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This beautiful red-shouldered hawk was perched not far from downtown Palmyra early Monday (Jan. 21) morning. This medium-sized forest raptor measures between 16.9 and 24.0 inches in length and has a wing span of nearly four feet. They are native to Fluvanna County, and are year-round residents of Virginia and other mid-Atlantic states. Photo and information by Otis Sowell, Jr.

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Body found after search for missing man

BY CHRISTINA DIMEO
EDITOR



The body of the man found in Lake Monticello's Tufton Pond has been identified as Steven S. Graves, 73, of Lake Monticello, according to a press release from the Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office.

The Lake Monticello Police Department (LMPD) on Saturday (Jan. 26) took a report that Graves was missing. His last suspected location was in the area of Lake Monticello's Tufton Pond, according to the release.

Deputies from the Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office and a K9 unit from the Louisa County Sheriff's Office assisted LMPD in the search. Nothing was initially located, according to the release.

Members of the Lake Monticello Water Rescue Team were called in to search the pond Sunday (Jan. 27). "An asset from the Albemarle County Police Department was also utilized," stated Capt. David Wells in the press release.

Late in the afternoon, Graves' body was located and removed from Tufton Pond.

The sheriff's office is investigating the death. The body will be sent to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Richmond for a cause and manner of death determination, according to the release.

Wells said no foul play is suspected.

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BY RUDY GARCIA, RIVANNA WOODS FINANCIAL / TAX SERVICES

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1. Keep a log. The tax code is clear on this point. You may not estimate your miles driven. You must support your claimed deduction, ideally with a detailed mileage log.

2. Create good habits. Your odometer reading and miles driven should be noted as soon as possible after the event. Keep a log book in your car and note the miles each day. Logs created after the fact with estimated miles driven could be disallowed during an audit.

3. Make thorough entries. Note the odometer readings, date, miles driven, the to/from locations, and the qualified purpose for the trip.

4. Don't lose out on the extras. The deduction for miles driven is meant to provide a deduction for fuel, depreciation, and repairs. You can also deduct out-of-pocket expenses for tolls, parking and other transportation fees. Keep a running total of these fees in the back of your mileage log.

4. Keep separate logs for each deduction. Remember you may deduct mileage for business, charitable purposes, qualified moving and medical miles. It is best to keep track of each in a separate mileage log.

5. Alternative business transportation deduction. When it comes to deducting business transportation expense, remember the miles driven method is not the only one available to you. You may also deduct your actual expenses, but how and when you make this determination is important. In the initial year of placing your auto into service for your business, it is best to keep track and record all your actual auto expenses. An analysis can then be conducted to see which method is best for you to maximize your deduction.

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Letter to editor

An elegant solution to climate change

Now that Denver Riggleman has started his term as congressional representative for the 5th District of Virginia, it's time to work with him to further the most pressing issues facing the U.S. and the world. Climate change is the game-changer for life on earth. The effects of stronger storms, droughts, and flooding will be felt across our country and around the world. Representative Riggleman has said he wants to work on bipartisan efforts and also that he believes in climate change.

The best legislative proposal on climate change before Congress is the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act. Our volunteer group, Citizens Climate Lobby, calls on the congressman to support this market-based measure to drive the

energy economy into renewables by assessing rising fees on fossil fuels and re-funding the money to American families. This solution avoids regulations, encourages job growth, and relies on the private sector. Joining the House Bipartisan Climate Solutions Caucus, an incubator of new ideas that is composed of an equal number of Republicans and Democrats, is another step Representative Riggleman might find helpful.

I encourage everyone reading this letter to educate yourself about carbon fee and dividend (www.citizensclimate-lobby.org), and write to Congressman Riggleman to welcome him as our representative and voice your support for this elegant solution to climate change.

Bonnie J. Redding
Lake Monticello

Lake board votes for phased-in dues increase

Homeowners will decide in June

BY HEATHER MICHON
CORRESPONDENT



The Lake Monticello Board of Directors took the next step toward a potential dues increase during its regular meeting Thursday (Jan. 24) night.

Following an open work session earlier this month, the directors settled on asking Lake Monticello Owners' Association (LMOA) members for a \$180 dues increase beginning in 2020.

At Thursday's meeting they voted to approve a proposal for that amount, but after some discussion, amended it to phase that increase in over a period of three years.

The original proposal requested an annual increase of \$180, with \$50 a year allocated to the roads reserve fund and \$130 a year going to the maintenance, repair, and rehabilitation (MR&R) fund.

In a discussion after the motion was read and seconded, Director Tom Braithwaite asked if the \$130 for MR&R could be split into three increases of approximately \$45 year spread out over three years.

Director Larry Cormier then asked if the whole amount could be phased in over three years, saying that it might be more comfortable for members.

Braithwaite questioned if failing to increase the roads reserve fund by the

full \$50 a year beginning in 2020 would cause issues. Director Marlene Weaver responded that "we'll be fine for three years with the reserve."

"So this is a marketing activity?" asked Director Mike Harrison. "Make the blow softer to the community?"

After further discussion, the board voted unanimously to ask the membership for a \$180 annual increase "to be initiated over a three-year period."

The board will also be asking members to vote on a separate \$50 increase, charged annually, to fund the food and beverage operations at The Pub and Lakeside Restaurant. If approved, each lot holder will receive a \$50 certificate to use at either restaurant each year.

"We're in a very unique situation here," said Director Bing Spitler. LMOA is designed so that members control the dues, and over the past 40 or more years "the members have pretty closely held the dues into a very low level."

This lack of consistent funding over the decades led to the deterioration of the community, which required significant funding over the past four years. Now that the community is more up to date, Spitler said, "we can look to the future and say, 'What do you want the commu-

Obituary

Eddie Lee Hammers, Sr.

Eddie Lee Hammers, Sr., 86, of Lake Monticello, Va., passed away on Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019.

He was born in Elkton, Va., during the worst snowstorm in Elkton's history on Feb. 22, 1932. He is the son of his late father, Frank Palmer Hammers, Jr., and mother, Virginia Mae Dean.

Eddie Hammers spent most of his youth in Washington, D.C., attended Langley High School before returning to Elkton where he graduated from Elkton High School in 1949. He immediately joined the Air Force and served as an instructor. He married his sweetheart of 66 years, Manevolin (Mandy) Otellia Meadows on Sept. 14, 1952 in Elkton, Va., where they lived and raised a family until moving to Lake Monticello in 1976.

Eddie Hammers was an RC enthusiast and enjoyed building planes as well as flying them. He was a co-founder of the Fluvanna County Radio Control Club. He worked as a field service manager

for General Electric until retiring. Through his employment and service in the USAF, Eddie was able to travel to many places throughout his life.

He is survived by his wife, Mandy, and four children: Tarie Dean (Mitchell), Cathy Sherman, Eddie Hammers II (Tina), and Tanya Toten, as well as 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 31, 2019, at Kyger Funeral Home in Elkton. Burial will follow at Elk Run Cemetery in Elkton.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Eddie will be greatly missed, but his family is comforted that his love of flying will keep him soaring with the angels.

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nity to look like?"

Failure to keep up with funding means "we're going to deteriorate right back into the same situation we were in four years ago," he said.

"I think we're all seeing a situation where people are wanting to come into this community and as they want to come into this community, they're paying increased prices on homes because this is a desirable community," Spittler said.

During public comments, a resident stated that county property values had increased 5.4 percent and the Lake only 3.4 percent, according to a report he read in the *Fluvanna Review*. The directors did not respond, as is typical during public comments.

About 40 members of the community turned out for the meeting, which extended over three hours and included reports on the Lake's deer population and several small changes to bylaws.

The next step in the process is a series of town halls to make the case for a dues increase and collect feedback from the community. The board will vote on a finalized proposal in the spring. Members will vote on this issue and the results will be counted at the annual meeting June 29.

Where do Lake dues go?

Lake residents currently pay \$861.33 in annual dues, broken down in the following manner:

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Bipartisan agreement reached on coal ash clean up

PRESS RELEASE

Gov. Ralph Northam, Virginia House of Delegates Speaker Kirk Cox, and a bipartisan group of legislators announced Thursday (Jan. 24) a historic agreement to clean up large coal ash ponds in Chesapeake City and the counties of Prince William, Chesterfield, and Fluvanna.

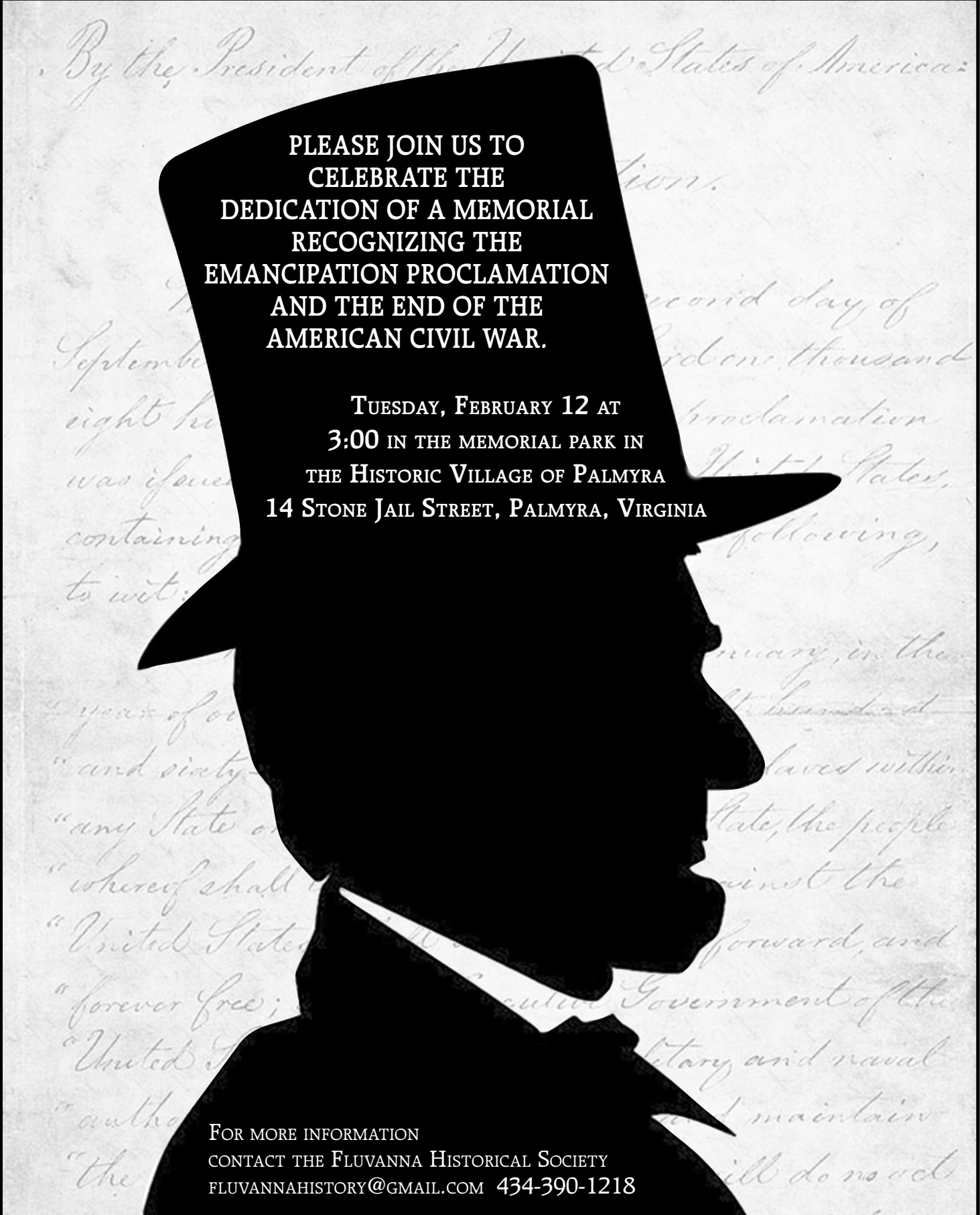
The agreement, supported by Democratic and Republican members of both the House and Senate, requires more than 27 million cubic yards of coal ash be removed from unlined ponds in areas adjacent to major waterways.

"This agreement represents a key breakthrough in preserving our natural resources and protecting water quality," said Northam. "Our effort will ensure we are disposing of coal ash in the safest, most environmentally responsible way, and I want to recognize the General Assembly and members of my team for coming together around a solution."

At least 25 percent of the ash will be recycled for beneficial use, with the remainder disposed of safely in modern lined landfills. The bill also limits the amount of removal costs that can be recovered from ratepayers in any given year, and includes language to minimize transportation impacts of closure activities on nearby communities, promote the training and hiring of local workers, and encourage further recycling and beneficial reuse.

Concerns about using an approved, but potentially inadequate, closure method for these ponds called "cap in place" led the General Assembly to impose a moratorium on closure the last two years while alternatives were explored. The recycling report released by Dominion Energy in November 2018 showed that much more of this material than previously thought is valuable for beneficial reuse, such as making bricks or concrete.

"Clean closure of these sites will reduce the likelihood of a massive spill that could devastate tributaries to the Chesapeake Bay, and remove the possibility of contaminated groundwater," said Secretary of Natural Resources Matthew J. Strickler. "We have invested too much in protecting and restoring water quality in the Commonwealth to risk a setback that we know is preventable."



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Get to know Aaron Spitzer, director of parks and rec

BY MADELINE OTTEN
CORRESPONDENT



Courtesy photo of Aaron Spitzer.

One of the biggest challenges that Director of Parks and Recreation Aaron Spitzer struggles with is the vast variety of customers he serves and trying to have a program or event that everyone can enjoy.

Spitzer has been director since 2015, but has worked with Fluvanna County Parks and Recreation since 2008 as a special events coordinator. He worked alongside the three previous directors within parks and recreation and plans to build on the success that they brought to the county while adding meaningful programs for county residents.

"We are currently working on expanding our programs to various districts within the county to try to reach as many residents as possible," said Spitzer. "I am currently working on ways to update and expand recreational opportunities at Pleasant Grove Park and around the county as a whole."

Spitzer's experiences with parks and recreation activities started when he was just 5 years old playing baseball. He played a variety of sports and lived within walking distance of the main city park in Staunton, where he spent most of his time. After going to college and switch-

ing his major, his experiences with parks and recreation as a child helped him understand that he wanted to help future children have similar experiences to his own.

Now, after 10 years of experience in the parks and recreation field, he said what helped him the most was having a will to do what was necessary to grow programs to benefit local residents.

"I took the initiative to learn and help with different roles our department has, which has allowed me to support my staff in the variety of services we provide," said Spitzer.

Spitzer has seen significant changes within the county as well as nationally. He pointed out local changes such as the renovation of the Pleasant Grove House to become a welcome center, the addition of a community garden and butterfly garden at Pleasant Grove Park, the expansion of the pens at the dog park, and two office locations instead of one (Pleasant Grove Park and the Fluvanna Community Center in Fork Union).

Nationwide, Spitzer noticed that people want to recreate outdoors more and have planned activities to do as a family. There has also been an increase

in spray parks, and technology has produced different types of apps and activities that get people outdoors more, such as Pokémon Go.

When Spitzer first started his role as director, he was surprised by the amount of meetings required for the role. While at first he found it tough having so many night meetings, he learned as time went on how to adjust to make more time for both work and family.

Spitzer enjoys a benefit as parks and rec director that many jobs don't share: No day is the same. Spitzer's usual day starts at the Pleasant Grove House Museum, and then from there, he could be at county meetings helping his staff prepare an upcoming program, or he could be out in the park working on the disc golf course or removing fallen trees from the trail. Most of the programs within the parks and recreation department are offsite, since there is no tradition recreation center, which makes it tough to have a stereotypical day in the office.

Spitzer's goal is to build a traditional, multi-generational recreation center at Pleasant Grove Park for county residents to use and enjoy.

As for shorter-termed goals, Spitzer has two planned. One is to get lights at Pleasant Grove Park for the athletic fields, and the second is to install a splash pad at the park. A splash pad, also known as a splash zone or water playground, is a recreation area for water play that has little or no standing water. This will eliminate the need for lifeguards due to the little risk of drowning. It often fitted with a safety surface and various nozzles, fountains, and features that can shower, spray, rain, and shoot streams of water.

Spitzer's responsibilities also include managing the difficulties that arise from special events at Pleasant Grove Park, in which hundreds or thousands of people attend an event. Spitzer and his team keep traffic slow and orderly while keeping open the parts of the park not being used for the event. They also strive to provide adequate programs for the people attending.

"Our team really works well together to split tasks to keep confusion problems at a minimum," said Spitzer.

In the end, Spitzer and his team find it most rewarding to provide multiple free, special events for Fluvanna residents, and to see children get out and enjoy themselves.

"Every day is definitely a new day and you never know what it will bring. My professional field is always changing and you have to find ways to change with the times," said Spitzer. "Activities that aging adults, adults and children have done in the past are changing because people now seem to want to have more things to do."

Spitzer went to school at New River Community College in Dublin, Va., and earned his associate's degree in general studies. After community college, Spitzer went to Radford and originally started with a major in communication, but then switched to recreation, parks and tourism. However, he made a transition to Concord College in Athens, W.V., where he earned his bachelor of science degree in travel industry management.

Spitzer grew up in Staunton along with most of his extended family and moved to Lake Monticello in 2006. Spitzer has two brothers: one who works for the University of Virginia as an assistant director and the other as the town manager for Pineville, N.C. On the weekends, he enjoys playing with his 10-year-old son, spending time with family, playing a variety of sports, kayaking and hiking.



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Artist explains color theory

BY PAGE H. GIFFORD
CORRESPONDENT



Fluvanna Art Association members hard at work.
Photos by Page H. Gifford.

Artist and teacher Susan Patrick discussed color theory with members of the Fluvanna Art Association at the Jan. 18 monthly meeting. Artists study color theory in art school and apply the science behind it to their work. Once they understand the concepts, they learn to play with color and manipulate it to achieve a final result in their work.

Artists learn that color is an important element in their work. Knowing color theory goes a long way in helping artists define their work. Color has a strong effect on the onlooker by creating mood. Without understanding the foundation of color and what it can do, the paintings will fall flat. Every artist wants their painting to be striking through the use of color. Even black and white, if done right, can make a profound statement.

Patrick herself uses color to make bold statements in her abstracts. Her work,

reminiscent of artist Wassily Kandinsky and other modernists of the 20th century, may be difficult for the viewer to decipher. Her watercolors are conceptual in nature but her use of color makes its own statement about the work.

Patrick began with the basics, starting with the color wheel. She explained what most artists and children know at an early age: There are three primary colors – red, yellow and blue – and all the other colors are derived from these.

She didn't elaborate on the history of color, which can be as intense and scientific as the subject itself. Those who have taken color theory in art school know the background, starting with Leone Battista Alberti in 1435 and Leonardo da Vinci in 1490, an artist who glorified the science of art. Later controversy surrounding Isaac Newton's theory of color in the 18th century, regarding the nature of the

primary colors, eventually developed into its own theory involving only minor references to the science behind it (color perceptions, spectrums and vision science).

Patrick bypassed this, focusing on the colors themselves and the magic they create, giving guidance in color mixing and the visual effects of combinations. Once an understanding of the primary colors was established, she talked about secondary and tertiary colors. Any color wheel has all this information available. Her color wheel was very simple.

"Analogous colors [colors that are adjacent to each other on the color wheel] make a good color scheme and can be soothing," she said. "Complimentary colors [opposite on the color wheel] are energizing and powerful, but are not soothing." Artists and designers are aware of the warm and cool colors. Reds and yellows are warm and blue is cool. Anything that is secondary, such as yellow-orange or blue-green, would fall into these two categories. This is important so the artist can gauge the mood of the work, such as a warm golden meadow in early morning to a portrait done in cooler

colors.

Some members had never been exposed to color theory, but with practice and further understanding they could experiment.

"A hue is mixed with another color, a tint is mixed with white, a tone is mixed with gray, and a shade is mixed with black," Patrick said. Other terms are often heard regarding color, including chroma, the intensity of color and value which is the lightness or darkness of a color. Key color is the dominant color in a color scheme. This is an important element when planning a painting.

She discussed various color schemes and had the members try it out in a simple drawing project using colored pencils. "Other than the complimentary, there is split complimentary [two colors apart on the wheel], such as yellow-green and yellow-orange with purple," she explained, "followed by a triad, for example, violet, orange and green."

Members went away from the workshop with a better understanding of the significance color can play in art and that it at the heart of every creation.



Susan Patrick instructs FAA members on color theory.

KKK flyers delivered to Fork Union area

BY HEATHER MICHON
CORRESPONDENT

Residents along James Madison Highway and Route 6 say they recently found an unwelcome surprise at their homes on Martin Luther King Jr. Day: recruitment fliers from the Ku Klux Klan.

Images of one of the flyers were posted on a local social media group on Monday (Jan. 21). Headlined "African Culture Your Are Not Taught" [sic], the racist and anti-Semitic text covered both sides of a sheet of paper and included links to the website for the Loyal White Knights of the

Ku Klux Klan (LWK).

The flyers were placed in plastic bags weighted with birdseed or small stones. Some were found in yards and driveways, while others landed in roadside ditches.

According to the watchdog Anti-Defamation League, the LWK formed in North Carolina in 2011. They are believed to have about 100 active members.

About 50 LWK members protested around the Robert E. Lee monument in Charlottesville on July 8, 2017, just a

month before the violent Aug. 12 Unite the Right rally.

The group frequently uses leafletting campaigns as a recruitment tool. Similar literature has been distributed in rural communities and small towns and cities all over the region.

In a statement released by the Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office late Tuesday (Jan. 22), Capt. David Wells said, "At this point there is no information as to who physically distributed the materials and it

appears to be a random act of hate."

"The sheriff's office strongly denounces the hateful wording in the material and all bigotry," he continued. "However, the wording itself is protected under the First Amendment of the Constitution."

Wells said the sheriff's office was in communication with the Commonwealth's Attorney's office to see if the flyers were delivered in a manner that violated any criminal laws, should the individuals ever be found.

Carter pleads guilty in arson, attempted murder

BY HEATHER MICHON
CORRESPONDENT



A Mechanicsville man charged with multiple counts of arson and attempted murder pleaded guilty Friday (Jan. 25) to 10 of 11 charges against him in Fluvanna County Circuit Court.

Cole Spencer Augustus Carter, 27, paused for some time before quietly an-

swering "guilty" to a count of arson and three counts of attempted murder. He also entered guilty pleas on five charges of violating protective orders and use of a false ID.

He pleaded not guilty to one count of breaking and entering.

In his summary of the Commonwealth's case, Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Todd Shockley told Judge Richard E. Moore that the fire was the end result of a breakup between Carter and his girlfriend.

"He did not handle the end of the relationship very well," said Shockley.

The girlfriend, who lived with her family on Miles Jackson Road in Palmyra, took out a protective order in April 2018, which Carter violated on at least two occasions, according to Shockley's summary of the evidence. As a result, he was ordered to wear a GPS tracking device.

At around 3:45 a.m. on June 3, 2018, the girlfriend's father heard "popping sounds" coming from the rear of the house. When he looked outside, the back of the house was in flames.

The homeowner got his wife and son safely out of the house before it was fully engulfed. The girlfriend was staying elsewhere that night.

Law enforcement officers soon found that Carter had cut off his GPS tracker. Due to a technical glitch, the monitoring agency did not realize the device had been removed.

Carter's mother's car was found near the scene, along with Carter's iPhone and the cap from a gas can. An empty gas container was found in the woods near the home.

Carter himself was found when he flagged down a car belonging to Sgt.

Curtis Brandon of the Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office and asked for a ride. Carter, who was covered with ticks and smelled of gasoline, gave a false name and story but was quickly identified and taken into custody.

Carter's attorney, Graven W. Craig, told the judge that Carter's family had "urged him to plead guilty to these charges."

Because a guilty plea must be voluntary and uncoerced, Moore questioned Carter at length to make sure he was entering his plea by choice.

Carter confirmed his family had encouraged his plea, but added: "I see their point of view. I agree."

With his guilty pleas, he now faces a maximum sentence of life plus 66 years or more.

A trial date was set for March 7 on the one count of breaking and entering for which he pleaded not guilty.

Craig asked the judge to order a psychological evaluation ahead of sentencing on the 10 guilty counts, saying he "suffers some level of sexual dysfunction," and that an evaluation was necessary for both treatment and possible mitigation in sentencing. Moore agreed to the request.

Sentencing was set for April 12.

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FLUVANNA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM PROGRAM



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Boys' basketball

The varsity Flucos lost a home game Jan. 18 against Orange by a score of 55-68. Next, the team had an away game at Charlottesville Jan. 22 which ended in a crushing defeat for the Flucos, with a score of 36-68. The next night, the team traveled to William Monroe where they put up a brilliant fight and brought the game into overtime before ultimately losing by a frustrating 50-52.

"I think we have a good standing. We just make mental mistakes," said junior Malachi Hill. When asked what could be improved, he replied, "Everything. The team could always improve." The team's record after these games is 2-14.

Meanwhile, the JV team took on Orange in a home game Jan. 18, which they won 47-35. The team competed against Monticello Jan. 22 in an away game that ended in a loss by a score of 41-58. The next night, they met William Monroe in a nail-biting away game which went into overtime. The Flucos pulled through and won the game by a score of 53-51.

"We're definitely getting better. We just need to work a bit harder and push harder to get more wins," said sophomore Marquel Franklin.

Girls' basketball

The girls' varsity team traveled to Orange Jan. 18 and won by a score of 57-32. The team faced Charlottesville Jan. 22 in a home game that ended in a narrow defeat for the Flucos of 57-63. "The season is going pretty well. We're playing more like a team and are much stronger than at the start of the season, thanks to the team bonding and spending more time with each other," said junior Nevaeh Ivory.

As for the JV team, they traveled to Orange Jan. 17 for an away game and won 42-24. They played a home game Jan. 22 against Charlottesville which proved to be much closer, as the game went into overtime. Ultimately, the Lady Flucos could not secure the victory and ended up losing 31-33.

Forensics

After the Jan. 12 Fluco Invitational was canceled due to weather, the team spent its time preparing for a busy stretch, including the Jan. 26 Tournament of Champions (TOC) at Fort Defiance. "We've made a lot of progress in the last week or two for the TOC. I really think we'll take the sweepstakes," said junior and team

captain Alex Pellicane.

Team newcomer Evie Benson added, "Personally, it's been a difficult season... [but] the team is also really helpful with giving suggestions. We are all one big family." After the TOC, the team is looking forward to the VHSL regional meet March 2.

ACE team

As students neared the end of their season, the ACE team came out with two more victories, including a defeat of Orange by a crushing score of 255-85, as well as a Jan. 23 win over Monticello, which both Coach Luke Divine and team captain Bayley Leyshon described as a "grudge match." The outcome of this match was in favor of Fluvanna, which cleaned up by a score of 265-155.

"It was a really good sign how well we did last week. We've gotten a lot better this year and I think we're well prepared for Regionals," said Leyshon. Overall, their record is an even 7-7.

Indoor track

At their Jan. 22 meet at Fork Union Military Academy, the indoor track team

came in first place out of seven teams, with several Flucos breaking personal records. "It's been a long season, but we've been working really hard during practices weightlifting, doing [abdominal] workouts, and focusing on our techniques," said sophomore Aydon Duenas, who competes in shot put.

Sophomore Rocco Calderone, who runs relays, said, "We've been working on a team goal to beat Louisa so we can win Districts." Their next meet is Jan. 31 at Woodberry.

Wrestling

The Fluco Invitational for wrestling was held Jan. 19 at the high school. "Most guys ended up going four and one," or winning four and losing one, said senior Ethan Vernatter. According to Vernatter, the Regional "wrestle-in" to be held Jan. 30 will determine who goes to the Regional match on Feb. 9.



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Appointments will be scheduled every fifteen (15) minutes to minimize waiting.

To appear before the Board of Equalization, please call the message line (434) 591-1903 between 9:00AM and 4:00PM. Please leave your name and phone number and your call will be returned to schedule your appointment. Meetings of the Board to hear objections will be held at the **Weaver Building** (across from the Historic Courthouse, Village of Palmyra.)

The initial dates and times beginning February 2019 through December 2019 are:

Feb 12, 1:00PM - 3:00PM	Feb 14, 1:00PM - 3:00PM
Mar 12, 1:00PM - 3:00PM	Mar 14, 1:00PM - 3:00PM
Mar 26, 1:00PM - 3:00PM	Mar 28, 1:00PM - 3:00PM

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BY ORDER OF THE FLUVANNA COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION



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PUBLIC HEARING Fluvanna County Planning Commission Tuesday, February 12, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204, a public hearing will be held in the Circuit Court Room at the Fluvanna County Courts Building in Palmyra, Virginia for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to appear before and be heard by the Planning Commission for the following items:

ZMP 18:01 Steven L. & Codie C. Peters / Colonial Circle – A request to rezone, from A-1 Agricultural, General and B-1 Business, General to R-3, Residential Planned Community, 61.95 acres of Tax Map 8, Section A, Parcel A14A. The property is located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Thomas Jefferson Parkway (Route 53) and Lake Monticello Road (State Route 618). The property is within the Rivanna Community Planning Area and the Palmyra Election District.

SUP 18:05 Steven L. & Codie C. Peters / Colonial Circle Density – A request to increase density above 2.9 dwelling units per acre with respect to 61.95 acres of Tax Map 8, Section A, Parcel A14A. The property is located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Thomas Jefferson Parkway (Route 53) and Lake Monticello Road (State Route 618). The property is within the Rivanna Community Planning Area and the Palmyra Election District.

Copies of the complete text of the above ordinances and associated plans are available for public review at the Office of the Fluvanna County Administrator during normal business hours. The public is invited to attend these hearings at which persons affected may appear and present their views. Questions or comments may be directed to Planning & Community Development Department, at (434) 591-1910.

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA

ANTHONY ROY RICCIOTTI, JR.

and

Adoption Case #19CA2

DAISYLYN DE JUAN RICCIOTTI

Petitioners

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

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And, it is further ORDERED that this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Fluvanna Review, a newspaper of general circulation in Palmyra, Virginia; that a copy of this order be posted at the front door of the courthouse wherein this court is held; and that a copy of this order be mailed to the defendant at the address shown by the aforesaid affidavit.

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PAULETTE SCHOOL RD & WEST RIVER RD		
MVC W/ ANIMAL	18:17:21	01/23/19
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HADEN MARTIN RD & SCLATERS FORD RD		

TOTAL CRASHES 6

ARRESTS

Jan. 18 at 10:50 p.m.
HOME ADDRESS: CHARLOTTESVILLE
DUI/DUID, POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA
JAN. 20 AT 11:48 P.M.
HOME ADDRESS: PALMYRA
ASSAULT AND BATTERY OF A FAMILY MEMBER
JAN. 22 AT 10:18 A.M.
HOME ADDRESS: RUCKERSVILLE
THREE CHARGES OF MANUFACTURING CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES
JAN. 23 AT 5:14 P.M.
HOME ADDRESS: FORK UNION
CONTEMPT OF COURT

TOTAL ARRESTS 4

SUDOKU

Edited by Margie E. Burke

Difficulty: Easy

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HOW TO SOLVE:

Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9; each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9; and each set of 3 by 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9.

Answers to Last Week's Sudoku:

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Pageant title
- 5 Gothenburg native
- 10 Party thrower
- 14 Workout woe
- 15 Like candles or crayons
- 16 Quite fond of
- 17 Work against
- 19 Den denizen
- 20 Call for
- 21 It may be arranged
- 23 Baby powder ingredient
- 25 Baker's need
- 26 Luxury Chrysler until 1993
- 30 Bivouac
- 33 Scand. land
- 34 Void, as a marriage
- 36 Homework helper?
- 37 Divisible by 2
- 39 Doomed one
- 41 iPhone assistant
- 42 Send to a specialist
- 44 Belly button
- 46 Restroom sign
- 47 Bone-boring tool
- 49 Replant timber
- 51 Befitting a king
- 53 Courtroom request
- 54 Out of control
- 57 Drink of the gods
- 61 Musical based on "La boheme"
- 62 Like some tumors
- 64 Unit of measure
- 65 More eccentric
- 66 Bratty talk
- 67 Genealogy diagram
- 68 Repulsive
- 69 Pony's gait

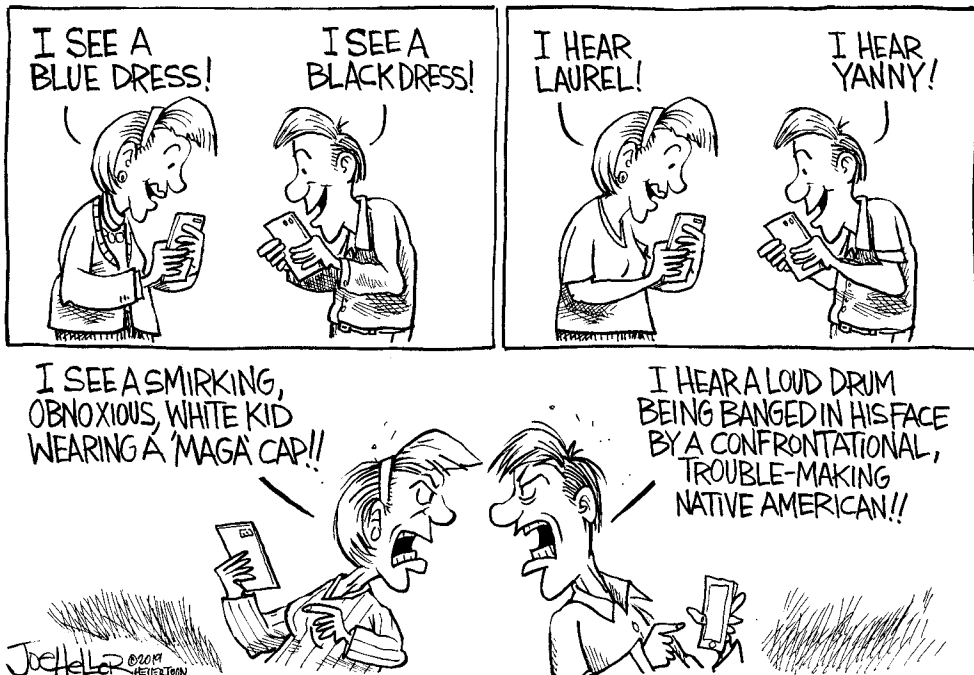
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| 2 Computer symbol | 32 Out of _____ | 52 Lavin or Blair |
| 3 Word with up or down | 35 Pivoting bar | 54 Worry |
| 4 It has 100 seats | 38 Ancient drug for grief | 55 Derriere |
| 5 Sign of an injury | 40 Petroleum plant | 56 New England fishes |
| 6 Theme of the 1968 movie "Where Eagles Dare" | 43 Temper tantrum | 58 Ski lift |
| 7 Final, e.g. | 45 Successful dieter | 59 Moreover |
| 8 Tooth trouble | 48 UN member | 60 Staff symbol |
| 9 Salad follower | 50 Get a new actor for | 63 Parrot or puppy |

Answers to Last Week's Crossword:

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State lawmakers kill legislation to protect student journalists

Former Fluvanna superintendent sides against the bill

BY SAFFEYA AHMED
CAPITAL NEWS SERVICE



Frank LoMonte, former executive director of the Student Press Law Center and head of the New Voice Initiative, expressed support for protecting student journalists from administrative censorship. Photo by Saffeya Ahmed

A legislative panel rejected a bill protecting student journalists from administrative censorship on a tie vote Monday (Jan. 28).

House Bill 2382, sponsored by Delegate Chris Hurst (D-Montgomery), would have protected free speech for student journalists in public elementary, middle and high schools, as well as public institutions of higher education.

A subcommittee of the House Education Committee deadlocked 3-3 on the bill after hearing testimony from students and faculty advisers from high schools and colleges across the commonwealth.

Kate Carson, a former writer and editor for *The Lasso*, the student newspaper at George Mason High School in Falls Church, said her school's administration censored several controversial topics the publication attempted to cover, including bathroom vandalism, absence policy abuse and a sexting scandal.

"As student journalists, we were perfectly positioned to report on these issues and separate fact from rumor," Carson said. "Instead, *The Lasso* was censored when we attempted to cover the vandalism and policy abuse. We didn't even attempt to cover the sexting scandal."

One teacher told the panel how her students' paper was shut down and she

was removed as adviser after the students published an article about renovating the school.

"We have seen an increasing number of censorship cases in the commonwealth," Hurst said. Hurst said the bill seeks to reapply the *Tinker* standard to student free speech, which was established in a 1969 Supreme Court case. This standard requires administrators to have reasons for censoring content, Hurst said.

In 1988 the *Tinker* standard was overruled in *Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier*, which specified that school administrations have the right to censor school-sponsored media if they wish.

"All this bill does is protect against what we call the 'making-the-school-look-bad censorship,' the image-motivated censorship," said Frank LoMonte, former executive director of the Student Press Law Center and head of the New Voice Initiative, a campaign network for anti-censorship laws. "Anything a school can stop you from saying on a T-shirt or ball cap, they can stop you from saying in a newspaper."

Two people voiced concerns with the legislation, saying the protections should not apply to school-sponsored speech or to young student journalists.

"We're not talking about an 18- or a

19-year-old; we're talking about possible a 14- or 15-year-old writing a story," said Thomas Smith, former Fluvanna superintendent and current educational consultant and legislative liaison with the Virgin-

ia Association of School Superintendents. "There are many instances in the code where they treat college students and post-secondary students different from secondary students."

The legislation would have protected "school-sponsored media," which includes any material "prepared, substantially written, published or broadcast" by student journalists and is distributed or available to the student body. The bill prohibited administrative censorship or disciplinary action unless content:

- Is libelous or slanderous material;
- Unjustifiably invades privacy;
- Violates federal or state law; or
- Creates or incites students to create a clear and present danger.

If HB 2382 had passed, Virginia would have been the 15th state to provide protections for high school or college journalists. Half of the states that have passed similar legislation to Hurst's bill did so in the last four years. Five other states introduced bills in 2019 to protect student



Kate Carson, a former writer and editor for her high school paper, said her paper was censored multiple times in the four years she attended the school. Photo by Saffeya Ahmed

Flucos rally for win in overtime

BY DUNCAN NIXON
CORRESPONDENT



The Fluco boys' basketball team overcame a first-quarter deficit Friday (Jan. 25) to win in overtime against Powhatan.

Although neither team has scored many wins this season, the game was a hard-fought and intense battle.

The Flucos, who hosted the game, lost the first quarter by a large margin, but outscored the Indians in the second, third and fourth quarters for a tie at 51-51 at the end of regulation.

In overtime, freshman guard Kobe Edmonds had five and senior forward Drew Pace had three as the Fluco outscored the Indians 11-8, to win 62-59.

Early in the game it looked like the Indians might coast to an easy victory. The Flucos could only manage two-point baskets by Pace, sophomore forward John Boy Rittenhouse and junior guard Ford DeVault in the quarter. The Indians led by 12 after eight minutes.

The Flucos were not deterred and they

came back strong in the second quarter. Edmonds had several steals and put in seven points, Rittenhouse hit a three-point shot and sophomore guard Chris Whittle contributed five points. At the half, the Flucos were back in the game, trailing by only four at 24-28.

In the third quarter, the Flucos turned to the long ball. The Indians made one of two from the line for a five-point lead but the Flucos scored the next six on three-point baskets by Rittenhouse and junior guard Emory Davis, which gave the Flucos their first lead at 30-29. Rittenhouse made two more three pointers in the quarter, but the Indians sank a three at the end of the quarter and led by one, 39-40, going to the final stanza.

The fourth quarter opened with Whittle making one of two from the line and Pace scoring inside on a nice pass from Edmonds. The Indians made a lay-up to tie the score at 42-42. Powhatan scored

another lay-up and Edmonds answered with a driving lay-up of his own. Powhatan again scored inside and after a Powhatan time out to ice him, Edmonds nailed two for two from the line. Powhatan scored again on a lay-in for the lead. Whittle went to the line for a one and one and calming made two free throws. Powhatan sank a three-point shot with just under three minutes remaining to go ahead by three at 48-51. The Flucos played tough defense for those last three minutes and held the Indians scoreless.

Meanwhile, the Flucos were having trouble scoring as well. Until the last seconds they generated only a free throw by Edmonds. However, as the clock wound down, Edmonds took the ball to the hoop for a lay-up to tie the score and

force overtime.

The Flucos jumped into the lead in overtime, scoring the first six points. Whittle made one of two from the line, Edmonds scored on another drive, Pace made one for two from the line and scored on a lay-up. Powhatan sank a three pointer to cut the Fluco lead in half. Coach Jason Davis called a time-out with a minute remaining.

After the time-out, Edmonds was immediately fouled and he hit two from the line. Edmond made one of two from the line and the Flucos were back up by six. Powhatan scored on a rebound and with 11 seconds remaining sank a three pointer to cut the lead to one. However, Rittenhouse was fouled on the inbound and he sank both free throws for a three-



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point lead. The Indians were unable to get off a decent three-point shot and the Flucos were the winners.

After the game, Davis said he was pleased that his squad settled down and played well after getting behind early. He pointed out that his squad has been competitive in most of its games, but has lost a lot of close ones, several on last-second shots. The team was very happy to take away a win in this close one.

Edmonds, a freshman, led the scoring with 19. Rittenhouse, a sophomore, had 16, including four three pointers. Whittle, another sophomore, contributed 10, while senior forward Pace had eight. Junior guard Davis, who is only 5 feet 10 inches, pitched in with 11 rebounds.

The Fluco season is winding down. They played at Madison County Jan. 28 and hosted Monticello Jan. 29. They will be at Louisa Feb. 1 and their final regular season game will be at home against Western Albemarle Feb. 5.



Supervisors discuss new tax

Hold shortest meeting on record

BY HEATHER MICHON
CORRESPONDENT



The Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors set a new record for the shortest regular meeting Wednesday (Jan. 23) night, with just 20 minutes passing between Chair Mike Sheridan's opening and closing gavel.

There were no public comments. No public hearings. No action items. County Administrator Steve Nichols finished his report in about five minutes.

The only vote was on the consent agenda, a group of routine items that can be approved as a single package. The agenda passed with just a couple minor

questions from members.

Under new business, Supervisor Patricia Eager mentioned the idea of instituting an occupancy or lodging tax, now that changes to the zoning regulations allow residents to offer short-term rentals through AirBnB and other rental portals.

Greene County has instituted a 5 percent occupancy tax that has resulted in \$55,000 in revenue.

"I say just leave people alone," said Supervisor Don Weaver, arguing that the problem is that they spend too much, not take in too little tax money. "We're always

looking for another dollar."

Nichols said he'd add an item to a future agenda for a more formal discussion.

And then the meeting was over.

Basically, it was the super blood wolf moon of board gatherings: a rare confluence of events that produced something unusual. (Although it should be noted that the recent eclipse lasted considerably longer than the meeting.)

There was some debate as to whether the previous record was 54 minutes or one hour.

This is not to say the board was slacking

off. It's the budget season, after all.

They first convened at 4 p.m. to hear presentations from 14 different area nonprofits, ranging from the Piedmont Housing Alliance to the Monticello Area Community Action Agency (MACAA) to the Thomas Jefferson Soil & Water Conservation District.

After that, they broke for dinner before reconvening for the regular meeting.

And following the short regular meeting, they went into a closed session, where they discuss legal and personnel matters. Board clerk Kelly Belanger Harris said in an email that session ended at 8:15 p.m.

As they continue working on the 2020 budget, supervisors will be meeting weekly for the next couple of months. "Better clear your Wednesday nights," Nichols said.

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