



## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CAROLINE COUNTY

COURTHOUSE

109 MARKET STREET, ROOM 106

DENTON, MARYLAND 21629

**January 5, 2021**

**9:00AM**

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- 9:00 AM Commissioners Meeting Convenes; Call to Order
- 9:05 Annual Meeting with District 36 & 37 State Legislators: Senators Steve Hersey and Addie Eckardt; Delegates Jeff Ghrist, Jay Jacobs, Steve Arentz, Johnny Mautz, and Chris Adams
- County Legislative Requests
  - Discussion Items & Issues of Concern
- 9:45 Valerie Connelly, Vice President of Government Affairs & Public Relations, Tim McGaha, VP Technical Service, and Leroy Sverduck, Engineering; Choptank Electric Cooperative  
[Presentation of Choptank Electric Cooperative Broadband Proof of Concept Request](#)
- 10:30 Public Hearing: [Community Development Block Grant Application for Greensboro Judy Center](#)
- 10:40 Public Hearing: [Legislative Bill #2020-3, Chapter 33 – Code of Ethics – Required Changes](#)
- 10:50 Laura Patrick, Health Officer; Anna Sierra, Director, Department of Emergency Services; and Dr. Patty Saelens, Superintendent of Schools  
COVID-19 Response Update
- 11:15 Debbie Bowden, Director, Economic Development  
Recovery Update and 2021 Small Business Assistance Program
- 11:35 Consent Agenda:
- Minutes: December 15, 2020
  - [FY2020 Transfer Tax, Transfer General Fund Cash to Capital Reserve Cash, for Capital Improvement Fund, \\$611,299.26](#)
  - [Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation Recertification](#)
  - [FY21 Capital Expenditure Request, Emergency Service, Logging Recorder-Licensing and Radio System integration](#)
  - [Grant Acceptance Award for Summer Learning Programs](#)

Please note: Documents to be discussed during the Commissioners meeting are hyperlinked on the agenda where possible. Click the blue underlined text to access documents or more information on the agenda item listed

- Employment Contract, Department of Emergency Services -Paramedic (North)

11:40 County Administrator's Report

- [Discussion of River Road Construction Cost](#)

12:00 PM County Commissioners Open Discussion Period

12:20 [Public Comment](#)

12:25 Meeting Adjourns

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Until further notice:

- The Commissioners will meet every other Tuesday at 9:00 AM. Evening meetings will not be held.
- All meetings will be held via Zoom and conference call.

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- The public will be allowed to listen in to the calls but will be muted in order to eliminate background noise. Under Maryland Open Meetings law, the public doesn't have a right to speak, but only to observe the meetings.
- Public comment will be accepted in written format only. The County will receive written comment through the County's [email system](#), [website](#), and by USPS at 109 Market Street, Room 123, Denton, MD 21629. Written comments received prior to a meeting will be entered into the record and made available to the Commissioners prior to the meeting or hearing.
- The Commissioners will take roll call by name and announce which staff are participating directly in the meeting.
- All speakers, including the Commissioners must announce their name each time before they speak. This means before asking a question or making a statement, the person must state their last name.
- Any document being voted on by the Commissioners will be linked on the agenda in advance wherever possible in order to facilitate public understanding of items that will be voted or discussed.

*Meetings are conducted in Open Session unless otherwise indicated. All or part of County Commissioners' meetings can be held in closed session under the authority of the state open meetings law by vote of the Commissioners. Breaks are at the call of the President. Please note that times listed on the agenda are only estimates, and that the order of agenda items may change as time dictates or allows.*