

At a Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Warren County held in the Warren County Government Center on June 11, 2024, at 7:00 PM.

Present: Cheryl L. Cullers, Chair (South River District); Jerome K. Butler, Vice Chair (Happy Creek District); Victoria L. Cook, (Fork District); John W. Stanmeyer (Shenandoah District), and Richard A. Jamieson (North River District) also, Dr. Edwin Daley, County Administrator; Zach Henderson, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Call to Order:

Ms. Cullers called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Public Hearing: FY 2024-2025 Budget

Ms. Cullers opened the public hearing and Dr. Daley presented the Board of Supervisors with a budget PowerPoint presentation that detailed the County's revenue, expenditures, revenue enhancements, budget impacts, school revenue and expenditures, school capital revenue, the airport, the capital improvement plan, assets, the EDA,

Below is a list of Citizens who spoke at the Public Hearing regarding the FY 24-25 Budget:

- **John Lundberg** - voiced his concerns about the school's budget and their fiscal governance, and suggested cuts to their operational budget.
- **Rebecca Hutson** – advocated for full funding for public schools and emphasized that three new positions will have to be eliminated as a result of the proposed flat funding.
- **Janet Monismith** - advocated for full funding for public schools and voiced her disappointment in the Board's decision to level their funding and urged them to reconsider for the sake of student's education.
- **Megan Budd** - advocated for full funding for public schools and stated she was discouraged by the negative narrative being spread about the school system.
- **Cameron Williams** – thanked the Board for the increased funding for Public Safety but spoke critically of the school's governance and suggested cutting admin salaries etc. and urged for additional accountability.
- **Sarah Downes** - advocated for full funding for public schools and emphasized that the 3% for teacher raises will be consumed by inflation and the rising costs of insurance.
- **Thomas Ranieri** – spoke critically about the school's proposed budget and emphasized the failure to exceed the Statewide Accountability Benchmark and the overall decreasing school population.
- **Scott Lloyd** – stated that he does not support any budget that includes a tax increase and urged the Board to further trim the budget.
- **Anne Miranda** – spoke critically of the school's budget and governance and demanded the Board freeze their budget completely.
- **Matthew Perdie** – spoke critically of the school's budget and discussed the need for further transparency with their expenditures and voiced his concerns regarding the Superintendent.
- **Adam Buettner** – spoke critically of the school's budget and tax increase while voicing his support for the private schools in the County.

There were no additional from the public and the hearing was then closed.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Mr. Butler, seconded by Dr. Jamieson, and the following vote, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Ms. Cook, Aye; Dr. Jamieson, Aye; Ms. Cullers, Aye; Mr. Butler, Aye; Mr. Stanmeyer, Aye