and Mr. Vithoukas cited the County's good communications and working relationship with Virginia Dominion Power during the storm and the recovery.

Humberto Cardounel, Police Chief, reported that downed power lines or trees affected 98 County roadways and 67 intersections were still without power for traffic signalization 24 hours after the storm. Police officers and recruits were stationed at 26 intersections to control traffic. In response to a question from Mr. Nelson, Chief Cardounel elaborated on a car accident at a four-way intersection where a Henrico high school teacher was tragically killed.

Art Petrini, Director of Public Utilities, described how his department maintained operations at the Water Treatment Facility and Water Reclamation Facility with the help of back-up generators.

Steve Yob, Director of Public Works, credited the Virginia Department of Transportation for providing signage at intersections and assisting County crews with clearing the roads of debris. He noted that his department has called in snow removal contractors to help pick up debris in subdivisions.

Neil Luther, Director of Recreation and Parks, advised that several County parks had large trees uprooted by the storm. A team of his employees helped ensure that a wedding at Armour House took place as scheduled by clearing a massive, felled tree and bringing in generators for back-up power. In response to questions from Mrs. O'Bannon and Mr. Nelson, Mr. Luther

confirmed that his staff was responsible for handling debris clean up at parks. Mr. Yob clarified that his department's contractors first check to make sure there are no live power lines in the vicinity.

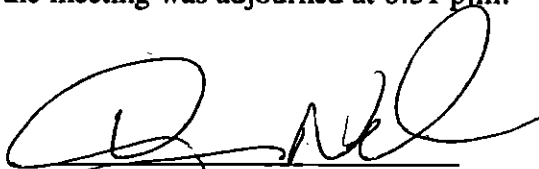
John Neal, Director of General Services, explained that his department's focus is on clearing debris and checking for damages at County facilities with the assistance of inmate work crews from the Sheriff's Office. In addition, his staff fields telephone calls from Verizon and Comcast cable, internet, and telephone subscribers and serves as a liaison with those companies.

Greg Revels, Building Official, reported that nine inspectors on his staff assessed property damage throughout the County and found 210 properties with structural damage. Of these, 47 were classified as having sustained major damage and eight garages and outbuildings were discovered to have been destroyed.

Mr. Vithoukas showed a photograph of storm damage taken by a Henrico resident. In response to concerns voiced by Mr. Glover, Mr. Vithoukas stated that staff will work with elderly and lower income residents on a case-by-case basis to help them find resources to remove fallen trees.

Mr. Vithoukas briefly reviewed the agenda for the 7:00 p.m. regular meeting, beginning with the presentations for the Keep Henrico Beautiful Land Lover and Clean Business Awards and Special Achievement Award. He also referred to the sizable number of board and commission appointment resolutions. In covering the public hearing items, Mr. Vithoukas elaborated on a resolution authorizing the County to accept the donation of a historic property, the Crewe House, and to lease the property for two years to private citizens. Mr. Luther provided additional background information on the property and responded to a question from Mr. Nelson regarding the terms of the lease. Mr. Vithoukas pointed out he would be making two comments at the meeting, one addressing the County's storm recovery efforts and the other involving an Emmy Award received by the Department of Public Relations & Media Services.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.



Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Henrico County, Virginia