



Virtual Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, March 8, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

- President Nick Firth called meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS & OFFICERS REPORTS

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- President Firth called for any edits/corrections to the distributed February 2022 meeting minutes.
- MOTION: President Firth: Motion to approve the February meeting minutes with amendment with Keith Shovlin as Co-Chair of the Land Use Committee.
 - SECOND: Peter Weyland
 - Motion carried unanimously

- **Treasurer's Report:**

Truist Checking:	\$790.90
TIAA CREF Money Market:	\$6,733.30
Total funding:	\$7,524.20



- Treasurer Keith Shovlin continues to work with the IRS to reinstate 501(c)(4) status as a non-profit political association promoting social welfare.
- **South Fairfax Chamber Report – Casey Whitmarsh**
 - *Dr. Adnan Durrani*
 - Accessible psychiatric care for adults & children through an online telemedicine platform
 - Contact:
 - 202-519-9575
 - Drdurranipsychiatry.com
 - Lorton Spring Fling
 - April 23 from 9-2 pm
 - South County High School Parking Lot
 - 90+ vendors
 - Instrument petting zoo, face painting, readings, etc.
 - Metropolitan School of Arts Present Company Project - Connection
 - March 13, 2022 from 6-8 pm
 - Richard J Ernst Cultural Community in Annandale
 - SFCC March STIR
 - March 22 6-8pm at Hometown Grill
 - Registration required: [Register for this Event](#)



III. SUPERVISOR REPORTS

- **Springfield District Supervisor Pat Herrity**
 - Not present or represented.

- **Mount Vernon District Supervisor Dan Storck**
 - Board Meeting today. Highlights include:
 - Ides of Bark 2022
 - Sunday, March 27 from 1-4 pm at Grist Mill Park
 - Flood Awareness
 - Ensure you're carrying flood insurance if needed
 - Redistricting Advisory Committee
 - Report on name changes, not looking at name changes to the Mount Vernon or Mason district.
 - Changes to election precincts
 - Split Ft. Belvoir into 3 parts. Newington split along South Run and Stream Valley.
 - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/redistricting/sites/redistricting/files/assets/documents/2021-adopted-redistricting-plan-map.pdf>
 - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/fairfax-county-proposes-changes-its-voting-precincts-due-redistricting>



- Holland Hills Historical District Overlay approved
- Public Safety Incidents
 - 2/26 fire on Aspenpark Court tragically resulted in the first fire fatality of Mr. Charles Ngeh
 - 3/1 robbery at Antonelli's Pizza
 - Suspect entered and robbed an employee of their cell phone and cash register
 - Shots fired as employees fled. No one was hit
 - Investigation led to arrest and increased police presence has been assigned
- Meeting with Amazon executives next week to discuss Amazon Fresh at Lorton Marketplace and timing
- Panera
 - Broke ground at Lorton Marketplace
- Recap 35th Annual Town Meeting
 - Virtual Fly Through shown at the meeting (held in Feb) is available for viewing:
 - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/district-videos>
- Initial Budget Presentation (FY 2023 and FY 2024 multi-year budget plan)
 - Approved maximum tax rate at its current rate of \$1.14 per \$100 assessed value. Storck committed to reducing this for residents
 - Scheduled budget meetings will be broadcast on Channel 16
 - March 1, 15 and 29



- Public Hearings April 12,13,14
- Mount Vernon District Budget Town Meeting
 - March 23 at 6 pm
 - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/county-executives-fy-2023-proposed-budget-fully-funds-schools-request-employee-compensation>
- Workhouse Master Plan
 - Held kickoff meeting
 - External community engagement strategies to come in the future
 - W13/W15 Future Groundbreaking
 - January 2022 contract award and construction commencing next week.
 - Request for Expressions of Interest for W13/W15 has been extending 4/22
- Lorton Fire Station
 - Building passed final inspection and the fire marshal pre-occupancy inspection was also approved
 - Once status is updated in FIDO, will request the Non-RUP
- Central Green Bathrooms
 - Met with Jai Cole, new FCPA director to advocate for moving this along at a faster pace
- QUESTION: What type of uses are allowed in W13/W15?
 - Definitely restaurants and offices, but Nick will supply additional detail



- QUESTION: Will siding be completed on the Fire Station before occupancy?
 - Likely not due to supply chain delays. Contractor still has issues to remedy that do not impact occupancy.
- QUESTION: Lee District renaming. Is there any insight?
 - Supervisor Lusk held community meetings and they identified possibilities.
 - No specific recommendation has been provided to the Board.
- COMMENT: There was an equalization map a few years back that people could review for assessment rates. Would be great to have that again.
- COMMENT: It was shared with me that one of the reason the Central Green Bathroom's was delayed was due to a lawsuit on the design. I'm not aware of that, would be great to have clarity.
- QUESTION: Are there adequate resources to staff the new police station?
 - Yes, it's in this one and has been in this one. Issue isn't necessarily \$, but county-wide staffing shortages and recruitment.
 - It's been confirmed that if needed, all stations (including the new one) will be staffed at the same percentages rather than leaving just the new one under assigned
- COMMENT: 10% increase in valuations, with some areas over 20%. Storck will work on getting more communication out about calculations.



- QUESTION: I heard Alpine X can't develop because there is methane on the site?
 - To my knowledge, there is nothing that is impacting development of Fairfax Peak
 - There certainly is methane, but to my knowledge levels are manageable due to the existing capture systems
- QUESTION: You indicated an election precinct along South Run. Where can I find more information?
 - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/redistricting/adopt-ed-2021-redistricting-map>
 - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/boardofsupervisors/sites/boardofsupervisors/files/assets/meeting-materials/2022/board/mar08-revised-board-package.pdf>
 - Search around page 400 for Mt. Vernon info.
- **Mount Vernon District School Board - Karen Corbett Sanders**
 - Hayfield Mens Basketball team will go to the state finals on Friday at 2:30 pm!
 - South County Principal Search
 - Current principal will retire at end of school year
 - April 11 Principal Selection Process Info Meeting
 - 5 pm



- Zoom link:
<https://myfcpsk12.zoom.us/j/92115615965?pwd=b0xtRXV2VnhPNXBidE4vYzMrTnE5dz09#success>
- South County Winter Guard Competitions
 - Looking for volunteers for this weekend (March 12)
- South County Middle celebrating 10 year – plans to follow
- Silverbrook Elementary will soon be opening the outdoor learning spaces, all benches within were built by the boyscouts.
- Fairfax County-wide initiatives
 - Summer learning opportunities
 - <https://www.fcps.edu/academics/summer-learning>
 - Teachers are practicing continuous learning, with monthly professional development on science and reading.
 - Richmond is considering legislation that would require this for all teachers state-wide
 - Online tutoring on-demand (with a real person) coming soon



- <https://www.fcps.edu/resources/online-tutoring-services>
- Lightspeed Program – free online monitoring service that allows parents to monitor what they are doing online and on social media
 - <https://www.fcps.edu/resources/technology/lightspeed-parent-reports>
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- ESSER III Funding - \$180M
 - Each individual school’s use of ESSER funds is now available on their website
- QUESTION: Any update on the County Superintendent search?
 - Yes, we’ve hired GR Recruitment and we will be reviewing all applications on the 17th
 - Interviews will occur at the end of March and the hiring process will also include a community panel that will consider candidates. Second interviews will occur in April and are hoping to hire by May for a start date July 1
- QUESTION: South County uses the gym at Newington Forest Elementary School. We’ve lost access because of electrical issues. Do you have any insight?



- I haven't heard of this, but if you follow-up by email I will look into it and see if we can find an alternative option for you.
- **Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) – Linwood Gorham**
 - Restrooms at Central Green
 - Still actively working to reduce completion timeline
 - Playground at Central Green
 - Construction starting soon
 - Garden Plots
 - Absolute, clear path forward utilizing the Nike Site.
 - Should be for use for next year's growing season
 - QUESTION: Will the garden plots have a name?
 - It doesn't yet. I will be backing a name that includes the word Nike for historical purposes. No official decision has been made.

IV. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

- **U.S. Congressman Gerry Connolly** presented by Marlon Dubuisson
 - Infrastructure Package



- Estimated the national capital region will receive \$18-20B in new infrastructure funding as a result of this bill over the next 5 years
- Rail - \$66B will go to rail overall. Will fund CRX, Norfolk Southern Amtrak and VRE, as well as \$1.9B for the Long Bridge project.
- Federal funding for VRE will increase from \$30M to \$40M
- \$25B for airports, including \$15B for new construction benefiting Dulles & National
- EV Charging Stations \$7.5B to build stations across the country
- \$2.5B for electric and zero emission school buses
- \$106M for Virginia's EV charging network
- Reform Bill for Postal Service
 - Passed reform will increase reliability and transparency for on time mail delivery
 - Will also welcome retirees into Medicare, while saving the Postal Service \$22.6B over the next 10 years



- Free USPS from unnecessary requirements to prefund retiree health benefits
- More than 2,000 postal workers in 11th District
- House will vote on Omnibus funding tomorrow
- Congressman Connolly returned from Poland yesterday. Trip arranged to have ears on the ground and better understand the humanitarian needs required.
- Reminder that our office can help with federal agencies. Contact Marlon at:
 - marlon.dubuisson@mail.house.gov
 - 703-256-3071
 - <https://connolly.house.gov/>
- **State Delegate Kathy Tran** presented by Benjamin Hermerding
 - Finalizing the State's budget for the next two years at \$13.4B
 - Notable Efforts
 - Recently passed a bill through the House of Delegates that reigns in predatory small business loans



- Also working to enact a local option to give property tax relief to surviving spouses that are not covered by the Virginia Constitution
- Follow-up: Town Hall for Transportation
 - Working through responses to a number of constituent concerns following the Town Hall
 - Church proposed (on Ox Road). They didn't have to conduct a preliminary traffic analysis, but based on the feedback both on the call and from the Delegate's office, they will perform a partial analysis.
- Electric Reliability Town Hall with Dominion
 - Monday, March 14 at 6:30 pm
 - [https://bit.ly/ElectricReliabilityTownHallContact Information](https://bit.ly/ElectricReliabilityTownHallContactInformation):
- Delegate Tran's office:
 - delktran@house.virginia.gov
 - 804-698-1042

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Transportation, Peter Weyland/Dale Rumberger Co-Chairs** presented by Peter Weyland
 - Lorton Autotrain Backup



- Currently in discussions with Congressman Beyer's office to determine how to mitigate the spill over onto Lorton Rd.
- Alpine X Traffic Study
 - Hoping for more information on entrance options, signaling and signage soon
- Pohick Rd./Rt. 1 –Sidewalk
 - Requested a design study that would resolve the issue of the dirt path turning to mud.
 - Heard it was funded, but now hearing it's been diverted. Looking into this and will update
- Gunston Rd.
 - Will have more information on progress for the undergrounding of power poles at the next meeting
- Giles Run Bridge
 - Currently not being considered for funding as it's not yet in a condition which would prompt replacement. Delegate Tran's office is pushing on this.
 - Bridge is too low and leaves residents in the area without immediate access to emergency service vehicles in the event of a big rain
- Considering introducing no thru-truck traffic on Workhouse Rd.
- Section 3 – Rt. 1 expansion project



- Has never been funded. Looking into what can be done.
- Lorton Rd. Turn Lane
 - Looking into what happened following the study of 2018.
- Fairfax County Parkway – Telegraph Rd. to I-95
 - Traffic backs up quite often and some of that may take 10-20 minutes to get through. Keeping an eye on the backup to inform future discussions
- QUESTION: Pohick Rd. Sidewalk – I saw a sign that was proposing a 10-ft sidewalk. Why would they adjoin a 4 ft sidewalk to a 10-ft sidewalk? Seems like an unnecessary expense.
 - Will inquire and see what I can find.
- QUESTION: Phase 3 Rt. 1 widening – who authorizes the study and what office can we push to authorize and fund it?
 - It’s almost entirely VDOT. I plan to make further inquiries and will report any findings.
 - Ben Hermerding will also inquire with VDOT.
- **Public Safety, Jonathan Kiell, Chair**
 - State-wide tornado drill took place today. For more information about other emergency actions/plans, visit the Fairfax County Office of Emergency Operations
 - <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergency/>
- **Land Use, Nick Firth**



- Lorton Warehouse Facility Resolution
 - 143,000 sq ft, not to exceed 175,000 sq ft. motor freight terminal to permit the use of a ‘last mile delivery facility’
 - QUESTION: Are we going to have 1,000 trucks pulling in and out first thing in the morning/late at night, that will also impact the backup on the parkway? This use would create a lot of additional traffic.
 - These are larger minivans/transits. This is a 24 hr facility.
 - David Gill (on behalf of the applicant). This site has already been zoned and approved for 300,000 sq ft. and we have a site plan approved of 140,000 sq ft. The issue here is that staff determined that the use is a motor freight delivery rather than a warehouse, requiring an amendment. From that perspective, this is actually a downzoning. We are reducing the maximum sq ftg from 300,000 to 175,000. Deliveries largely happen overnight, thus they target non-peak hours for traffic.
 - QUESTION: Is this providing delivery to the general Lorton area, or to a larger area?
 - Correct. The larger regional facility is up near Baltimore.



- MOTION TO APPROVE: President Firth with the amendment of a not to exceed of 175,000 sq ft.
 - SECOND: Ken Frye
 - MOTION CARRIES
 - One member opposed

• **Education, Wendy Henley, Chair**

- Update provided by Karen Corbett Sanders

• **Environmental & Parks, Larry Clark & Dale Rumberger Co- Chairs**

- Resolution on Living Shorelines
 - Resolution is largely identical to the one passed by the Mount Vernon Council Citizens Association (MVCCA)
 - Offers a grandfather clause to those that have existing sea walls and improvements along the shoreline in response to Senate Bill 776
 - MOTION TO APPROVE: Peter Weyland
 - SECOND: Wendy Henley
 - MOTION CARRIES
 - Unanimous approval
- Overlook Ridge Park
 - Collaborating with County staff on questions and refinements related to the Zoning Interpretation



- A 300M + sq ft proposed data center in Prince William County lies at the headwaters of the Occoquan. Given we get our drinking water from Occoquan, the Environmental Committee is getting involved (as well as Fairfax County zoning).
 - More details to follow in coming meetings, including a drafted resolution on SCFs positions
- COMMENT: There was a stormwater issue at the USSR site and funding was allocated but never used. We're unaware of where it went. Can Supervisor Storck's office please check on where it was ultimately distributed and let us know?

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- South County Policy on Candidate Participation
 - The SCF does not endorse candidates, but we are a source of providing information to the community
 - From time to time, as appropriate, we'll host a candidate forum where all candidates are invited to speak to the community (and if time permits, have a Q&A).
 - Introductions, to be limited to a name and an announcement of the position they are running for, is okay during regularly scheduled meetings
 - Request permission from the Executive Committee beforehand
 - Candidates are always welcome to listen in to issues facing the community



Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

NEXT MEETING: March 8 (held virtually)

FUTURE MEETING DATES in 2022: April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August (no meeting), September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13

Recorded by Angelina Fuller