

AT A CONTINUED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, WITH LEXINGTON CITY COUNCIL AND BUENA VISTA CITY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE VISTA LINKS CLUBHOUSE ON THE VISTA LINKS GOLF COURSE, IN BUENA VISTA, VIRGINIA ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: CHAIRMAN: A.J. "Jay" LEWIS, II
MEMBERS: R.W. DAY
DAVID W. HINTY, JR.

ABSENT: DANIEL E. LYONS
JOHN M. HIGGINS

DIRECTOR OF FISCAL SERVICES: STEVEN J. BOLSTER

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ASST.: BRANDY FLINT

ALSO PRESENT:
MEMBERS OF BUENA VISTA CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR
MEMBERS OF LEXINGTON CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR
MEMBERS OF THE LEXINGTON-ROCKBRIDGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Call to Order

"Jay" Lewis, Chairman of the Rockbridge County Board of Supervisors, called the meeting back to order at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Representatives from the Cities of Buena Vista and Lexington called their special meetings to order.

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Purpose

Buena Vista Mayor "Billy" Fitzgerald welcomed all present and then introduced Lexington-Rockbridge Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) Past President Jay Williams. Mr. Williams provided an overview of the evening's agenda and gave an update on the Chessie Trail's South River bridge project which included a targeted completion timeframe of Fall/Winter 2020. Mr. Williams then introduced Shenandoah Valley Partnership (SVP) Executive Director Jay A. Langston, Ph.D. who provided a presentation highlighting regional cooperation and workforce development in the region. After Mr. Langston's address, Mr. Williams introduced Chamber Executive Director Tracy E. Lyons who gave an

update on the USDA's Rural Economic Development Innovation (REDI) grant. The REDI funding provides free technical assistance for up to two years to help rural towns and regions create and implement economic development plans.

After the SVP and Chamber presentations, the group ate dinner. After the meal, Mr. Williams asked for a round of applause for John Stallard and his team from C.H.E.F.S. Catering Company and then gave attendees an opportunity to ask questions for the evening's presenters. Chairman Lewis declared the County's continued meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.