



## BRUNSWICK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SEPTEMBER 17, 2025 MEETING – RECAP

### Public Hearings

On Wednesday, September 17, 2025, the Brunswick County Board of Supervisors convened to conduct the following public hearings:

- **Rezoning Case #25-023** Submitted by Heidi Schenker to rezone the subject property from Agricultural District (A-1) to Residential, General District (R-2). The Board approved the request, facilitating the construction of twelve speculative homes at the intersection of Elam Road and Spraggins Road.

### VDOT Report

#### Ongoing Maintenance and Road Updates:

- Primary and secondary mowing is currently underway and is anticipated to be finished by early September, depending on weather conditions.
- Pipes have been replaced on Fort Hill Road and Wilson Drive, while potholes have been repaired throughout the county.
- Surface treatment has begun on the planned FY 26 routes, including Route 58.
- Signage aimed at raising awareness of the Amish Community and their travel methods is being considered and is planned for installation at intersections and routes frequently used by this community across the county.
- Safety improvements on Lew Jones Road are expected to be completed by the end of September.

### Department/Agency Presentations

The Board of Supervisors has approved Mrs. Jennifer Carter, Director of Finance for Brunswick County, to act as the fiscal agent for the Brunswick Children's Services Act (CSA). This appointment is in accordance with the requirements set forth by the Virginia Office of Children's Services and the Code of Virginia, following a recent vacancy.

### County Administrator's Report

Leslie Weddington, County Administrator, reported that the County's Salary and Classification study is nearing completion. This study has incorporated data from more than ten neighboring counties to restructure and reclassify various County positions. Options for phased implementation will be presented at the Board's meeting in October.

### Finance Director's Report

Mrs. Jennifer Carter, Finance Director, presented disbursements amounting to \$5,872,834.20 as of September 17, 2025, and sought the Board's approval, which was subsequently granted.

The Board of Supervisors accepted and appropriated the following funds:

- \$293,315.98 from FY25 Local Funds, allocated to various County Departments, organizations, and projects.
- A total of \$704,381.28 in unspent FY25 Grant Funds designated for E911 Communications, the Herman Road Day Use Area, and Opioid Abatement, which was approved for appropriation into the FY26 budget.
- \$371,649.68 was appropriated for each revenue line presented to reconcile the FY25 budgets for the Child Services Act Fund (\$368,668.37), School Construction Debt Service Fund (\$0.32), Little Control Council (\$11.40), and the Airport (\$2,969.59).

**Resolution.** The Board of Supervisors has approved the resolution for the adoption of the Rate of Tax Relief for the Tax Year 2025 concerning qualifying vehicles. This resolution establishes the tax relief rate for 2025 at 39%, based on an effective tax rate of \$3.40.



### Appointments

On Wednesday evening, the Brunswick County Board of Supervisors made several important appointments.

#### Lake Country Area Agency on Aging Board of Directors:

- Dr. Elizabeth Burns - Reappointment.

#### Mecklenburg/Brunswick Regional Airport Commission:

- John Zubrod - Reappointment.

#### Brunswick County Repurposing Committee:

- Gayle Benjamin - Powellton District
- Carnell Bagley - Sturgeon District
- John D. Robinson - Totaro District
- Leorie Mallory - Totaro District



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### Planning Director's Report

Mr. George Morrison, Planning Director, presented the following items to the Board of Supervisors:

- **Special Entertainment Permit:** Legacy T's & Lounge has been granted a special entertainment permit to host a soft opening event on Saturday, September 27, 2025, with an expected attendance of 250 patrons.
- **Request to Schedule Public Hearing:** Rezoning Case #25-029, submitted by Rita Goodrich (Legacy T's & Lounge), seeks to rezone the subject property from Agricultural (A-1) to Business District (B-1) to facilitate the operation of a restaurant and lounge as part of the existing golf club.
- **Request to Schedule Public Hearing:** Vulcan Lands, Inc. (Vulcan Materials) is proposing an amendment to the Brunswick County Zoning Ordinance, specifically Article 4, Agricultural District A-1, to establish use regulations for the testing and maintenance of mining equipment, contingent upon a conditional use permit (Case #25-030).

The Brunswick County Board of Supervisors will conduct the requested public hearings during their October meeting. Mr. Morrison also provided a brief overview of the current status of the County's solar projects and the pending solar applications awaiting consideration.

**The Brunswick County Offices will be closed on Monday, October 13, 2025, in observance of Columbus Day.**



### County Attorney's Report

On Wednesday, September 17, 2025, the Brunswick County Board of Supervisors approved the proposed resolutions presented by the County Attorney, as detailed below.

**Resolution: Pinecrest Apartments.** This resolution approves the issuance of up to \$8,000,000 in Multifamily Tax-Exempt Revenue Bonds (Pinecrest Apartments) Series 2025 by the Industrial Development Authority of Brunswick County, Virginia.

**Resolution: Opioid Settlement** (Purdue and Sackler, Direct Sackler Settlement 2). These resolutions were adopted to approve the County's participation in the proposed settlements concerning opioid-related claims against the manufacturers.

### Economic Development Director's Report

Updates from Ms. Alfreda Jarrett Reynolds, Economic Development Director:

- **VGR Welcome Event:** Brunswick County Economic Development, in collaboration with Greenville County and the City of Emporia, successfully hosted a welcome event for our new regional economic development partner at the Brunswick County Conference Center.
- **Project Stonewall:** Kay Construction has completed the boring under Highway 58 to facilitate the installation of essential utilities for the Brunswick County IT Industrial Park. The connection of utilities will commence with water services, followed by sewer connections.
- **Project Whitehouse:** Chris Suber, Developer of Project Whitehouse Development LLC, provided the Board with an update on the hotel project. He will be signing the franchise agreement with Wyndham Hotel Group on Friday and plans to replace the existing Hotel Elle signage with the new branding that includes Wyndham's logo.
- **Port of Virginia:** The Economic Development team met with leaders at the Port of Virginia to strengthen critical connections related to job creation, incentives, and national industries.
- **RFP:** The County of Brunswick is soliciting proposals from qualified consultants to provide state-level government lobbying and advocacy services. The deadline for submissions is October 3, 2025.
- **Events:** The Economic Development Director offered a brief overview of several recent events, including Jazz on the Square, Dot Day, and the State of Brunswick Luncheon, which was hosted by the Brunswick Chamber of Commerce.

### New Business



**Resolution:** The Brunswick County Board of Supervisors has adopted a resolution recognizing, Brunswick native, Justice Cleo E. Powell on her appointment as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia. A public celebration ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, September 30, 2025, at 6:00 PM, to be held at the Brunswick County Conference Center.