

**County of Henrico, Virginia
Board of Supervisors
Special Meeting
September 8, 2026**

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting at 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 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
Daniel J. Schmitt, Brookland District
Jody K. Rogish, Tuckahoe District
Tyrone E. Nelson, Varina District

Member of the Board Absent:

Misty D. Roundtree, Vice-Chair, Three Chopt District

Other Officials Present:

John A. Vithoukas, County Manager
Andrew R. Newby, County Attorney
Jackson P.F. Baynard, Deputy County Manager for Public Safety
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

Health Brigade Introduction

Karen Legato, Executive Director of the Health Brigade, gave the Board an update on her agency, noting the mission is to provide exceptional health services to those least served in a caring and non-judgmental environment. She explained they use to be called the Fan Free Clinic but changed the name in 2016.

Ms. Legato explained that their primary focus is on medical care, mental health and wellness, social work and care support, and substance use support. She noted they serve adults ages 18-64, low-income families, uninsured and underinsured, marginalized populations, chronic disease, mental illness, substance use, and communicable illness such as TB, HIV, and HCV.

Ms. Legato updated the Board on their budget and the total Henrico residents served from July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026, has been 1,363. She thanked the Board for their support and looks forward to the continued partnership. Ms. Legato explained at the request of Mr. Nelson that the name change was in 2016 and because they were no longer located in the Fan Area. She explained they have only one location and serve over 27 counties in Virginia. Mr. Cooper thanked her and noted he appreciates all the work her organization has done within the community, particularly for helping the underserved and individuals with no insurance.

Sports & Entertainment Authority Update

Dennis Bickmeier, Executive Director of Henrico Sports & Entertainment Authority, gave the Board an update on the Authority's business. He announced he had just learned from Virginia Tourism that direct visitor spending in Henrico exceeded \$2 billion last year for the first time. He shared a slide showing the sports tourism economic impact since 2012 to present; sharing his excitement for events the Sports and Events Center has hosted this past year, including the A-10 50th Anniversary Women's Basketball Championship; NXTPRO Puma PRO 16 Live Basketball Event; American Pro Powerlifting Championship; and the USYF National Championship.

Mr. Bickmeier reviewed the events that are upcoming and shared renderings of a project in the West Mezzanine. One side will be used as offices for the Special Event Teams, and the other side is available. The Authority is working with a group who is interested in leasing that space. There was further discussion with the Board regarding upcoming events and what is ahead with the continued development around the Center. Mr. Schmitt questioned who was responsible for the grounds at the mall entrance and areas around the center. Steve Yob, Deputy County Manager for Community Operations, explained it is the responsibility of the mall to handle the maintenance and grounds for their area, while the County maintains the Center. Mr., Bickmeier thanked the Board for their continued support and is excited about what is ahead for the Center and the County.

On motion of Mr. Rogish, seconded by Mr. Schmitt, the Board approved going into a closed meeting at 4:02 p.m.:

Consultation with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice concerning 2026 state tobacco legislation, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(8) of the Code of Virginia.

Aye
Roscoe D. Cooper, III
Daniel J. Schmitt
Jody K. Rogish
Tyrone E. Nelson

Absent
Misty D. Roundtree

On motion of Mr. Rogish, seconded by Mr. Nelson, and by unanimous vote, the Board approved going out of the closed meeting at 5:03 p.m.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

Aye
Roscoe D. Cooper, III
Daniel J. Schmitt
Jody K. Rogish
Tyrone E. Nelson

Absent
Misty D. Roundtree

On motion of Mr. Schmitt, seconded by Mr. Nelson, and by unanimous vote, the Board approved the attached Certificate of Closed Meeting.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

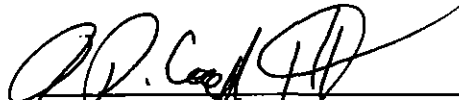
Aye

Roscoe D. Cooper, III
Daniel J. Schmitt
Jody K. Rogish
Tyrone E. Nelson

Absent

Misty D. Roundtree

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.



Chair, Board of Supervisors
Henrico County, Virginia