# COUNTY OF HENRICO, VIRGINIA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING August 14, 2018

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at 6:00 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 Harvey L. Hinson, Brookland District Patricia S. O'Bannon, Tuckahoe District

### Other Officials Present:

John A. Vithoulkas, 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
Randall R. Silber, Deputy County Manager for Community Development
Benjamen A. Sheppard, Director of Public Relations & Media Services

Mr. Thornton called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and noted this was the Board's only special meeting during the month of August.

#### J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Update

Mr. Vithoulkas recognized Gary Rhodes, President of J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, and pointed out this would be Dr. Rhodes' final presentation to the Board of Supervisors because Dr. Rhodes had announced his retirement. Dr. Rhodes mentioned he will be moving near Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, after he retires. He recognized the following Henrico representatives on the J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Board who were in attendance: Rick Rush, Chairman; Fred Babik, Vice Chairman; and Karsten Konerding. Marcus Martin was unable to be present and Goldie Settles left the Community College Board at the end of June when her term expired. Dr. Rhodes noted there was an item on the Board of Supervisors' 7:00 p.m. regular meeting agenda to appoint Mary Studevant as Mrs. Settles' replacement.

Dr. Rhodes narrated a Prezi presentation titled Reynolds & Henrico County: 2017-2018 Academic Year Recap. He pointed out Reynolds served 15,028 students during the previous academic year and has served 346,657 students since 1972. Dr. Rhodes offered a Henrico perspective. During the most recent academic year, 4,967 Henrico residents attended Reynolds, 528 of whom were high school students earning credit through dual enrollment

and 616 of whom earned a degree or certificate from Reynolds. Dr. Rhodes elaborated on the Advance College Academies (ACAs) at J.R. Tucker and Highland Springs High Schools and informed the Board of Supervisors that 199 Henrico County public school students have earned an Associate of Science (A.S.) degree from Reynolds since the program started. He noted the college's educational foundation provided \$341,000 in scholarships to 156 Henrico residents this past year. Dr. Rhodes also reviewed courses offered by Reynolds to Henrico public school students and mentioned that 511 Henrico residents participated in Community College Workforce Alliance training programs through open enrollment.

The next section of Dr. Rhodes' presentation focused on what's new at Reynolds, including the construction of training kitchens for the school's culinary arts program that are scheduled to open in Church Hill in late 2019; the development of an art collection that now includes more than 750 works of art on display in Reynolds' buildings thanks to the generosity of citizen and corporate donors; and the hiring of a new president, Dr. Paula Pando, who will begin her tenure on September 1. Dr. Rhodes concluded his presentation by reflecting on his 16 years as Reynolds' president.

Following Dr. Rhodes' presentation, Dr. Babik thanked the Board of Supervisors for its hard work and for supporting Reynolds over the years. Mr. Konerding echoed Dr. Babik's sentiments and characterized Dr. Rhodes as the college's "Dreamer-in-Chief." At Mr. Hinson's request, everyone in the room gave Dr. Rhodes a standing ovation. Dr. Rhodes thanked the Board of Supervisors for being such a wonderful partner.

On motion of Mr. Branin, seconded by Mrs. O'Bannon, the Board approved going into a Closed Meeting at 6:18 p.m. for Consultation with the County Attorney Pertaining to Actual to Actual Litigation Styled Magnolia Lorraine Purcell v. Brenda Evans, Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(7) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as Amended.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

Aye Nay

Frank J. Thornton Tyrone E. Nelson Thomas M. Branin Harvey L. Hinson Patricia S. O'Bannon

On motion of Mrs. O'Bannon, seconded by Mr. Mr. Branin, the Board approved going out of the Closed Meeting at 6:28 p.m.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

Aye Nay

Frank J. Thornton Tyrone E. Nelson Thomas M. Branin Harvey L. Hinson Patricia S. O'Bannon On motion of Mrs. O'Bannon, seconded by Mr. Branin, the Board approved the attached Certificate of Closed Meeting.

Nay

The vote of the Board was as follows:

Frank J. Thornton Tyrone E. Nelson Thomas M. Branin Harvey L. Hinson Patricia S. O'Bannon

<u>Aye</u>

## Regular Meeting Agenda Items

Mr. Vithoulkas reviewed the items for the 7:00 p.m. agenda. He advised the Board he would be making two Manager's comments. Mr. Vithoulkas referred to the two proclamations and two board and commission appointments listed on the agenda. He pointed out the two land use items on the public hearing agenda were companion cases and would be heard together but voted on separately. Mr. Vithoulkas was not aware of any opposition to the cases.

At Mr. Vithoulkas' request, Mr. Rapisarda explained the three public hearing items that involved ordinance changes to conform the County Code to changes in state law enacted by the 2018 General Assembly. Mr. Silber, Mr. Rapisarda, and Mr. Vithoulkas responded to questions from Mr. Hinson regarding one of these items, which allows a new circumstance for granting a variance for property improvements requested on behalf of disabled persons. Mr. Hinson expressed concern the new state law will place an additional burden on the Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning Department staff. Mr. Vithoulkas then covered the remaining two public hearing items on the agenda.

Mr. Vithoulkas continued his review by informing the Board that one person had signed up to speak during the public comment period, Shirley Crawford with the Women's Business Center RVA. Mr. Hinson noted he and the County's Supplier Relations Manager, Jeff Conley, met with Ms. Crawford and invited her to attend a Henrico Business Leaders meeting. He advised the Board that Ms. Crawford was interested in meeting individually with other Board members.

Mr. Vithoulkas next addressed the general agenda items. He recognized K Alferio, President of The Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen, who was in the audience to answer any questions that might arise pertaining to one of the general agenda items, a resolution authorizing the County Manager to execute a new agreement between the County and the center's foundation specifying the responsibilities for operating, maintaining, managing, improving, and insuring the center. The Board approved a revised master plan of development for the center in April 2015 that added four parcels to expand facilities. Mr. Hinson invited everyone to visit the center and commented favorably on the plans for expansion, which Mr. Vithoulkas pointed out will include adding Walkerton Tavern to the center's properties.

Mrs. O'Bannon remarked that she would be sharing an obituary during the time on the agenda for Board of Supervisors' Comments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Frank J. Lhornlan Chairman, Board of Supervisors Henrico County, Virginia