



PRESENT FROM TOWN: Mayor Lori A. Cockrell
Councilman Wood
Interim Town Manager BJ Wilson

PRESENT FROM COUNTY: Chair Jerome Butler
Supervisor John W. Stanmeyer
County Administrator Edwin "Ed" Daley

OTHERS PRESENT: Clerk of Council Tina L. Presley
Various Members of Staff, Council and Supervisors

Mayor Cockrell called the meeting to order.

Clarification on the Fiscal Impact Analysis – Mayor Cockrell speaking on behalf of herself and Council voiced concern that the fiscal impact calculations being given to developers was outdated and questioned who was doing the calculations. Town Planning/Zoning Director Lauren Kopishke explained what triggered these questions, focusing specifically on the schools, noting that the analysis was outdated. Mr. Daley agreed the analysis was outdated and the County was seriously looking at updating it in their next budget; however, the cost was approximately \$100,000 and asked whether the Town would be interested in sharing in the cost. Mayor Cockrell reminded them that the Town citizens were also County citizens. Mr. Daley advised that the analysis would consist of fire/rescue, schools, social services and solid waste and asked whether there were any services that were specific only to the Town. It was confirmed by the Mayor and Staff that the Town already had studies on electric, water, sewer and solid waste. Ms. Kopishke advised that there was currently an RFP being put together for a Transportation Study that would be specific to the roads in Town. Councilman Wood suggested that Mr. Wilson give it some thought and come back to Council. There was much discussion about the housing issues in Town and County. Mayor Cockrell asked for this proposal to be added to the February 10th Work Session for Council's review.

Increase in Solid Waste Tipping Fees in 2025 – Mayor Cockrell questioned whether the County was thinking about raising the tipping fees this year since it was budget season. Mr. Butler explained the County's deficit as it related to solid waste but was unsure whether there would be an increase at this time. It was hoped that they would know by the first week of May.

Transportation Subcommittee Update – Mr. Stanmeyer advised that the emergency exit at Interstate 66 was being reviewed but was tied up at the federal level.

Mr. Daley asked whether the Town wanted the consultant to look at road impact fees with new development. Mayor Cockrell advised that pursuant to state code the Town could not ask for road monies from developers explaining there was a Bill at the General Assembly requesting that change.

Mayor Cockrell questioned what the County thought about enforcing water conservation to water customers who are outside the town limits when the Town is observing water conservation. Mr. Stanmeyer suggested placing signs in those areas that are not complying [Henselstone and Blue Ridge Shadows] but realized that there would not be much in the way of enforcement from the County.

Next Meeting – Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 6:00PM at the Warren County Government Center

Adjourned at 6:55pm