

**County of Henrico, Virginia
Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting
April 14, 2026**

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room, Administration Building, Henrico County Government Center, Parham and Hungary Spring Roads, Henrico County, Virginia.

Members of the Board Present:

Roscoe D. Cooper, III, Chair, Fairfield District
Misty D. Roundtree, Vice-Chair, Three Chopt District
Daniel J. Schmitt, Brookland District
Jody K. Rogish, Tuckahoe District
Tyrone E. Nelson, Varina District

Other Officials Present:

John A. Vithoukas, County Manager
Andrew R. Newby, County Attorney
Tanya N. Brackett, CMC, Assistant to the County Manager/Clerk to the Board
Michael Y. Feinmel, Deputy County Manager for Public Safety
W. Brandon Hinton, Deputy County Manager for Administration
Monica Smith-Callahan, Deputy County Manager for Community Affairs
Steven J. Yob, Deputy County Manager for Community Operations
Ben Sheppard, Director of Communications

Richard Hamilton, Chaplain for the Henrico County Police Division, delivered the invocation.

On motion of Mrs. Roundtree, seconded by Mr. Nelson, the Board approved the minutes of the March 24, 2026, Regular and Special Meetings.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

Yes: Cooper, Roundtree, Schmitt, Rogish, Nelson

No: None

Manager's Comments

Mr. Vithoukas recognized Debbie Lumpkin, Intern Coordinator for the Department of Human Resources. Henrico has been recognized by the State Council of Higher Education as a 2026 Top Employer for Interns. This statewide recognition highlights organizations that deliver high-impact internship experiences by combining hands-on work, mentorship, exposure to leadership, and opportunities that prepare students for in-demand careers.

Mr. Vithoukas noted this recognition reflects the intentional effort our teams have made to build a strong and inclusive talent pipeline. From structured internships with meaningful

project work to create pathways into full-time roles, our internship program is helping bridge the gap between education and workforce readiness.

Henrico and Ms. Lumpkin will be formally recognized on July 30 in Richmond as part of Virginia Intern Day, a statewide celebration of work-based learning. Mr. Vithoukas congratulated Ms. Lumpkin on this outstanding recognition. Ms. Lumpkin thanked the Manager and the Board for their continued support of the intern program.

Next, Mr. Vithoukas announced April is recognized as Arab American Heritage Month, a time to honor and celebrate the rich history, culture, and contributions of Arab Americans to our nation and communities.

Arab Americans have made meaningful impacts across many fields, including education, public service, business, healthcare, and the arts, helping to shape and strengthen the communities we serve. In Henrico, we are proud to recognize the diversity and cultural richness of our Arab American residents, whose contributions help foster a more connected and inclusive community.

Mr. Vithoukas introduced our newly hired Multicultural Liaison, Etham Khairi, to share remarks on behalf of the County in celebration of Arab American Heritage Month.

Ms. Khairi thanked the Board and noted she was honored to serve as the new Multicultural Liaison for Henrico County. She is also proud to share that she is Sudanese American, a Nubian woman originally from Sal Island in northern Sudan, near the border with Egypt.

As in some other African countries such as Mauritania and Egypt, Sudan is an African country with a lot of Arab influences. Arabic is the official language of the country, and many of the traditions come from Arab culture. She explained this recognition means a lot to her because it represents visibility, understanding, and the acknowledgement of cultures that have long contributed to the fabric of our communities. For her personally, as an Arabic speaker, it reminds her of the richness of Arab heritage-its tradition, resilience, and the strong sense of community shown in the way people run small businesses, care for their families and for their neighbors, and in their work and jobs. She noted being here today, in a space where heritage is recognized, is both humbling and encouraging. It reflects a commitment to ensuring that people from all backgrounds feel seen, heard, and included.

Ms. Khairi stated in her new role she looks forward to helping build bridges across *communities, strengthening relationships, and creating opportunities for engagement that reflect the diversity of Henrico County*. She noted her goal is to ensure that every resident feels a sense of belonging and connection.

Board of Supervisors' Comments

There were no comments from the Board of Supervisors.

Recognition of News Media

Liana Hardy with the *Henrico Citizen*, Lyndon German with *VPM*, and Gilian Randal with University of Richmond Media were present for the meeting.

Agenda Item Presentations

Proclamation - Arbor Day - April 24, 2026.

Mr. Rogish presented a proclamation recognizing April 24, 2026, as Arbor Day and calling the observance to the attention of Henrico residents. Accepting the proclamation was Samantha Hudson, Sustainability Division Director for the Department of General Services.

Proclamation - Crime Victims' Rights Week - April 19 - 25, 2026.

Mrs. Roundtree presented a proclamation recognizing April 19 – 25, 2026, as Crime Victims' Rights Week in Henrico County to ensure that crime victims' rights and services are not only recognized annually but provided daily. Accepting the proclamation was Shelly Shuman-Johnson, Victim/Witness Protection with the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office. Joining her were members of her staff: Jessican Rubio, Ashley Crews, Erica Clark, Jenna Woodburn, Renee Duffy, Nicole Mayton, Taryn Giroux, Susan Haynes, Kristen Camp, and Brittney Krebs.

Shelly Shuman-Johnson thanked the Board and the Manager for recognizing Crime Victims' Rights Week every year. She provided an update on the services they provide and invited the Board to join them for the Victims Walk and a vendor fair in the courtyard.

Proclamation - National Library Week - April 19 - 25, 2026.

Mr. Nelson presented a proclamation recognizing April 19 – 25, 2026, as National Library Week. This proclamation recognizes April 19 – 25, 2026, as National Library Week and encourages all residents to visit their library, explore its resources, and celebrate all the ways the library helps our community find joy. Accepting the proclamation were members of the Library Advisory Board: Patricia Bahen, Chair, Valorie McBee, Sharon Cox, Joshua Skillman, Gail Atkins, and Karen Johnson, Secretary and All Henrico Reads representative. Also joining them were Barbara Weedman, Director of Libraries, and Assistant Directors Angela Bennett, Alex Hamby, and Krissy Balzer.

Mrs. Bahen thanked the Board and the Manager for recognizing National Library Week and thanked them for their support they offer to the County libraries.

Proclamation - Volunteer Week - April 19 - 25, 2026.

Mr. Schmitt presented a proclamation recognizing April 19 – 25, 2026, as Volunteer Week. This proclamation recognizes April 19 – 25, 2026, as Volunteer Week and expresses the County's deepest appreciation to each volunteer for their time, talent, and commitment to meeting the critical needs of our community. Accepting the proclamation was

Victoria Davis, Volunteer Coordinator with the Department of Outreach and Engagement.

Ms. Davis thanked the Board and the Manager for recognizing Volunteer Week and noted it aligns with National Volunteer Week that will be celebrated throughout the nation. She noted there will be volunteer opportunities next week and encouraged residents to sign-up for those many opportunities. She recognized several volunteer groups who were in attendance for the observance: VolunTEEN, Henrico Cert, Henrico Extension Masters Gardners, and our Motorist Assistants with the Police Division. She thanked them for their time and talent.

Mr. Cooper recognized School Board member Marcia Shea, Tuckahoe District, who was in attendance for the meeting.

Agenda Item **Public Hearings – Rezoning Case**

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Fairfield

Crossings at Mulberry Development Company LLC: Request to amend proffers accepted with REZ2022-00013 on Parcels, 787-744-4094, 787-745-4100, 787-744-4295, 787-744-4496, 787-744-4981, 787-744-4696, 787-745-4802, 787-744-4996, 787-745-2219, 787-745-2216, 787-745-2312, 787-745-2407, 787-745-1806, 787-745-2405, 787-744-2696, 787-744-2694, 787-744-2793, 787-744-2789, 787-745-3800, 787-744-4280, 787-744-4581, 787-745-4301, 787-744-4781, 787-745-4501, 787-744-5181, 787-745-2026, 787-745-1523, 787-745-2122, 787-745-1521, 787-745-2121, 787-745-1619, 787-745-1617, 787-745-1713, 787-745-1710, 787-745-2309, 787-745-1808, 787-745-1904, 787-745-2403, 787-744-2599, 787-744-2791, 787-744-2886, 787-745-1426 and part of Parcels, 787-745-3508, and 787-745-6700 located on the east line of Chamberlayne Road (US Route 301) approximately 250' north of its intersection with Azalea Avenue.

No one from the public spoke in opposition to this item.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Nelson, and by unanimous vote, the Board followed the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approved this item with the following proffered conditions:

Request to amend Proffer 28 accepted with rezoning case REZ2022-00013 to allow homes on lots adjacent to alleys to be developed without the previously required rear-loaded garages.

28. Alley Served Lots. Lots with rear yards adjacent to an alley shall be improved with homes using rear-loaded driveways.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

Yes: Cooper, Roundtree, Schmitt, Rogish, Nelson

No: None

Agenda Item **Public Hearings – Other Items**

79-26 Resolution - Real Estate Tax Levies, 2026.

No one from the public spoke in opposition to this item.

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

80-26 Resolution - Personal Property and Machinery and Tools Tax Levies, 2026.

No one from the public spoke in opposition to this item.

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

81-26 Resolution - Signatory Authority - Utility Easement Agreement - Virginia Electric and Power Company - 4908 Tarry Lane - Brookland District.

No one from the public spoke in opposition to this item.

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

82-26 Resolution - Signatory Authority - Utility Easement Agreement - Virginia Electric and Power Company - 2129 and 2133 Park Lane - Brookland District.

No one from the public spoke in opposition to this item.

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

83-26 Resolution - Acquisition, Reservation, and Delineation of Easements - Exchange of Real Property - Bloomingdale Subdivision - Fall Line Trail - Fairfield District.

No one from the public spoke in opposition to this item.

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

84-26 Resolution - Condemnation - Rights-of-Way and Easements - South Laburnum Avenue Northbound and Southbound Sidewalk Projects - 4800 South Laburnum Avenue - Varina District.

No one from the public spoke in opposition to this item.

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

85-26 Ordinance - To Change Utility Charges by Amending and Reordaining Section 23-361 Titled “Water service and volume charges” and Section 23-362 Titled “Sewer service charges and rates” of the Code of the County of Henrico.

Douglas Clark, a resident of the Brookland District, asked the current amount and what the increase would be. Bentley Chan, Director of Public Utilities, stated the amount would be \$7.70 every two months or a 5% increase.

Public Comments

Nadine Oswald, a resident of the Tuckahoe District and President of the Henrico Master Gardeners Association, requested the Board’s assistance with finding additional space for the Association’s activities.

Douglas Clark, a resident of the Brookland District, presented the Board with concerns about the Registrar’s budget and suggested the Board reconsider the funding of electronic voting machines.

Mark Cook, a non-resident, voiced concerns about electronic voting systems.

Frank Callahan, a resident of the Three Chopt District, requested the Board provide additional funding for Henrico County Public Schools.

Jennifer Lieberman, a resident of the Tuckahoe District, voiced concerns about economics and unions for individuals with disabilities.

Bruce Richardson, a resident of the Fairfield District, thanked the Board and staff for the affordable housing trust fund and the Real Estate Advantage Program.

L. Frances Brown, Secretary of the Henrico NAACP, thanked Vice-Chair Roundtree for her support during Black History Month and for speaking with students at Freeman High School. She presented her with a plaque of appreciation.

Christopher Malmquist, a resident of the Fairfield District, stated his rights have been violated.

Agenda Item **General Agenda**

68-26 **Resolution - Approval of Operating and Capital Annual Fiscal Plans for FY 2026-27 and Allocation of Car Tax Relief for Tax Year 2026.**

Mr. Crawford, Budget Division Director, gave a brief overview of the budget noting it had been discussed during the week of March 16, 2026, with the Board of Supervisors and during the public hearing on March 24.

Mr. Schmitt noted there is a misunderstanding with the budget regarding the education piece and wanted to clarify a few things. In particular, he reviewed the budget process from the initial estimate provided by the School Board to the final approval of the budget.

Mr. Schmitt discussed with Mr. Crawford the number of positions in the budget presented by the School Board, as well as the amount of minimum funding required to be provided by the County under state law.

He also discussed that the Board of Supervisors cannot dictate how the School Board uses the funds that are appropriated, and that the School Board could reallocate money within its budget to fund its priorities. Mr. Schmitt noted the Board has had multiple discussions with the Manager when it comes to moving funds around on the general government side, the Board allocates those funds to priorities the Board defines.

Mr. Crawford discussed the decrease in state funding this year for Henrico County Public Schools (HCPS).

Mr. Schmitt discussed that the County provided funding in excess of the minimum required by the state and also covered the decrease in state funding in the HCPS budget. He also discussed the hundreds of millions of dollars in meals tax revenues dedicated directly to HCPS for operations and capital projects. In conclusion, Mr. Schmitt noted he is confident the staff at schools can find the funds in their allocated budget for the positions that are a priority. He also stressed this is not about denying positions, it is about how taxpayer funds are used for priorities of the school system.

Mr. Nelson referenced an article that came out this afternoon in the *Henrico Citizen* regarding the budget and asked the Manager to discuss the process of the budget and how it works. Mr. Vithoukaskas gave a brief overview of how the budget process works and the beginning stages of when the County works on the budget. He also clarified the Board cannot define line-by-line how HCPS spends funds that are allocated to schools.

Mr. Nelson noted he has been on this Board for 15 years, and with every Board he has worked with his colleagues ensure the budget for HCPS

was always fully funded. He echoed the thoughts of Mr. Schmitt: if these positions are a priority, the School Board can find the funds within the budget allocated to them. He stated every department in the County had been tasked with finding 3% savings in their budgets.

Mr. Nelson voiced concerns about the emails he and his colleagues have been receiving regarding the positions not being funded. He shared several statements made by a School Board member directed to him. He stated the information was not correct, and the Board has always ensured HCPS was fully funded.

Mr. Nelson noted several projects the County has spearheaded in Varina during his time on the Board, including the new Highland Springs High School and the Living Building.

Mr. Rogish thanked Justin Crawford and the budget team for putting this budget together. He thanked the County Manager and noted there is a reason why the County has a quadruple AAA bond rating: the County budgets well. He thanked Ms. Shea for attending the meeting and noted they might not always agree, but he feels they have a good line of communication, and the Board is in full support of HCPS. He noted the County will be helping with the maintenance of middle school fields, and no one mentioned how many positions were created on the general government side to do this. He concluded with the per pupil spending from FY18 to the current budget is a 72% increase, and the Board of Supervisors has always prioritized schools funding.

Mrs. Roundtree noted she has spoken at length about the misinformation that has been put out on social media regarding the HCPS funding. She noted the County has always gone far beyond what is required from the Board to fully fund schools and hopes we continue to have good discussions going forward.

Mr. Cooper noted, having served on the School Board and now on the Board of Supervisors, when there was a concern or a challenge, HCPS would come to the Manager and to the Board and they would give those funds without any issues. He noted when he was on the School Board, the Fairfield District had the highest numbers of substitute teachers, and they decided to increase funding for teachers to teach at those schools. As a result, he noted this year was the first time the Fairfield District schools were fully staffed.

Having concluded the discussion of HCPS funding, Mrs. Roundtree voiced concerns about funding of Flock cameras and LifeRaft technology in the Police Division's budget. In particular, she expressed concerns about how the data collected by these technologies could be misused by companies and other agencies.

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

86-26 Resolution - Approval of Participation in Proposed Combined Settlements of Opioid-Related Claims - Associated Pharmacies, Inc. (and American Associated Pharmacies); J M Smith Corporation; Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; Morris and Dickson Co.; North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; and United Natural Foods, Inc. (including its subsidiaries SuperValu and Advantage Logistics).

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

87-26 Resolution - Authorization to Seek Re-Certification - Certified Crime Prevention Community Program.

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

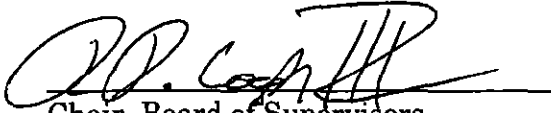
88-26 Resolution - Signatory Authority - Acquisition of Real Property - Drainage and Flood Mitigation - 4701 Mulford Road - Varina District.

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

89-26 Resolution - Award of Contracts - Annual Contracts for Professional Engineering Services for Joint Public Works and Public Utilities Projects - Countywide.

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.


Chair, Board of Supervisors
Henrico County, Virginia