

VIRGINIA: AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BRUNSWICK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2020, IN THE AUDITORIUM OF THE BRUNSWICK HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENT: HON. DR. BARBARA JARRETT-HARRIS, CHAIR, HON. JOHN W. ZUBROD, VICE-CHAIR, HON. BERNARD L. JONES, SR., HON. DR. ALFONZO R. SEWARD, HON. WELTON TYLER, BOARD OF SUPERVISOR MEMBERS; DR. CHARLETTE T. WOOLRIDGE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK; VIVIAN GILES SEAY, COUNTY ATTORNEY; LESLIE R. WEDDINGTON, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/ DEPUTY CLERK/RECORDER OF MINUTES

The meeting was conducted in the auditorium of the Brunswick High School. All were required to wear face masks unless there's a medical exemption. Hand sanitizer was available for citizens and staff. All in attendance wore face masks and practiced social distancing.

Chair Harris called the meeting to order.

Re: Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Harris invited anyone in the audience who would like to participate in the invocation with the Board members to please stand and join them.

Re: Approval of Agenda

Upon a motion by Mr. Zubrod, seconded by Mr. Tyler, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Jones, Seward, Tyler, Zubrod, Harris; Nays: None

Re: Rules of Conduct

Ms. Leslie R. Weddington, Assistant County Administrator, read the following rules of conduct for the public hearing:

1. This public hearing is to receive public comment on the Memorial for War Veterans. No other matters will be heard.
2. The public hearing is scheduled at 6:00 p.m.

3. Anyone who wishes to speak must move to the podium, state his or her name and town/city/county, and then address the facilitator. No comments may be made from elsewhere in the meeting room.
4. The public is expected to refrain from applause and other outbursts during the meeting.
5. Any person who endorses comments made by an earlier speaker is asked to state support for that speaker's comments, rather than repeating the comments.
6. If there is a group of citizens which has developed comments, the group is encouraged to designate a spokesman, who may identify the group on behalf of which he or she is speaking.

Re: Public Hearing

Memorial for War Veterans

Chair Harris opened the public hearing. The following citizens spoke.

- Gwendolyn McMillan, Fresh Meadow Road, Lawrenceville, Virginia – In favor of removal of monument.
- Monica McMillan – Fresh Meadow Road, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Ray Sawyer, Christanna Highway, Lawrenceville, Virginia – In opposition of removal of monument.
- Darren Hayes, Brunswick County, Virginia – In favor of removal of monument.
- Percy Bunch, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Marc Finney, Sturgeon Road, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Clinton McMillan, Fresh Meadow, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Raymond Thomas, Brunswick County, Virginia - In opposition of removal of monument.
- Anne Williams, Windsor Avenue, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- David Privette, Governor Harrison Parkway, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In opposition of removal of monument.
- Rev. Alonzo Seward, Old Stage Road, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Channel Grant, Chalk Level Road, Alberta, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Charles Steed, Alberta, Virginia - In opposition of removal of monument.
- Destiny Walker, Richmond, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Rebecca Akers, South Main Street, Lawrenceville, Virginia – On behalf of the Brunswick Historical Society, she offered assistance in relocation of the monument.

- Corey Daryl Davis, Cabin Way, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Robert Abernathy, Valentines Street, Gasburg, Virginia - In opposition of removal of monument.
- Karen McMillan Green, Fresh Meadow Lane, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Celine Montgomery, Lawrenceville, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Martha Thompson, Brunswick County, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.
- Stephanie Malone, Tillman Road, Ebony, Virginia - In favor of removal of monument.

After providing all citizens an opportunity to express their views, the Chair closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Dr. Seward, seconded by Mr. Tyler, and unanimously carried, to remove the memorial for war veterans from Courthouse Square and to continue the discussion at the Board's August meeting regarding the relocation of the monument. Supervisor Tyler asked for a roll call vote.

Supervisor Jones – Aye
 Supervisor Seward – Aye
 Supervisor Tyler – Aye
 Supervisor Zubrod – Aye
 Supervisor Harris – Aye

Re: Adjourn

Upon a motion by Mr. Zubrod, seconded by Dr. Seward, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned until Saturday, February 22, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. for the Brunswick Stew Launch Ceremony at the Brunswick County Conference Center.

Hon. Dr. Barbara Jarrett Harris, Chair

Charlette T. Woolridge, Ph.D., Clerk