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School Board wrestles with budget; seeks new superintendent

BY RUTHANN CARR CORRESPONDENT

It's budget time.

Just about every meeting from the first of the year until it's finalized is filled with budget considerations: health care, staff pay, bonuses, spending priorities and district-wide needs.

This year the Fluvanna County School Board has an additional task: searching for a new superintendent. Current Superintendent Chuck Winkler will retire in June.

The Board would like to hire his replacement as soon as possible.

At Wednesday's (Jan. 20) seminar, besides budget priorities, they discussed what they were looking for in the next superintendent.

Chair Perrie Johnson (Fork Union) said 550 people responded to a survey on superintendent qualifications.

Most who took the survey were parents (56 percent) followed by teachers (24 percent) with school employees and community members making up the rest.

Johnson said most wanted to require teaching experience, a doctorate, and experience as an administrator.

Shirley Stewart (Rivanna) said at

her school district in Vermont most people wanted the same experience. One applicant had a doctorate, but it was in finance and his only teaching experience was in college.

"He was hired and was very successful," she said. "He stayed for 15 years."

Johnson said the Board could make that decision once they get the applications.

James Kelley (Palmyra) said those who don't meet the "required qualifications" could be put off from even applying.

"The onus is on us," he said. "If we say it's required it's likely some people we may like to interview might not even apply. I'm sad to be losing Chuck, (but) I'm totally for casting a wide net for his replacement."

Stewart said she just completed a training on unconscious bias that was enlightening.

"We all have them. We need to be aware of what we bring to the table," Stewart said. "Maybe (we could) share those in our group so we can check ourselves and each other."

The deadline for applying is Feb. 19. The Board will conduct interviews between Feb. 26 – March 27.

Kelley said he was uncomfortable conducting in-person interviews unless all board members agree to remain masked throughout the interview.

"I would find it highly embarrassing to have in-person interviews with Board members who don't wear masks," he said. "I'd rather do the interviews virtually. In-person interviews would expose the candidate to risk if the Board members don't wear masks."

Neither Andrew Pullen (Columbia) nor Charles Rittenhouse (Cunningham) wear masks while sitting at the table during in-person Board meetings.

Rittenhouse was not at Wednesday's meeting.

Johnson said Pullen, who is a Spotsylvania firefighter, couldn't be at the meeting because he was needed on that job.

"He said he would join us online if he was able," she said.

It wasn't clear if he did.

In response to Kelley's concern, Johnson said she would talk to Pullen and Rittenhouse. The final job posting will be made public Jan. 25, according the to the Virginia School Boards Association website.

As the Board discussed budget priorities, they again discussed a potential staff bonus this year and up to 2-percent raises for fiscal year 2022.

They are still considering a healthcare spousal exclusion that Brenda Gilliam said would save \$600,000. With that savings, the Board would likely not have to add more to the health insurance budget line.

Winkler said he's been asked how COVID-19 has affected the FCPS budget.

"(The) money from a federal standpoint has helped our system," he said, citing the \$1.2 million from the December stimulus bill. "Our plan is to use some of this money to help the academic, social/emotional needs of the students over the next two years. We'll be seeing the impact (of the pandemic) over the next two or three years."

When discussing possible future staffing needs over the next couple years, Winkler said hiring classroom teachers to reduce student/teacher ratios would have the best possible

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impact.

"I'd get class sizes lower before hiring a reading specialist," Winkler said.

The pandemic meant FCPS needed fewer staff and as a result they've saved about \$1 million in fiscal year 2021.

A "significant cost," however, has been the requirement to offer paid leave to staff who were infected or had to be quarantined because of exposure to the virus.

The Board looked over possible changes to the teacher's scale A and B

and the cost of each.

The Board will meet again at 5:30 p.m. on Feb. 3 for more budget discussions.

Winkler reported several staff members have gotten their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. He encouraged all staff to respond to the email from the Blue Ridge Health District and make an appointment to get the vaccine.

Gilliam said they are "instituting an incentive plan where staff get points for getting the first and second doses of the vaccine. They'll then be entered into a drawing for \$50 gift cards."

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Good exercised his right

Ms. Palamountain's diatribe against Rep. Bob Good (R-Lynchburg) is more than a little disingenuous (Letter to the Editor, Jan. 14 issue). Why should Good resign? Could it be because he dared to exercise his right to object to the electors of certain states, just as 31 House Democrats (who are still in Congress) have done every time a Republican president was elected in the 21st century?

The years 2001, 2005 and 2017 were when the Electoral College was certified in favor of a Republican president. In 2001 a dozen Democrats objected to electors led by Rep. Sheila Jackson and joined by Maxine Waters. Vice President Al Gore (ironically the Democratic candidate for president) had to nix their objections. Again on Jan.6, 2005 a group of Democrats led by Sen Barbara Boxer from California objected to electors from certain states that were certified for President George W. Bush. And on Jan 6, 2017 Democrats in the House objected to electors in states the GOP won. Ironically again, Vice President Biden was in charge in the Senate in 2017 and he had to repeat 11 times, "The objection will not be received" or "There is no debate in a joint session." To Rep. Sheila Jackson he said, "There is no debate. There is no debate."

Even *The Washington Post* said, "If this merits expulsion or censure, every one of the 31 House Democrats who backed objections should be out...Clearly, no one will censure members for doing what was legally within their power to do...and if censure for objection is wrong, clearly so is expulsion..."

The charge the writer makes against Good for election fraud is just more of the same. Since when does a Democrat even care how the Virginia Republicans choose to run their convention or in what location? What is certain is that Bob Good defeated the Democratic candidate in the Fifth District in 2020--and Democrats don't like it!

On a side note, saying something is so does not make it so. Check out a map of Virginia. Campbell County is near the geographical center of Virginia (which is Mt. Rush in Buckingham County.) Even Grundy is only 4 hours and 33 minutes away. Saltville is 3 hours and 21 minutes from Campbell Co. Arlington is 3 hours and 39 minutes and Virginia Beach is 3 hours and 35 minutes away. The six-hour travel time referred to by the writer would certainly put a traveler in another state unless traveling on foot or on horseback. If citizens are not familiar with Virginia geography, I invite them to get out and explore our beautiful Commonwealth.

-Sharon Rateau, Palmyra

Bob Good for patriots

It is my distinct honor to write this letter in support of Mr. Bob Good, our legally and fairly elected Congressional Representative to the House of Representatives.

At the end of our American Constitution are the 10 amendments which form the Bill of Rights. Upon my recent re-reading of this cherished document, I could not find one mention of the word 'mask.' If you are able to find it, please reply with the page number and direct quote.

Bob Good is a constitutional conservative. Those words mean that he supports the Constitution and the 10 amendments as written. Those words mean that he supports a limited federal government. The 9th and 10th amendments state that all those powers not given to the federal government belong to the states and to the people. It is worth noting that the Constitution begins with the words: "We the people!"

All the patriots who reside within the 5th Congressional District wake up every morning and thank their lucky stars that Bob Good is our representative.

All the patriots who reside within the 5th Congressional District shout 'hallelujah" to Bob Good's courageous stance for freedom of speech, freedom to bear arms, and freedom to choose a school that provides a superb educational foundation for our children and grandchildren.

In the words of the community organizer Barack Hussein Obama, "elections have consequences." Thank you, Mr. Bob Good, for being the consequence and the ethical conscience of American patriots. -Bonnie Mackey, Palmyra

Well water woes

Does it make sense to have suburban density development in rural preservation areas of the county? Referring to the (Jan. 21 Fluvanna Review) article, "Palmyra residents fear new development will deplete local water supply," some additional details are needed to understand this situation.

The proposed Ballinger Bluff project is on rural preservation land, zoned A-1. The project proposes 47 homes next to each other on .3 to .6 acres of land, each with its own well. The land is steeply sloped, sits on a granite ridge and has the Ballinger Creek running through it. The neighbors have serious concerns about this project for many reasons, but the dominant concern is availability of sufficient groundwater in the area.

In this part of Fluvanna, many of the neighbors are already having problems with wells, with wells going dry and then having to dig deeper and deeper wells or water flow is limited. For one family, if their current well goes dry, there is no other place on their property to dig a well. A horse farm sits across from this proposed project. Our family's twelve acres of land also sits across the road from the proposed development and has geological characteristics like the land for the proposed development. Using the distance of our operational well to our home, getting a working well would require two to three Ballinger Creek sized lots.

If this project were to be approved, it would have the highest density of wells in Fluvanna. The proposed Ballinger Bluff development does not have access to public water and sewer. If the project is approved, what is the responsibility of the county if neighbors' wells go dry, given the county knew beforehand the issues this part of the county is having with water? What is the value of a property if there is no water? Let's not ruin the rural preservation parts of the county.

-Kathy Swenson Miller, Palmyra



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Obituary

Douglass Henry Frazier



Douglass Henry Frazier, a quiet and deep-thinking man, departed this life on January 14, 2021 surrounded by family following a long illness. Doug was born on June 11, 1934 in Marion, VA and raised in Spotsylvania, VA.

He was predeceased by his parents, George Clark Frazier and Mary Gibson Frazier; siblings Margaret Frazier Orrock and George C. Frazier Jr.; and his first wife, Nancy Brown Frazier, joining them in their heavenly home. Doug is survived by his wife, Charleene Riva Frazier; his three daughters, Darlene Frazier Riddle (Bob), Angela Frazier Southern, and Marjorie Frazier Hogne (Johan); his four stepsons, Ed Koch (Matthew), Scott Koch (Jennifer), Steve Koch (Terri) and Geoff Koch (Dawn); and 18 grandchildren: Rob (Ashley), Shawn, Rosanna, Ashley, James, Amy (Mike), Lars, Anna, David, Rebekah, Haley, Geoffrey II, Ellen (Gabe), Caleb, Jeremiah, Juliana, Kyle, and Carly. He is also survived by his sisters, Jane Frazier Snead and Mary Ann Frazier Browne, and sister-in-law Ulrike Frazier.

Doug graduated from Virginia Tech with a Bachelor of Science in forestry in 1956. Following graduation, he married his college sweetheart, Nancy, and began working for the Virginia Division of Forestry. In January 1957, he was drafted into the Army and stationed in Verdun, France for two years. Upon discharge, he returned to his forestry position in Charlottesville. During that time, he also earned a Master of Science in Entomology from Virginia Tech. In 1969, he moved to Northern Virginia and began managing multifamily housing in the metro D.C. area, retiring in 2000.

Through his church life, he met and married Charleene in 1982. He was active at both Mt. Olivet and Cherrydale UMC in Arlington, VA, and served in the Arlington Civitans who named him the 2005 Civitan of the Year. In 2006, Doug and Charleene moved to Lake Monticello; they joined Cunningham UMC where he remained an active member. He was known at the Lake for his bridge prowess and his work on the Investment Committee. In addition to his church and civic service, Doug was an avid reader, and enjoyed singing in the church choir and watching Virginia Tech sports. Over his life, he was involved in several ventures raising and selling Christmas trees. Recently, Doug was reunited with his love for forestry when he was taken to visit the restoration of the American chestnut at Lesesne State Forest. Despite compromised health, the visit encouraged him to focus on efforts to start a test site of American chestnuts at Pleasant Grove, Fluvanna County.

We extend grateful appreciation and our heartfelt thanks to Dr. Karen Starr; his team from Hospice of the Piedmont, Amy, Melanie, and Denise; and his caregivers, Renee and Melissa.

He will be buried in a private graveside service at Holly Memorial Gardens. When it is safe to gather, a memorial service will be held at Cunningham UMC. To receive information about the memorial service, you can register for updates at www. thackerbrothers.com/obituary/Douglass-Frazier.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Douglass' memory to The American Chestnut Foundation: https:// support.acf.org/donate/tributes or to Hospice of the Piedmont: https://hopva. org/donate-online-now.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Thacker Brothers Lake Monticello Funeral Home.

Family and friends may share memories and photos at www.thackerbrothers.com



Make Preparations for Form 1099s This Year Be looking for new Form 1099-NEC!

As in most years, the IRS has made some changes to our tax related documents. This year (primarily because of COVID Relief efforts) one of those changes that can really impact you as a business owner or contractor is that they have added a new 1099 form. The 1099-NEW (Non-employee compensation). There are certain requirements for you to use these forms. Here are three tasks to consider that will make meeting your business's information reporting requirements less stressful this tax season.

• **Review your general ledger.** Even if you've already identified 1099 vendors in your payables system, review current year expenses to make sure no new or infrequent payments have been overlooked. For example, it's easy to forget that fees totaling \$600 or more paid to service providers must be reported on a Form 1099. But be careful! There is a new form this year, Form 1099-NEC. Be sure to know whether you should use the existing Form 1099-MISC or the new Form 1099-NEC.

• Verify vendor information. Check your files for up-to-date Forms W-9, the form you use to request a vendor's federal taxpayer identification number (TIN). In general, you should have Form W-9 on file for each vendor who provides services, even if the transaction is a one-time event. Why? Filing mismatched 1099 forms - where the combination of name and TIN do not match IRS records - will result in a notice, and possibly penalties. Consider signing up for the TIN Matching Program, an online service run by the IRS, so you can verify identification numbers prior to filing 1099s.

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• **Order forms.** If you plan to file paper forms this year, the copy you mail to the IRS must be on forms preprinted with scan-friendly ink. You'll also need Form 1096, the annual summary, for each type of information return you file.

2021 Retirement Plan Limits

As part of your 2021 tax planning, now is the time to review funding your retirement accounts. By establishing your contribution goals at the beginning of each year, the financial impact of saving for your future should be more manageable. Here are annual contribution limits for 2021:

Take action

If you have not already done so, please consider:

• Reviewing and adjusting your periodic contributions to your retirement savings accounts to take full advantage of the tax advantaged limits

• Setting up new accounts for a spouse or dependent(s)

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Fluco boys host Western Albemarle Warriors: Lose 57-44

BY DUNCAN NIXON CORRESPONDENT



Fluvanna loses to Western Albemarle. Photo by Duncan Nixon.

The Fluvanna boys' basketball team topped the Western Albemarle Warriors in Crozet on Saturday (Jan.16) in a close battle by a score of 65-61. Unfortunately, it was a different story when the Flucos hosted the Warriors on Jan. 22. The Warriors are tall and strong and they proved to be too much for the Flucos this time, as they won all four quarters and gradually pulled away to a 57-44 win.

The first quarter of the game was a seesaw affair. Fluco junior guard Maurice D'Alessandra had an early three-point basket and scored eight in the quarter. Senior forward John Rittenhouse had five. Those were all the points the Flucos scored in the quarter. The Flucos took a 13-12 lead late in the quarter when junior guard Kobe Edmonds hit D'Alessandra with an excellent pass for an easy lay-in. Unfortunately, the Warriors ended the quarter with five quick points for a 17-13 lead, that they never relinquished.

In the second quarter the Flucos got three-point baskets from Ritten-

house and Edmonds. D'Alessandra was fouled on a three-point shot and made all three free throws. Xavier Copeland made a strong drive for a lay-up. The Flucos cut the lead to one on several occasions, but the Warriors again ended the quarter strong outscoring the Flucos 9-2 in the final minutes, for a 36-27 half time lead.

The third quarter was a low scoring affair as the Warriors outscored the Flucos 10-8. Rittenhouse and Daniel Campbell made three point baskets for the Flucos and D'Alessandra made two free throws. The Warriors used their height to jam up the middle and the Flucos were unable to score a single basket in the quarter from in close.

The fourth quarter was much like the third as the Fluco offence was unable to get into gear and the Warriors again outscored the Flucos by two 11-9, for a final score of 57-44. Edmonds had a three-point basket, but the Flucos missed eight free throws in the quarter.

The Flucos were led in scoring in this game by D'Alessandra and Rittenhouse who contributed 14 and 13 re-

spectively. Edmonds chipped in with seven. The Fluco boys are now 5-2. After the game, Coach Heath Bralley noted that his team was a little beat up, but acknowledged that it also did not play its best. He noted that "you can't take a day off in District competition."

On Saturday (Jan. 23) the boys' team ran its record to 6-2 by topping Goochland County for the second time this year, by a score of 62-45. The Flucos were scheduled to host Monticello on Jan. 26., and travel to Albemarle High on Jan. 27. On Jan. 29 they are scheduled to host Orange County. The abbreviated regular season is scheduled to end on Feb. 1 at Charlottesville High. In light of the COVID-19 situation, it is hoped, but not certain that all these games can be played. The attendance at games is still strictly limited and few but the players parents are allowed in.



Supervisors told post-holiday COVID surge declining

BY HEATHER MICHON CORRESPONDENT

County Administrator Eric Dahl told the Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors Wednesday (Jan. 20) that the latest numbers from the Blue Ridge Health Department (BRHD) show that Fluvanna's post-holiday COVID surge is starting to decline.

Since January 11, the 7-day rolling sum of new cases has dropped from 116 to 83 and the positivity rate has dropped from 14.7 percent to 7.7 percent.

Still, "I don't want anyone to get the idea that everything is fantastic," said Dahl, urging people to follow protocols to prevent further spread of the virus.

Under the state's plan, many county employees will be eligible for the next pool of vaccinations, called Phase 1b.

Phase 1a focused primarily on first responders and those in congregate care facilities, while Phase 1b will focus on essential workers. Under an expanded definition of essential workers, some county staff members and elected officials are considered essential for continuity of government.

Dahl said they were collaborating with Fluvanna County Public Schools to look at the possibility of using school facilities for vaccination clinics when Phase 1b gets fully underway later in the spring. He and his staff have sent out a survey to all 133 staff members to see who wants to receive vaccinations, and so far has received 81 positive responses and only four negative.

However, it might be some time before vaccines make their way into essential arms. Dahl said the entire BRHD -- which covers five counties and serves around 250,000 people -is only allocated 3,000 doses a week for the next four weeks.

Dahl said it was important to use the coming weeks to get people lined up and organized to be ready to receive their shots when they become available.

Later in the meeting, supervisors discussed sending out a mailer to all 12,000 households in the county to let them know where they can get information on accessing the vaccines. Mailers would cost about \$4,000 in remaining CARES Act funding.

Burn Building

Supervisors voted 5-0 to spend \$22,460 from the contingency fund for a new design for a "burn building" for county firefighters.

Bids for the previous design came in at close to \$1 million, far above the grant given to the county to help cover construction. Over the holidays, fire chiefs visited a facility in Harrisonburg that cost only \$650,000, leading the supervisors to agree to go back to the drawing board and issue a new request for bids later this spring.

Fork Union Development

Supervisors also approved an allocation of \$111,360 for a study that could lead to the development of a business park on 133 acres of county-owned land in Fork Union.

The land is already home to the Fork Union Fire Department and the Community Center. There is enough

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space for at least five parcels, ranging from eight to 15 acres each.

One parcel has already been selected as the potential home of YAE Wellness, a medical marijuana processing facility and dispensary. YAE is awaiting a decision by the state Board of Pharmacy on the permit, which is expected sometime in March.

Economic Development Coordinator Bryan Rothamel said the property gives potential businesses affordable prices, ample water resources, highspeed internet, and access to Rts. 6 and 15.

If all five parcels are developed, his conservative estimate is that the county could see around \$500,000 in annual real estate and business taxes.

The study, which would take between three and five months, would include environmental and other surveys, traffic impact analysis, master plan development, and other necessary reports.

Supervisor Mozell Booker, who represents Fork Union, read both motions to approve and pay for the study, with both motions passing 5-0.

Statement Against White Pride Flvers

After a number of flyers linked to a neo-Nazi group were found in Scottsville, the supervisors approved a statement denouncing the incident.

"In Fluvanna, we strive to be better than this," the statement reads in part. "The Board adamantly rejects words, actions, and polices that foster division and bring out bigotry, hatred, and discrimination, and condemns racism and oppression of people of color in our county."

The full statement is available on the county website.

Fluvanna launches updated business directory

PRESS RELEASE

The Fluvanna County Economic Development Office has launched an updated business

directory utilizing the Bludot Open platform.

"The business directory is a great way for residents and tourists to find businesses from Fluvanna in one spot that is easy to use," said Bryan Rothamel, economic development coordinator.

Almost 350 businesses from Fluvanna are already listed in the directory. Any business in Fluvanna is eligible to be listed on the platform. Listings are free and easy to maintain.

Residents can utilize the directory to search businesses by category, location, purchasing options, and contact details. The website is mobile friendly.

Through the website, businesses can submit a request to be listed as well as update their listing details including: contact information, hours of operation, website, social media links, promotions, photo galleries, and more. The Economic Development Office will review and approve the listing before it is published.

Fluvanna County will promote the business directory through social media postings and other

advertising avenues. The From Fluvanna app, found at app.fromfluvanna.org, has updated links to the business directory.

The business directory can be found at www.fromfluvanna.org/businesses. Businesses with questions about the business directory should reach out to the Economic Development Office by emailing econdev@fluvannacounty.org.

Bludot is building the software platform that empowers local economic development. The company launched Bludot Open in April 2020 to help communities promote their local businesses on a digital platform. Bludot is committed to make the best economic development tools accessible to communities of any size, and is proud to collaborate with cities and counties across the country to strengthen the local economies. More information at www.bludot.io.

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Tenaska Virginia Partners accepting college scholarship applications

Deadline for Fluvanna County High School Submissions is Feb. 12

PRESS RELEASE

Tenaska Virginia Partners, L.P., owner of Tenaska Virginia Generating Station near Scottsville, is sponsoring \$6,000 in academic scholarships for college-bound Fluvanna County High School seniors again this year.

Tenaska, one of the leading independent power producers in the United States, manages scholarship programs in communities where its generating facilities are located. To date, approximately \$800,000 in scholarships have been given out to roughly 900 students across the United States. Some 73 scholarships totaling \$70,000 have been awarded to area students to date.

Fluvanna County High School students graduating in spring 2021 who will be attending a two- or four-year post-secondary education program at an accredited institution may apply. Scholarship applications are available through school guidance counselors. Completed applications must be submitted no later than Feb. 12. Winners will be announced in the spring. Four \$1,500 scholarships will be award.

"Success is embedded in education," said Sam Graham, plant manager for Tenaska Virginia Generating Station. "Our annual college scholarship program encourages continued success. We are proud to support the education of Fluvanna County's most promising students."

A committee at Tenaska's headquarters will select the college-bound seniors to receive the scholarships. Preference will be given to students who demonstrate that they are prepared for college study, have good character and rank in the top 50 percent of their class.

Fueled by clean-burning natural gas, the 885-megawatt Tenaska Virginia facility produces electricity for sale to Shell Energy North America (US), L.P., which markets the power in the region. The facility is located on Route 761, north of

Antioch and west of Palmyra.

Tenaska Virginia is one of the largest taxpayers in Fluvanna County, contributing approximately \$30 million in property taxes since it began commercial operation in 2004. The plant injected more than \$6.9 million in salaries and payments to local contractors and vendors into the

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NOTICE

The Fluvanna County School Board voted unanimously on January 13, 2021, that Regular School Board Meetings for February 2021 through January 2022 will be scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted. The meetings will begin with a Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Regular Meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. All

meeting information is available for review at www.fluco.org. The meetings will take place at the Fluvanna County School Board Office located at 14455 James Madison Highway, Palmyra VA.

We allow in-person public comments, one person at a time in the meeting area. Our capacity is 17 in the meeting area at this time. All visitors are required to wear masks in the building at all times, including during public comments. Once entering the building, there will be a health screening. Our meeting will be available on Facebook Live, Google Meet, and in BoardDocs. If you cannot attend, you may submit your public comments to public-comment@apps.fluco.org by Noon on Wednesday of the scheduled meeting.



ty will meet for the purpose of hearing complaints of inequalities including errors in acreage. Upon hearing such complaints, either oral or written, the Board will give consideration and **INCREASE**, **DECREASE**, **OR AFFIRM** such real estate assessments. Before a change can be granted, the taxpayer or his agent must overcome a clear presumption in favor of the assessment. The taxpayer or agent must provide a preponderance of the evidence that the assessment of the property is not uniform with the assessments of other similar properties or that the property is assessed in excess of its fair market value.

If you wish to appeal your 2021 Real Estate Assessment, please contact the Board of Equalization at (434) 591-1903 or boe@fluvannacounty.org by March 31, 2021 to register your appeal.

Due to the continuing Public Health Emergency, Board of Equalization Meetings will meet with modifications. Meetings of the Board to hear objections will be held remotely via Zoom and conference call, or in person at the Morris Room in the Fluvanna County Administration Building, 132 Main Street, Palmyra, VA 22963.

(Dates and times will be scheduled if necessary and advertised)

By order of the Fluvanna County Board of Equalization

PROPERTIES

Public Notices

VIRGINIA IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA **BEVERLY PAYNE** And

SHELBY PAYNE,

Plaintiffs

Case No. 19CL000683-00 V. HEIRS OF PLEASANT MARTIN AND RICHARD MARTIN,

Including the following Defendants whose addresses are unknown to Plaintiffs:

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Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Plaintiffs Beverly Payne and Shelby Payne have filed a Complaint that seeks to quiet title, and then to partition, a 10-acre parcel of land identified as Tax Map 18-A, parcel 50, located at the intersection of Route 600 (South Boston Road) and Route 709 (Martin Lane), purchased by Pleasant Martin and Richard Martin in 1925. There is a home on the property where Plaintiffs live, and where their families have lived since 1925. Plaintiffs believe that they have identified all known heirs of Pleasant Martin and Richard Martin, except for the heirs of Mildred Martin, who had been the second wife of Colonel P. Martin. Colonel P. Martin died on December 3, 1996, and our information is that Mildred Martin survived him. Plaintiffs do not know who the heirs of Mildred Martin might be. RAB Performance Recoveries appears to be a foreign corporation that has a judgment against one of the potential heirs.

There will be a hearing on March 19, 2021, at 1:15 PM, in the Circuit Court for the County of Fluvanna, Palmyra, Virginia 22963 at which time Counsel for Plaintiffs will ask the Court to set a trial date and to make various other decisions in an effort to determine who the proper parties are.

Notice is hereby given to the heirs of Pleasant Martin and Richard Martin, and to the Individuals specifically named above, that you should appear at that time to protect your interests.

Accordingly, the Court ORDERS that this Order be published in the Fluvanna Review, a newspaper of general circulation in Fluvanna County, once each week for four successive weeks, and that it be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this Court.

Entered this 15th day of January, 2021.

Claude V. Worrell, Jr. Judge

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Fluco girls top Western; Boys fall in Polar track meet

BY DUNCAN NIXON CORRESPONDENT

The Fluco girls' indoor track team turned in a strong performance on Jan. 21 easily topping the Warriors from Western Albemarle by a score of 77.5 to 41.5. The boys' team did not fare as well, losing to the Warriors by a nearly reverse score of 74 to 46. Girls' Coach Rose Brogan said that it was quite windy and chilly outside when the meet began, but that it warmed up as the meet progressed and turned into a nice day.

In a dual meet, such as this one, the first place finisher in each event wins five points for the team, while second place wins three points and third place one point. In a relay, the winning team garners five points.

The Fluco girls had the following first and second place finishers. In the 55 meter hurdles, Shea Hart was first and Kimmie Bond was second. In the 55 meter dash, Kaitlin Bower was the winner. In the 500 meter run, Evelyn DeMers was the winner, with Tallon Solga close behind in second. In the 1000 meter run, Sophie Farley won by a second and a half. In the 300 meter dash Shea Hart was second,

one second off the pace. In the grueling 3200 meter (two mile) run, Emily Smeds won unopposed. In the long jump, it was Kaitlin Bower in first and Hannah Feith in second. The Fluco also took the top two spots in the high jump, with Shea Hart winning, followed by R'Tia Payne. In the shot put, Elle Dudzik was the winner, with Caren Smith in second. In the triple jump, Kailin Bower was the winner. The Fluco 4X800 relay team also won. It consisted of: Summer Craig, Evelyn DeMers, Emily Smeds and Sophie Farley.

First and second place finishers for Steve Szarmach's boys' team were as follows: Tre Smith, Jr. won in the 55 meter dash. Smith, Jr. also won the long jump. Ayden Bland won the high jump for the Flucos, with Kristian Thomas taking second. In the boys' shot put, it was the Fluco's Rocco Calderone in first and Travis Morris in second. In the triple jump the Fluco boys also finished one and two. Addison Patchett had the longest leap with Ayden Bland in second. The Fluco boy's 4X800 meter

relay team earned five points for the squad. It consisted of the following: Ryan Hicks, Rocco Calderone, Nathan Valentin and Aiden Girard.

This was senior night for the indoor track teams. The following seniors were honored. Emily Beckman, Kaitlin Bower, Sam Clark, Summer Craig, Elle Dudzik, Hannah Feith, R'Tia Payne, Emily Smeds, Skylar Solga, Tallon Solga, Anja Vernatter, Daniel Bustillo, Rocco Calderone, Travis Morris, Bryce

McCormick, Troy Stephens and Ryan Hicks.

The indoor track team had another Polar meet on Jan. 27 and the season is scheduled to end with a similar outdoor Polar meet on Feb. 3.



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