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York County Status Update 4/17/2020: Board of Supervisors April 21 Budget Public Hearing Procedures; National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

This listing contains status updates from the week

April 17, 2020

New Information re: County Programs/Services

Board of Supervisors

- The agenda for the Board of Supervisors April 21 meeting is available online at <https://www.yorkcounty.gov/1526/Agenda>. An emergency meeting will begin at **6:00 p.m.** where items related to the COVID-19 pandemic will be addressed. At **6:15 p.m.**, the Board's regular meeting will commence with presentations by County Administrator Neil Morgan followed by the scheduled and advertised budget public hearings. There are four public hearing items on the agenda – Fiscal Year 2021 Budget, Notice of Real Property Tax Increase, Calendar Year 2020 Tax Rates, and Proposed County Code Amendment--Ambulance Transport Fees – and each has been assigned a telephone number for use by citizens wishing to provide a comment. All **phone lines open at 6:00 p.m.** and remain open until the close of the public hearing. Those who provide their name and address along with their comments will have their remarks read to the Board and included in the meeting minutes. The meeting is televised live on WYCG-TV (Cox 46, Verizon 38) and available live and on demand at www.yorkcounty.gov/tv. As is the case with all Board of Supervisors meetings, citizens may email comments to bos@yorkcounty.gov, which are received by all five Board members.

Emergency Communications

- The York-Poquoson-Williamsburg 911 Center this week celebrates National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week (April 12-18). During this pandemic, and in any emergency affecting an individual or an entire community, our Dispatchers provide calm and compassionate assistance to those in need. Our Dispatchers work in four shifts and all are utilizing masks and following facility sanitation

procedures as they continue to provide excellent service to the community.
(Photos of our shifts are attached)

Recap of this Week's Status Updates

County Administration

- County Administrator Neil Morgan's proposed fiscal year 2021 budget was presented to the Board of Supervisors at the March 17 meeting. However, due to the anticipated economic impact due to the COVID-19 pandemic, revisions to the budget have been proposed. A summary of revisions is available for review at www.yorkcounty.gov/budget. These changes will be presented to the Board at its April 21 meeting and budget public hearing. The Board's meeting agenda is available at www.yorkcounty.gov/bos.
- The County Administrator was interviewed on the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce's "Peninsula Biz Buzz" program. Mr. Morgan talks about the upcoming Board of Supervisors meeting and budget process, as well as thoughts about how the region will emerge from this crisis. The program is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ci8VxLgbans&feature=youtu.be>.

Election Information

- **The deadline to register to vote in the June 23 primary—or to update your address or other registration information—is Monday, May 18. Absentee voting for the election will begin on May 8.** Absentee voting is available for those who are concerned about going to their polling place because of COVID-19, will be out of their precinct on June 23, are unable to go to their polling place because of an illness or disability, and those who otherwise qualify to vote an absentee ballot. The deadline to **apply to vote absentee online or by mail or email is 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16.** The deadline to **apply to vote absentee in person is 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 20.** In order to accommodate those who wish to vote absentee in person, the Registrar's Office will be open Saturday, June 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For details, view the [press release](#).

The closures/cancellations listing is regularly updated on the County's website - www.yorkcounty.gov – and is being shared on the County's Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/yorkcountyva/>.

For a listing of York County phone numbers, visit www.yorkcounty.gov/directory.