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VIRGINIA: A VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD REMOTELY ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M. USING THE 'GOTOMEETING' PLATFORM:  
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/447043917>

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR ROBERT ELLIOTT, JR.  
SUPERVISOR MICHAEL DREWRY  
SUPERVISOR JUDY LYTTLE  
SUPERVISOR WILLIAM (TIM) CALHOUN

ABSENT: SUPERVISOR KENNETH HOLMES

ALSO

PRESENT: MS. MELISSA D. ROLLINS, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
MS. DANIELLE POWELL, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
MS. LAUREN CHAPMAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATION  
MR. DAVID HARRISON, ECONOMIC, PLANNING, COMM DEV.  
MS. CAROL SWINDELL, FINANCE  
MR. DELON BROWN, NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR  
MR. RAY PHELPS, EMERGENCY SERVICES  
SHERIFF CARLOS TURNER, SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT  
MS. LINDA GHOLSTON, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
MS. LAJEUNE STONE, YOUTH AND FAMILY RESOURCES  
MS. SHARNA WHITE, REGISTRAR  
MS. LASONYA WHITE, COOPERATIVE EXTENSION  
DR. SERBRENIA SIMS, SCHOOL BOARD  
MR. NATE GNOMES, MAINTENANCE  
MS. VALERIE PIERCE, SOCIAL SERVICES

**CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / MOMENT OF SILENCE / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ AGENDA ADOPTION**

*Meeting called to order at 7:02 P.M.*

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Elliott at 7:02 P.M. Chairman Elliott then led those present to in a moment of silence. Reverend Charles Cypress led those present in the invocation this evening. Following the invocation, Chairperson Elliott asked Supervisor Lyttle to lead those present in the pledge of allegiance. Chairperson Elliott advised Supervisor Drewry would lead tonight's meeting. The working agenda was adopted by roll call vote.

<b>SUPERVISOR ROBERT ELLIOTT, JR.</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>SUPERVISOR MICHAEL DREWRY</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>SUPERVISOR JUDY S. LYTTLE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>SUPERVISOR KENNETH R. HOLMES</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>SUPERVISOR WILLIAM CALHOUN</b>	<b>AYE</b>

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## **CONSENT ITEMS**

1. *Draft Meeting Minutes: August 6, 2020 and August 13, 2020*
2. *Accounts Payable Report*
3. *Request for Public Hearing – October 1, 2020 – Lease of County Property by PGECE for Ruralband Education Center at Surry Parks & Recreation **(no documents)***
4. *Request for Public Hearing – October 1, 2020 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Allocation of CARES ACT Funding-\$560,295 **(no documents)***
5. *FY 20-21- School System Budget Amendment- \$79,440 reduction to total budget*
6. *FY 20-21 Appropriation of CARES ACT Funding- Department of Elections - \$46,380*
7. *Surry County Treasurer Refund Request: for overpaid taxes - CoreLogic, Inc. in the amount of \$3,011.82*
8. *Ordinance to readopt and extend the emergency ordinance concerning continuity of government*

*Supervisor Lyttle made a motion to approve the consent items as enumerated. Supervisor Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote. **(Approved)***

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<b>SUPERVISOR KENNETH R. HOLMES</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>SUPERVISOR WILLIAM CALHOUN</b>	<b>AYE</b>

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. *Amendment to Surry Seafood Lease and Operational Update*

Proposed amendments to the Surry Seafood lease and operational update were presented to the Board for consideration. Ms. Danielle Powell, County Attorney, advised no action was needed by the Board at this time. Supervisor Drewry advised the proposed Amendment to the Surry Seafood Lease and Operational Update would be tabled until the next meeting. **(No action taken, item tabled)**

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## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **1. Comprehensive Plan Updates**

At the July 27, 2020 meeting, the Surry County Planning Commission recommended that the Surry County Comprehensive Plan be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for a public hearing. The following documents were presented: (1) the 2040 Comprehensive Plan, (2) a presentation summarizing the key elements of the plan and (3), public hearing notice. Mr. Greg Grootendorst, a representative of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission gave the presentation.

The public hearing was opened for public comment at 7:53 P.M. Mr. Robert Chandler, Chairperson, Economic Development Authority asked if feedback provided from the EDA was included or considered in the presented Comprehensive Plan Updates.

*Supervisor Lyttle made a motion to approve the proposed Comprehensive Plan Update as presented. Supervisor Elliott seconded the motion. The adoption of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan for Surry County was approved. The motion was approved by roll call vote. (Approved)*

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**SUPERVISOR WILLIAM CALHOUN**

**AYE**  
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**ABSENT**  
**AYE**

## **PRESENTATIONS & STAFF REPORTS**

### **1. County Financial Advisor: Davenport & Company – Update on 2020 Fall VRA Financing Application**

Davenport & Company, the County's outside financial advisor, provided a presentation to discuss the County's financial and long-term debt planning, as well as fund balance policy considerations. No action is required at this time. The Board will rediscuss the presented material at a future meeting, tentatively set for September 24, 2020.

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2. *Economic Development – David Harrison, Director- Economic Development and Interim Planning & Community Development*

a. *COVID RELIEF – CARES ACT – COVID 19 Business Assistance Grant*

Mr. David Harrison, Economic Development Director, Interim Planning and Community Development Director, presented the Surry County COVID 19 CARES Grant Application information and process. The purpose of this program is to assist small business in Surry County who have been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Funds have been made available by the Surry County Board of Supervisors from the County’s Coronavirus Relief Funds under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Administration of the Program will be coordinated by representatives of the Economic Development department within Surry County Government, as well as the Surry County Economic Development Authority. The Program provides a one-time, emergency grant to eligible, for- profit small businesses in Surry County to assist with unplanned costs incurred as a direct result of business interruptions and mandated business closures due to the coronavirus (COVID-19). There is a limited amount of funds available for the Program; therefore, eligible businesses will be selected, at random, until the total amount of funds are distributed. Applications submitted without all required documentation will be deemed incomplete and, therefore, ineligible for consideration. All applicants must submit information as provided below and all applications must be deemed complete before the Economic Development Authority of Surry County, Virginia (the “EDA”) can fund any grant. The factors for the award are set forth within the application form. All applicants must further certify that the information provided and submitted is true and accurate. Please note that funds for this program are not guaranteed and the EDA may choose to award as many or as few grants as it chooses, but, in any event, the amount of the program is limited to \$100,000. Applications should be submitted to Mrs. Linda Gholston, Workforce Development Coordinator by email to [lgholston@surrycountyva.gov](mailto:lgholston@surrycountyva.gov), or by mail to P.O. Box 65 Surry, VA 23883, or in person between the hours of 10:00 am and 3:00 pm at the Surry County Workforce Development Center located at 11916 Rolfe Highway Surry, Virginia 23883.

*Supervisor Lyttle made a motion to approve the release of funds from the COVID 19 Business Assistance Grant, as well as the presented application and process as presented. Supervisor Elliott seconded the motion. The requested release of funds from the COVID 19 Business Assistance Grant, as well as the presented application and process for Surry County was approved as presented. The motion was approved by roll call vote. (Approved)*

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<b>SUPERVISOR KENNETH R. HOLMES</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
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**PRESENTATIONS & STAFF REPORTS CONT.**

*b. COVID RELIEF – Obici Healthcare Foundation – COVID 19 - Business Assistance Grant*

Mr. David Harrison, Economic Development Director presented the award of COVID 19 Business Grant from the Obici Healthcare Foundation. Surry County Economic Development was awarded \$45,000 from the Obici Healthcare Foundation for a COVID 19 Relief Grant in response to the foundations COVID 19 proposal for cities and counties. Mr. Harrison reviewed the purpose of the grant which was sought to provide additional relief to the local business community. The total Budgetary Impact will be \$45,0000. Mr. Harrison requested the Board of Supervisors accept the award of \$45,000 from the Obici Healthcare foundation for a COVID 19 Community Impact Business Response Grant and appropriate the funds for expenditure. Once authorized, the Funds will be forwarded to the EDA of Surry County for administering of the grant program.

*Supervisor Calhoun made a motion to accept the award of \$45,000 from the Obici Healthcare foundation for a COVID 19 Community Impact Business Response Grant and appropriate the funds for expenditure as presented. Supervisor Lyttle seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote. (Approved)*

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<b>SUPERVISOR WILLIAM CALHOUN</b>	<b>AYE</b>

- 3. School System Report: Dr. Serbrenia Sims, Division Superintendent, provided an update to the Board of Supervisors on Fall School Planning. (verbal report)*
- 4. COVID 19 Update- Surry County: Mr. Ray Phelps, Chief of Emergency Management, provided an update on COVID 19 and pertinent information from the Crater Health District. **(report attached)***
- 5. Information Technology: Mr. Delon Brown, Director of Information Technology provided a Community Connectivity Initiative update. (verbal report)*

***(The presentations provided are included in an attachment as an integral component of these minutes)***

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## **REPORTS**

1. *Treasurers Investment Letter*

*Ms. Onike Ruffin, Surry County Treasurer, provided an Investment Letter for review. (informational only, no action taken)*

2. *VDOT Quarterly Report by Mr. Carroll*

*Mr. Rossie Carroll, VDOT, provided a detailed quarterly report. (informational only, no action taken)*

***(Mr. Carroll's report is attached as an integral component of these minutes.)***

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. *Please email all public comments to: [comments@surrycountyva.gov](mailto:comments@surrycountyva.gov)*

## **BOARD COMMENTS**

*Board members thanked Administration and staff for their continued efforts in moving the County forward throughout the year and during the COVID 19 Pandemic.*

*Supervisor Calhoun expressed his desire to have public comments read at all future Board Meetings.*

## **COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT**

1. *Ms. Melissa Rollins, County Administrator has provided a copy of her report for record.*

***(A copy of Ms. Rollins report is included in an attachment as an integral component of these minutes)***

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no further business before the Board, Supervisor Drewry entertained a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Lyttle made a motion that the Board adjourns their meeting until Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Elliott. No roll call vote was taken. Meeting adjourned until Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.*

*Meeting adjourned at 9:33 P.M.*

# Fall, 2020 VRA Financing Update

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Surry County, Virginia



September 3, 2020

# Overview

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- On August 6, Davenport presented the Surry County Board of Supervisors with a Financial Review including recommendations for sustainably funding the County’s adopted Capital Improvement projects.
- The Capital Planning Strategy contemplated taking advantage of the historically low interest rate environment to:
  1. **Refinance**: Refinance existing County debt to reduce the interest rate and free cash-flow for capital funding without extending the final maturity;
  2. **New Money**: Finance new capital projects per the County’s adopted Capital Improvements Program for fiscal year 2021 and 2022 (“CIP”).
- The Refinancing and New Money can be completed via the Virginia Resources Authority (“VRA”) pooled financing program during the month of October.
  - The County has successfully used this same VRA program in 2014 and 2018.
  - Participating in the Fall, 2020 VRA program requires that the Board of Supervisors approve resolutions authorizing the financing no later than September 25, 2020.

# Interest Rate Environment | Taxable



*As shown in the charts above, long term interest rates have continued to decline and remain at historical lows.*

# Refinancing Opportunity – The Refinancing Candidate



- Davenport identified an opportunity to refinance existing County debt for savings purposes.
- Given the currently favorable interest rate environment, the County may be able to refinance the 2014C VRA Bonds in order to reduce the interest rate on the loan and achieve cash flow savings.

Refinancing Candidate	Principal Outstanding as of 6/30/2019	Average Interest Rate	Call Date	Call Price	Final Maturity Date
2014C VRA Bonds	\$11,990,000	4.68%	11/1/2024	100%	11/1/2034

# Refinancing Opportunity – The Refinancing Candidate



- The County may want to consider strategically refinancing the 2014C Bonds in order to:
  - Maintain the final maturity of the existing loan (i.e. no extension of final maturity of the debt);
  - Reduce the interest rate on the loan (based on current market conditions\* refinancing the 2014 Bonds would reduce the average interest rate on the bonds from 4.63% to the 2% range).
  - Strategically target cash-flow savings in fiscal years FY2021 to FY2029 such that those savings help reduce the tax equivalent impact of funding the capital program by roughly 1 penny.
  - Refinancing the 2014C Bonds can occur during the Fall of 2020.

# New Money

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- The County has identified a series of capital needs to be funded for FY21 and FY22 with bond proceeds including:
  - Mobile Communications System;
  - New Financial System;
  - Other facility, equipment and vehicle needs.
  
- The total of these projects is approximately \$9 million. These projects were included in the capital funding analysis presented to the Board of Supervisors on August 6.
  
- The County has the ability to borrow for these projects at historically low interest rates and repay the loan over a term that coincides with the useful life of the projects (up to 15 years for the identified projects).
  
- The Fall, 2020 VRA loan program will allow the County to finance these projects at a fixed interest cost for the life of the loan. The interest cost will be set when VRA sells their bonds.

# Next Steps



- September 3 (Thursday)
  - **Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors:**  
Davenport to provide update on funding plan based on Board of Supervisors/County Staff input.
  
- Week of September 21
  - **Special Called Meeting of the Board of Supervisors:**  
If necessary, Board of Supervisors meeting to approve documents authorizing financing.
  
- September 25
  - Deadline for local approvals for Fall VRA pool.
  
- October 28
  - Tentative VRA Bond sale date (interest rates locked in).
  
- November 18
  - Tentative VRA closing date (funds available).

# Next Steps (cont.)



- Late 2020

- Early calendar year 2021

- Spring, 2021

- County Staff provides Davenport with FY2020 year end results and updated FY2021 budget projections. Davenport to update multi-year financial planning with this input.

- County Staff and Davenport to develop updated Comprehensive Financial Policy Guidelines for Board consideration/approval during the FY2022 budget process.

- Board of Supervisors adopts FY2022 Budget with updated multi-year planning and Financial Policy Guidelines as a “road map.”

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**COVID Update - teleworking**

**VDOT Personnel Update**

Keith Snead received a promotion as the Williamsburg Residency Contract Manager  
Charles Canaday received a promotion as the Maintenance Superintendent for the Surry AHQs  
Michael Bradshaw received a promotion as the new Maintenance Supervisor for the Surry AHQs

**Maintenance Accomplishments and County Requests**

**Mar 1 to Aug 30 2020**

We completed 500 of 579 maintenance work orders this past quarter with 79 outstanding (86% complete). Open by Month Aug – 37 / Jul - 14 / Jun – 9

Roadway/Other	41
Drainage	38

Residency Direct Line **757-253-5138** / VDOT’s Customer Service Center **1-800-FOR-ROAD (1-800-367-7623)**

**A few highlights of the accomplishments are:**

- Cleaned pipes and ditched Route 40 from Rte 611 to Rte 10 West
- Rolled #8 stone on Route 615 Carsley Road
- Broke beaver dams and coordinated with USDA contract on Routes 602 and 626
- Unpaved Shoulder Machining and Grading for 6 shoulder miles
- Pruning & Brush Removal for 10 shoulder miles
- Machine Patching using Plant Mix using 7 tons of asphalt
- Bridge Abutment repairs on Goodrich Fork Road
- VDOT mowing of primary and select secondary routes started this week

**Completed Projects**

**Plant Mix (Full Depth Reclamation) – (UPC 112247 - 2019)**

Rte 602 Laurel Springs Rd from Rte 608 Oak Hill Rd to 1.7 Mi East of Rte 601 Laurel Dr – Completed.

**Current Projects**

**Plant Mix – (UPC 114786 – 2020) September**

Rte 10 from Chippokes Farm Rd to West of Bacon's Castle Trail, Rte. 617 – Projected to Start September 8<sup>th</sup>

## TWLA for PM5B-046-717, P401 9/6 through 9/19



### Isle of Wight and Surry Counties

	9/6	9/7	9/8	9/9	9/10	9/11	9/12	9/13	9/14	9/15	9/16	9/17	9/18	9/19
ACTIVITY	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
MILLING 0"-2"			8WB, 1/2 day PM	8WB, Day	8EB, Day									
SM-12.5D				8WB, day	8WB, day									
TEMP STRIPING						8 C- line								
RUMBLE STRIPS									all 1- 8					
STONE SHOULDER										3,6,7,8				No work
PERM STRIPING									8		1-8 C- line			
SNOW PLOWABLES												all 1- 8		

Locations are grouped based on the order they will be completed

Branscome HR.
Clay Mac
EG Middleton
McGowen
Safety
Improvements

8: RT 10 - 18.91-21.1	

**Upcoming Projects**

**Smart Scale**

SMART18 - Intersection of Colonial Trail East and Route 617 – (UPC 111789) realign the intersection of Route 10 East (Colonial Trail) at Route 617 (Bacon's Castle Trail/White Marsh Rd); install a left-turn lane for eastbound traffic on Rte 10; install a left-turn lane for westbound traffic on Rte 10; install a right turn lane at Bacon's Castle Trail, and slight realignment of Rte 10 to the west of the current location. There are significant cultural resources in the area which must be handled carefully. Preliminary Engineering started in Aug 2019 with Right of Way starting in 2021 and Construction start in 2023.

SMART 20 – Rte 31 Shoulder Widening – (UPC115511) bicycle accommodation of 5 foot shoulder widening from Town of Surry to Pleasant Point Rd. Preliminary Engineering started in Sep 2019 with Right of Way starting in 2022 and Construction start in 2023.

**Emergency Response**

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Responded to 12-inch rain event Aug 15-16 and made emergency repairs to open the following roads:

6470 Beaverdam Road

2831 Oak Hill Road

156 Moonlight Road

1095 Brownsview Road

2407 Spring Grove Road

The following locations are currently being worked for Emergency Contract repair or State Forces

9100 Colonial Trail East – Emergency Repair underway – planned completion 9/4 – remove detour 9/4

5639 Colonial Trail West – Projected start 9/7

5104 Colonial Trail West - Projected start after 9/7

13199 Colonial Trail West - Projected start after 9/7

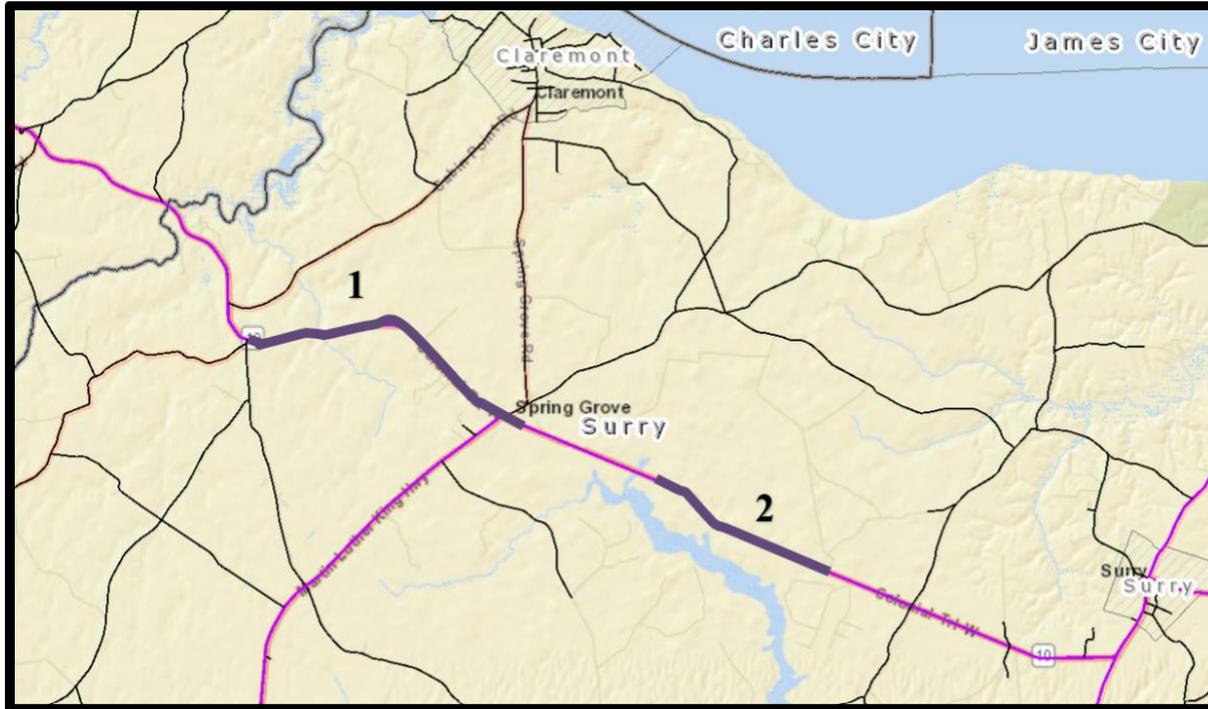
567 Highgate Road – Emergency Repair contract approved – awaiting environmental clearance - Will start in mid-September – Projected opening by 1<sup>st</sup> of October

875 Mount Ray Road – Working contract for repair – awaiting environmental clearance – state forces opened one lane of travel for access

5738 Colonial Trail East – State Forces working

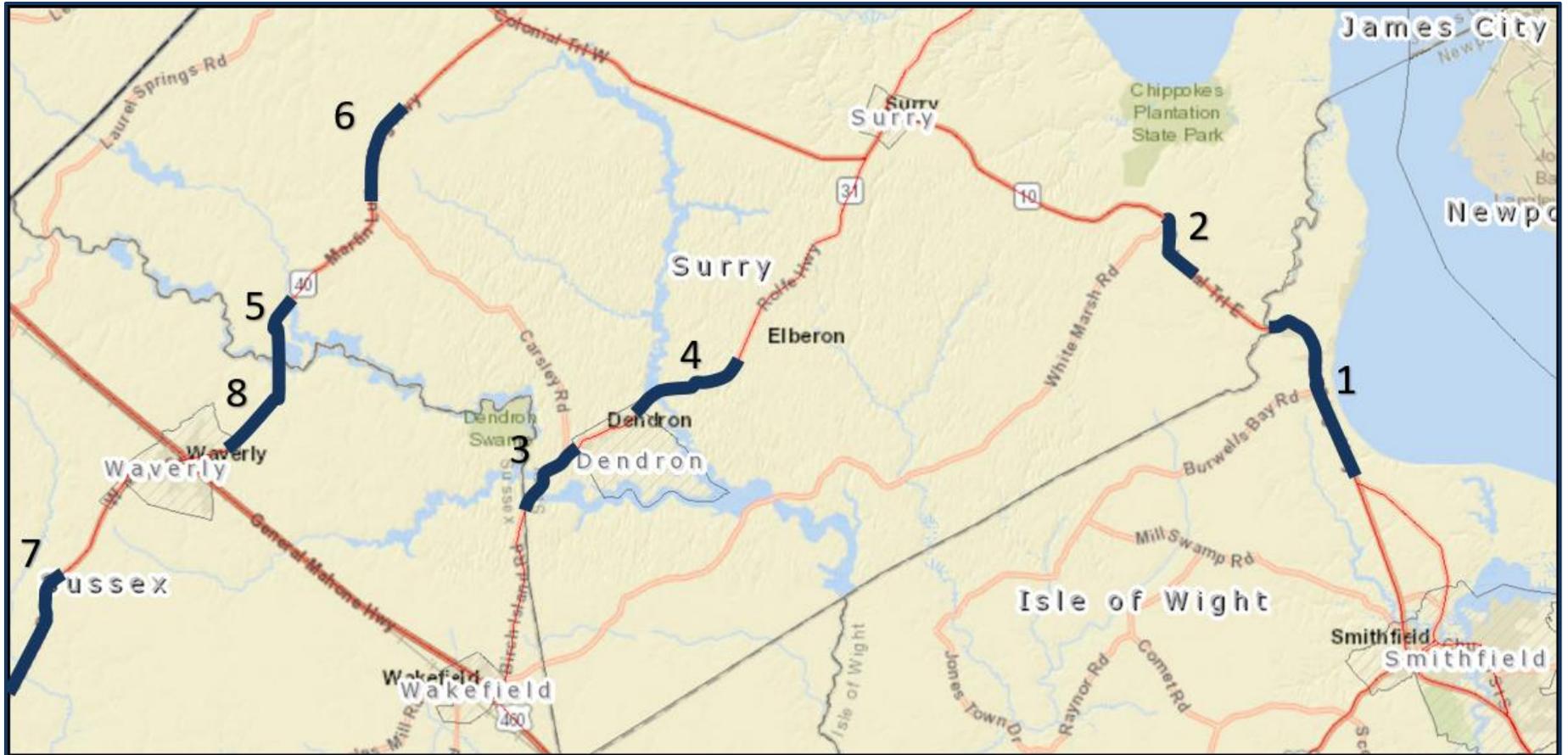
Estimated damage repair cost = 800k to 900k

**LOCATION MAPS for 2021 PRIMARY PAVING**



Section No.	Route Name	County Name	MP From	MP To	MP From Description	MP To Description
1	R-VA SR00010EB	Surry Co.	2.00	5.67	East side Rte. 611, Salisbury Rd.	0.22 mi. E of Rte. 40, Martin Luther King Hwy.
2	R-VA SR00010EB	Surry Co.	7.57	9.86	Paving Jt. 1.97 Mi E of Rte 646, Swanns Point Rd.	Paving Jt. 0.98 mi. W of Hollybush Rd; Rt. 618N/S

**LOCATION MAP for 2021 LATEX RESURFACING**



Section No.	Route Name	County Name	MP From	MP To	MP From Description	MP To Description
1	R-VA SR00010EB	Isle of Wight Co.	0.00	3.95	Surry/Isle of Wight CL	Paving Joint 0.28 Mi E of Rte 677, Wrenns Mill Rd.
2	R-VA SR00010EB	Surry Co.	21.09	22.12	0.03 mi. W of Bacons Castle Trl; White Marsh Rd; Rt. 617E/W	West Side Hog Island Rd., Mount Ray Dr., Rte. 650
3	R-VA SR00031NB	Surry Co.	0.00	1.89	Paving Jt. @ Sussex/Surry CL	Paving Jt. 0.12 mi. N of Carsley Rd; Rt. 615N/S
4	R-VA SR00031NB	Surry Co.	3.42	5.83	Paving Jt. 0.27 Mi. N of Faison St. Rte. 1102	Paving Jt. 1.01 Mi. N of Rte. 618, Hollybush Rd.
5	R-VA SR00040EB	Surry Co.	0.59	1.95	Sussex/Surry CL	S. Abut. Otterdam Swamp Bridge,
6	R-VA SR00040EB	Surry Co.	4.77	7.05	0.04 mi. E of Carsley Rd; Rt. 615N/S	0.40 mi. E of Salisbury Rd; Rt. 611N/S
7	R-VA SR00040EB	Sussex Co.	18.80	22.65	Paving Jt. 0.06 M. E of Rte. 35, Jerusalem Plank Rd.	West Side Rte. 655 Oakdale Road
8	R-VA SR00040EB	Sussex Co.	27.29	29.07	Paving Joint 0.129 Mi. E of Rte. 606, Beaver Dam Rd.	Sussex/Surry CL

This concludes my Quarterly Transportation report for the County of Surry. Is there any concerns or questions that I can address during this time?

Thank you

## COVID19 UPDATE August 28, 2020

### Emergency Management

#### HIGHLIGHTS FROM WEEKLY CONFERENCE CALLS

- Total cases in Virginia 116,579 with 2,527 deaths
- Surry County has 62 positive COVID cases with 2 deaths
- Surry County has a vulnerable population of 739 citizens with a current growth rate of 21.64 positive cases per 100k people (Break that down on average we are increases 1.24 positive cases every 7 days)

VDH dashboard: <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/covid-19-daily-dashboard/>

#### Response to the Coronavirus by Surry County Emergency Management

- September 5<sup>th</sup> from 9-10:30 we will partner with the Crater Health District and offer COVID19 testing at Poole's Mobile Home Park. Poole's Mobil Home Park had been assessed as one of three areas in Surry County to have citizens that may be at a higher risk of testing positive.
- The Virginia Department of Emergency Management is assisting Surry County in implementing a Health Equity Pilot Program. We will begin to distribute 5000 mask and bottles of hand sanitizer along with literature and how to prevent the spread of the virus.
- October 3<sup>rd</sup> we will provide testing in Surry County once again; the site is to be determined.
- I will be representing Surry County on the Crater COVID-19 Planning Team starting in September. We will begin to develop strategies and tactics for the implementation of mass vaccination throughout our region.
- Business toolkits have been distributed to approximately 20+ businesses in Surry; these kits include hand sanitizer, touchless thermometers, mask, cleaning supplies and Coronavirus literature to display.
- Continued Fogging throughout county Facilities

#### Up and Coming

- CHD is creating a team of five individuals to conduct Rapid Mobile Testing throughout the District. Once this team is developed testing will be offered every two weeks in Surry County.
- Currently looking at long term plans for testing in the colder months. I.E. positive pressure rooms, indoor mobile test sites, etc.

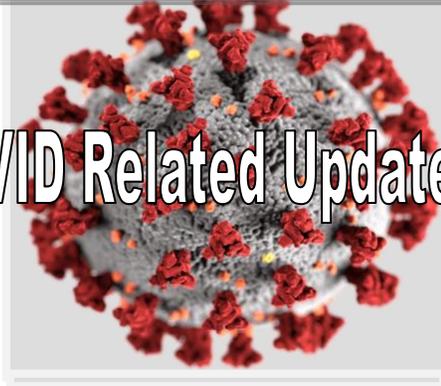


# County Administrator's Monthly Report

An update to the Board of Supervisors and citizens that addresses news, special events, project updates, and employee and county-wide accomplishments in the performance of services to the community.

September 2020

## COVID Related Updates



**Preparation and Expectations for Public Re-entering County Facilities- NO DATE HAS BEEN SET FOR PUBLIC ENTRY. We are thankful for the patience of citizens while we work to make modifications to our facilities and ensure protocols are in place for the safety our employees and citizens. Be safe and stay well.**

the number of cases. Continue to do your part and MASK UP and help slow the spread. As of September 3rd – 85 reported cases.

## COVID 19 CARE to Businesses

**CARE Boxes Distributed** – Businesses provide a vital service to local communities. During COVID-19 Pandemic we are asking all citizens to mask up while entering businesses to help prevent the spread of the virus. Some counties have issued local ordinances mandating the wearing of mask. Local Businesses are encouraged to have signs stating that MASKS should be worn prior to entry. Emergency Management delivered touchless thermometers with batteries, disinfectant, disposable masks, cloth mask and hand sanitizer. Also, flyers promoting CDC recommendations to be posted in their establishments. Nearly 30 distributed. If you are a business in need of PPE, please contact 757-294-5205.

Crater Health District is also working on a marketing campaign slated to keep communities informed about the importance of CDC guidelines and other safety precautions to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19. Funded by all member localities in the CHD through use of CARES, the marketing campaign can include use video, billboards, flyers, post cards, etc., based on individual community needs. Surry CARES contribution (\$4,300). The Hampton Roads Planning District Commission is embarking on a similar regional effort – **“IT’S IN OUR HANDS to stop the spread Hampton Roads”**.



**COVID19 CASES** – A weekly snapshot of COVID 19 cases in Surry County in the months of August

We can get back to business, back to fun, as long as we do a few things in the short run”.

*Congratulations to the following employees for their new roles. Human capital is one of our greatest assets, and we are truly grateful for employees that exhibit outstanding leadership, professionalism, dedication, willingness to be stretched above and beyond and the team building-spirit that is needed to function in the complexities of local government. A virtual appreciation and applause:*

**Delon Brown -Director of Information Technology**

**Marie Vargo – Chief Animal Control officer**

**Emma Matthews – Animal Control officer**

## Broadband Update

PGEC making progress with nearly 100 more homes connected than the previous month. The website is: <https://www.ruralband.coop/>

## Information & Reports

**Be sure to review additional information and reports that are included in the Board of Supervisors agenda material.**

*We have secured many grant opportunities and we commend employees for taking the steps to secure these grants while improving operations and acquiring needed equipment while reserving the general fund.*

*Surry County Sheriff Office: Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant - \$46,219 for Mobile Data Terminals in patrol vehicles.*



## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Surry County Emergency Communications Officer- Judson Smith

We would like to take a few minutes to wish Judson Smith, a farewell and best of luck on his new journey as the E-911 Director for Bedford County, Virginia. During his tenure with the County, Judson has been instrumental in the development and training of Surry County’s communication operations. He has notable accomplishments to include application and awarding of a \$46,000 grant from the VA Office of Emergency Management – rescue squad assistance fund for a grant that will assist communication officers in asking specific questions to callers needing medical attention and provide pre-arrival instructions waiting for response by first responders. Most recently, his diligent efforts in spearheading with other team leads, the successful transition of the dispatchers to the new Emergency Operations Center.

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Comments Received for Board of Supervisors 9-3-2020 Virtual Meeting

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**Subject: Fwd: Comment of 105 year old veteran George H.W. Webster - U.S.Navy  
Commander, Retired, on taking down the monument to any soldier killed in action.- No  
one could say it plainer or better.**

I write this letter for a very special man. He is 105 years old. According to what the organization Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors think, he is the oldest surviving veteran of Pearl Harbor. He joined the navy in 1933. He flew an astounding 186 combat missions in PB4Y and B24 aircraft. After the war he was a test pilot and served 24 years in the U.S.Navy retiring as a Navy Commander. He was also on the first air combat mission in World War 2, December 8, 1941. I have seen his original flight log books. He was awarded many medals ( he does not like to talk about, said all the real heroes are dead ) and survived three aircraft crashes including one in which out of 10 crew, 3 survived. His Great Great Grandfather was world famous Thaddeus S.C. Lowe who used balloons to spot for the Union Army. I have a photo of Lowe with Abraham Lincoln. Mr. Webster's body is very frail but his mind for 105 is very clear. He can still say the alphabet backwards as fast as you or I can forward and remembers how to do morris code. The following is what he has to say about removing monuments to any dead soldier. We spoke about this many times before COVID caused Lake Prince Woods " to go into lockdown" and this issue was a local issue. This past week he was in the hospital after a fall and I was able to see him in person for the first time since March. I asked if he wanted me to give his comments on this and his answer was "sure, tell the damn fools what jackasses they are for even considering this" I stuck as close to his words as possible. He can not hear very well and his eyesight is almost gone. If you wish to verify this I will meet you at his apartment window and you can speak with him, it is a bit difficult, but he is willing. If he thinks you are one that wants to take down the monument, I will not be responsible for what he says to you. He speaks his mind.

Dear Supervisors,

I was a resident of Isle of Wight County until forced to move into Lake Prince Woods retirement community. I was a Navy airman that served in World War two in the Pacific fighting the Japanese. I was stationed at Kaneohe AirField on December 7, 1941 and was driving back into the base when the Japanese attacked. I flew air combat missions and had many friends die during the war. Some on planes where I was the pilot. Actually I should not be here myself.

Volpe tells me you are thinking about taking down the monument to dead Confederate soldiers. I don't care a damn one way or the other about Confederates but I would not even do that to the monument of the dead Japs that tried to kill us. They did their duty and died. No one asked them if they wanted to fight like no one asked us. The Jap government and the United States went to war and we were all told to fight. We both did our duty. That everyone wanted to go try to kill each other for some cause is a bunch of crap. If you have never been in combat with someone trying to shoot your ass off then you have no business judging anyone that did. Only a jackass politician would even think of taking down a monument to any dead soldier. I say leave any statue to any dead soldier alone. Unless you have been in combat yourself and seen your friends die and had tracer bullets as big as basketballs flying past your plane window you have no right to judge anyone that fought in any war anywhere.

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### Decision on Statue

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Rev. Elliott/Mr. Chairman,

I sincerely hope that the Board received a request from the Surry Historical Society to move the Surry Confederate Statue to another location within the county, not within the view of the general public, so as not to cause offense or dismay to any of our citizens.

Historical Societies was mentioned in the motion to move it and I pray the Board will approve that option. Thank you for your consideration.

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