



## County Administrator's Report

August 22, 2017

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### White Run Reservoir Impoundment

- The project team will hold the next community meeting on the White Run Reservoir project on Monday, September 25 at 6:30 PM. The presentation will feature an update on recent water demand vs. permitted capacity, utilizing data from RSA relative to the water intake showing the number of days we are drawing water at the peak capacity of the plant. Also included will be an update on the short and long term financial planning and fee restructuring. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

### Broadband Committee

- The recent survey has been completed and we are beginning analysis of the data. The committee will meet again August 24 to make final preparations for a Broadband public information meeting, tentatively planned for September.
- Staff is working on ways to better inform local phone, cable and wireless service providers when large scale development projects are in the works, such as the project currently underway at Oxford Hills. This will ensure the installation of all necessary conduit to facilitate both current and future service capacity needs.

### Economic Development and Tourism

- Go Virginia: Continue to work with Region 9 Go Virginia Executive Committee and nationally recognized consultants to assess a proposed site in Greene County. The Greene site is one of only six remaining sites being assessed for Region 9's regional site.
- Farmers Market: The Greene Farmers Market continues to grow and gain popularity. Staff has worked with the community to develop the new Facebook page for "Greene Farmers Market". The event has increased to as many as eight vendors on a given weekend.

- Prospects: Staff is currently working with four strong prospects in the defense, tourism, and manufacturing industries.
- Tourism Strategic Plan: Staff is working with the Tourism Council to develop a formal strategic plan. The plan is currently in draft form, with implementation of some of the key strategic goals already in progress.
- Barn Quilt Trail: With over 40 quilts, the tour is expected to be marketed on the national website shortly. Our map will be available soon on our county website [www.exploregreene.com/BarnQuiltTour](http://www.exploregreene.com/BarnQuiltTour).
- Virginia Clay Festival, September 23-24: Staff is working with the community and several artists and vendors to plan for another great festival this year. With thirty-five artists, this year promises to be our best event. [www.virginiaclayfestival.com](http://www.virginiaclayfestival.com).

### Emergency Operations

- In response to the recent protest event and ensuing violence in Charlottesville, County EMS crews continued normal operations, with a command center set up in the County Administration Building. All transports were directed to MJH North through the evening hours to avoid any traffic or other obstructions in the Charlottesville area. All 5 local fire volunteers that were serving per their paid jobs in Charlottesville made it through the weekend with no major injuries. Emergency Operations staff will work with our respective agencies to ensure any personnel who experienced violence or other traumatic circumstances have access to any mental and physical care needed in the aftermath.

### Planning/Zoning

- Staff has begun discussion about priorities in areas of the County's zoning ordinance designed to promote and encourage greater business and economic development in Ruckersville and Stanardsville.
- Staff continues to work with VDOT and business owners at the intersection of Route 29 and Route 33 to design a more efficient and business friendly intersection. The final proposed design will reflect these efforts and be incorporated into the Ruckersville Master Planning process.

- Discussions among staff, business community and citizens have begun about the development of an infrastructure policy that will better support business, commercial and residential development in targeted growth areas along Route 33 and Route 29.

### **Budget/Finance**

- Staff is currently inventorying our existing fiscal policies and protocols with an overall objective of developing a more comprehensive and unified fiscal policy protocol for Greene County.
- We are planning to host a community budget forum to kick-off the budget planning process for FY 2019, and to gain citizen and business community input regarding the County's budget priorities. The event is tentatively planned for October 2017.
- The Board of Supervisors vision, mission and strategic initiatives statement have been posted on the county's website. County letterhead is being updated accordingly to reflect the Board official vision statement.
- We have reached out to selected firms to begin discussion on the development of a 5-year revenue and expenditure forecast focused on County services and programs, to include a capital maintenance component inclusive of planned school projects. Work on this is anticipated to begin upon completion of the FY 2017 audit process.