



HIGHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
HIGHLAND MODULAR CONFERENCE CENTER  
89 HIGHLAND CENTER DRIVE  
MONTEREY, VIRGINIA  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
DATE: October 7, 2025  
TIME: 7:30 pm

A. **Call to Order**

B. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. July 16, 2025, August 5, 2025, September 2, 2025, and September 17, 2025

C. **Public Hearings/Public Appearances**

- D. **Public Comments on Agenda Items—Please come to the podium and state your name** The public comment period is an opportunity for citizens to address the Board concerning the services, policies and affairs of the County. Designated Time Limit for Speakers 5 minutes per speaker, for each meeting

E. **Items for Action, Discussion, Review or Information**

F. **Old Business**

- a. Highland County Public Schools end of year close-out request to transfer funds to their capital account
- b. VACo registration
- c. Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance (Amended) (a copy of the full text of the prior ordinance and proposed amendments may be obtained in the County Administrator's office.)
- d. Comprehensive Plan review

G. **New Business**

- a. Polystyrene exemption request for Hunter's Supper at Green Hill United Methodist Church on November 16, 2025

- b. A RESOLUTION OF THE HIGHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVING OF THE COUNTY’S PARTICIPATION IN THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS OF OPIOID-RELATED CLAIMS (See page 3)

c.

**H. County Administrator’s Reports, Requests and Recommendations**

**I. Board Comments**

**J. Consent Agenda**

- a. Warrant—Accounts Payable for September 2025
- b. Adopt a Resolution to set the appropriations for October 2025

**K. Open Public Comments-- Please come to the podium and state your name**

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- a. Letter received 9/24/2025

**L. Closed Meeting (as needed)**

**M. Adjourn / Recess**

**NEXT MEETING(S)**

Work Session

HIGHLAND MODULAR CONFERENCE CENTER

MONTEREY, VIRGINIA

DATE: October 15, 2025

TIME: 7:30p

## RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE HIGHLAND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVING OF THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS OF OPIOID-RELATED CLAIMS AGAINST ALVOGEN, AMNEAL, APOTEX, HIKMA, INDIVIOR, MYLAN, SUN, AND ZYDUS, AND DIRECTING THE HIGHLAND COUNTY COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY, THE COUNTY ATTORNEY, AND/OR THE COUNTY'S OUTSIDE COUNSEL TO EXECUTE THE DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE SETTLEMENTS

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic that has cost thousands of human lives across the country also impacts the Commonwealth of Virginia and its counties and cities, including the County of Highland, by adversely impacting the delivery of emergency medical, law enforcement, criminal justice, mental health and substance abuse services, and other services by Highland County's various departments and agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia and its counties and cities, including Highland County, have been required and will continue to be required to allocate substantial taxpayer dollars, resources, staff energy and time to address the damage the opioid epidemic has caused and continues to cause the citizens of the Commonwealth and Highland County; and

WHEREAS, settlement proposals have been negotiated that will cause the opioid manufacturers Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, and Zydus (collectively, "the Manufacturers") to pay an aggregate of approximately \$720 million dollars nationwide to resolve opioid-related claims against them; and

WHEREAS, the County has approved and adopted the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation Memorandum of Understanding (the "Virginia MOU"), and affirms that each of the pending settlements with the Manufacturers shall be considered a "Settlement" that is subject to the Virginia MOU, and shall be administered and allocated in the same manner as the opioid settlements entered into previously with opioid distributors McKesson, Cardinal Health, and AmerisourceBergen, opioid manufacturers Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Teva Pharmaceuticals, and Allergan, and retail pharmacy chains CVS, Walgreens, Walmart, and Kroger;

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has reviewed the available information about the proposed settlements with the Manufacturers and has recommended that the County participate in the settlements in order to recover its share of the funds that the settlements would provide;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland County Board of Supervisors, this 7th day of October, 2025, approves of the County's participation in the proposed settlements of opioid-related claims against the Manufacturers, and directs the Highland County Commonwealth's Attorney, the County Attorney, and/or the County's outside counsel to execute the documents necessary to effectuate Highland County's participation in the settlements, including the required release of claims against the Manufacturers.

Date: October 7, 2025

_____ Attest: _____	
Henry Sponaugle, Chairman	Jerri Botkin, Clerk