



**Meeting at South County Secondary School
Tuesday, May 12, 2015 @ 7 PM**

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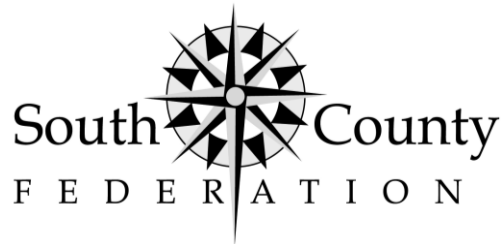
1. President Nick Firth called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. He explained that Supervisor Gerry Hyland may or may not be here due to conflicting functions in the county.

Motion made to approve the April 14 meeting minutes which was seconded and approved unanimously.

2. Supervisor's Report

Marcia Hansen explained that Supervisor Hyland may be at the Mason Neck meeting tonight. She provided several handouts to include: 1) Supervisor Hyland's monthly meeting information; 2) his letter to John Ribble, Chairman and members of the Fairfax County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA), dated May 12, regarding Vulcan Construction Materials, SPA 82-V-091-06, on seismic blasts and overpressure standards; truck traffic; and creating a community based committee; and memo from Nick Rogers, AICP, Senior Staff Coordinator to Board of Supervisors, dated May 12; and 3) Mount Vernon Nights 2015 Program. She provided the following updates:

- There has been no progress with Vulcan/Fairfax Water on the southern alignment trail and that Fairfax Water is still stating no. Ms. Hansen stated Supervisor's Hyland's letter is explanatory to the BZA who can go up or down on various blasting levels, etc. which is under their responsibility. The letter to Chairman Sharon Bulova from Gregory Riegle, McGuireWoods, regarding Vulcan/Fairfax Water states the same that their blasting operations are highly controlled in comparison. Supervisor Hyland deferred the Board's decision to their June 2 meeting because the information provided tonight to the members is new information which we have not seen. They still have not walked the trail and have no date. She will let Nick, Martin, Ann and Early know. Ms. Hansen said the documents are important to read and digest it.
- The Lorton's farmers market has started on Sundays (May 3) through November 8, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., as well as the Mount Vernon Nights Out program starting.
- A summary of the Lorton Landfill landscape inspection is provided.
- Public hearings for the proposed Architectural Review Board Project Review Process and Voting Membership Amendment for the Planning Commission are on May 21 and on June 23 for the Board of Supervisors.
- Northern Virginia Transportation Authority approved additional funding for roadway and transit improvement for Route 1. From Mount Vernon Memorial Highway to Napper road in their 2015-16 program.



- The budget has passed; however, the school superintendent is not happy. While the schools got 91% of their requested budget, the superintendent made public statements that she felt the Board had not done their job.

3. Committee Reports

Transportation

Nick explained that Dale had to leave early but has brought up two issues regarding a sidewalk in Newington Forest and one along Silverbrook Road. Nick said that Neal brought this to the Transportation Committee. The sidewalk in Newington Forest would be completed to Pohick/Hooes Roads. He will check if the along Silverbrook will be permanent or need to be torn up when they widen the road. A response needs to be provided by Friday. Fairfax County Department of Transportation slides on the Silverbrook Road Walkway and Hooes Road and Newington Forest Avenue intersection improvements were provided to members.

Land Use

Nick stated that Vulcan's response to our requests came out on Friday and there has not been enough time to read it over; however, it did not look satisfactory and it is much the same regarding lowering the blasting levels. He will try to inform everyone by email. Nick said that June 2 is the Vulcan/Fairfax Water decision day by the Board of Supervisors.

Martin Rizer, Chair, informed members that the Committee received a presentation regarding a special permit request for a concrete batching plant on a tree-wooded area closest to I-95 and near Old Bridge. The Committee raised a lot of issues mainly that concrete trucks cannot ride on I-95 due to weight and would have to use Lorton Road while we are trying to make this a no truck through road and to limit truck traffic. This request would conflict with this effort if we supported this special permit request. Lorton Station townhomes raised concerns on visibility because they are elevated and noise from back up beepers. The plant would be operational from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. normally but if there was a big project, they could work 24/7. With road improvements, they do this because of less traffic. The Committee left the application with the understanding that this probably would not be approved. The Committee met with the applicant again but they had not made many changes. Nick explained that this part of the county already has 5 concrete batching plants within a 3 mile radius. Martin stated that the Committee also had a presentation for another concrete batching plant request pending for Terminal Road. Martin explained the desire to be in this part of the county is because 4 of the 5 plans are owned by Vulcan and the prices are high and this could undercut completion which is a legitimate business model plan. The Comprehensive Plan speaks regarding using less industrial and more commercial for the area. We are on good footing to oppose and he knows of no one who supports this. Trucks will take alternate routes which will back up at stop signs. There are schools, homes off Lorton Road and not a benefit. Question was raised regarding tax revenue



which was responded with only real estate taxes. Commissioner Flannigan said the application is moving forward and it would be helpful if they were called. They could go either way. He said he was encouraged to think we will prevail as the Federation was successful in not getting a gas station nearby due to trying to promote the beauty of Fairfax County as a gateway site. Commissioner Flannigan explained that a special exception is a judgment call.

Motion made to approve the resolution regarding Chaney Enterprise – 9520 Gunston Cove Road, Special Permit to Allow Concrete Batching Plan – as written with further discussion to add a paragraph regarding the gateway piece at the top. Motion approved with the amendment that notes the consideration is given to gateway to Fairfax County that feeds on this. 23 for, 0 opposed.

Martin explained the second request for a concrete batching plan on Terminal Road near the Exxon storage tanks which is all industrial. He said this is a big operation which will run 24/7. The Committee looked at the map and it would be 1500 feet from any residential area and would use Fairfax County Parkway to Route 1. They are also proposing an 85 foot silo and they asked the applicant to fly a balloon on May 20 so that pictures could be taken from communities around. If all is fine and not visible or intrusive, the Committee will propose not to oppose this request. Public hearing will be mid-June for the Planning Commission. Question rose regarding visibility from Terre Grande, off Alban Road, which is on a hill. Nick said he would like to know how tall the storage tanks are.

Education

Nick explained that Christin Morin is out due to being in a major car accident head on. He said our thoughts are with her and that they have spoken many times. She is ok however recovering from a concussion. There will be no action on education until her return.

New/Old Business

Nick said there is nothing significant to report at this time.

Nick said that Supervisor Herrity will be at the next Federation meeting.

Issue rose regarding a derelict vessel in Belmont Bay and the junk behind AAA junk yard behind Route 1 – a lot of tires, etc. have been dumped.

Irma Clifton informed the members that the Old Barn/Silo on Spring Hill is being renovated. Linwood was able to get \$25,000 designated for refurbishing it which Spring Hill is working on. She said they are doing a great job. She said that this was brought up 2 years ago and goes to show that Linwood went to bat for this.



Nick said that summer meetings may get hot due to the schools turning off the air condition after school to save money

Motion made to adjourn the meeting and was seconded and approved unanimously. Nick at adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.