

**Board of Supervisors Meeting
February 14, 2008
5:00 P.M.**

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, VA

A regular monthly meeting of the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors was held in the New Courts Building, on Thursday, February 14, 2008

Present: Ronald L. Jett – Chairman
 Richard F. Haynie – Vice-Chairman
 A. Joseph Self, Sr. – Supervisor
 Thomas H. Tomlin – Supervisor
 James M. Long – Supervisor

W. Leslie Kilduff, Jr. – County Attorney
Kenneth D. Eades – County Administrator
Luttrell Tadlock – Assistant County Administrator

RE: INVOCATION

Pastor Ken Reolen, Macedonia Baptist Church led the invocation.

RE: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Ronald L. Jett, Chairman of the Board of Supervisor's led us in the pledge of Allegiance.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 10, 2008

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr. duly seconded by Richard F. Haynie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the previous meeting on January 10, 2008 with 4 corrections that dealt with the Holidays on page 8, Thomas Tomlin abstained on page 9, Add Mr. Tomlin's Resolution on Menhaden on page 13 and Richard Haynie was appointed to the Local Planning Commission on page 12. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr., duly seconded by Thomas H. Tomlin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda for today's meeting with one change to delete a closed session to the end of the public hearings. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA

Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA

RE: MR. CLIFTON BALDERSON, ASSISTANT RESIDENCY ADMINISTRATOR VDOT

Mr. Balderson stated that it was not much to report this month. The speed study on Locust Cove Road, Rt. 748, came back and the speed limit will be 35mph. A road narrowing sign will be posted and both signs should go up soon. The speed study was completed in Lottsburg and Mr. Balderson suggested to have the area patrolled to prove that the speed limit does need to be lowered. After that is done, we can order another speed study in that area. Right now the study showed the speed of the cars is too fast for it to be lowered to the 40 mph east bound of Allison's Ace Hardware.

Chairman Jett suggested a resolution to be sent to Virginia Department of Transportation and to the Governor of Virginia.

RE: RESOLUTION TO REDUCE SPEED LIMIT ON RT 360 IN LOTTSBURG

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr. duly seconded by Thomas H. Tomlin the board voted to send a resolution to VDOT and to the Governor to reduce the speed on Rt. 360 in Lottsburg to continue 40mph until after passing Allison's Ace Hardware. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RESOLUTION SPEED LIMIT IN LOTTSBURG

WHEREAS, On February 14, 2008 the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors discussed the speed limit on Rt. 360 southern end of Lottsburg; and

WHEREAS, the same Board wants to provide safe roadways throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the fifty-five miles per hour speed limit on the southern end of Route 360 where the forty miles per hour speed limit ends to the end of the curb and gutter, is too fast for that area and should be reduced to forty miles per hour to the end of the curb and gutter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors would like for the Virginia Department of Transportation to consider reducing the speed limit from fifty-five miles per hour to forty miles per hour in the area at the southern end of Lottsburg on Route 360 where the forty miles per hour speed limit ends to the end of the curb and gutter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this resolution be sent to the Governor of Virginia, Timothy Kaine, Dave Ogle, District Administrator in the Fredericksburg District of VDOT and Sean Trapani, Northern Neck Residency Administrator.

Mr. Long stated there is a sign down on Courthouse Road. He also mentioned that there are numerous tree limbs down in the county over the highways and also advised that Gonyon Road is slanted and water is running into the well of W.A. and Peggy Jones, House number 845.

Reverend Gayl Fowler stated that there are no speed limit signs on Sydnor's Mill Pond Road and that there is a bad blind corner.

Supervisor Long also stated he was concerned about needing a sign that says "trucks entering highway" on Brown's Store Road.

Supervisor Tomlin questioned if a traffic impact study needed to be done on the rezoning coming up for James Dunn, if not a letter needs to be sent stating that one was not needed.

Chairman Jett advised Mr. Balderson there tree limbs are over the road on Mob Neck Road.

RE: MR. D. CLINT STABLES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

RE: APPROPRIATIONS TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr., duly seconded by Richard F. Haynie, the Board voted unanimously to approve a special appropriation for the following:

\$ 13,158.99- CPMT reimbursement for special education aide services.

\$ 7,000.00 – Department of Conservation reimbursement for construction of NMS of outdoor classroom.

The vote on the motion was:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA

A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA

James M. Long – YEA

Richard F. Haynie - YEA

Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA

Mr. Stables went over the school calendar for 2008-2009 school year noting changes were made to accommodate the move to the new Middle/High School. One plan would end the semester right before Christmas Break.

Mr. Stables handed out a copy of the School Board Meeting Agenda.

MS. DEBORAH G. MILLS, DIRECTOR RECOVERY AND MITIGATION, VDEM, MITIGATION PROJECTS

Mrs. Mills attended the meeting to explain why the 14 dwellings that applied for a Hazard Mitigation grant to elevate their homes were all turned down.

Ms. Mills stated that they take care of business and property after a disaster happens. It is the state version of FEMA. She then handed out information that went along with her power point presentation. She explained that 14 properties applied for the grant, all were turned down because of the formula used in predicting levels of floods waters in that vicinity did not meet the cost benefit analysis. She then explained that 75% of the money is federal, 20% is state and 5% of the money comes from the homeowner.

Chairman Jett asked Ms. Mills why seven homes in Lancaster were approved. Ms. Mills said the elevation of one home met the cost benefit and carried the other homes in the formula.

Supervisor Self stated he lives in the Lewisetta area and knows the history and it is a shame that we cannot get help for those that applied. It was a lot of effort put into filing the applications for nothing and the department needs to be looked at very closely.

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr. duly seconded by Richard F. Haynie, the board voted to send a resolution to the Governor stating their objection to the process and to review this program and to report back to the Northumberland Board of its conclusions on how this program can be improved. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RESOLUTION HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, On February 14, 2008 the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors had a presentation on the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program by Deborah G. Mills, C.F.M., Director of Recovery and Mitigation, Virginia Department of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Northumberland County made application to the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program through VDEM to elevate fourteen homes within the county; and

WHEREAS, all fourteen homes were denied through this program and our adjoining Lancaster County was approved for seven to be elevated just because the cost basis formula calculated a higher from one dwelling;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors would like for the Virginia Department of Emergency Management to review this program and to report back to the Northumberland Board of its conclusions on how this program can be improved to include all areas of the Chesapeake Bay better.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this resolution be sent to Governor Timothy Kaine, Michael Cline, State Coordinator and Deborah Mills.

RE: FRED PAUL, COMPLIANCE OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Fred Paul gave a report on the progress of cleaning up the abandoned cars in the county.

Supervisor Long mentioned trash on Hudnalls Lane. Mr. Paul said he had been there several times.

Mr. Paul stated that a problem he is having is with the high cost of steel these days, people are taking in old cars and stripping them then leaving their remains.

Chairman Jett and Supervisor Tomlin inquired about the screening of non-conforming junkyards within the ordinance. The current ordinance requires screening but not the material used. Some persons have

used dark fabric and loose metal which is not very attractive. The Board instructed staff to come up with some requirements to address this issue.

RE: DANCE HALL PERMITS

County Administrator Eades discussed with the board proposed changes to the Dance Permit application and ordinance following discussions from the previous month. Commonwealth Attorney, Mike McKenney attended the meeting to give his opinion on the matter. He described an incident that happened at the Callao Rescue Squad Building back at the first of the year. The party was not permitted by the county but had obtained an ABC license. The application for that ABC license did not describe what the officers found when they arrived at the location. Mr. McKenney suggested that the applicant obtain security to the events and the permit fee be raised significantly to cover the costs of law enforcement due to the amount of man hours needed to be dispatched when problems occur.

Sheriff Chuck Wilkins also attending stated a lot of the problems occur outside of the event. He also suggested a large permit fee as a deposit and give a portion back if there are no problems. He said something needs to be done and noted that a criminal check used to be done on the applicant but they are not authorized to do that any longer. He did suggest the applicant have it done and bring back to the office.

Mr. McKenney stated the intention is not to stop legitimate dances but to stop the trouble.

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr. duly seconded by Thomas H. Tomlin the board voted to advertise the consideration amending Chapter 58, Sections 58.1 through Section 58-6 and Chapter 68 (Fee Structure) of the Northumberland County Code titled Dance Halls. The amendments are related to application requirements, security requirements and changes in the fees. The chapter will exempt charitable purposes or religious, educational, civic or military organizations. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: DANCE PERMIT REQUEST

Continuing from last month the board reviewed requests.

Mr. Wayne Hooper's request submitted last month was carried over for more information. Mr. Hooper was present for the meeting. Chairman Jett asked him if this was a benefit dance. Mr. Hooper said it was to benefit the non-profit organization Wolfpack Social Club. He said the organization gives to charities and they would follow all the rules.

Upon motion by James M. Long, duly seconded by Thomas H. Tomlin the board voted to approve Mr. Wayne Hooper's request for a dance permit that will be held on February 16, 2008 at the Northumberland County Masonic Lodge. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA

Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA

Mr. James Basey submitted an application for March 1, 2008 for the Community Crusaders Organization.

Upon motion by Thomas H. Tomlin, duly seconded by James M. Long the board voted to grant the request for a dance permit for the Community Crusaders event on March 1, 2008. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

Ms. Amy Seldon requested a dance permit for her son’s 17th birthday party on February 15, 2008.

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr. duly seconded by Richard F. Haynie, the board voted to approve the request by Amy Seldon for a dance permit on February 15, 2008 with the following two conditions.

- 1) The dance is allowed from 7p.m. – 11p.m.
- 2) No alcoholic beverages are allowed

The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: CORNELIOUS PALMER TRAVEL TRAILER DISCUSSION

County Administrator Eades described the request. This request was continued from previous months for the board to find out more information about the property and ownership. Mrs. Palmer said she was working on getting the land in his name as soon as possible.

Upon motion by James M. Long, the board voted to allow Mr. Cornelious Palmer to live in his travel trailer temporarily for 6 months. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

The discussion on the issued continued with Supervisor Self stating this is only for 6 months. He questioned really what could be done in this time frame. Supervisor Long said the transfer of the property can soon get straight. Reverend Gayl Fowler commented that he does qualify for several programs to install septic.

Public Hearings

RE: REQUEST BY JACK AND GEORGIA SPRAGUE FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A PRIVATE STORAGE BUILDING AS THE MAIN STRUCTURE ON LOT 24 WITHIN SOUTHGATE SUBDIVISION NEAR MILA

Zoning Administrator W.H. Shirley described the request. He stated he has no formal objections to the request.

Mr. Keith Mason stated he is a resident of Southgate and is concerned if the building will have living quarters in the upstairs, the parking, and if he will be running his business out of it. Mr. Mason said there is already a problem with trucks running in and out. He asked that if the request is granted that there be some type of provisions that it cannot be a metal building.

Mr. Harold Anderson states he is against the request. He bought his place in 2003 and is concerned with the traffic, noise, and storage of building material.

Mr. Ray Bonair stated he does not like the situation and it goes against the covenants of the subdivision. He believes that with the square footage of the building that materials will be stored there.

Mr. Skip Holcomb objects to the request. He states most issues he has have already been addressed.

Mr. Joe Madej stated he knows Mr. Sprague and believes he will build something nice and it will fit with in the character of the area.

Mr. Ron Herring cautioned those that are residence not to be too critical about running a business. A cottage industry is applied in a lot of homes so don't be critical of others. He said Mr. Sprague is not foolish enough to build something that will take away from the value of the property.

Mrs. Lottie Anderson stated that Mr. Herring is not a resident but she is. She likes the peace and tranquility and we need to keep the wishes of the residents.

Mr. Jack Sprague stated his intentions of the building and addressed the concerns of the neighbors. He said he eventually plans to build on the other side of the building. He said he just moved back from New Kent County and wants to build a nice place. He described the inside would be used to store his boat, tractor and one room would be a hunting room. The building would not be metal and the upstairs apartment might be for in-laws to live in.

Upon motion by Thomas H. Tomlin, duly seconded by James M. Long, the board voted to table this request until next month for Mr. Sprague to try to settle some of the issues out with the neighbors. The vote on the motions is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: REQUEST BY MICHAEL BAUGHAN FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO PLACE FOUR SEMI-TRAILERS FOR STORAGE AT 2919 WALMSLEY ROAD BEHIND BAUGHAN TIRE & AUTOMOTIVE IN LOTTSBURG

Zoning Administrator Shirley described the request. No comments were submitted.

Upon motion by Richard F. Haynie, duly seconded by James M. Long, the board voted to approve the request with the following conditions:

1. The owner and applicant will be limited to the four (4) semi-trailers requested and any increase in that number must be approved by the Board of Supervisors;
2. The area at the rear of the existing business must be cleaned up and the inoperable vehicles, old tires and other debris removed and disposed of properly and the area kept clean and free of debris; and,
3. Mr. Baughan will need to contact the zoning office to schedule a visit to determine what needs to be removed from the lot to comply with #2 above.

The vote on the motion is as follows.

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: REQUEST BY ROBERT AND BEVERLY BROOKS FOR A VARIANCE TO THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE TO DIVIDE THEIR PROPERTY WITH AN ACCESS ROAD THAT DOES NOT MEET THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS ON WITTSTAT LANE NEAR CLARAVILLE

Zoning Administrator Shirley described the request for a division of land into three lots. The request was before the Board because the accesses right of way to the subdivision did not meet the Department of Transportation's requirements. He stated he received no formal objections but did receive some questions.

Mr. Brooks was present and stated that he is from the area and owned the property with his brother and a couple of years ago he bought his brothers interest in the property. He wants to split the lot into 3 lots.

Supervisor Tomlin ask if Mr. Brooks had tried to get additional right of way. Mr. Brooks stated that he had not tried to get additional right of way.

Supervisor Self commented that the property could be divided into two parcels and not need Board approval. Mr. Shirley said that the property had not been divided since 1987 and could be divided once to create two lots and it would not be considered a subdivision. Court issued divisions to settle an estate would also be exempt from one division but in each situation when the third lot is created it does require a variance if the access road does not met the VDOT requirements.

Upon motion by Richard F. Haynie, duly seconded by A. Joseph Self, Sr. the board voted to deny the request. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mrs. Stephanie Dodson stated her concern over Mrs. Phyllis Swift’s dog kennel. She purchased a puppy from her that she soon found out had many health problems caused from the living conditions at the

kennel. The puppy was covered with fleas and didn't have the proper shots. Mrs. Dawson also attended the meeting to share her concern with the kennel.

Mr. Spud Parker inquired about the zoning update. Chairman Jett said it would be discussed later within this meeting.

RE: MR. LUTTRELL TADLOCK, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - YEAR END REPORT

Mr. Tadlock gave a synopsis of 2007 Planning Commission End of the Year report. Copy of the report is filed with the papers of this meeting.

RE: BUILDING PERMIT REPORT:

	2008	2007
Total construction cost for the month	\$4,391,915.00	\$9,003,895.00
Total Bldg. Permit Cost for Month	\$ 6,780.48	\$ 12,017.88
Total Zoning Permit Cost for the Month	\$ 2,810.00	\$ 4,810.00
Total Levy Fee for the Month	\$ 119.09	\$ 208.34
<i>Total Construction cost year to date</i>	<i>\$4,391,915.00</i>	<i>\$9,003,895.00</i>

RE: RESOLUTION TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON ZONING UPDATE.

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr. duly seconded by Richard F. Haynie the board voted to adopt the following resolution

WHEREAS, the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors recognizes that the original zoning ordinance was adopted in 1974 and has never had a major update; and

WHEREAS, the same Board would like to update the regulations of the ordinance to make it easier to read and more in line with the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the first step in this process is to ask the Planning Commission to review the zoning ordinance and develop a schedule for any updates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors would like for the Northumberland County Planning Commission to review the Northumberland County Zoning Ordinance and develop a schedule for any updates needed and specifically list the areas within the ordinance that will need to be updated and further report this information back to the Supervisors for a discussion with the Commission.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA
James M. Long – YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA

A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
Richard F. Haynie - YEA

RE: SMALL WATERSHED GRANT

Mr. Eades advised that he had received a small watershed grant application that would help fund updates to the county’s land use ordinances.

Upon motion by Thomas H. Tomlin duly seconded by James M. Long, the board voted to pursue applying for the grant. The vote on the motion is as follows:

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| Ronald L. Jett – YEA | A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA |
| James M. Long – YEA | Richard F. Haynie - YEA |
| Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA | |

RE: ELECTORIAL BOARD APPROPRIATION

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr. duly seconded by James M. Long, the board voted to appropriate an additional \$11,000.00 to Category 1301 to cover the additional expenditures as proposed. The vote on the motion is as follows:

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| Ronald L. Jett – YEA | A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA |
| James M. Long – YEA | Richard F. Haynie - YEA |
| Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA | |

RE: FIRST BAPTIST REQUEST FOR MONEY TO OPERATE DAY CARE

Mr. Eades informed the board of the request by First Baptist Child Care Institute. The request is for \$5,000 in assistance for the “grand opening” to purchase computers, playground equipment, furniture, etc. Then they asked for a \$50,000 initial assistance or an annual commitment of \$30,000 that would enable them to provide free or low cost child care for working parents, contributing to the economic development and family support objectives shared by the Institute and the County. Mr. Eades suggested putting this off until budget discussions. Supervisor Self said he would rather deal with this now. Supervisor Tomlin suggested sending this to the Economic Development Commission. Supervisor Long said we helped other organizations out in the past. Chairman Jett said that we haven’t helped churches.

Upon motion to deny the request by A. Joseph Self, Sr., was duly seconded by Richard F. Haynie.

Supervisor Long stated money has been given beyond the rescue squad, the little league.

Supervisor Self called for the motion.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

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| Ronald L. Jett – YEA | A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA |
| James M. Long – NAY | Richard F. Haynie - YEA |
| Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA | |

The request was denied.

RE: POTOMAC WATERSHED ROUNDTABLE APPOINTMENT

Upon motion by Richard F. Haynie, duly seconded by Thomas H. Tomlin the board appointed, County Administrator, Kenneth D. Eades as the member and Stuart McKenzie as its alternate for a term to end December 31, 2009 on the Potomac Watershed Roundtable. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA

A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA

James M. Long – YEA

Richard F. Haynie - YEA

Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA

RE: PEMS RESOLUTION

Upon motion by Thomas H. Tomlin duly seconded by A. Joseph Self, Sr. the board voted to adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, the Peninsulas Emergency Medical Services (PEMS) Council has been serving the areas of the Peninsula, Middle Peninsula, and Northern Neck regions since 1976 with the highest quality in EMS leadership, and

Whereas, the PEMS Council has been able to identify performance improvement trends in the region, change protocols and enhance skills accordingly, so that EMS agencies may provide the highest standard of care possible to our patients, with proven increased survivability and reduced mortality rates for the citizens it is serving, and

Whereas, the PEMS Council has provided ongoing disaster management training which takes place in localities on the Middle Peninsula and Northern Neck, while this service is not offered in other regions throughout the state, and

Whereas, the PEMS Council currently offers Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) services designed to prevent and/or mitigate the adverse psychological reactions that so often accompany our emergency services, public safety, and disaster response functions, and

Whereas, through the elimination of the PEMS Council and the increased size of the proposed regions, our local EMS agencies will dramatically reduce the representation that they currently enjoy at both regional and state levels, and

Whereas, losing this regional council representation could result in a weakening of efficient and effective programs such as restocking agreements and regionally managed medication boxes, and

Whereas, the absence of a strong EMS representation will stymie the significant progress that has been made through partnerships with hospital, volunteer and career EMS professionals and local health districts to build and improve on the pre-hospital healthcare in the local area

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors hereby calls on the State Board of Health to recommend retaining the current state PEMS structure by adding an eighth region to the proposed council realignment.

The County Administrator is hereby directed to transmit forthwith a copy of this resolution to the Virginia Board of Health.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: REQUEST BY JUDGE TALLIAFERRO CONCERNING JOHN HUTT, COUNTY’S TITLE WORK

County Administrator Eades stated he had received a letter from Mr. John Hutt concerning Judge Talliaferro’s request that Mr. Hutt have a contract with the county for his work on the delinquent tax sales work that he does on behalf of the county.

RE: REQUEST FOR LEASH LAW IN WICOMICO VIEW ESTATES

The County Administrator’s office received a letter requesting a leash law in Wicomico View Estates. The subdivision consists of 6 lots, four of which have homes.

Upon motion by Thomas H. Tomlin, duly seconded by A. Joseph Self, Sr. the board voted to table this issue to explain to the homeowners what a leash law means, more specifically other dogs outside the subdivision would be excluded. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: HERITAGE TRAIL RESOLUTION

Upon motion by James M. Long, duly seconded by Thomas H. Tomlin, the board voted to adopt the following resolution.

**Resolution Supporting the Designation of the
Northern Neck Heritage Trail Bicycling Route Network
And a Connecting Water Trail as Segments of the
Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail**

Whereas, the Potomac River corridor is one of the most historically significant regions in the United States, and

Whereas, among other forms of recognition, Congress affirmed the significance of the Potomac River corridor in 1983 by designating a corridor for the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail, and

Whereas, the Trail corridor, one of only 24 national historic and scenic trails in the National Trails System, offers communities in the Commonwealth of Virginia immense opportunities to enhance existing recreational amenities, leverage heritage tourism and economic benefits, expand non-motorized

transportation networks, preserve natural areas, and create new and exciting educational and interpretive experiences as well as connections to places with related themes, and

Whereas, the Northern Neck Planning District Commission has been working in partnership and collaboration with its member counties, the adjoining planning districts, Bike Walk Virginia and the National Park Service, to identify and develop segments of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail in the Commonwealth of Virginia to include the Northern Neck region, and

Whereas, these efforts have culminated into proposed trail routes as identified in the Application for Designation of the Northern Neck Heritage Trail Bicycling Route Network and a Connecting Water Trail as Segments of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors, meeting this 14th day of February, 2008, hereby endorses and supports the Application for Designation of the Northern Neck Heritage Trail Bicycling Route Network and a Connecting Water Trail as Segments of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail, and requests that the National Park Service approve and designate these proposed routes accordingly.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: TIDEWATER, RESOURCE, CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPOINTMENT

Upon motion by Richard F. Haynie, duly seconded by James M. Long, the board voted to appoint Mrs. Katherine C. Taylor of 1518 Folly Road, Heathsville to the Tidewater, Resource, Conservation and Development Board. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: HUNTING WITH DOGS RESOLUTION

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr., duly seconded by James M. Long, the board voted to approve the following resolution.

Resolution Hunting with Dogs

Whereas, Northumberland County has a tradition of hunting with dogs and specifically with hounds; and

Whereas, the Northumberland County tradition of hunting with dogs provides significant economic benefit to the county and the people; and

Whereas, the Northumberland County tradition of hunting with dogs significantly contributes to the public safety by controlling excess wildlife populations that would otherwise increase automotive collisions, crop and other property damage, and disease control; and

Whereas, the tradition of hunting with dogs, especially hounds, is practiced on the vast majority of land in Northumberland County and is a source of revenue and a major resource management tool; and

Whereas, the tradition of hunting with dogs is a wholesome family oriented heritage that teaches self-reliance, individual responsibility, and the values of community and stewardship of our God given natural resources; therefore

Be It Resolved That, the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors supports our Heritage of Hunting with Dogs, especially hounds, and opposes any studies or actions on the part of Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries and Virginia Tech as detrimental to that tradition.

Be It Further Resolved That, the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors in support of our Heritage of Hunting with Dogs, especially hounds, hereby calls on the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to work to increase communication with hunters and theft hunting organizations and to increase law enforcement of the existing laws.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: SHERIFF, CHUCK WILKINS SUPPLEMENT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr., duly seconded by Richard F. Haynie, the board voted to have Sheriff Chuck Wilkins annual salary be increased by \$5,200.00 plus the annual increases that were given to the previous Sheriff since 2001 in the amount of \$1,032.64 for a total of \$6,232.64. The additional salary is to compensate the Sheriff for maintaining the animal control program and is to be effective January 1, 2008. The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: BOARD COMMENT PERIOD

Supervisor Tomlin suggested sending an Aquaculture Resolution to the Planning Commission.

Upon motion by Thomas H. Tomlin, duly seconded by A. Joseph Self Sr., the board voted to adopt the following resolution. The vote on the motion was:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA

Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA

RESOLUTION ON AQUACULTURE ZONING

WHEREAS, On February 14, 2008 the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors discussed a proposed Aquaculture definition as an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the same Board wants to use this definition and permitted use as an encouragement to have a oyster hatchery located within the county; and

WHEREAS, the first step in this process is for the Planning Commission to review this possible amendment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors asks the Northumberland County Planning Commission to review a possible definition and permitted districts for an Aquaculture Facility and make a recommendation back to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration.

Supervisor Long asked for an update on grants for recycling at the schools.

RE: FEASIBILITY STUDY FAIRPORT SEWER RESOLUTION

Upon motion by Ronald L. Jett, duly seconded by A. Joseph Self, Sr., the board voted to adopt the following resolution.

FAIRPORT SEWER RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On February 14, 2008 the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors discussed a proposed extension to the Reedville Sanitary District upon the suggestion of Chairman Jett; and

WHEREAS, the same Board wants to have safe and adequate sewage for the Fairport area in the county; and

WHEREAS, would like to seek a feasibility study through a grant from USDA, Rural Development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors wishes to apply for a feasibility study to extend sewer into Fairport, authorizes the County Administrator to make application through USDA, Rural Development.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA

A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA

James M. Long – YEA

Richard F. Haynie - YEA

Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA

RE: SLUGS IN NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Supervisor Tomlin reported that Game and Inland Fisheries is in the process of correcting their ordinance stating Northumberland County is not permitted in the use of slugs.

RE: BUDGET CUTS RESOLUTION SENT TO GOVERNOR

Supervisor Self stated he wanted the Governor of Virginia to be aware of the effects the budget cuts are causing the county.

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr. duly seconded by Thomas H. Tomlin, the board voted to adopt the following resolution.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On February 14, 2008 the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors discussed the proposed budget cuts by the Governor and the General Assembly to balance the Commonwealth's Budget; and

WHEREAS, the same Board wants to provide the same services within the County as they have in the past; and

WHEREAS, not only did the one million dollar loss in state funds due to the change in the composite index create an enormous budget problem but there is continuous effort from the Commonwealth to balance their budget at the expense of local governments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northumberland County Board of Supervisors would like for the Governor and General Assembly to stop mandating programs without funds and further would like to meet with the Governor, Speaker of the House and President of the Senate to discuss this matter further after the 2008 session is over.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this resolution be sent to Governor Timothy M. Kaine, Lieutenant Governor, William T. Bolling, President of the Senate and Delegate William J. Howell, Speaker of the House.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER

Upon motion by James M. Long, duly seconded by A. Joseph Self, Sr. the Board voted unanimously to approve the check register, as submitted. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA	A. Joseph Self, Sr. - YEA
James M. Long – YEA	Richard F. Haynie - YEA
Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA	

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by A. Joseph Self, Sr., the Board voted unanimously to adjourn. The vote on the motion was:

Ronald L. Jett – YEA
A. Joseph Self, Sr. – YEA
James M. Long – YEA

Thomas H. Tomlin – YEA
Richard F. Haynie – YEA

Kenneth D. Eades, Clerk