

**County of Henrico, Virginia
Board of Supervisors
Special Meeting
August 11, 2026**

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting at 3:45 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, 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:

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
W. Brandon Hinton, Deputy County Manager for Administration
Monica Smith-Callahan, Deputy County Manager for Community Services
Steven J. Yob, Deputy County Manager for Community Operations
Ben Sheppard, Director of Communications

St. Joseph Villa Update

Jenny Friar, Chief Executive Officer for St. Joseph's Villa, gave the Board an update on what has been happening at the Villa. Ms. Friar gave a brief background on the history of St. Joseph's Villa, explaining they serve families experiencing homelessness, mental and behavioral health challenges, and specialized education needs. She continued highlighting the services, including the Flagler Housing & Homeless Services that opened in November of 2025, which allows families to access coordinated resources that address the full range of impacts on housing stability.

Ms. Friar highlighted the success of the Flagler House and what is next, including integrating mental health services and launching job skills training with Atlantic Union Bank volunteers to help with resume building, interview preparation and navigating today's job market. As the need for housing grows in our community, she was happy to report they were able to house 247 households across Richmond and the Tri-Cities. She noted 100% of students placed with them are from our local school divisions with 84 of the 202 students served hailing from Henrico. She also highlighted how students and families have access to the Villa grocery food pantry, laundry facilities, and community donation center.

Ms. Friar discussed Villa's 24-hour crisis stabilization unit that provides short-term care for ages 5 -17 who are experiencing a mental health crisis. This is free to every family thanks to funding from combined state/RBHA grants, Medicaid billing, and help from private donors. In April 2024, they begin partnering with Henrico Area Mental Health, the Crisis Receiving

Center serves an alternative emergency room for ages 7-17 who are experiencing a mental health crisis. Ms. Friar thanked Henrico for the impact they have had on the Villa with the help of creating the Crisis Recovery Center, the essential funding the County has provided, bringing the GRTC bus stop back to Brook Road, and strengthening emergency preparedness.

Mr. Cooper thanked Ms. Friar for the informative presentation and noted how much better the region is because of the Villa. Mrs. Roundtree echoed Mr. Cooper's remarks and noted she was excited to hear about the potential partnership with CASA. Ms. Friar explained they currently have two cottages available and would love to have the partnership with CASA. Mr. Schmitt thanked Ms. Friar and noted her constant reliability.

Residential Development Review Update

Bolman Bowles, Building Official, gave the Board an update on a potential new program concerning Residential Single-Family Dwelling Permits. Mr. Bowles shared with the Board a program from Claremore, Oklahoma, that provides master building plans for certain residential units. Builders and individuals can use the approved master plans for free, which reduces costs and speeds up review times.

Mr. Bowles then shared how the program could be replicated in the County, while noting data and background on residential permit reviews in his department.

There was discussion between the Board and Mr. Bowles noting this was just another tool in the toolbox for the County to use.

SAFE High Speed Driving Program

Mike Feinmel, Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney, and Dr. Brenda Chapman, SAFE Program Manager, gave the Board an update on a new program within the Division of Fire. Dr. Chapman gave historical context noting General District Court Judges identified the increase in reckless driving charges related to speed in the County. This is how the program was started: trying to find a solution to help with distracted driving and speeding. The mission of SAFE is to reduce traffic violations related to excessive speeding by educating and equipping adults through comprehensive prevention, awareness, and diversion initiatives. Dr. Chapman shared the members of the SAFE advisory committee and gave the Board an overview of the program. Dr. Chapman reviewed the curriculum for the program and reviewed each module and data about program participants.

She recognized James Gill, a former student from June of 2026, who informed the Board he received a ticket in February and was offered the opportunity to enroll in the SAFE program. He explained the program had a major impact on him and how he drives. He credited what each session taught him about how to re-think his driving habits. Next, Mrs. Kelly Florian the parent of Joshua Florian, discussed the impact the program had on her son. Mrs. Florian explained Joshua is 19 years and he was caught going 98 mph in a 55-mph zone. This was his 4th ticket. She explained nothing prior to this program had helped her son. Mrs. Florian explained her son would come home and talk about each session and what he was learning. This program has saved her son and made a true impact on how he drives. She thanked Dr. Chapman and everyone involved in the program.

Dr. Chapman noted the cost to take the class for Henrico residents is \$150 and for a non-resident it is \$300. Mr. Feinmel noted if the defendant has a court appointed attorney the program is offered for free. The Board praised the program, Dr. Chapman, and the Division of Fire and the impact it has had in such a short time

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Chapman', is written over a horizontal line.

Chair, Board of Supervisors
Henrico County, Virginia