

VIRGINIA:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Northampton, Virginia, held in conference room #2 of the former Northampton Middle School, 7247 Young Street, Machipongo, Virginia, on the 15th day of March, 2011, at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Willie C. Randall, Chairman

Samuel J. Long, Jr., Vice Chairman

H. Spencer Murray

Oliver H. Bennett

Laurence J. Trala.

Absent:

Richard Tankard

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman. The Northampton County School Board was also present and in session.

Joint Meeting with School Board

The joint meeting commenced with Dr. Richard Drury of the School Board noting that there was a rumor circulating that the School Board was recommending a new middle school/high school complex. He wanted to dispel that rumor, saying that the School Board is not supporting a new complex at this time. While the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) is an important document, he said that the School Board would like to focus on the FY 2012, due to be submitted to the County in ten days' time. Dr. Drury also noted that some people think the CIP is a "wish list"; however, he said that the components of the CIP represent critical items that need to be considered in order to have a safe learning environment.

Mr. Mickey Merritt, Chairman of the CIP Committee, said that the School Board was

working hard to fix the schools and to make them the best that they can be. He noted that it would be a big help to the School Board if the Board of Supervisors could allocate the \$600,000±, currently being expended on debt payments, to the School's CIP as well as a couple of cents' worth of real estate tax revenues.

Chairman Randall and Vice Chairman Long said that they understood that the CIP was not a "wish list", but that money was a big issue.

School Board Chairman Webb distributed a three-page hand-out containing a summary of costs as well as additional explanations on the items contained in the CIP. These hand-outs were described in detail by Ms. Brook Thomas, Director of Finance for the School Board, and she answered questions from the Board members.

Mr. Chris Truckner, Director of Maintenance for the School Board, also distributed correspondence from February 27, 2009, from RRMM Architects in regard to a feasibility study for various work items including high school renovation, stadium and field house replacement, food service evaluation, etc.

Ms. Katherine Nunez, County Administrator, noted that the School Board still has monies in the capital budget which could be used to cover the FY 2011 projects contained in the CIP as well as some of the FY 2012 projects, and these funds could be accessed through a budget amendment request. Ms. Thomas indicated that the School Board would be meeting tomorrow and could consider submitting such request at that time as well as take final action to approve the draft Capital Improvements Plan.

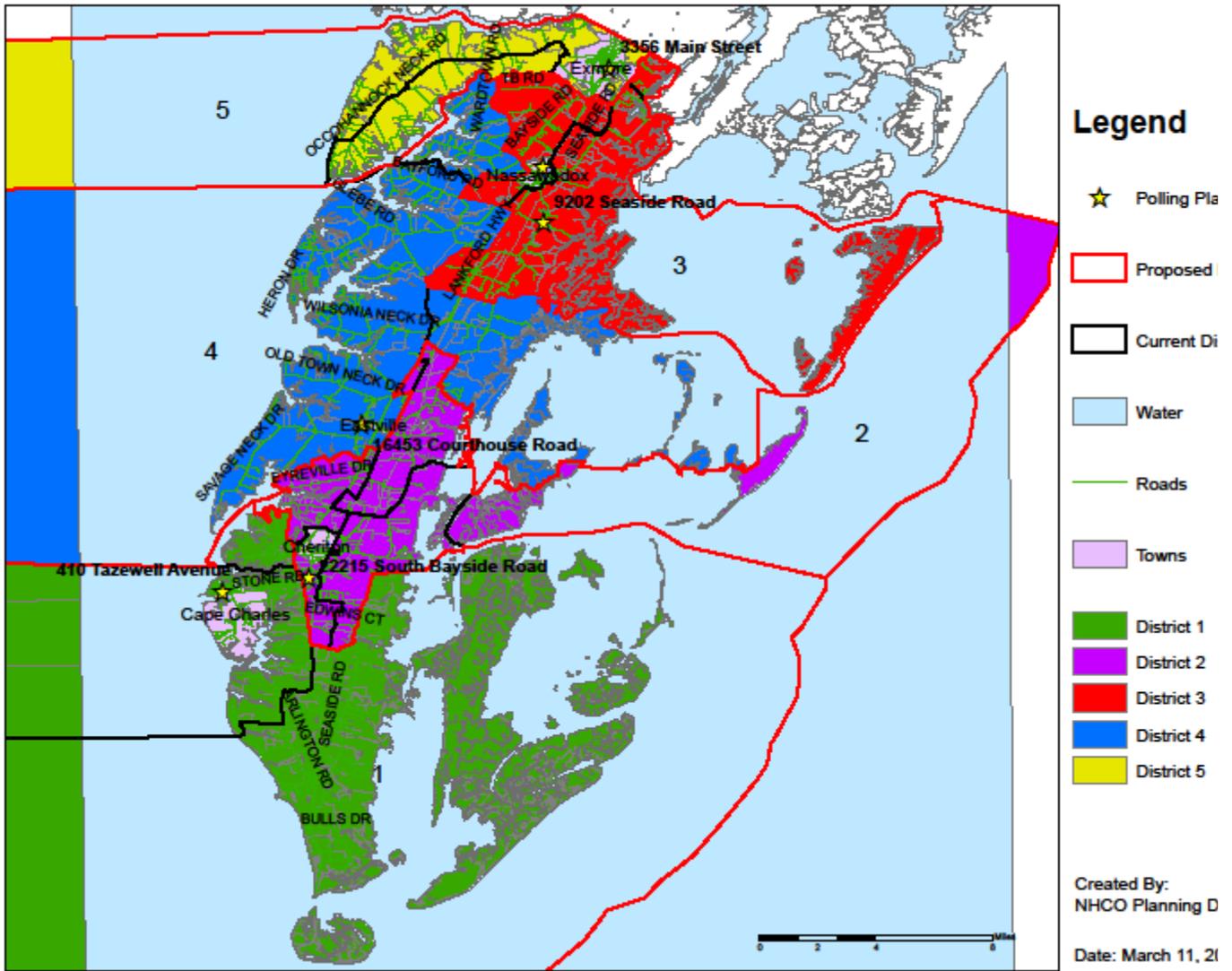
It was the consensus of the Board that the draft CIP was acceptable.

#### Continued Redistricting Discussion

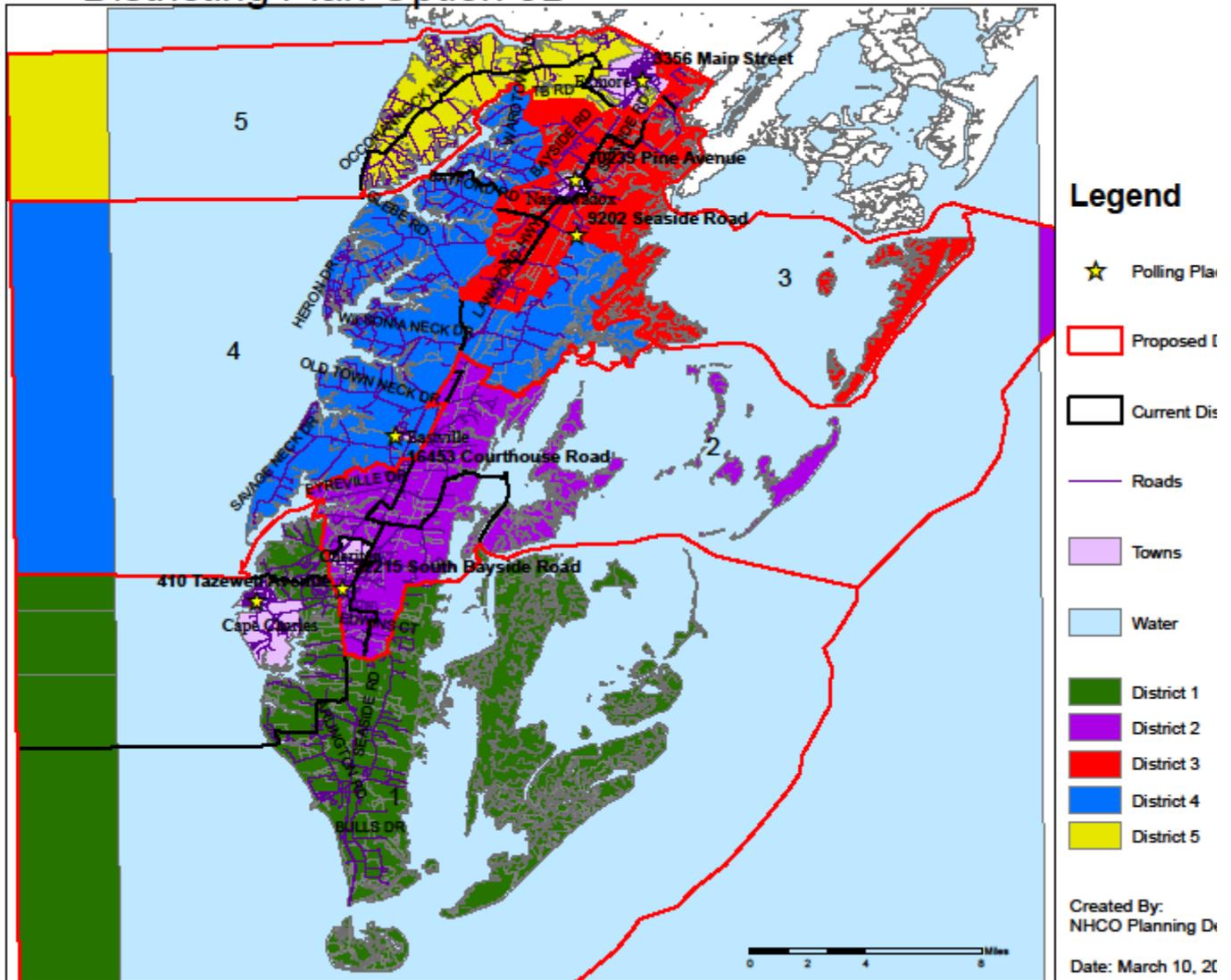
Mr. Peter Stith, Long Range Planner and GIS Coordinator, presented for the Board's

review two additional redistricting maps, derived from the five-district Option 5 version shown to the Board at an earlier meeting. These two options, entitled “5A” and “5B”, are set out below:

### Districting Plan Option 5A



## Districting Plan Option 5B



Mrs. Theresa Wisner, General Registrar, and Mr. Leonard Spady, Secretary of the Northampton County Electoral Board, were present and commented on polling places. She noted that the Electoral Board had recently visited the American Legion Post #56 in the Town of Cheriton and hoped that the polling place for District Two could be relocated to this facility

because of security issues. In addition, the Electoral Board was recommending that the polling place for District Three, currently Red Bank Baptist Church social hall, be located to the Nassawadox Fire Hall in view of the proposed new boundary lines.

After much discussion and review of various areas of the County affected by redistricting, motion was made by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Long, that the Board instruct the County Administrator to move Option 5B to public hearing with the polling place adjustments for Districts Two and Three for County-wide elections as recommended. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Tankard and voted “yes,” with the exception of Mr. Bennett who voted “no.” The motion was passed.

Recess:

Motion was made by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Long, that the meeting be recessed until March 28, 2011, commencing at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Room #2 of the former Northampton Middle School, 7247 Young Street, Machipongo, Virginia, to conduct the regular work session. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Tankard and voted “yes.” The motion was unanimously passed.

The meeting was recessed.

\_\_\_\_\_CHAIRMAN

\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR