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The regular meeting of the King George County Board of Supervisors was called to order at 8:00 PM by Vice Chairman, Mr. T.C. Collins in the Board Room of the Revercomb Building, located at 10459 Courthouse Drive, King George County, Virginia, 22485.

Members Present: Vice Chairman T.C. Collins
Cathy Binder
Ann Cupka
Jeffery Stonehill

Members Not Present: Chairman Richard Granger

KGC Administrator: Christopher Miller, County Administrator

KGC Attorney: Kelly Lackey, County Attorney

0:00:03.1 Mr. Collins: Please rise if you can. Ms. Cupka will say the invocation and Mr. Miller will state the pledge. Thank you.

0:00:19.1 Ms. Cupka: Dear Lord, thank you for bringing us together here this evening to conduct the important business of our community. Please watch over all who gather here and grant us travel mercies as we return to our homes, and we especially thank you for the continued healing that allows our colleague to join us here this evening. Please continue to watch over all of us. In your name we pray. Amen.

0:00:45.6 Mr. Miller: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

0:01:10.5 Mr. Collins: Are there any amendments to the agenda?

0:01:13.1 Mr. Miller: Yes sir. The amendment that we're proposing is pertaining to item number 04-03 pertaining to the agreement for the purchase of property for the Dahlgren Fire Station. We're proposing to change the board packet item to the board report to add to the recommended action. We are asking that if a majority approves the resolution a second action item is recommended to transfer funds to cover the full estimated costs of the acquisition including closing and subdivision costs. And then down below that item, to cover the expected costs of the acquisition, the amount of \$353,000 could be funded by following transfers of or re-appropriations. One transfer 125 from the project 4-302-094133-8212 for EMS facilities to 4-302-094131-8212 for EMS fire station replacement and then to appropriate an additional \$133,000 from CIP to 4-302-0941318212 to complete the acquisition of the property. And I do believe that this information is included in the information that is at your desk in an updated board packet. That's all we are asking.

0:03:01.9 Ms. Cupka: Mr. Chair, I'll move to amend the agenda as suggested.

0:03:06.0 Mr. Stonehill: Second.

0:03:08.5 Mr. Collins: Properly second, any discussion. All those in favor.

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0:03:11.0 Ms. Binder: Aye.

0:03:12.2 Ms. Cupka: Aye.

0:03:13.4 Mr. Stonehill: Aye.

0:03:14.5 Mr. Collins: Chair votes Aye. Motion carries. Next item will be county officials reports. Mr. Miller.

0:03:24.4 Mr. Miller: No, I believe we have public comment sir.

0:03:30.6 Mr. Collins: I'm sorry you're right. Public comment. Comment will be limited to three minutes per person in order to afford everyone an opportunity to speak. If the comments relate to a specific public hearing item, we ask that you offer those comments at the time of the public hearing.

0:04:24.4 Mr. Collins: Mr. Stroud, Thank you, sir. You've got three minutes. Please, next time if you want to approach the board, please come to Mr. Dines with the information. He'll bring it forward to us. Thank you.

0:04:37.5: Mr. Ken Stroud, 5405 Kings Highway, King George, Virginia. I'm speaking with you tonight pertaining to the restricting of agricultural operations in a proposed King George zoning ordinance update by the Berkeley group. Apparently, the proposed zoning ordinance table 6-1 use matrix has a meat processing facility underuse by special exception only, not by right conflicting with the state code. Additionally, the ordinance includes section 7-2-6 meat processing facility, which is not required, and conflicts with state policy, the slaughtering of livestock and meat processing according to the Virginia State Code or agriculture operations, and are encouraged under the state policy 3.2, 108.2 expansion of the Commonwealth Slaughter and meat processing facilities and protected by 3.2-301 right to farm restrictive ordinances. As such, they're covered under the county's agricultural civil agricultural provision. The first line in the proposed zoning ordinance use matrix table 6-1, and there is no need to list meat processing facility separately are to have contents of section 7-2-6 meat processing facility, which contains several limitations on property owners and direct conflict with the state code. This section must be removed from the county's ordinance. Please note, Virginia State Code 3.2-301 right to farm restrictive ordinances states I quote, "No locality shall adopt any ordinance that requires that a special exception or special use permit be obtained for any production agricultural civil culture activity in an area that is zoned as an agricultural district or classification. Additionally, no locality shall enact zoning ordinances that would unreasonably restrict or regulate farm structures or farming or forestry practices in an agricultural district or classification, unless restrictions bear a relationship to health, safety, general welfare of citizens." The slaughter of livestock and meat processing are necessary means for ranchers and farmers to produce meat for their families and as a source of revenue, which benefits them as well as the county. These are practices that have been performed here since the existence of county and to limit them without cause and in conflict with state policy diminishes our citizens' rights limits, their ability to feed their family or produce revenue due to the loss of the ability to sell their meat process. I request that the board of supervisors direct the zoning authority to remove these restrictions from the zoning ordinance to protect the rights and liberties of the King George citizens to use their property and livestock as our God and forefathers intended and to avoid conflicting with state law. The section 7-2-6 must be removed. It is in direct conflict with the Virginia State policy of encouraging agricultural operations, specifically encouraging, expanding,

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and developing slaughter and meat processing facilities. It goes so far as to limit the number of customers per day to a facility to five. And that new equipment trailers can be visible from the right of way. I point this out to demonstrate that our county is overly restrictive and places undue restrictions on its residents in conflict with the state protections of individual rights.

0:07:49.3 Mr. Collins: Thank you. Anyone else for public comment?

0:08:04.0 Kim Clark: Kim Clark, Fairfax Drive, King George, Virginia. I want to talk about opioid abatement settlement funding. The totality of the Commonwealth of Virginia of 133 counties in cities jointly sued the drug manufacturing companies for the abatement of opioid use. As of January... Abuse and use. As of January 19th, I'm sorry, sir, 2023, the payment allotment to date was \$21,018,000,000. Of those funds, King George was awarded 0.0306% of the percentage rate via the MOU. To those counties that create cooperative partnerships between counties meeting the OAA Goldstar standard i.e., therapeutic successful forms of rehabilitation services, those counties would be awarded an additional funds upwards up to 35% on top of the MOU designated allotment. Now, I estimate that King George allotment based on the OAA/MOU awarding of about \$964,000 per year for 18 years, and again, that's conservative. It's liable to go up even more with Pyramid in our community, that awarding can be over a million dollars for a period of 18 years. My question to the supervisors, when did you know that the opioid abatement funding was in direct correlation with the Pyramid Rehab Center? Supervisors, do you understand that all funds allotted must be forwarded to the operating entity provided by the OAA and approved by the OAA? So, in this essence, king George would be sending financing to Pyramid for operations. Please note that King George has no direct equity to these funds. I also confirmed this with a conversation with the executive director of Tony McDowell of the OAA. See the attached paperwork. Based on those requirements, both cooperative partnerships and the selective demographic location, yielding the highest monetary return for the OAA funding, the placement of pyramid doesn't feel like a coincidence. It appears that Owen Drive was selected based on the demographics, the social economic, and the location, leaving the by right clause or argument premeditated. I surmised, let us, use aid funds to strengthen the... non-for-profit organization that are preexisting towards those funds. Thank you.

0:11:35.3 Mr. Collins: Thank you, Ms. Clark.

0:11:36.1 Kim Clark: Hopefully, I can talk about some more next time.

0:11:40.8 Mr. Collins: Okay.

0:11:43.9 Julia Edgar: Hi, my name is Julia Edgar, 4250 Stafford Lane King George. I want to talk about the micro winery or the commercial winery that we're trying to open. We did go to the Planning Commission meeting two weeks ago or last week, I'm not sure. And there was... To me it was a debacle. There was conflict of interest, people were getting off track. They were more concerned about, well, how big is a barrel? And is there going to be a noise ordinance? We're just looking... I just want to compare this to either a bakery or an ice cream parlor. You go there, you own it, you purchase your ingredients from somewhere else and you make your stuff right there on the property. The barrels are 59 gallons, by the way. That's average for the wine industry. But you just make it there. You purchase your stuff from elsewhere. You make it there; you sell it there. You have a couple of little bistro tables. All the noises were contained inside. If you have piped in music, you have piped in music. There's nothing else going on. People taste, people might have a

glass of wine, they purchase their bottles. They don't even have to taste. They can just purchase. It's just, like I said, I just want both the board of supervisors and the Planning Commission kind of be on the same page as what we want to do. And like I said, that's pretty much all it is. You have the little bistro tables. You can sell cheese and crackers, that's not prepared. Nobody's cooking. You can bring your own stuff and eat it there with your wine. It's just like going to any other winery, that's a farm winery and you bring your own food, and you eat it there and you drink their wine. You can't bring in anybody else's wine. You can't sell anybody else's stuff. It's not a bar, which is where this whole thing, the buckle came in and it's like, it's not a bar. Maybe if the place allows, you can have a couple of little bistro tables outside. There's no music piped outside. It's just people sitting at a couple little bistro tables. You come up to a counter and you taste, and that's pretty much it. It's not a bar, it's not a nightclub. We're not selling any other kind of spirits. Everything is... Once we get approved, everything then must go through ABC, and they've got their own set of rules and laws and everything else that you must abide by. So, I just wanted to put it out there that it is not a bar, it's not a restaurant. There's no cooking there other than the wine itself if you want to call that cooking. But that's it. Short, sweet, and to the point. And we would just love to do that and get the tourism and get on the Northern Neck wine trail and just open it up to people that want to come and don't necessarily want to stay outside and they can just be inside and be comfortable. Thank you.

0:15:06.2 Mr. Collins: Thank you.

0:15:30.1 John Edgar: Thank you, sir. Hi, my name is John Edgar. I live at 4250 Stafford Lane here in King George. I'm going to continue a little bit with what my wife was trying to talk about. I was concerned with some of the questions that came up in the Planning Commission meeting last week. I'd like to go over some of those items now. One area that they were stuck on was defining the size of the barrel. The standard or average barrel sizes for wine, cider, whiskey, bourbon, and beer are 59 gallons for wine, 43 gallons for cider, 53 gallons for whiskey or bourbon, and 42 gallons per keg for beer. I do not know the proper way of making all the different types of cider, beer, or distilled products, but I do know that not all wines are made using barrels. Some of the wines I make are made of glass and or stainless steel. Maybe a better way of representing the quantity of each product being made is to take the number of barrels mentioned in the proposed ordinance change and multiply it by the standard number of gallons for each product. As an example, 5000 barrels times 59 gallons for wine. There was also mentioned to being able to have a micro barrel in a location that would allow for guests to be seated outside of table and such with Entertainment. Mention of noise ordinance was brought up several times. I have not seen any microbreweries that do this on their own. The ones I've seen are located on farm wineries and enjoy the benefits of entertainment they provide. Our plan for our micro winery is not to have this type of entertainment. All our functions will be provided indoors. Another area of concern that was mentioned at the Planning Commission meeting was the ability to sell alcoholic and beverages from other vendors turning the facility into a bar, this is not our intention for our micro winery. We are looking for the ability to have clients taste the wines we reproduced from grapes and juices sourced, not only from Virginia, but also from around the world. Purchase those wines, and to be able to sell them with certain food items while in our facility enjoying the wines. We would also like the ability to provide the sale of wines by online purchase requiring the shipping of the wines to different locations. The sale of these items will be governed by the ABC, as the products would all have to be licensed for sale. It is also my understanding that for wineries, micro-commercial and farms, each product sold must have labels approved by the ABC and proper fees paid for each label. Each of the different micro locations, winery, cidery, distillery, and brewery should be able to sell ancillary products such as cheeses, bread, crackers, and even cured meats to help while consuming alcohol products.

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These facilities should also be able to sell other non-alcoholic based products such as, but not limited to soup mixes, hot sauces, wine making products and supplies. Another area where the Planning Commission was hung up on was whether to allow these facilities in the C2 location. I believe that Highmark Brewery is currently located in a C2 area near Vinny's. Please do not limit the ability of establishment using C1 or C2 locations. Thank you.

0:18:47.3 Mr. Collins: Thank you. Anyone else?

0:18:57.5 Adam Seminoff: Adam Seminoff, 5340 Gordon Drive, King George. Today I rise to address public safety for roads near the Governor Nice East Bridge on U.S 301. Now that the new Governor Nice East Bridge is open, King George County should reopen our only swimmable public beach at Dahlgren Wayside. The new Governor Nice East Bridge brings unyielding 50 mile an hour traffic on U.S 301 past the Dahlgren Heritage Museum, and Dahlgren Wayside at Roseland Road and Barnesfield Park. Traffic signals or bypass exit ramps should provide safe ingress and egress to our Potomac riverfront recreational areas before foreseeable accidents occur. Maryland plans to install north and southbound bicycle sharing lanes on the Governor Nice East Bridge, which carries the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail into Virginia. Joining Dahlgren Wayside, Barnesfield Park, Caledon State Parks, Potomac Heritage Bicycle Trail, and the Dahlgren Railroad Heritage Trail. Therefore, VDOT must also install pedestrian crossovers or crosswalks and traffic signals, so bicyclists may cross U.S 301 to access the bridge in our riverfront recreational areas. Our King George Potomac Riverside Recreational area provides venues for concerts, softball tournaments, runs, basketball, swimming, fishing, picnics, hiking, and walking for all ages. This area must be easily accessible as both a quality-of-life asset and a tourist attraction for everyone to enjoy. Thank you.

0:20:40.0 Mr. Collins: Thank you.

0:20:51.6 Mr. Collins: I was waiting for you Ms. Lovell.

0:20:54.3 Ms. Lovell: Thank you. Hi, my name is Ms. Ann Maria Lovell. I live in Presidential Lakes. Well, I am very happy to see you, Mr. Collins back, I hope you're feeling alright. But also, I'm a little tired, I didn't write a lot because I work today as a hostess at the Garden Week. I think was very successful this garden tour. Also, a special thank you to those who make a significant contribution to the 2023 tour. Also, I came tonight to thank you for your service to the community, the people of King George elected you to make good decisions for the county, especially when comes to taxes and other problems. I want to ask the supervisors if you have been helping Ms. Cupka to get rid of the decal. It's okay to charge a one-time fee but charging repeatedly is not very nice. I don't know if you are helping her, or I have been telling you for a long time this. Thank you.

0:22:07.9 Mr. Collins: Thank you. Anyone else? Mr. Dines?

0:22:18.7 Mr. Dines: No, Mr. Chairman.

0:22:22.7 Mr. Collins: Thank you. So, we'll move on to the reports of the Board Members, Ms. Binder.

0:22:28.9 Ms. Binder: Yes, Mr. Collins, welcome back. I'm very happy you're with us today and chairing the meeting. I got a couple of things here, so I'm going to try to go through them one by

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one. I was reached out to by a citizen who formerly was running for the board of supervisors, who had asked previously if he can serve on the Citizen Budget Advisory Committee so I would like to nominate Mr. Anthony Stats, to be the Shiloh representative of the Citizen Advisory Committee.

0:23:00.1 Ms. Cupka: If that's a motion, I'll second.

0:23:01.4 Mr. Collins: Yes, properly second. Is there any discussion? All those in favor?

0:23:06.4 Mr. Stonehill: Aye.

0:23:06.5 Ms. Cupka: Aye.

0:23:07.3 Ms. Binder: Aye.

0:23:07.8 Mr. Collins: Chair votes Aye. Motion passed.

0:23:09.3 Ms. Binder: Thank you very much. Mr. Seminoff, you mentioned the new bridge in Wayside Park. I'm sure the Wayside Park from what I remember, Ms. Lackey could correct me a little bit on this is, all the demolition and the finishing of the project must go on before we're given back the land that's left of Wayside Park. Is that correct Ms. Lackey? So, just a little bit of time left.

0:23:32.7 Ms. Lackey: I can check that and confirm. But yes, if demo work and things are still ongoing, there's probably still need for the property by VDOT.

0:23:42.9 Ms. Binder: Going way back to our first process of the Federal Parks land program and they're taking of the, that park, I've many times mentioned to VDOT about the traffic concerns there and they keep referring to that 2017 study. So, a lot of us have pointed out that there is an issue, and I know GWRC is one of the things we pointed out in their rural program, that they're going to be looking at the access problems now with Barnesfield Park, cause many people now refer to it as a throughway. So, I just wanted to bring that to your attention, Ms. Clark, and those with, that are very concerned in down in Monmouth Village and Chatham. I do know we did receive a letter here from Pyramid Healthcare, so Mr. Miller maybe wants to address it in his board report later and maybe share it with you this letter that we got on April 10th. So, I just wanted to bring that to your attention, also the King George Historical Society, many may not realize or know about three years ago we did trademark the County Seal and they were requesting, allowance to use it because they do sell a lot of merchandise that do support the county, like teachers, sweatshirts, ornaments that they could use the trademarks. So, I'm not sure, Ms. Lackey, what we must do to allow them. I had brought it up when we originally voted on this, that the Historical Society would be one organization that we wanted to make sure could use our county seal because they do benefit the county in promoting our history and they help do a lot of events for us.

0:25:09.3 Mr. Collins: Thank you Ms. Binder. Before I continue, is there any board member who has received any written correspondence or emails from the public regarding public comment? No. Okay. Mr. Stonehill, your comment, do you have a comment, board comment? No board comments.

0:25:32.3 Ms. Binder: Hold on, I'm still going.

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0:25:34.0 Mr. Collins: Oh, I thought you said thank you.

0:25:36.1 Ms. Binder: I just said thank you for that matter. Hold on, I was like, wait a minute. Hold on.

0:25:40.9 Mr. Collins: Thank you usually means I'm done.

0:25:44.3 Ms. Binder: Well, I'm going to go back, and I want to thank the Edgars for coming and I guess that is one thing I'll be researching when it comes to us about, micro wineries. I've always said AG and sports tourism is awesome things we need in King Georgia to take advantage of what we have in King George. I made sure I wore this blazer today because I did visit the historic garden week a little later than some of my colleagues. But I want to give a special shout out to Mr. Clark and his staff, especially all those that were diligent driving the buses back and forth and taking a lot of folks to the event. There were, as of last count when I spoke to the garden, clubs there, there were about 700 tickets sold. And I will tell you, Ms. Gibson and I took a little, went over to one of the properties and we met a couple that had traveled here from Los Angeles, California. And they came here because Virginia is known as the best garden week tour in the nation and Virginia also has the most volunteers. And they came specifically from California and the husband had to ask me all questions about being a board supervisor, but that was a, but he was nice and had a great conversation about why it was awesome. And there were a lot of people there at Cedell Brooks Jr Park using our new, yep Cedell Brooks Park. Why am I blanking on that? Our new covering. Yeah, pavilion sorry about that. You know when you blank on something. So anyway, our new pavilion, which was really, is nicely done and there were a lot of people there eating food, and just looking at what our native plant garden has to offer. So, I really appreciate and also Nick Minor for pulling it together and his staff and all those volunteers that were out there doing a great job. And there were a lot of happy people going to his events and seeing the flowers and everything and supporting our tourism. So, I really appreciate that. One other thing I wanted to bring up, and this has come, as many of you know, I've been coaching again, especially at the middle school and I've heard a lot of conversation and I know it's come up in our budget meetings about the salaries of the teachers and being able to maintain them. And the only thing I wanted to bring up is to make sure that we make sure our budget process, whatever the outcome is, does not drag on because there is really talk about a lot of those teachers leaving because of contracts and that, and I know that's a hot button issue and there's a lot of discussion to come. I'm not saying one way or another, but we need to keep that in mind to make sure we don't drag out the budget process. But saying that it doesn't help when the state doesn't really help us by not giving us definitive answers and pushing it off. They want to mandate a lot of things, but they put it on the localities to make the hard decisions and they don't back us up. So, I just wanted to bring that to attention so we, keep up abreast of that and I think that's it. I want to thank if anybody, Ms. Little, whoever I haven't mentioned before, I want to thank and Ms. Little, I want to tell you I have brought up that we should get rid of that vehicle tax and I know in the budget with the work sessions we had earlier the year, I wanted to get rid of them right away. But I found out we couldn't really do that based on a whole bunch of reasons. So, I'm in support of getting rid of the vehicle tax because I never understood it when I moved here. So, thank you very much. Now I am done.

0:28:49.5 Mr. Collins: Okay, thank you Ms. Binder. Mr. Stonehill?

0:28:56.1 Mr. Stonehill: I want to say thanks to everybody coming out this evening. Ms. Clark, we just received in our packet big information. There you go from Pyramid and I'm sure that, I'm

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sure that get ahold of Mr. Miller, he can relay some of that information and we'll be able to read it over as well. And Mr. Stroud, I guess we'll read over that stuff and see what they have to say and appreciate that information. So, we'll read that over. Edgars, I agree wholeheartedly with you, I think they got lost, the Planning Commission. If we allow vineyards, we allow breweries around the world, do we not allow micro wineries. And Mr. Edgar you are going and talked about their issues about selling alcoholic beverages from other vendors the other vineyards do that, they have other people's wines there that they sell as well. So, I don't understand their reasoning. Hopefully they can come back with something and with all that information you supplied and, it'd be good to have another vineyard or brewery here. For a report, I just wanted to say thank you to the school board and Dr. Boyd for our April 6th meeting that we were at for a budget meeting. I appreciate all the information that they brought out and it was a lot of information, so hopefully we can get that all taken care of and get this budget moved on as Ms. Binder said, and not drag it along. So as soon as we know something from Richmond, hopefully we can get stuff straightened out. And that's all I have. And welcome back Mr. Collins.

0:31:06.7 Mr. Collins: Thank you. Mrs. Cupka.

0:31:08.6 Ms. Cupka: Welcome back Mr. Collins.

0:31:11.6 Mr. Collins: Thank you.

0:31:14.2 Ms. Cupka: So, let me start by addressing public comments, thank you to everyone who joined us to provide your comment this evening. Mr. Stroud, we previously discussed your proposed project, and I believe at the time my first advice to you was check with community development to make sure you can even do what you may want to do here. I would strongly encourage you to send, or we can have it sent in your comment to the Planning Commission and I would also encourage you to attend. We're having a joint work session with the Planning Commission on April 25th. Come give public comment there as well, please. Ms. Clark, you had some questions about the opioid abatement authority, I know of no connection between our allocation of funding or any plans to use it to support such a facility. We have a working group; the county attorney has been working with the Sheriff and Chief Moody and some other folks on developing proposed uses for the funds. And to my knowledge, funding that center is not one of the proposed uses. I will say that at two budget work sessions ago, we heard from some nonprofits that we could support using that funding. So, we are already aware of that and hopefully there are some things that we can do to move forward with that funding. And again, as my colleagues alluded to, we did, we had some correspondence in our folder when we got here this evening. This is the first I've seen it, but we'll make sure and share it. Mr. Edgar regarding the Micro winery, text amendment to the existing Micro Brewery ordinance, please know that the Board of Supervisors directed staff to craft a text amendment to bring forward for approval for consideration and approval. And I would also encourage you to attend that April 25th joint work session with the Planning Commission and provide public comment there as well. Mr. Seminoff, thank you very much for joining us this evening. Later this evening, we will have, I believe an action item because GWRC has previously, presented to us a bike ped plan for Dahlgren area, is something that's going to be suggested in the local, the rural work plan that they're going to be working on next year. And then they did present a courthouse area bike ped plan to us last month that hopefully we'll be able to adopt this evening. And that's going to help us be able to write for some grants in the future to try to fund some safety improvements both down here on Route three, where it's sorely needed, and in the Dahlgren area. Ms. Lovell, thank you very much for your comment. Yes, I have been saying for a

while now that I think it's fair to charge a vehicle license fee one time when you first bring a vehicle into the county, but it should not be charged every year. It's an abusive tax in my opinion so hopefully we'll be able to work on eliminating that during the budget cycle this year. And I would also like one other thing regarding the Dahlgren area, in the last board meeting, we accepted \$100,000 in ARPA funds that we obtained from the local assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund. And we were eligible for that money because we hosted a federal installation in our community, Dahlgren. So, I would like to see, and I would like to see if there's consensus among our board members, to direct staff to develop some proposed uses for that funding in the Dahlgren district. I can think right off the top of my head, wayside Park because we need to get it reopened, Barnesfield Park, anywhere along those lines, if my colleagues would be interested in pursuing that. Thank you very much, and then I'll move on to the rest of my report. I also, we all attended the joint budget work session with the school board. I want to thank staff on both boards for their work on crafting the budget. Last night I attended the DSS administrative board meeting. They have a cool shirt that I wanted to share with the public, it says, Small Town, Big Heart. And so, if anyone would like to order one, you can contact me and I'll pass your request onto Social Services, I'm not sure how much it will cost. It will depend on how many, what the quantity is or whether you can contact social services directly. And I too visited the King George tour for Historic Garden week in Virginia at Cedell Brooks, Jr. Park. Want to thank the Garden Club of Virginia, all the local garden clubs and our departments of park and recreation and economic development and tourism for their work in this successful event, the park was full. You couldn't find a place to park. I parked around the back by the sheriff's trailer in the back there. It was full and it was a beautiful site. And I want to thank the gracious hosts who opened their homes to the public for this event. And I am told there are free tulips outside, is that correct? Staff, yes? There are free tulips outside. Remember, we leave last, and we might like to grab some too. But there are tulips outside that were part of the event today that were donated Bloomia. If you want to grab some on your way out, please help yourselves. And one last thing, another reminder, king George, department of Social Services Family Day, and the King George VFW, Sergeant Nicholas C. Mason, post 12202 will co-host its second post birthday celebration on May 6th, 2023, at Sealston Sports Complex from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Thank you very much, Mr. Chair.

0:37:42.0 Mr. Collins: Thank you Ms. Cupka. For my public comment, first in my 35 years of public service to the state and to King George County, it's been my opportunity in the last couple weeks to be in need and not being, serving those in need. And I would like to thank the citizens of King George County, the folks that sent me cards, emails, visited me in the hospital and at home every day at the hospital. I had to tell a security guard, no more people up it was very overwhelming the support of the community in this situation. I would also like to thank Sheriff Giles and his folks who were there. While I was sitting on the stretcher, I could see all the action taking happen of course somebody said that I was trying to run the crime scene while I was there, but I didn't. And chief your folks they did a great job. The fellow that was attending to me in the ambulance, I said, let me see your face so I can remember you. And he did that kind of begrudgingly cause he I guess he knows my reputation in the county, but they did a great job, they got me to the hospital, it got me in there everything went along well. I'm recovering, but still at home, I do have a broken back, so you'll see me limping around here. That should be recovered hopefully in a couple weeks. Now, back to the old me as far as the special use permits or on that, we will be bringing that up when we go through the process of the new ordinances. Ms. Clark the premeditated of Pyramid, having any kind of opioid settlement I think would be preposterous. And I know that none of this board would ever be on board for that. And the county attorney is working on a spending plan for the money we have. And anything to do with Pyramid would be off the chart for me. And I can't speak for the

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others, but I have a feeling that would be the same. The microbreweries, I had an opp... I mean, micro wineries, I had opportunity to listen to the Planning Commission and it did get a little crazy in the Planning Commission. They were going down some rabbit holes, but I still think I agree with Mr. Stonehill that that will be come forth and we will have micro wineries, so those folks don't need to worry so much. If anyone was here for the Water Authority meeting, you'll recall that the Water Authority has been managed by Imboden which is a private company that we're paying millions of dollars to, and they are the operator in charge. I find some problems with that. Number one, we have a contract that's been agreed to for a couple of years, three years. And there'll be an election coming this November so whoever gets elected will be saddled with that contract. It won't be, I'll do much about it and it is quite a contract. They also Imboden doesn't have any liability for their exposures to freshwater or any of those Government agencies. And the third thing is they were... Warner Authority was speaking of hiring a high-level director manager in the \$115,000 range. Inboden was supposed to be the operator in charge, and they talked about the county taking on this burden, this financial burden, the county board, the Water Authority spoke about speaking with the Board of Supervisors and having conference with them. I haven't had any, so I don't know what they're talking about. I just learned of the Imboden that they approve the Imboden contract and now they want \$115,000 for another county employee to run that organization. So, we need to have a big conversation with them about that. And that will be the end of my comments for this evening. Constitutional officers, do you have anything? Thank you.

0:42:15.0 Mr. Miller: And we have a representative from the Treasurer's office as well.

0:42:22.4 Sheriff Giles: Did you want to do the consent agenda before I do my constitutional officer, or do you want me to just jump right in.

0:42:26.6 Mr. Collins: I move to approve the consent agenda as presented.

0:42:35.0 Mr. Stonehill: Second.

0:42:37.3 Mr. Collins: Any discussion. All those in favor?

0:42:40.2 Mr. Stonehill: Aye.

0:42:41.9 Ms. Cupka: Aye.

0:42:41.8 Ms. Binder: Aye.

0:42:41.9 Mr. Collins: Chair votes Aye. Thank you. You want to come up here and sit with me? Chris, and help me out. I appreciate it.

0:42:49.6 Sheriff Giles: You also have the approval of the minutes. Did you want to do that before me or No.

0:42:55.7 Mr. Collins: That's all in there.

0:43:00.0 Sheriff Giles: Okay. Good. All right. Well, good evening, Mr. Collins and members of the board, Mr. Collins, I'm, truly, truly glad to see that you're recovering, and I appreciate the kind words about my office. Thank you. I have two quick items I'd like to report tonight, and it shouldn't

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take any hardly any time at all. First, I'd like to report that on April 10th, 2023, Deanna Price and Deputy Simon conducted an inspection of all the stores in King George that sell Cigarettes. During the inspection, Deanna talked with several store managers in reference to getting their inventory and sales sheets out, filled out and turned in on time. All the stores were otherwise in compliance with the King George County Tax Regulations and Deanna and Deputy Simon will conduct another random inspection here very soon. So having said that, or do you have any questions in reference to the Cigarette Tax Inspections.

0:43:49.4 Mr. Collins: Any questions? No questions. Thank you.

0:43:52.8 Sheriff Giles: Okay. Next, I'd like to brief the board on our animal shelter. The shelter partners with several rescue groups to locate forever homes for the animals that are housed in the shelter. Not only do we partner with the rescue groups, but my staff also uses every social media platform out there to get the animals adopted. I've requested in the animal control budget an increase in the medical line so we can have all the animals that become property of King George County to be spayed and neutered along with any type of vaccines to help offset any cost during the adopting person, any cost to the adopting person in the hope to move the animals out of the shelter at a faster rate. Unfortunately, there are times when there's a court order or the animal is not adoptable or for medical reasons, we are forced to euthanize them. Some of the reasons for not being adoptable could range from being too old, not family friendly, and having medical issues that they won't be cleared. And some of the medical reasons are mixtures of quality of life, and not being able to walk or stand, dogs having multiple seizures, or the fact that they were hit by a car or any other medical reasons that may arise. But I would like to be perfectly clear that euthanasia is an absolute last resort and not enjoyable for anyone. Every single attendant and the animal control officer love animals, or they wouldn't be doing that job. So, the euthanasia part is not part of the jobs that they enjoy or look forward to. Euthanasia only occurs when all possible means have been exhausted to have the animal adopted or rescued, court ordered, or for medical reasons, some of the animals have been in the shelter for over two years. For the last three months, we've been able to, with the help of King George Animal Rescue League, get 14 dogs and 53 cats rescued. Through the efforts of our animal control officers, we were able to get 19 dogs adopted and 24 dogs returned to their owners. Seven cats adopted and 11 returned to their owners. As of last week, we had 20 dogs in the shelter with three kennels open. 15 cats in this shelter with 24 kennels open Tonight, I want to assure you that we are not a primary kill shelter, but there are times when euthanasia is performed as an absolute last resort. So that will conclude my report on the shelter, and I'll try to answer any questions if you have any.

0:46:22.0 Mr. Collins: Questions.

0:46:23.1 Ms. Cupka: Mr. Chair? Not really a question. I just want to thank you Sheriff Giles for coming out and providing this information. I did reach out to you after the last budget work session because I was approached by a constituent that had some questions and we had heard from outside agencies with a request for support for animals. So, thanks very much for bringing us the information. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

0:46:45.0 Mr. Collins: Yes Ma'am. You're welcome.

0:46:48.2 Mr. Collins: Sheriff. Yeah, I, some folks have approached me too about whether King George is a no-kill shelter and, I didn't have a good answer for them because I didn't know the

answer. So, it's a no-kill shelter unless it's, medical or a court order, basically, then.

0:47:05.9 Sheriff Giles: No. It is, not a primary kill shelter. If we've exhausted every means, or the dog is aggressive to have the dog adopted then and we're overcrowded, then we're forced to euthanize. But at this time, because of the efforts made by King George Animal Rescue and my staff at the pound we're able to not be overcrowded. And that's the total goal that we have in the animal shelter, is to get them in. If we can't find the owners, the proper owners for them, then we get them rescued and we work, I feel we work rather well with King George Animal Rescue League, but we also partner with other rescue leagues around the Commonwealth to get them rescued.

0:47:51.9 Mr. Collins: SPCA came and did a segment in our budget work session, and they spoke about.

0:47:58.4 Sheriff Giles: Yes, sir.

0:48:00.4 Mr. Collins: That they could provide medical assistance. And I was hoping we could reach out to those folks and take advantage of that.

0:48:07.9 Sheriff Giles: I can let you know, Mr. Collins, that I spoke to my director at Animal Control, and they have no contact with Fredericksburg SPCA.

0:48:16.9 Mr. Collins: Okay.

0:48:17.4 Sheriff Giles: The only time that they've had contact with them is when they've chipped a dog or an animal and reached out to them to see if they would come pick the animal up. And sometimes they have and sometimes they haven't come and pick the animal up.

0:48:29.4 Mr. Collins: Do you know offhand why that dog is there for two years? What is his, what's the dog's problem or what's the, what's the issue?

0:48:36.5 Sheriff Giles: It's, they just, people just don't want to adopt it. It's getting up in age now. It has no medical problems, and it is adoptable as far as being family friendly and what not, but people just have not adopted it.

0:48:50.4 Mr. Collins: Thank you. Is there anything else? Dog food?

0:49:03.9 Mr. Collins: I was thinking about adopting another dog and that's why I was asking. But... Hey, thank you. I appreciate It.

0:49:08.2 Sheriff Giles: You're more than welcome to come on down and adopt every single one I've got there.

0:49:12.4 Mr. Collins: Then you'd be at my house. Noise complaint.

0:49:16.6 Sheriff Giles: Incredible. Thank you.

0:49:20.7 Mr. Collins: Thank you. We have someone here from the treasurer's office.

0:49:25.9 Treasurer's Office: Good evening. I'll be reading the monthly receipts and expenditures for the month of March. The beginning balance was \$38,234,921.86. The receipts were \$22,195,478.52, with disbursements being \$23,326,115.54 for an ending balance of \$37,104,284.84. And this has been reconciled with the general ledger.

0:50:11.1 Mr. Collins: Thank you. Any questions? Chris, thank you. Thanks for coming. I appreciate it.

0:50:15.4 Treasurer's Office: Thank you.

0:50:17.0 Mr. Collins: Next would be the report of the County attorney and Ms. Lackey. Could you address the opioid while you're doing your report, please?

0:50:25.5 Ms. Lackey: Sure. I can address briefly, and Ms. Hahn could address the amount of funds, but surely the amount the County is going to receive is not going to approach a million each year of the settlement agreement. There are substantial funds, but not nearly that substantial, and there's no allocation yet. There's no proposed expenditure for the funds. There was a presentation at the last meeting of a possible partnership, with some of the other communities and to go through the Rappahannock Area Community Services Board to perhaps enhance some services, too, the population affected by opioids. But their committee, which Mr. Miller is also a part of, kind of an informal committee of stakeholders will be bringing some proposals to you, but nothing currently involves, pyramid or really any other private provider. The current partnerships we're looking at are public agencies. And supervisor Binder brought up a request for use of the County Seal. I believe Mr. Miller is prepared to respond to that in his remarks. If there is a consensus of the board to grant a license to the Historical Society, Jessica Washington has prepared a document that could effectuate that. And, in brief, I did want to mention that yesterday actually... Yeah, it's just, yesterday I began the Legal Food Frenzy, which is a campaign that's chaired through the Bar Association's and the Attorney General's office. It raises funds for food banks throughout the State. It's a friendly competition between both public and private law firms or agencies. So if anyone wants any more information about that, please let me know. I'm happy to take donations to the Fredericksburg Food Bank if I receive them before the 28th of this month. Thank you.

0:52:31.7 Mr. Collins: Any questions for Ms. Lackey? No questions. And we are moving on? There's no board commissioner's agency reports or no public hearings, presentation and reports, Sheetz-to-Sheetz. Mr. Chalkley, come on up.

0:52:51.7 Mr. Chalkley: Thank you, and welcome back, Mr. Collins.

0:52:53.6 Mr. Collins: Thank you.

0:52:54.1 Mr. Chalkley: I'll be as brief as I can. I want to give you an update on the economic impact and the return on investment, both yours and mine, for the latest Sheetz-to-Sheetz, Trail Run. Thank you. All right. So, we'll start with some numbers. Two charts here in the blue. It shows, and many of you have seen this, the growth and maturity of this event over the years. So, you see, we started from just a handful to 350. It sold out in less than 24 hours, and we had over 50 people on the wait list. So, it has grown very fast. That is the cap. So, you'll see the chart starts to level off. There's only so many people we can put on the trail and put in a Sheetz store, honestly. So, I think 350 is the limit. The green chart shows the corresponding increase in charitable donations, as well

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as the numbers going up. We were able to give over \$4,400 this year to local charities and it all stays local, and that's \$15, \$16,000 total, over the last five, six years. Okay, so I won't go over this, but this is just a snapshot of the various components, investments and so forth. Over the years... And this year, I'll say this is the first time that the whole vision came together. We were blessed with beautiful weather, unlike last year, and many of the things that we had planned last year that we couldn't do, it all came together this year. I sent you each a link to a four-minute video if you... I encourage you to watch that. You'll see, I think that it really came together. This here in red. There were three items that were funded through a tech grant. So, I want to go through those real quick. Mr. Dines, oh, sorry, I've got [laughter] so number one is the goal of outreach and advertising. So, I advertised the Richmond marathons. Perfect timing there in, and right before, I open registration. We had an RBA to KG campaign. And I think by any measure, it was very successful. You'll see the 20... This is the heat map showing where people came from locally, last year versus this year. So, you can see many, many, of the runners were from the Richmond area. Two thirds of the runners this year were first timers. They had never been here before, or never done the race. Just lots of good vibes, lots of good word of mouth, even in Richmond, run clubs and the Richmond-based run stores as well. So, I think that worked very well. The second item is related to safety. So now this one didn't go as well, honestly. So, we had a good plan at the top there. We had plans for... And what the money was for was to hire a professional traffic management company, out of Richmond. And they were going to lay cones down route, down King's Highway, for a running corridor and then block off a lane of common, until we can get to the trail. So that was the plan. And the biggest snag of the race day was, a flat tire of all things grounded this traffic transportation company, they literally showed up at the last minute. But through, superhero efforts of volunteers, the sheriff's office helped quite a bit. And I believe the Virginia State Police helped as well. We improvised in the last 30 minutes, and I called upon all able-bodied volunteers to line up, route three there and help with traffic. And it turned out well. And I've got a couple pictures here of the race. And the last one, and probably the one I'm most proud of is... It has to do with environmental stewardship and sustainability. So, you might remember, and I was here before talking about couples racing. And what that ended up with was, I purchased these cups. So, in a normal race, you end up with hundreds, maybe thousands of disposable cups and bottles that end up in a landfill. So instead of that, this year, I made the bold move of going completely cup-less. So, I gave everybody one of these. And they're collapsible. You just put it in your pocket, and take it with you, and bring it out at the aid station. And I think it worked very well. So many of you probably know Mr. Warren Veazey is there in the picture and his dog Sailor. They clean up the trail after every event. And I thought it was very telling when he said that Sheetz-to-Sheetz was the largest event ever hosted on the trail, but also generated the least trash. So that was very affirming of that change of the change we had to make to processes and equipment and training volunteers so that there weren't bottlenecks. Hydra Pak by the way, that's the company that makes these, these are the bestselling speed cups. They liked the story. They picked that up and shared it nationally through their social media accounts. And they never do that. If you look at their accounts, they only talk about their products and so forth. So, this really resonated with them. And, we have a great relationship with Hydra Pak. And we have enough of these cups left over to do that one more year to include it in the registration for next year with this year. And lots of local engagement as usual. You see the sponsors and the various partners. And I'll just highlight a couple. Again, we hired the school buses from the drivers and that worked out perfectly. It works out very well. And then we also had returning, we had the enlisted association from the Joint Warfare Analysis Center and various other organizations. We had King George, Junior ROTC group Color Guard from the high school lined up. But, again, two years in a row, something just didn't work out with scheduling because of the spring break. So hopefully we'll get them out there next year. So, this event is all about showing 350

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people a great time. I think we did that, but it's also, at the end of the day, we want to make money for King George. We want to promote King George. So, I'll try to touch upon the local economic impact. I do as much as I can to shop locally. I could save a lot of money by buying shirts online, but I appreciate what Sign Works does and I go through them. We have a great relationship, and then I will hire, wherever I can these various services, restaurants are kind of a mixed bag or maybe more accurately to say I'm not sure how it went because the only volunteer position I was unable to fill was a restaurant liaison, somebody to be at the various restaurants after the event and take pictures and see how it went. So honestly, I don't know how many people went to our restaurant, partners afterwards at IHOP and Wendy's. Lodging that's still a problem area. And you might remember last year I mentioned that, if anything, it's gotten worse. So, there's five hotels within walking distance of the finish line. And I didn't get any cooperation from any of them. Most of them wouldn't talk to me, and then the rest... They did not give me a hotel block of rooms. They would not give me a discount. They would not join the restaurant... I'm sorry about the hotel program. So, I'm not sure how to break, how to fix that. Despite that, our best estimates, and this is from the surveys of people as they were coming to Pack a Pickup, we asked, "Hey, are you staying local?" Our best guess is 25 to 35 hotel nights were generated by the event that's, our conservative, estimate despite, not promoting it and not having any reservations, that sort of thing. So, I don't believe Mr. Minor is here, but maybe I can work offline with him because unless he has some magic bullets, that whole effort that I put into the hotel program just is not worth it. And it's a lot of work for no gain, unfortunately. And I do want to highlight three businesses. Three partners. Some of them are new or some are in expanded relationships. So, Highmark Brewery, they're new to the county, of course. A great relationship with them. We took part in several of their promotions here soon. And if you go to visit the King George location, you'll see our finisher belt on display behind the bar. So just a great partnership there. C&F Bank was new for us this year. They came out and not only provided those green drawstring bags for all the finishers, but they also brought four volunteers. And that was very well received. And Bayside Auto they've been great partners, for several years now. This year they expanded it and even added a parking shuttle, so that was very popular. So, we used racecheck.com. It's a UK based company, think of it as Yelp for running events where people rate the event. And after... So, for two years in a row, we've earned their highest award, their gold award. Right now, we're sitting at with a rating of 4.92 out of five, the sixth highest rated off-road running event in the entire world. So, we're very proud of that. They are also, like I said, UK based, they're mostly across Europe. They have thousands of races. They're trying to get their foot in the door with the US more. And they're interviewing me later this week where I get to tell this story again to them. And they'll share it through their processes. So again, it's just a great recognition and great visibility for the county. I also... Separately, I do a survey, and these are some of the rights in comments. Those are the most telling, I think... And I'll let you read those. The one that jumps out at me the most probably is the top middle, it talks about having a laser focus on a top notch, and one of a kind running events. And that's exactly what I've been trying to do and hopefully the message you've seen over the years, trying to be unique, have some unique features and be very professional at the same time. There were a few areas where we didn't hit the mark. Things like, and of course we need more Porta-Johns. And that came across loud and clear. We ran out of some food at some of the aid stations a little early. I mentioned that the parking shuttle that Bayside provided was well received, except that a lot of people didn't hear about it. They didn't read the emails, and we didn't promote it enough, so. But the good news is all those things are easy to fix. So, there are no major problems other than the traffic situation and I've already got a lead on a different company for that. So I believe we're bringing a lot of good attention to King George. We're using #RunKG the demand is certainly greater than the supply to the point where word of mouth has really taken over. I'm not sure I'll have to advertise much at all this coming year. We've got 1200 plus followers on

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social media so come midnight Black Friday is when registration opens. You know, we've got hundreds of people across the Mid-Atlantic clamoring to get in. So, it's, we're at that point where we wanted to be when we started this journey a couple years ago. I mentioned the national exposure, Hydra Pak, they picked up that story in fact they're sending us some equipment, some pitchers and so forth to help with the couples racing and Tuff Mutts. So, we're one of the most dog friendly events around, races around. Most events you might see a couple of dogs, or they're not allowed at all. I go out of my way to promote dogs, they get their own finisher bags, they have their own treats at the aid stations and so forth that really resonated with Tuff Mutts, their national company. They sent us a lot of free stuff to give out to me of our K9 athletes as well. I mentioned international attention from Race check. The rail trail has been a big hit. If you read the right in comments on the survey, I think a trend I see is that we tend to take that amenity for granted. you read a lot of comments about people saying, you know, "I came from wherever, Northern Virginia, because we don't have trails like this. We don't have, I can't just go up my backyard and be completely secluded." DRHT is always a big hit in the survey. And then in general, I think, again from the survey, the reputation is starting to center around being dog friendly and inclusive certainly being fun, affordable, and environmentally responsible. those are things we're starting to be known for. And the one I'm promoting and pushing is the story of public-private partnership and the help I get with the tech grants and hopefully we'll see that I'm putting that to good use and getting a good return on the investment. The last note I want to make is on affordability. I believe there may have been a question or comments a couple meetings ago about local races and their prices and affordability. And I'll let you read all the data there, but the data shows that, two things. One is my price is much lower than most comparable races. And again, we're talking half marathons and above. You can't really compare a 5K fun run and all the logistics involved with something like a point-to-point trail run. I always do surveys and update. Of course, I have a spreadsheet for this. I have a spreadsheet for everything. Update my numbers, and I stay well below the average. Then also I give away a lot more than just a cheap T-shirt and a medal. Everything I give away from these cups to name brand shirts is valued at, I estimate over \$40. The average price anybody pays is \$66 this past year, if you went and looked in February or March, you might have seen an advertised price of \$85 or something crazy like that but nobody pays that. That's the ramp price, every race has that. I sold out well before the first price increase ever happened. I don't expect any big changes for next year, it's more about tweaking things and keeping doing the things that work well. I might try to work on diversity again. Didn't get too much reception last year, but I can work on that a second time. And lastly, almost 2000 pictures online all sorts of pictures, videos, like I said that is it and I'll take any questions you have.

1:07:31.2 Mr. Collins: Any questions, comments?

1:07:34.3 Mr. Stonehill: Not a question, but just thank you for coming out to Great Race. I mean, I hear a lot about it and when you're running through it, I checked out your Racecheck.com and like you said, it's just one positive comment after another about the race. I meet a lot of people who hear about King George because of the race, and I just never realized how big it's gotten, but it's obviously, I mean, really, really grown. Thank you and thank your whole crew and everything and especially Sheets as well and we're looking forward to next year hopefully you'll arrange some good weather like we had this year.

1:08:19.6 Mr. Chalkley: Hope so.

1:08:21.9 Mr. Collins: Great Ms. Binder.

1:08:25.1 Ms. Binder: Yeah, in my role as a coach, I meet a lot of people that do these fun runs and one of the things that I've heard more and more, you need to have more opportunities because it is very, a lot of people like it and making it cost effective, but I want to put it, and then those, are they reusable?

1:08:41.3 Mr. Chalkley: They are. And I will leave one of these for each of you.

1:08:43.6 Ms. Binder: I mentioned it before because that's a cool idea. Running many races, myself and gave out water with the Cross-Country team. There's a lot of cups that are thrown on the ground, yes, there are. It's cool to hear that, that is available, thank you.

1:08:57.3 Mr. Chalkley: And Ms. Binder, in your comments you mentioned sports tourism, I think you called it. That's exactly what we're pushing for here.

1:09:07.2 Mr. Collins: Thank you, Mr. s. Cupka.

1:09:07.8 Ms. Cupka: Thank you Mr. Chair, Mr. Chalkley, thank you very much for your presentation and another very successful event. I did have a question about the traffic management vendor.

1:09:18.6 Mr. Chalkley: Yep.

1:09:19.2 Ms. Cupka: Did they get paid?

1:09:20.8 Mr. Chalkley: They tried to get paid, they sent me an invoice. And I overwhelmed them with a four-page response, and they backed off so no.

1:09:27.2 Ms. Cupka: Thank you for that, will you be returning those funds to the TAC fund?

1:09:31.5 Mr. Chalkley: I think what I need to find a new vendor for next year and put it towards that is my plan.

1:09:39.1 Ms. Cupka: You need to ask permission from the TAC to do that.

1:09:41.5 Mr. Chalkley: Okay, Mr. Minor.

1:09:41.8 Ms. Cupka: Yes, you must get, Mr. Minor, we ask if you can defer the funds or carry over the funds till next year. And then I would also remind you that in the past for different events, TAC funds have also been used to support rental of Porta Johns. If you need more of those, you might want to consider that for a future request nice job, thanks very much.

1:10:06.1 Mr. Chalkley: Came through loud and clear on the survey. Mr. Collins, if I may, I'll bring you extra cups.

1:10:12.4 Mr. Collins: Okay, could you give Mr. Danson, thank you so much. It was good to hear from you and good to hear all the successes and your, the feedback that you need work on seem very easy to take care of, thank you.

1:10:32.6 Mr. Chalkley: Thank you.

1:10:33.1 Mr. Collins: Thank you, for putting us in the public image. Department of Fire and Rescue resolution to adopt the regional hazardous mitigation plan.

1:10:47.7 Chief David Moody: Mr. Chairman, I too want to welcome you back.

1:10:53.1 Mr. Collins: Thank you.

1:11:05.8 Chief Moody: Mr. Chairman and members of the board good evening to you. This is a legal mandate that we have a disaster hazard mitigation plan. This is one of the emergency plans that we team up with our regional Planning Commission as a joint initiative between all plan, all localities and plan District 16. These are updates that were made to that hazard mitigation plan. And the action tonight is to approve the resolution that you have in your packet as presented to adopt the GWRC Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 update. I believe you have a copy of the executive summary and your board packet. And happy to answer any questions.

1:11:52.0 Mr. Collins: Any questions, see no questions, any motions?

1:11:56.7 Ms. Cupka: Mr. Chair, I'll move to adopt the resolution to adopt the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 update as presented.

1:12:06.0 Mr. Stonehill: Second.

1:12:08.1 Mr. Collins: We second, any discussion? All those in favor?

1:12:12.4 Mr. Stonehill: Aye.

1:12:13.6 Ms. Cupka: Aye.

1:12:14.8 Ms. Binder: Aye.

1:12:16.1 Mr. Collins: Aye. Thank you, chief passes unanimously. Next one is Fire and Rescue Resolution to authorize the county administrator to execute a purchase agreement for the acquisition of Real Property, for the proposed relocation of Dahlgren Fire Rescue Station. About time.

1:12:33.1 Chief Moody: Yes sir, I agree. And I'm very excited too that this item is on your agenda packet tonight. This has been a long time in the making and I'm glad we can finally talk about it in an open forum. And just to bring people up to speed that may be watching via internet television and our members of the public that are in the audience. For many, many years we have been seeking to find suitable property to replace and to expand our fire and rescue mission. Our company has two stations in the Dahlgren District. This station currently is on Route 206, we are currently and have been for many years operating out of two separate buildings. We have the fire station, and we have the old rescue station. It's no secret, our county is growing, our mission and our demand is growing. And having the need for a new company for the Fire and Rescue Station in Dahlgren is inherently important. This property is a relationship and a partnership. We have been working with Oakland Baptist Church on for over three-year period. I know I was working on it prior to Covid.

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We finally were able to reach an agreement on this property. And this is going to serve the county and the Dahlgren District for many years to come. Just to orientate people. Where this is, this is over 3.15 acres on the corner lot of Windsor Drive and Route 301. It's right east of the Four Seasons Daycare. It's the open lot between the Four Seasons Daycare and Route 301. There's a lot of strategic advantages to having a fire and rescue station there. Happy to answer and to dive into this even deeper the recommended, action would be to authorize the resolution that you have in your board packet for the county administrator execute a purchase agreement for acquisition of real property, for the proposed relocation of the Dahlgren Fire and Rescue Station, and to take the necessary finance actions that Mr. Miller read earlier in the amendment to the, that's in your board report. And just to highlight I think Mr. Miller said 125 specifically should transfer \$125,000 so I believe that is in your, the way it's stated in your board report, and I'm happy to answer any questions that you may have.

1:15:42.8 Mr. Collins: Ms. Binder.

1:15:46.8 Ms. Binder: Can answer this because this was a controversy many, many years ago, even before I was on the board. This is a willing seller for the property, correct?

1:15:57.4 Chief Moody: Willing seller and we have developed a great partnership with the church and their leadership team. But this is a yes, most certainly a willing seller and is not any type of government domain or imminent domain issue.

1:16:18.1 Ms. Binder: And then the last thing, as we know with this fire station and, the design is transferable to a possible station four in Shiloh district it's made to have to put a ladder truck in it and in a helipad, correct?

1:16:32.2 Chief Moody: Yes, ma'am, that is correct.

1:16:34.8 Ms. Binder: Which is vital down there.

1:16:36.7 Chief Moody: Absolutely, and that's a current site we use typically in Dahlgren for when we must land a helicopter from time to time.

1:16:44.5 Ms. Binder: And the site makes perfect sense. It's in a good location and it'll serve that area well. Thank you to you and your team for many long negotiations.

1:16:54.5 Chief Moody: Yes, ma'am, thank you.

1:16:57.5 Ms. Cupka: Mr. Chair, I have a motion, I move to adopt the resolution to authorize the county administrator to execute a purchase agreement for acquisition of real property for the proposed relocation of the Dahlgren Fire and Rescue station, and move to fund the amount of \$353,000 by the following transfers or re-appropriations one transfer \$125,000 from project 4-302-094133-8212 for EMS facilities to 4-302-094131-8212 for fire EMS fire station replacement, and further to appropriate an additional \$133,000 from CIP to 4-302-094131-8212 to complete the acquisition of the property.

1:18:05.8 Ms. Binder: Second.

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1:18:07.0 Mr. Collins: Properly second, any discussion?

1:18:10.0 Mr. Stonehill: Mr. Chair? Ms. Lackey, is it alright, we do it all in one or do we need to do the first resolution and then the second separate?

1:18:19.8 Ms. Cupka: I think that we can combine them into one motion.

1:18:24.6 Mr. Stonehill: Okay, that was my question.

1:18:26.1 Mr. Collins: Chief, what was the total price of that property?

1:18:30.4 Chief Moody: The total price of the property is \$340,000.

1:18:36.4 Mr. Collins: That's \$340,000 for a spot on 301 and a major intersection. Okay, thank you. There's no more discussion, all those in favor?

1:18:48.0 Ms. Binder: Aye.

1:18:48.5 Ms. Cupka: Aye.

1:18:48.9 Mr. Stonehill: Aye.

1:18:49.4 Mr. Collins: Chair votes aye, unanimous, thank you so much. Appreciate it Chief and county administrator, county attorney, getting that finally done after all these years so we can get going, thank you so much. Thank you Chief. Mr. Clark, Department of Parks and Rec wearing shorts today, huh?

1:19:19.5 Mr. Christopher Clark: Yes, sir, thank you, Mr. Chair. My apologies for my lack of formality in dress tonight, but I spent all day at Cedell Brooks Studio Park with Garden Week. Tonight, I also bring apologies from Ms. Carrie Eves of the George Washington Regional Commission, she was unable to attend tonight. She had another engagement, but I bring back to you the courthouse area bicycle and pedestrian plan that she presented on March 7th that we will use to work on our grant applications for transportation alternatives and smart scale going forward. I also bring the rural transportation work plan that Ms. Cupka mentioned in her board report on March 21st. In that plan, the courthouse plan came out of this year's rural work plan for next year. Our projects will be the park access study for Barnesfield and Wayside Park, a trail, a similar trailway's type study for the Dahlgren area, and then assistance, specific assistance where there's money budgeted for Ms. Eves and the staff of FAMPO to assist us with smart scale applications so that we get transportation behind us in making sure that we're doing things correctly and hopefully be ready and more viable as a candidate for those projects. So tonight, staff and the George Washington Regional Commission recommend that you approve both these plans as presented.

1:20:47.0 Mr. Collins: Thank you, any questions?

1:20:49.1 Ms. Cupka: Yes, Mr. Chair I do have a brief question. Mr. Clark, what I mentioned in my board report that evening was, the rural transportation work plan for next fiscal year would include an economic development a second industrial park economic development road access plan. And it's my understanding that Mr. Minor was working with Ms. Eves already on something.

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1:21:17.2 Mr. Clark: Yes.

1:21:18.6 Ms. Cupka: During this current fiscal year.

1:21:27.3 Mr. Clark: If necessary, it would just carry over. I just wanted to be clear that that's why it's a little bit different than what I mentioned last month.

1:21:28.2 Mr. Clark: That's true, I do, I should have gone back and listened to it all to make sure I had it alright.

1:21:32.2 Ms. Cupka: Thank you Mr. Chair.

1:21:43.3 Ms. Cupka: Thank you, Mr. Chair, yes. I move to approve the King George Courthouse bicycle and pedestrian plan as presented.

1:21:52.8 Ms. Binder: Second.

1:21:53.4 Mr. Collins: Motion, properly second, any discussion? No, I see no discussion. All those in favor?

1:22:03.1 Mr. Stonehill: Aye.

1:22:03.4 Ms. Binder: Aye.

1:22:03.6 Ms. Cupka: Aye.

1:22:03.9 Mr. Collins: Chair votes aye.

1:22:04.8 Ms. Cupka: And another motion, Mr. Chair?

1:22:06.5 Mr. Collins: Yes, ma'am.

1:22:06.5 Ms. Cupka: I move to approve the rural transportation work plan as presented.

1:22:12.5 Ms. Binder: Second.

1:22:13.6 Mr. Collins: Properly second, any discussion? All those in favor?

1:22:16.9 Ms. Binder: Aye.

1:22:17.3 Ms. Cupka: Aye.

1:22:17.6 Mr. Stonehill: Aye.

1:22:17.9 Mr. Collins: Chair votes Aye, thank you Mr. Clark.

1:22:20.9 Mr. Clark: Yes, just for clarity, both plans will now go to the George Washington

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Regional Commission's meeting this month and hopefully will be approved as presented as well, thank you.

1:22:30.3 Mr. Collins: Thank you. Can I ask Mr. Clark to re-approach please.

1:22:37.6 Mr. Clark: Yes sir.

1:22:37.7 Mr. Miller: No, up there, I'm sorry. Could you excuse me? I think we had some questions about Wayside Park, and could you provide an update on what the status is, what Maryland is telling us what... So, we have an idea.

1:22:53.2 Mr. Clark: Mr. Dines has an aerial shot that captain Lynn took for me and then I've added some extra parts to it as part of our CIP presentation. So, this was in front of the Planning Commission last week. Currently the access road, which is light gray is still under, not that's the bridge, there at the top, yep. That is still under the control of the Maryland department of transportation and VDOT, because they are still using that access to finish demolition. As you come down the road in the middle of the yellow rectangle, there's a fence line that is actually... That's our property line running straight up and down there, Chris. So that's our current property line. Once they are finished with all their work, we will revert to, there's a fence against the shadow of the bridge, which is kind of hard to see, that property. All that property in between those two fences will revert to us. So going forward, one of the items I have in the CIP is Planning for all the areas, all four properties that we own in that area. But as Ms. Cupka mentioned in her board report, one of the things that I'd already started some work on is the ability to be able to reopen this park as soon as possible, most likely in September. And that we need to add, fix the parking area that's there, where the yellow rectangle would be at the bottom. Right now, it's a complete mess, I have a number of pictures and video that I took, and then chief, Captain Lynn took, took aerial shots for me with the drone. And then we're also going to need to most likely figure out a way to add some angle parking there on the access road. And then as we redevelop, I've got a second step that I've kind of worked on to go around the RPA and the wetlands and the other side, but that'll be long-term Planning as we get into the capital improvement process. I am meeting on Thursday; it is this week. I think it's Thursday with Friends of the Rappahannock, Mr. Hunsinger and Meredith Keppel, who is the environmental planning with George Washington Regional Commission, where we're going to talk about some good ways that we can be environmentally friendly, both at Wayside and at Barnes Field in the way we plan things. And hopefully will qualify us for different grant opportunities as well to help us with that.

1:25:11.8 Mr. Collins: Thank you.

1:25:14.6 Ms. Cupka: Just one question. Can we get a copy of that map?

1:25:16.9 Mr. Clark: Yes.

1:25:19.7 Ms. Cupka: Thank you.

1:25:20.0 Ms. Cupka: Mr. Miller. I'll have him send it out.

1:25:28.6 Mr. Collins: Thank you.

1:25:31.3 Mr. Clark: You're welcome.

1:25:34.8 Mr. Collins: Miller?

1:25:35.3 Mr. Miller: Yes, sir. So, I guess reference to Pyramid Health, as you recall, the board of Supervisors had asked that Mr. Granger set a lender in which he did. And we did hear back, and you do have a copy of that. We've got a response that was addressed to Mr. Granger specifically and then was copied to Ms. Hall, and essentially, they attempted to answer a number of those questions. I think I would just reserve it for Mr. Granger to see if he's satisfied with the answer. They obviously point out the kind of facility that they're going to operate. I think you can read it for yourself. You know again, there's no specific requirement that they had to answer. I think they provided some information to address some of the questions that I believe Ms. Ditz had and possibly Ms. Clark as well that we forwarded to them. I will tell you this and I understand it won't be received very well with the community, but I understand that they have refiled, or they've started their process and they've paid their money. And so now the community development staff will begin the process of going through their application, their site plan. Ms. Hall did indicate to me that there are still some inconsistencies that they're working through with them, so we'll keep you posted on that. Mr. Bryce Young, our principal engineer with the county engineering department followed up the meeting that we held back in March on the 30th with the citizens. He indicated, sent a letter to the engineering firm that is representing the Pyramid folks, asking specifically for information about the water concerns that some of the citizens have to date, we have not received anything, but again, I don't, it's not required that they answer it. However, obviously as a good neighbor, you know it'd be nice to get that information. So as soon as we get that information, we will pass that on to you. Okay, so to-do list, you have in your package just the capital projects, again we're going to do the front end of the month, we're going to do the non-capital items, which include a number of the items like ordinances and policy discussion type issues and things like that. We'll have that on the first meeting of the month, and then we'll do the second meeting of the month we'll reserve for the capital projects. There's a number of items that are on there that will come off or removed into the complete column. Obviously, Cedell Brooks Park Pavilion, which is very nice and, and Mr. Clark did a great job working with the contractor on that. And so that is complete. The new courthouse, obviously that's ongoing. If you've not had a chance to go down there, be happy to let you get close. I know you must get a helmet if you... Or a hard hat if you get on site. But we will get them to come back and do another kind of update here soon. But again, that's ongoing. There's a number of projects that are capital related that are related to the service authority, and that's by virtue of the fact that Bryson and Mr. Quesenberry are working with them on those projects as the engineering reps. And so, there's a number of those that are updated, as well. But if there's any questions about any of the capital projects, let me know.

Just a reminder of your meeting schedule over the next couple of weeks and month we have a joint meeting next Tuesday, and that'll be here in the boardroom. I believe it's at 6:00 PM is that correct Mr. Dines? Jaci, is that correct? 6:00 PM with the Planning Commission. And that, again, is to go over the work that the Berkeley group is doing on the zoning overhaul. And there's two meetings scheduled. The other one would be on May 30th. Same time in the boardroom. Your budget meeting. There is a budget meeting scheduled for 6:00 PM here in the boardroom this Thursday. And then we have one scheduled for the boardroom here on the 27th. I think that it's important to note that right now you have three competing budgets at the state level with the governor's proposed budget. You have the Senate's proposed budget, and you have the house's proposed budget. It's a realistic possibility. You won't have a budget at the state level, especially related to education, until June. And so, I think we're going to talk about some scenarios and what do we do. How do we as a

county move forward? I know there's several counties that have already adopted their budget now, I'm assuming they'll probably come back and amend it in some fashion. But that's one of those options that we can discuss but because I know it most dramatically affects the schools, and I think that's the one that we obviously just need those answers. Hopefully we'll get some fraction and they'll be able to get this resolved. Another item on there is just an information item. Community development will be doing their process of sending out the septic system, pump out notices that they do. If you have a septic system, you either need to kill it or have it pumped out. And this is like every five-year requirement. It's by virtue of the Chesapeake Bay Act. And the Community Development Department is the administrator of that. The other item that I had was and Ms. Lackey and Ms. Binder had talked about it. Originally, I was going to have this item on there was the Historical Society's request to use the logo. It's my understanding, and it goes back to when Mr. Britton was your county attorney, that he was able to get it trademarked and protected. But there were never really any regulations or any kind of procedures or any kind of process that goes through it. I think Ms. Lackey indicated that her assistant Ms. Washington is developing a kind of a form. So really, I think in lieu of any kind of procedures being put together the best approach would probably be to have a motion where you're approving the Historical Society uses of it and let them work with Ms. Lackey in terms of any forms or anything like that. And I think it just keeps it pure and that isn't something that we're just like letting anybody use. It should be something that comes before the board. I think the contemplation that Mr. Britton had at the time was that it could be approved by the county administrator. I don't have a problem with that, but I think it would be best if it comes before the board like you already do with other aspects of it, but that's not my decision. It would be yours.

1:33:28.3 Mr. Collins: Are you concluding your report?

1:33:33.6 Mr. Miller: Yes sir.

1:33:36.3 Mr. Miller: Oh, I'm sorry. You do have employee anniversaries. So, Vic Mason is at the top of the list. Lieutenant Govan as well just with the years of service. So, if you see him, Vic thank him. 29 years.

1:33:57.0 Ms. Binder: Mr. Collins.

1:33:57.8 Mr. Collins: Go ahead.

1:33:58.6 Ms. Binder: Can I entertain a motion?

1:34:01.1 Mr. Collins: Yep.

1:34:01.8 Ms. Binder: I'd like to make a motion to allow the King George Historical Society to use our county seal.

1:34:17.8 Mr. Collins: There a second, no second motion fails.

1:34:26.8 Ms. Cupka: Mr. Chair, may I make a comment about that.

1:34:28.8 Mr. Collins: Yes, ma'am.

1:34:29.2 Ms. Cupka: So, it's not that I don't support their use of it, but I would like to see some parameters or guidelines for how they could use it so that we can hold everyone to the same standard. Because there will be other groups that come forward who want to use the county seal, like if they get tourism money and they want to put it on their brochures or their signs or their posters or whatever, or their giveaways, this kind of thing. I would like to see some standards so that we treat every... We're consistent in how we treat every group that wants to use it. That's my only hesitation.

1:35:13.3 Ms. Binder: Ms. Lackey, can you come up with some kind of more formalized form that specifies?

1:35:19.6 Mr. Lackey: Sure. Ms. Washington has done a draft that I can circulate, and you can have different parameters for people for use for nonprofit and uses for profit. In addition, the proposed draft that I can circulate again is that it would be a limited duration of 12 months unless sooner revoked. So, if you find that there is an issue or something like that it could be rescinded at some future time.

1:35:52.9 Ms. Binder: Can I ask a clarify question?

1:35:56.9 Mr. Collins: Sure.

1:35:57.0 Ms. Binder: The only stipulation I asked just to investigate for the Historical society because they've been using the logo pre-trademark going way back to their organization. So is there some way like a, an extra clause for those like the historical, I know that's a unique case.

1:36:13.4 Ms. Lackey: Another thing you can do is that you can require them to show you what their design and concept is so you know exactly what uses, if you all were comfortable with a historic usage by the historical society, that's something that could be drafted specifically for them.

1:36:33.3 Ms. Binder: Okay, thank you.

1:36:35.8 Mr. Collins: So, you're going to work on that, Mr. Miller, Ms. Lackey?

1:36:40.9 Ms. Lackey: Yes. We'll circulate a draft. I saw in the minutes that Mr. Briton had mentioned developing a form, but I can't for the life of me find one. So, Jessica's done a fine job and Mr. Miller hasn't seen the draft yet, but we'll circulate that to you all.

1:36:55.6 Mr. Collins: When do you think that'll be ready?

1:37:00.0 Ms. Lackey: So, I can certainly circulate the draft prior to the next meeting, so if you all want to include it or I can mention it in my report at the May 2nd meeting.

1:37:08.8 Mr. Collins: So, you want to include it in the next meeting census. Okay, thank you.

1:37:17.7 Mr. Miller: If I may, just one last one. So, obviously, Mr. Dines is excited about our new hire communications and community engagement coordinator because he's going to be relieved of having to put things on the website. So, but anyway Ms. Southall started on Monday and, she is absorbing herself into things and we're dumping as much information as we can on her

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so she can get ready and she's going to start reaching out and I know one of those, reach out sessions will include sitting down with you all individually and, you know, just kind of getting your ideas and perspectives about how this position can work and then what we can be doing as a county organization to, do more outreach, more, social media, whatnot, branding, all those kind of wonderful things. So, we'll have her get in touch with you.

1:38:12.0 Mr. Collins: Will she be coming to the meetings?

1:38:15.8 Mr. Miller: She will. We will have her at the May 2nd meeting.

1:38:21.2 Mr. Collins: Okay.

1:38:21.3 Mr. Miller: Or I can try to get her here at another meeting. I might see if I can get her at the budget meeting. Just to introduce herself.

1:38:29.6 Mr. Collins: My question for you, Mr. Miller is the Pyramid. So where is that regarding any opportunity for it not to be there? Is that dead?

1:38:40.6 Mr. Miller: It's my understanding that the idea, and I think it's mentioned in the letter that, the conversation that he had, I think with Mr. Stonehill, and he references that and then, of course we conveyed to them the issue of the possible land swap and things like that, that that just was not an option. That there's nothing available that they would be interested in. I think there was some discussion about the possibility of something in the proposed second industrial park, but that doesn't have water or sewer right now. And to, you know, to do all that would involve a heck of a lot. So, you know, we'll... If the board directs us, we'll continue to try to have some dialogue with the CEO. But it appears that the idea of property swaps or property acquisition is just not available, I don't believe. And I think Mr. Granger would conclude that as well.

1:39:46.1 Mr. Collins: Would there be a consensus of the board to give it one more shot?

1:39:58.5 Ms. Binder: My only question on that is for land swap must be County owned land, correct. Can't afford to force a private citizen to Swap.

1:40:08.7 Mr. Miller: Right. Unless there's somebody willing to come up. But I think that avenue, I think Mr. Stonehill had tried that, and I don't know if that went anywhere.

1:40:26.7 Ms. Cupka: Mr. Collins, what would that look like? Do you have any suggestions?

1:40:30.7 Mr. Collins: Just, not just a dialogue. Just to see if we can, get over the, any of those humps, which I understand exist. Just one more shot at it, just so we can say that we've exhausted everything that we can do to help those folks down there. That's it.

1:40:50.1 Ms. Cupka: I'm not opposed to that.

1:40:56.2 Mr. Collins: Yes, Mr. Stonehill. Okay. Give it another shot.

1:41:01.2 Mr. Collins: Thank you.

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1:41:02.5 Mr. Miller: I'll talk with Mr. Stonehill, and I'll also bring it up with the chair with Mr. Granger and see how he wants to pursue it. But I do think that we can approach him. I mean you can only be told "No."

1:41:17.1 Mr. Collins: That's correct. Alrighty. Thank you. Are there any appointments to any boards or commissions? Seeing none. Motion to adjourn? No closed meetings tonight.

1:41:35.4 Ms. Cupka: I'll make a motion to adjourn to Thursday, April 20th, 2023, at 6:00 PM in the boardroom.

1:41:40.6 Mr. Stonehill: Second.

1:41:42.2 Mr. Collins: Motion properly second. All those in favor?

1:41:45.2 Ms. Cupka: Aye.

1:41:45.5 Ms. Binder: Aye.

1:41:46.9 Mr. Stonehill: Aye.

1:41:47.0 Mr. Collins: Chair votes aye we are adjourned. Thank you all. Nice to see you again.