

MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
April 12, 2022*

1. **Meeting called to order**, Board Room, County Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Boothe
2. **Opening Prayer** was offered by Supervisor Cox.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** lead by Supervisor Kuchenbuch.
4. **Quorum** – County Administrator called the roll to establish a quorum. Members present included Supervisor Boothe, Supervisor Kuchenbuch, Supervisor Bechtold, and Supervisor Cox. (Chairman Turman arrived during item 6).
5. **Approval of Agenda** – The staff requested the addition of 14c to discuss an MOU with Citizens Telephone and potentially take action. A motion was made by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and seconded by Supervisor Cox to approve the agenda as amended. This was approved unanimously.
6. **Approval of disbursements** – A motion was made by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and seconded by Supervisor Bechtold to approve the disbursements as presented, including those that arrived in a second packet. The motion was approved unanimously, except for Chairman Turman who obtained. (Note: at this point Chairman Turman arrived and took over leadership of the meeting).
7. **Approval of Minutes** – A motion was made by Supervisor Bechtold, and seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, to approve the minutes with some spelling and grammar corrections. The motion was approved unanimously.
8. **Presentations:**

David Clarke, Resident Engineer, Virginia Department of Transportation presented to the board. His comments were as follows:

So, our maintenance activities for the past month have really been quite a variety of stuff or weather has been mostly cooperative with us. That's very strange precipitation over the weekend, but it didn't require a whole lot of me that actually mostly just stayed in the grass and did some weird stuff. That was interesting. Yeah. Pellet kind of stuff. But mostly we're pothole patching ahead of the paving schedules. And I've got, I've read the full list next time to say I don't have the primary route, I've got the secondary overlay routes. They didn't give me the primary ones, probably because I didn't specifically ask but I'll tell you that that's still five miles of Stonewall is getting clamped max two miles of range view and two and a half miles of Duncan's chapel as your secondary routes that are getting a plant mix overlay Fairview church two and a half miles a surface treatment shooting Creek almost four miles of surface treatment Quisenberry part of the build is going to get an extra layer same thing with moles and mill Ron will get extra layers of surface treatment after the construction projects and then some slurry on about a mile Connor Grove mild need more and almost a mile stalkers not slurry seal schedule and don't have what's going to happen on Route eight to 21 just yet, but I'll have that I'll have a sheet so you can get some to refer to other than that we've been a lot of ditching and patching before this was like the ditching for that too. So, I've got a whole list of things

that have ditched I'm not going to go into each one of course gravel road is always on the list. I did do some tree and brush removal on someone elm Ridge and Valley Carrboro also some of our trim and brush cutting. Kennedy School road bottom just got some shoulders done on Route eight to 21 and 615. Bike believe we got it all finished at Ridge view and route eight. That erosion problems, the guardrail right here at the intersection. And if you notice some, some have gone on to 21 where we have done that so now all we have noticed a few more cracks in there. Nothing's settling yet kind of right near where hemorrhage comes in. We did some core drilling in there just to kind of check and see what issues we might have right there. So might have to go back in there and do some more repairs that a year or so ago. Exactly when that was the construction projects Well, first, we are doing some you may have been down foxfire Right here, um, as they started to prepare that, drop them off, they got hit. They've got to think dug out in some forms. They're out there right now. Now that way, it may be a while to get concrete. That's a supply issue. Everyone's having issues getting concrete right now. But while these guys are in the hands of those, we're about to work on that ADA ramp at 221. So that we can work on getting that up to the current standard and a one of the solar powered push buttons just flashers that like we have closer to downtown. Silver Leaf is on the six-year plan. That's our project this year. We're still working on getting enough fire. Our house may be advertised for next year. And we have the six-year plan public hearing coming up this month, the evening meeting. So, looking forward to that. That's all I have for an update.

Discussion between the Board members and Mr. Clarke ensued.

Kalinda Bechtold: I just appreciate your all your work and your crews work, I know that a lot of work to be done but with so many man hours in a day and supply issues, thank you for staying on everything.

Jerry Boothe: When you mentioned the thank you for those shoulder work on Route eight, and the drainage work there's 730 I checked in during last rain that's 100 times a day banking crews, I know their work and you've got an awful lot of different projects going on. Thank you for that. Just one thing, if you could add Phlegar Hill Road to your research is in the list. The next time you're putting the list together. I talked to Darrel, a little message on the apparently, we need some ditching and shoulder work on it at some point. But I know y'all get to just thank you for everything you're doing.

Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch: I've had some folks talk to me for almost if I've been on the board about the area around silver leaf and the Radford cemetery. And they've been very patient. But I think if we're going to be out there doing that Silverleaf I'm hoping that as we're working on that I maybe can meet with the crews and bring them over and show them it's just a small little piece and it's about getting into the cemetery. I think it would go a long way to end it's right there on the Franklin Floyd, you know, it's right in that whole mess of an area just like where it goes back and forth and back and front. But it is in Floyd. I've had some discussions with Darrell and a constituent on Thunderstruck Road, not a culvert. We're taking care of that I just wanted to kind of keep you in the loop on that and just thank Mr. sours for his work on that and making sure that it doesn't, you

know, fall off the side of the road is, and I think it's at the other end of thunderstruck. So, whatever we do at that end will improve things down below. I do want to make mention that our fishing day is coming up children's fishing day that the sheriff's office does. So, if you want to get any kind of things done, that would probably be a good time before the May 9 Village derelicts exactly when that is okay. Yeah, he's a participant. Yes, yes. So that would be good to make sure that we have our best foot forward for you know, all our county, children and their folks and grant folks and such. No real issues. I have noticed them driving around in our bordering areas, I come back up to my road. There's this hot pink paint on the road coming up around the Brush Creek Bridge. And I know we've got some work being done. It looks like they've done some work with all the I've never seen that color before. But with all the people that commute to Christiansburg on 615. One, is that bridge relocation or do you have any?

David Clark: There's a date. I don't know what that is. I should keep that in my folder by come here every time.

Linda DeVito Kuchenbuch: Yeah, it'd be good for us to put it out there. So many people do drive on 615 and out into Christiansburg that way. So other than that, thank the crews. They've been doing great work. And I appreciate it very much.

Levi Cox: Thank you, Mr. Clark. Just a couple things on my side for Locust Grove district. Wilson cemetery, you can maybe add that one to the list. It's got some rather large potholes in it now and it's starting to get to be the point to where you, you may dodge mud the right side and then there's one on the left side too. So that that just came up rather recently. This was Linda's district but double springs. I was just going to see if you can make a note to tell those folk's good job. I believe it's Rob. I noticed in the Greater One day and man he made that thing look great. The fiber people are coming through their downs if they don't screw that back up. But Rob did a great job on that. And then one pressing issue in the Locust Grove district maybe if you could look at it a little further, but I think you guys have already been out there and on top of it, Mr. Miller, I think is looked at it. But where this will be 20 to 20 Seven Laurel Creek it's Laurel Creek opposite of the side of deer hearts garage. But it's a row. It's a row complaint, but it's done turned into a civil disturbance as well. But Mr. Miller should be aware of it. But if y'all could just pay a little extra attention there. The gist of it is and I told the citizen, I would bring it to your attention at this meeting. But it's a very sharp curve. And I emailed you just a second ago a picture of the school bus. But the school bus is having to get on the other side of the road to come around the sharp curve due to the lady who lives in the curve that's decorating the bank side with debris and trash and pallets. I mean, it's a mess. Yeah. But it's starting to escalate and especially as springtime and vegetation grows out than school buses are happening. So, whatever your mind can do, but yeah, I appreciate. But that's all for my district.

Joe Turman: Very diplomatic. You did address two of the things I was going to mention was whatever was on Little Mountain. No, because you could check at Gartner, he was sick. And on the other side. Yeah. From what I was working on. I figured they was doing some sort of core study or something. Yeah, in the end was happening. Kalinda's district

Quesinberry Road, people would be telling me that surface treatment was really breaking up. Yeah. I told him so it takes a couple of times for to really get it right. And I'll pass it out. go over that again. And then I know you crews doing your best to do it. One of the corners. My district? No, no, it rains man. And so, something angrier, worked on the ditches and he crossed two roads and stuff. Back with my road day. It's got a big ditch cross where it jumped out. I knew where it's at. And I slow down but nobody else matters. So, they bounce quarter mountain, and they holler at me. Yes, it just one thing, my port. But when they put in rumble strips out, I don't know who's over doing that. They tend to put a little bit to push the middle of the curve. And we're at Buffalo Mountain Road every day. But there are two green boxes, it's like kink in the road, it's sort of been in the power truck didn't turn down out of Blue Mountain Road was white. And when I popped in the curve, you sort of pick up on voter charter posts, he's just going to go around the room or stripes and put me over in the side ditch and I just had to get my truck out of the garage and sort of irritating big truck behind me, you know about running him out of rotation. But if it had been backed up a little bit farther away if he would have seen us and later stopped anyway.

David Clark: Yeah, that's good point. We knew that that we debated whether to start using those a lot. That was one thing that people had seen. Not what you're talking about, but that people will go around it. And the idea is that it would noise thing for them. But it's also helping the fire. Yeah, but did not anticipate that people would go around them when they couldn't even see what's coming, but people will be people.

Joe Turman: I've been noticing these would have been a card. It's kind of low profile. Some of them was swinging around in this pickup, he didn't have no reason. But you're right. I'm all for them rumble strips. I think that's a safety issue though. But it is just something that I felt they need to know.

David Clark: There's no exact right place they must be so they can make an adjustment so that there's plenty of sight just like them or wherever.

Joe Turman: That's good. Visibility might save me from losing my room. But other than that, you know, I'll see y'all I've been cleaning some ditches up that way to appreciate can be on your shoulders up that's really helped. So, keep up the good work, guys. We do appreciate everything you're doing. All right. Thanks.

- a. **Discuss Park Drive** - The Board and Mr. Clarke discussed the history and current state of Park Drive at the Recreation Park. After discussion Supervisor Boothe moved that VDOT put Park Drive (1000) in the VDOT secondary road system, taking over control and maintenance of the road to the end of the asphalt. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch and passed unanimously.

County Administrator Millsaps also reminded the group that the six-year road plan will be discussed at the next regular board meeting.

10. **Public Comments** - Chairman Turman opened the floor for public comment. Seeing no participants, the period was closed by the Chairman.
11. **Board Time** - Board members updated the group on developments and announcements. Chair Turman reported that Delegate March will be turning the new high school building. Supervisor Boothe requested that board members submit to Kim Chiddo their guard rail needs.
9. **Closed Session** - On a motion by Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Bechtold, the board voted to go into closed session under the following items.
- a. § 2.2-3711. A5, Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry (manufacturing) or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community.
 - b. § 2.2-3711. A3 Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

The board members returned from closed session, and certified that they only spoke about the items allowed under A5 and A3.

13 New Business

- b. **Permit Fee update** – The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed new permit fee schedule offered by staff. After requesting some additional data and clarifications the Board decided to table the discussion until a future meeting when the information will be available.

12. Old Business

- a. **FRCC Phase 2 Road and Utilities** – Lydeana Martin presented to the board on the current status and grant opportunities related to economic development. The board also discussed Appendix A, related to an investment at the Commerce Center, VDOT, and the state's six-year road plan. The Board asked the staff to find more information and return at a future meeting.

13. New Business

- c. **ARPA** – On a motion by Supervisor Bechtold, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, the board approved and authorized signatures on an agreement between Citizens Telephone and the County related to ARPA funding and the VATI grant. (The item was added during the meeting).
- a. **ARPA Student Discussion** – Dr. Millsaps presented the agreement between the county and Virginia Tech to fund a graduate student to work with the county during the 2022-23 academic year. She also discussed the projects the student would be working on during that period. On a motion by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, seconded by

Supervisor Bechtold, the board approved unanimously a motion to fund a student position, part-time, as outlined in the documentation for student from Virginia Tech to work on the projects outlined up to \$22,000 from ARPA funds.

14. County Administrator's Report – The County Administrator updated the board on several subjects include paid EMS, the Parks and Recreation Survey, the NRV Rail Agreement, and the Partnership for Floyd.

15. Correspondence

16. Adjournment – On a motion by Supervisor Boothe, seconded by Supervisor Kuchenbuch, and approved unanimously, the meeting was adjourned.

- Occasionally in meetings the Board chooses to move around the agenda, taking up issues as speaker availability and time allow. The minutes reflect the numbers on the agenda but are reported in the order taken up by the Board.