

MINUTES

APPOMATTOX COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING ROOM 333 COURT STREET APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Members Present: (Quorum)

Sarah Blackwell, Chairman
Tom Adams
George Almond
Cathryn Mobley
Kevin O'Brien
Derek Lee

Members Absent:

Annie Trent

Also Present:

Johnnie Roark, Director of Community Development

Ms. Blackwell called the meeting to order and circulated the attendance sheet.

Ms. Blackwell determined that a quorum was present.

Review/Approval of Minutes

Mr. O'Brien motioned, with a second by Mr. Almond, to approve the March 11, 2026 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion-Future Land Use and Zoning Ordinance Land Uses

Mr. Roark continued to discuss the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) and asked the Commissioners to interject with their opinions on any changes or alterations to the FLUM. There was some general discussion. This matter will be continued until later.

Update on General Assembly Actions related to Zoning

Mr. Roark provided a brief overview of actions taken in the latest General Assembly session. Mr. Roark noted that amendments to the Zoning Ordinance will be forthcoming related to manufactured homes and to the Utility-Scale Solar section. He noted that many of the recent changes adopted earlier this year will have to be amended to reflect the General Assembly changes.

Learning Opportunities for Commissioners

Mr. Roark provided the Commissioners with several ideas for learning opportunities. Mr. Roark provided portions of the Land Use Law Book compiled by the Albemarle County Attorney Greg Kamptner. This law book is very informative and provides a sound legal basis for zoning law and how to process petitions. Mr. Roark stated that he will provide several chapters each month as learning opportunities.

Information Items

Mr. Roark provided the Planning Commission with latest population estimates from the US Census Bureau. According to Census Bureau, the population in Appomattox County has increased by 1,056 people since the 2020 Census to an estimated population of 17,172 as of July 1, 2025.

Mr. Roark asked the Planning Commissioners if they wanted to start communicating by email. He did advise that

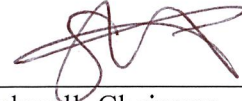
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) laws would apply to these emails, so any emails or text related to public business, would be able to be public information. After some discussion, the Planning Commission decided by consensus to continue not utilizing email or text communication.

Adjournment

Having no further business, Ms. Blackwell asked for a motion to adjourn.

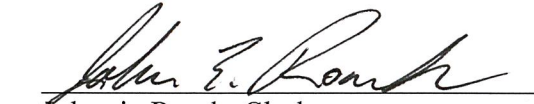
Mr. O'Brien made a motion, with Ms. Mobley seconding, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Approved As Written,



Sarah Blackwell, Chairman
Appomattox County Planning Commission

Attest:



Johnnie Roark, Clerk
Director of Community Development