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FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS...



Board Members and their Electoral Districts

Altavista District
Mr. Stan Goldsmith

Brookneal District
Mr. James (J.D.) Puckett

Concord District
Mr. Eddie Gunter, Jr.

Rustburg District
Mr. Hugh Pendleton, Jr.

Spring Hill District
Mr. James Borland

Sunburst District
Mr. Steven Shockley

Timberlake District
Mr. Charles Falwell

Over the last several months the Board of Supervisors took action on the following items. More detailed information can be found online in the Board's minutes located at: <http://www.campbellcountyva.gov> or by clicking on each respective board action.

- *Approved industrial incentive funding to Daly Seven, Inc. for hotel development on Wards Road*
- *Adopted Tourism Plan*
- *Adopted Resolution Honoring Jeffery Cocke*
- *Adopted Resolution Requesting Suspension of State Mandates*
- *Recognized Long Time Supervisor Hugh W. Rosser*
- *Adopted revised Emergency Operations Plan*
- *Approved employee bonuses*
- *Supported continuation of Route 711 Bridge Project*
- *Approved special use permit for proposed bed and breakfast at 3825 Hat Creek Road*
- *Approved special use permit for Liberty University to operate engineering research lab on Sunnymeade Road*
- *County received clean audit opinion*
- *Adopted Resolution honoring Brookville High School Football*
- *Rezoned property at 10315 Wards Road for general retail*

Regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Supervisors are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. with the Board addressing administrative items, as needed, until 6:00 p.m. The Board will recess from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., reconvening at 7:00 p.m. to address any unfinished matters or conduct any scheduled public hearings.

Board of Supervisors meetings are held on the lower level of the Haberer Building, located at 47 Courthouse Lane in Rustburg.

Winter Weather Preparedness: Simple Steps to Safety

Although Central Virginia has experienced a relatively mild winter in 2012, weather systems tracking through the area can produce freezing rain, snow or sleet, creating hazardous conditions in a short period of time, especially if temperatures drop rapidly. To minimize weather related risks, citizens are reminded to take several safety measures.

AT HOME:

- Obtain the recommended three-day supply of water (three gallons per person) and non-perishable foods. Other items to have on-hand include: battery-operated radios, flashlights, extra batteries, basic tools/manual can openers, first-aid supplies, prescription medicines, sanitation supplies, pet food and adequate fuel for generators and other equipment. Fully charge cell phones, computers, and mobile devices.



A good rule of thumb is to make sure your cell phone is fully charged, so you'll have a means of contact should there be phone outages due to inclement weather.



- If necessary to use a generator due to power outages, place the unit outside to reduce the risk of toxic fume build-up. Connect appliances directly to the generator, not building wiring systems, to avoid electrical shock. Refrain from using matches, candles or other open flame lighting sources; flashlights and battery-operated lanterns are better choices.
- Use extra caution if using wood, kerosene, or other fuels as supplemental heating sources. Ensure proper ventilation is present; refill heating units outside. Keep space heaters away from flammable items.
- If pipes freeze, carefully remove the insulation layers and wrap pipes with rags. Open all faucets and pour hot water over the pipes, starting at the most exposed point.
- If at any time you detect the smell of natural gas, evacuate immediately to another safe shelter. Do not ignite matches/lighters, or use any devices/objects that may produce sparks. From a safe distance, call your local gas company as well as 911.
- Check on neighbors who may need assistance.

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If traveling, basic emergency kits (as shown above) are good to keep on-hand, especially should conditions become too treacherous to travel.

IF TRAVELING:

- Be aware of conditions that cause “black ice”. Even though roadways may appear to be clear, certain areas can be exposed to lower temperatures causing un-detectable icy patches, especially on shaded pavement sections and on bridges and overpasses. Reduce speed to compensate for road hazards; watch for slippery patches on sidewalks and in parking lots.
- Avoid traveling if roadways are impacted by wintry precipitation. If travel is necessary, ensure vehicles’ gas tanks are filled with fuel and windshields/windows are fully de-iced for maximum visibility. Wait until roadways have been adequately cleared before driving.
- Place an emergency kit in the vehicle that contains water, blankets, a cell phone/charger, a battery-powered radio, a flashlight, extra batteries, a first-aid kit, non-perishable food items, a brightly colored safety flag, a bag of sand or kitty litter (for tire traction), and a list of all emergency contact numbers.
- Do not cross roadways obstructed with trees, debris or downed power lines. Assume all downed power lines are live.
- If your vision is hindered by precipitation, select a spot to pull over that is out of the line of traffic and away from trees, power lines, and other structures. Turn on caution lights to indicate your location to other drivers. Tune into local radio stations for updates.

- If stranded, call for assistance immediately, noting your location. Hang a distress flag from the radio antenna or window. Remain in the vehicle unless shelter is clearly visible. Run the engine/heater approximately 10 minutes each hour for warmth. Open a window slightly and clear snow/ice from the exhaust pipe (to minimize risk of carbon-monoxide poisoning). Drink fluids to keep hydrated.

EMERGENCY PLANNING THROUGH THE YEAR:

- Create a family emergency action plan and an emergency contact list; note phone numbers of family members, neighbors, physicians, and other primary contacts. An on-line emergency plan template is available by clicking here: [Ready Virginia Make A Plan Form](#)
- If you have special needs, contact the Campbell County Public Safety Department at (434) 332-9540 for assistance in coordinating specific emergency resources; visit www.ready.gov for a listing of specialized preparedness instructions.
- Keep apprised of public safety notices; visit www.campbellcountyva.gov for alerts.

For additional preparedness resources, citizens may visit the following webpages:

Campbell County Public Safety

www.campbellcountyva.gov/depts/publicsafety/Pages/index.aspx

***Virginia Department of Emergency Management
(VDEM)***

www.vaemergency.com

***Federal Emergency Management Agency
(FEMA)***

www.fema.gov

County News Items...

Virginia Supreme Court Issues Opinion in Royal v. Campbell County Case

On Friday, January 13, the Virginia Supreme Court overturned a \$9.6 million judgment in the case of Royal v. Campbell County. The case was brought by local landowners contending contamination from the Campbell County Landfill had adversely impacted the adjacent mobile home community.

This suit was first filed by the landowners in 2005 under Virginia's oil discharge law. In today's ruling, the Supreme Court held this statute did not apply to the facts presented in the case.

The opinion may be viewed at the Supreme Court of Virginia Opinions webpage located at: www.courts.state.va.us/scndex.htm.

A more in-depth article about the case and remediation efforts will be featured in the March edition.

Campbell County Animal Shelter Returns to Regular Public Operating Hours

The Campbell County Animal Care and Control Facility, located at 322 Dennis Riddle Dr. in Rustburg, will return to regular public operating hours, effective January 23, 2012. The agency will be open for pet adoptions and other public services from 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, and from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Citizens are reminded that pets may now be selected and adopted with only the completion of a standard contract, indicating that the animal will be:

- *spayed/neutered*
- *given a vaccination by a licensed veterinarian*
- *and licensed in accordance with local laws/codes.*

Residents should note that the adoption process is free, however, veterinary or licensing expenses remain the responsibility of the adopting party. A required waiting period may apply before a pet can be taken home (five days for a stray animal or ten days for a collared animal).

For additional information, contact the Campbell County Animal Care and Control Facility at (434) 821-4416 or the Campbell County Humane Society at (434) 821-3034.

Campbell County to Hold Three Public Information Meetings: Citizen Input Sought on the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Update

The Campbell County Economic Development Department will host three public informational meetings to gain feedback from citizens regarding the updated 2012 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The purpose of these sessions is two-fold in that economic development leaders seek input to determine not only which current projects are a priority, but likewise to identify additional industrial/commercial activities in which Campbell County may become involved.

Current and planned Economic Development initiatives and conditions as well as priority initiatives approved during the CEDS 2007 update will be available for public review. Various hand-outs pertaining to CEDS updates will also be provided on-site.

The information sessions are scheduled as follows:

Brookneal Town Hall – Council Chambers
Tuesday, February 21, 2012
4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Rustburg Government Complex – Citizen Services Building
Thursday, February 23, 2012
4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Altavista Train Station
Tuesday, February 28, 2012
4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

These open meetings will be informal and interactive with citizens given ample time to review materials and share feedback and suggestions. Residents may attend at any time during the scheduled sessions and are free to arrive and depart at their convenience.

Additional information for the 2012 CEDS update, along with the 2003 CEDS document and 2007 CEDS update is available on-line at:

<http://campbellvirginia.com/pages/comp-eco-dev.htm>.

For more information, please contact the Campbell County Department of Economic Development at (434) 592-9595, or email econdev@campbellcountyva.gov.

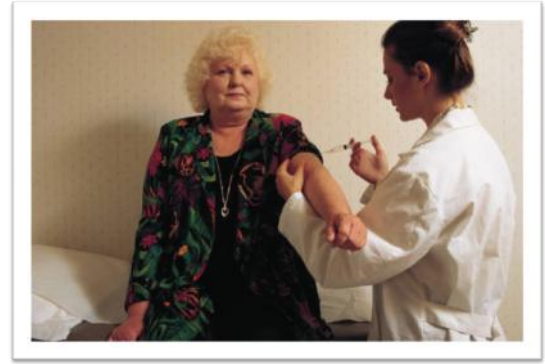
Flu Season 2012:

Keeping Yourself and Your Family Healthy

With the annual onset of the flu season, citizens are encouraged to take some simple precautions to protect themselves, their families and the general public from becoming ill. Receiving the appropriate vaccinations, being aware of flu symptoms, and applying basic hygiene principles can assist in minimizing the spread of influenza, not only in the workplace, but likewise in the community.

Seven Ways to Stay Healthy:

1. Maintain a healthy lifestyle through rest, diet, exercise, and relaxation.
2. Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand cleaner (at least 60%) if soap and water are not available. Instant hand sanitizers should be used as an important supplement to washing hands, but not as a replacement.
3. Avoid touching the nose, mouth, and eyes. Germs spread this way.
4. Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, or cough and sneeze into your elbow. Dispose of tissues in no-touch trash receptacles.
5. Keep frequently touched items disinfected (such as telephones, computer keyboards, doorknobs, drawer handles, etc.). If you need to use a co-worker's phone, desk, or other equipment, clean it first.
6. Stay home or leave work immediately if experiencing flu-like symptoms, including fever (100 degrees Fahrenheit/38 degrees Celsius or over) or chills *and* cough or sore throat. Additionally, symptoms of flu can include runny nose, body aches, headache, tiredness, diarrhea, or vomiting). The CDC recommends that individuals stay home if they are symptomatic with flu-like illness until at least 24 hours after they are free of fever, without the use of fever-reducing medicines.
7. Get vaccinated for seasonal flu, when vaccine is available in your area.



All persons aged six months and older should be vaccinated against influenza each year. Particular effort should be made to immunize people at higher risk for influenza infection or complications.

Caring for Yourself and Your Family:

People with seasonal flu symptoms, who are caring for themselves or others at home should:

- Keep away from others as much as possible; do not attend work, church or school if ill.
- Ensure plenty of rest and drink clear fluids (such as water, broth, sports drinks, and electrolyte beverages for infants) to keep from being dehydrated. Keep these fluids and other medical supplies on-hand (disinfectant, tissues, clear beverages, etc.) to avoid the need of traveling to public areas.
- Insist all family members cover coughs and sneezes; disinfect exposed surfaces to minimize the spread of the virus. Clean hands with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand especially after touching potentially exposed items/surfaces.
- Check with a health care provider regarding any special care needed if pregnant or if diagnosed with another health condition, such as diabetes, heart disease, asthma, or emphysema. Use antiviral medications if your doctor recommends them; seek medical attention promptly if symptoms worsen.

For additional information, please visit:

The Virginia Department of Health
www.vdh.virginia.gov

The Centers for Disease Control
www.cdc.gov/flu

Central Virginia Health District
<http://www.vdh.state.va.us/lhd/CentralVirginia/index.htm>

Citizens Reminded of Statewide Burn Ban:

4:00 p.m. Burn Law in Effect, Beginning February 15

Citizens are reminded that a statewide burning ban (4:00 p.m. Burning Law) is in effect beginning February 15, 2012, indicating the start of the spring fire season in Virginia.

This law prohibits burning before 4:00 p.m. each day (February 15 through April 30, 2012) if the fire is in, or within 300 feet of woodland, brushland or fields containing dry grasses or other flammable materials. Campbell County residents are asked to always use extreme caution with fire, especially during this period; all outdoor burning should be avoided, if possible.

A violation of this burning law is a Class 3 misdemeanor, punishable by up to a \$500.00 fine. In addition to the criminal violation, those who allow a fire to escape are liable for the cost of suppressing the fire as well as any damage caused to others' properties.



Detailed information regarding the Virginia 4:00 p.m. Burning Law can be found on the Virginia Department of Forestry's website located at:

www.dof.virginia.gov/info/faqs-burning.shtml

For additional information on fire safety in Campbell County, please contact Randall P. Johnson, Campbell County Fire Marshal – Deputy Director at (434) 332-9540, 283-9540, or 592-9540 or visit the Campbell County Public Safety webpage located at:

www.campbellcountyyva.gov/depts/publicsafety.

Campbell County Public Safety encourages citizens to take necessary precautions, especially if igniting a fire outdoors or using fireplaces, wood stoves or heating units indoors.

Some basic fire safety tips include:

- *Never leave any fire unattended; thoroughly extinguish any outdoor fire before leaving the area.*
- *Ensure any flammable objects or fuel supplies are placed far away from fire sources.*
- *Always monitor wind conditions if burning outdoors; check to ensure adequate ventilation is present if using fireplaces or other heating sources indoors.*



Community Calendar

Important Dates in February

Monday, February 13

Final Day to Register for Republican Party
Primary Presidential Election
([please click here for details](#))

Monday, February 20

All County Offices are Closed in
Observance of Presidents' Day

Monday, February 27

Public Hearing
Planning Commission
([please click here for details](#))

Important Dates in March

Saturday, March 3

Registrar's Office Open for
Absentee Voting for Primary

Tuesday, March 6

Republican Party Primary
Presidential Election

Board Meeting
4:00 p.m.

Haberer Building, Rustburg

Public Hearing - Board of Supervisors
7:00 p.m.

Haberer Building, Rustburg
([please click here for details](#))

4TH ANNUAL Heritage Festival

Celebrating Campbell County's
Rich and Diverse History

Saturday, August 4

10:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

William Campbell High School/Community Park

Naruna, VA

ADMISSION

Adults: \$2.00

Children 12 and under: FREE

“THERE'S SOMETHING
FOR EVERY MEMBER
OF THE FAMILY.”



Events @ Your Local Library



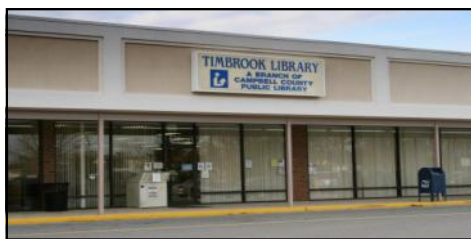
Patrick Henry Memorial Library
204 Lynchburg Avenue
Brookneal, VA 24528
(434) 376-3363



Staunton River Memorial Library
500 Washington Street
Altavista, VA 24517
(434) 369-5140



Rustburg Library - Main Branch
684 Village Highway
Rustburg, VA 24588
(434) 332-9560



Timbrook Library
21039 Timberlake Road, #F
Lynchburg, VA 24502
(434) 239-1190

Warm up with a good Book this Winter!

Please join us for the Adult Winter Reading Program. Interested parties can visit any of the libraries in Campbell County to participate. Participants, ages 18 and older, can enter to win a prize for every 5 books recorded on their reading log between now and March 17. For more details, please contact your local library branch.

Family Fun Night at Timbrook Library

Friday, February 24

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Pre-registration Required

Join us for a chance to play the popular game-show, “Minute to Win It,” library-style! Pre-registration is required, so please contact Timbrook Library at (434) 239-1190 to reserve your family’s space.

Timbrook Library Begins “New Traditions” Group

The Timberlake Library announces a meeting group, especially organized for those who have lost a spouse/loved one and seek to form friendships. The “New Traditions” group will host their initial meeting on Monday, February 27 at 10:30 a.m. at the Timbrook Library. Coffee will be served. Call the Timbrook Library at (434) 239-1190 or email tbl@co.campbell.va.us.

Timbrook Library Hosts 2-Day Spring Book Sale

Friday, March 2

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 3

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Youth and adult books will be offered at low costs, with proceeds supporting Timbrook Library’s programs and other public service needs. In addition, the Girl Scouts will be selling cookies outside the library on Saturday, March 3. All proceeds from cookie sales that day will be donated to the library. Please call (434) 239-1190 for further information.



Campbell County Public Library System

Please visit us online at:

www.campbellcountylibraries.org