

COUNTY OF HENRICO, VIRGINIA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING
July 10, 2018

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, 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
Thomas M. Branin, Three Chopt District
Patricia S. O'Bannon, Tuckahoe 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, CMC, Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant
Timothy A. Foster, Deputy County Manager for Community Operations
W. Brandon Hinton, Deputy County Manager for Administration
Anthony E. McDowell, Acting Deputy County Manager for Public Safety
Anthony J. Romanello, Deputy County Manager for Community Services
Randall R. Silber, Deputy County Manager for Community Development
C. Michael Schnurman, Legislative Liaison
Benjamin A. Sheppard, Director of Public Relations & Media Services

Mr. Thornton called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

Commemoration of the Division of Fire's 75th Anniversary

Mr. Vithoukas recognized Mr. McDowell, who announced the Division of Fire's 75th anniversary will be observed in September 2018 based on archival information documenting that the County's two firehouses were consolidated in September 1943. Chief McDowell recognized Alec Oughton, Acting Fire Chief, who updated the Board on a critical situation that occurred earlier in the afternoon at Chippenham Hospital in the City of Richmond. The hospital lost all power, including the feed to the back-up generator. The County's Division of Fire sent three engine companies and its battalion chief for special operations to the incident for support. The hospital was still considering whether it needed to evacuate its 313 patients. Mr. Vithoukas advised the Board he had been in contact with Richmond Mayor Levar Stoney and had offered to provide additional assistance and resources.

Chief Oughton narrated the first part of a slide presentation on this item. He began with a brief history of the division, noted some of the division's milestones, and illustrated how the design of fire houses and apparatus has changed over the years. The division's staffing has increased from two members in 1943 to 595 members currently, and the division recently

assigned community names to the firehouses. Chief Oughton pointed out the division was the first fire department in the nation to attain accreditation and in 2015 earned a Class 1 designation from the Insurance Services Office (ISO), the highest rating available to any community.

Chief McDowell narrated the second part of the presentation. He announced the division will be returning to red fire engines after using yellow engines for a number of years. Chief McDowell invited the Board and the audience at the conclusion of the special meeting to see a newly-purchased red ambulance parked in the courtyard outside the Board Room. He informed the Board that the division will purchase red vehicles as existing yellow fire engines and ambulances are replaced. Chief McDowell anticipates it will take 15 years for the division to transition to all red vehicles. He finished the presentation by reviewing commemorative items that will be issued to division personnel during the celebration of the division's 75th anniversary, including a badge, challenge coin, and lapel pin.

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Thornton complimented Chief McDowell on his visionary leadership and the division for the accolades it has received. He thanked past and present division personnel for their work and complimented Chief McDowell on assigning community names to the fire stations and initiating recruitment strategies to make the division more inclusive.

The Board recessed at 6:08 p.m. and reconvened at 6:16 p.m.

163-18 Resolution – To Authorize the County Attorney to Petition the Circuit Court for Writ of Election to Fill the Vacancy in the Office of Brookland District Supervisor

Mr. Vithoukas read the resolution and explained it was triggered by the resignation of Brookland District Supervisor Courtney Lynch. Her resignation was effective June 30, and the resolution requests the special election to be held on November 6.

On motion of Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Branin, and by unanimous vote, the Board approved this item – see attached resolution.

164-18 Resolution – Interim Appointment to Fill the Vacancy in the Office of Brookland District Supervisor

Mr. Vithoukas read the resolution and noted it would appoint Harvey L. Hinson to fill the vacancy in this office.

On motion of Mrs. O'Bannon, seconded by Mr. Nelson, and by unanimous vote, the Board approved this item – see attached resolution.

In response to a question from Mrs. O'Bannon, Mr. Vithoukas informed the public that the Board was considering two resolutions during the special meeting to ensure continuous representation for the Brookland District on the Board. Approval of this item would enable Mr. Hinson to assume office that evening prior to the 7:00 p.m. meeting. At Mr. Nelson's request, Mr. Vithoukas reviewed Mr. Hinson's qualifications to serve on the Board in this interim capacity. Mr. Vithoukas pointed out Mr. Hinson held the interim appointment as the Brookland District Supervisor in 2017 following Mr. Glover's passing and prior to Mrs.

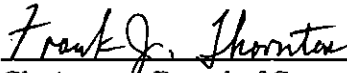
Lynch's election. Mr. Nelson attested to Mr. Hinson's deep knowledge of Henrico County government and remarked that he is looking forward to working with Mr. Hinson.

Heidi Barshinger, Clerk of the Court, administered the oath of office to Mr. Hinson. Mr. Thornton presented Mr. Hinson with a lapel pin containing the County seal and invited him to take a seat at the table with the other members of the Board.

Regular Meeting Agenda Items

Mr. Vithoukas reviewed the agenda for the 7:00 p.m. meeting. He noted there were no Manager's comments, but Mr. Nelson would be sharing highlights and a video of the Fourth of July event that was held at Dorey Park. Mr. Vithoukas reviewed the one appointment resolution and two rezoning cases on the agenda. He advised the Board that the applicant for the Brookland District case, Staples Mill Investments, LLC, was requesting a two-week deferral. Mr. Vithoukas referred to the three public hearing items and advised the Board that no one had signed up in advance to speak during the public comment period. He concluded his review by referring to the four general agenda items. Mr. Vithoukas responded to a question from Mrs. O'Bannon regarding the transfer of capital funds from the approved education meals tax project reserve to specific capital projects. This transfer was included in the first general agenda item, the introduction of a resolution for the receipt of requests for amendments to the Fiscal Year 2018-19 annual fiscal plan for July 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Henrico County, Virginia

