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Tuckahoe meeting May 24 to discuss opioid crisis

Tuckahoe District Supervisor Patricia S. O'Bannon will host a Tuckahoe Town Meeting on Wednesday, May 24 to discuss the opioid epidemic that is affecting individuals and families in Henrico County.

The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. at Tuckahoe Area Library, 1901 Starling Drive. Residents are welcome to attend or watch via a live stream on YouTube. Henrico's YouTube channel is available at https://youtu.be/fBwrics8Wac or by searching "Henrico County, Virginia channel."

O'Bannon will be joined by Dr. Susan Fischer Davis, director of the Henrico Health District, and members of the Henrico Heroin Task Force.

For more information, call (804) 501-4208 or go to patobannon.com.

April 27, 2017

CONTACT: Leslie Martin Stephen, Program Manager for Adult Substance Abuse, Outpatient, Court and Jail Services, Henrico Area Mental Health & Developmental Services

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Henrico to offer June 13 class on treating opioid overdoses with naloxone

The Henrico County Division of Fire and Henrico Area Mental Health & Developmental Services will present a free class Tuesday, June 13 on how to administer naloxone to potentially save the life of someone who has overdosed on opioids.

The Revive! Opioid Overdose and Naloxone Education for Virginia class will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the MH/DS main offices at 10299 Woodman Road.

The class, developed by the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, is open to all Henrico residents, although participation will be limited to the first 50 registrants. To sign up, call (804) 727-8574.

Naloxone is available in Virginia from pharmacists without a prescription, and it can temporarily reverse the toxic effects of an opioid or heroin overdose, allowing time to dispatch emergency responders. Naloxone is available in a generic form and under the brand name Narcan. The Revive! class will provide hands-on instruction on how to administer the drug in its nasal spray form.

April 20, 2017

CONTACT: Benjamin W. Blankinship, Zoning Division Manager, Planning Department PHONE: (804) 501-4286

Henrico sets April 26 meeting to kick off revision of zoning, subdivision ordinances

Henrico County is beginning a comprehensive update of its zoning and subdivision ordinances — the first such effort in six decades — and will introduce the project as part of the Wednesday, April 26 meeting of the Henrico County Planning Commission.

The meeting will get underway at 9 a.m. in the Board Room of the Henrico Government Center, 4301 E. Parham Road. The ordinance update project will be featured as the final item on the agenda. Project consultant Clarion Associates will give a presentation, and meeting participants will be able to ask questions and provide comments.

Residents, developers and other stakeholders interested in development in the county are encouraged to attend, said Benjamin W. Blankinship, zoning division manager for the county's Planning Department.

Henrico's zoning and subdivision ordinances were adopted in 1959 and 1955, respectively. Blankinship noted that although they have been amended nearly 250 times since their adoption, the ordinances have not undergone a thorough revision.

"Public participation will be a vital part of this effort," he said. "Our goal is to develop codes that are up to date, easier to understand, more consistent and more predictable. We need insights and ideas from our residents and others to do that."

The ordinance update will take about two years, Blankinship said, noting that the April 26 session will be the first of several public meetings over the course of the project.

Residents can track the progress of the project, sign up for meeting notices, provide feedback and get additional details at zoningupdate.henrico.us.

For more information, contact the Planning Department at (804) 501-4602.

April 20, 2017

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Varina meeting May 2 to discuss opioid crisis in Henrico

Varina District Supervisor Tyrone E. Nelson will hold a Community Conversations meeting Tuesday, May 2 to discuss the opioid epidemic in Henrico County.

The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Henrico Theatre, 305 E. Nine Mile Road. Nelson will be joined by County Manager John A. Vithoulkas and members of the Henrico Heroin Task Force for a discussion of heroin and opioid abuse and ways to prevent it.

For information, call (804) 501-4208.

April 13, 2017

CONTACT: Charlotte Whitten, Executive Assistant, Henrico County Board of Supervisors PHONE: (804) 501-4208

Fairfield meeting April 27 to continue focus on opioid crisis

Fairfield District Supervisor Frank J. Thornton will hold a constituent meeting Thursday, April 27 to continue to highlight the opioid crisis in Henrico County.

Thornton will be joined by representatives of the Henrico County Branch of the NAACP as they resume a discussion that began in March about the growing concerns associated with opioid abuse and addiction.

Thornton also will explain the new Fairfield Citizen Taskforce Committee. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Eastern Henrico Recreation Center, 1440 N. Laburnum Ave. For information, call (804) 501-4208.

April 13, 2017

CONTACT: Kimberly Edmonds, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent, Henrico County office of Virginia Cooperative Extension

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Henrico Extension to offer free financial workshop April 27

The Henrico County office of Virginia Cooperative Extension will present a free workshop Thursday, April 27 to help residents better manage their finances.

The Tools for Today's Economy workshop will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the demonstration kitchen of the Human Services Building, 8600 Dixon Powers Drive. The session will outline steps for making sound financial decisions in today's economy. The deadline for registration is Tuesday, April 25.

Participants are asked to register by calling the Extension office at (804) 501-5160. Information also is available at henrico.us/extension.

The workshop is being offered in recognition of April as National Financial Capability Month.

April 12, 2017

CONTACT: John A. Vithoulkas, Henrico County Manager

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Henrico names England to lead county's public utilities department

Henrico County Manager John A. Vithoulkas has appointed Charles B. "Chip" England to serve as director of the Department of Public Utilities (DPU), effective Monday, May 15.

England currently works as the director of the Department of Engineering and Utilities for Prince George County. He will succeed Arthur D. Petrini, who is retiring from the position. Petrini has led Henrico's DPU since 2001.

As director, England will head an agency with more than 300 employees and a budget of nearly \$84.7 million for the 2017 fiscal year. DPU provides drinking water and wastewater services to more than 95,000 customers. In addition, the agency provides refuse collection and recycling services and manages the Keep Henrico Beautiful program. DPU also oversees the Cobbs Creek Reservoir regional water supply project, currently under construction in Cumberland County.

Prior to his service with Prince George County, England worked as a deputy director of public works for Hanover County and served as an assistant division director of the water treatment facility for Henrico DPU, a post he held from 2002 to 2011.

England earned a bachelor's degree from the United States Military Academy at West Point. He received a master's degree in civil engineering from Virginia Tech and a master of business administration degree from Averett University. He is a registered professional engineer with the Commonwealth of Virginia.

April 5, 2017

CONTACT: Barry R. Lawrence, Clerk, Henrico County Board of Supervisors

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Henrico supervisors to hold April 11 public hearing on proposed fiscal 2017-18 budget

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing Tuesday, April 11 on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2017-18.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m., one hour earlier than usual, in the Board Room of the Henrico Government Center's Administration Building, 4301 E. Parham Road.

Residents may provide oral or written comments on the \$1.2 billion plan, which would guide operating and capital spending for the year beginning July 1. The general fund, which supports the operations of Henrico's general government, including the Police and Fire divisions, and Henrico County Public Schools, would total \$839.7 million. That would represent an increase of \$28.8 million, or 3.6 percent, over the current year's plan.

The proposed budget recommends no change to the real estate tax rate of 87 cents per \$100 of assessed value.

Residents are encouraged to register in advance to speak at the public hearing. To sign up, call Board of Supervisors Clerk Barry R. Lawrence at (804) 501-4318. For information on the proposed budget, call Director of Finance Gene Walter at (804) 501-4266 or Budget Director Justin D. Crawford at (804) 501-5089.

Copies of the proposed budget are available for public inspection at Henrico libraries, the Office of Management and Budget in the Henrico Government Center and at henrico.us.

The Board of Supervisors is scheduled to vote April 25 to adopt a budget for fiscal year 2017-18. The board typically meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the Board Room of the Henrico Government Center.