

COUNTY OF HENRICO, VIRGINIA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING
June 22, 2021

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, 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:

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

Other Officials Present:

John A. Vithoulkas, County Manager
J. T. (Tom) Tokarz, County Attorney
Tanya Brackett Harding, 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 Affairs
Anthony E. McDowell, Deputy County Manager for Public Safety
Cari Tretina, Assistant to the County Manager/Chief of Staff
Steven J. Yob, Deputy County Manager for Community Operations
Benjamin A. Sheppard, Director of Public Relations

Mr. Schmitt called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Holton Report Update

Leslie Hughes, Chief Learning Officer for Schools, updated the Board about the school division's work in response to the Holton Report. One concern has been the number of students in private special education placements. Currently, 6,672 students are enrolled in exceptional education programs, and 3% of them are in private placements. Schools has been working on reducing the number of private placements by expanding its program offerings to meet individualized needs identified in individualized special education programs.

In response to concerns about the recruitment of special education teachers, Dr. Cashwell stated there is a particular shortage of teachers in special education. The school division has been working with minority Chambers of Commerce, Virginia State University, and Virginia Union University to seek more applicants.

Ms. Hughes reiterated that the school division is looking closely at the Holton Report's 27 recommendations with five work groups. It is giving special attention to reimagining Virginia Randolph Education Center and expanding elementary integrated services programs.

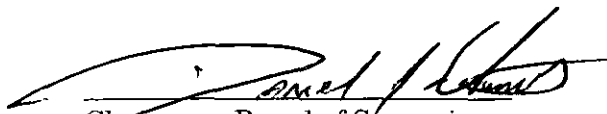
Public Utilities Infrastructure Initiatives Update

Bentley Chan, Director of Public Utilities, provided a breakdown of potential utility infrastructure improvements. Public Utilities has identified approximately 780 septic systems that have submitted septic repair permits to the Virginia Department of Health. There is potential federal funding of \$64 million from the American Rescue Plan for some of the projects, and some may also be eligible for Community Development Block Grants.

The potential projects include properties in the Greenwood Road area, Ravenswood subdivision, Woodcliff subdivision, Pouncey Tract West subdivision, Pembroke subdivision, Drouin Hills subdivision, the Hanover Road/Graves Road area, the Pine Heights subdivision, and the Greendale Park subdivision.

Mr. Vithoulikas briefly reviewed the agenda items for the 7:00 p.m. meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.



Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Henrico County, Virginia