



Powhatan County

Economic Development

MONTHLY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2018



BUSINESS RETENTION & EXPANSION

- Classic Granite & Marble (“CGM”) received approval from Board of Supervisors for rezoning of their proposed business near County Line Road.
- Fairview Farms has finished its expansion and renovation of their additional lodging.



- Concrete septic tank manufacturing business received approval of CUP from Board of Supervisors near Rt. 522/711.
- Auto Carpet & Upholstery Steam Cleaning has expanded their business to include a location at 2407 Anderson Highway.
- Hobby Hill Farm Fresh added seating for patrons to enjoy lunches and other food orders in the store.
- Building Permits were issued for renovations to the Elam Animal Hospital.
- A CUP application was received for a proposed carwash adjacent to Land & Coates.
- Tu Left Feet moved to a new location at 2656 Anderson Highway beside El Cerro Azul.
- Two Powhatan businesses were nominated for a State economic gardening grant
- Business licenses were approved for 5 home-based businesses.
- Country inn and event space on Huguenot Springs Road received approval for a CUP by Board of Supervisors.
- Shawn Stern Computer Services has opened its business in the Oakbridge Business Park.
- Barnes Insurance received Planning Commission approval for its architectural plans to its new business location.

Staff and Business Ambassadors completed business visits with 18 Powhatan companies including:

Powhatan Physical Therapy, CC Landscaping, Benchmark Construction, Jeff Cochran State Farm Insurance, Pillar to Post Home Inspections, Mabel’s Espresso Café, Hobby Hill Farm Fresh, OnTRAK Insurance Solutions, Elite Windows, New Horizon Bank, Blossman Propane, Shalom Farms, Habitat for Humanity, Exterior Source, Fine Creek Realty, Home Lighting LTD, Southern Goodman Mechanical and Inner-Vision Education Center.

Updates from the August 2018 Monthly report:

Construction continues on the following projects:

Fast Feet Sports Academy
Nails & Beyond salon in South Creek
South Creek Cleaners dry cleaning
University of Richmond golf training facility at Independence Golf
Rocky Oak Auto
CC Landscaping in Oakbridge
Morris Industries/Steel new office
Blue & Gray Self-Storage expansion
Burger King

Review continues on the following site plans:

McDonalds
Dunkin' Donuts
Colony Construction maintenance shop
Commercial building in Oakbridge consisting of 20,000 sf of leasable spaces

Review continues on the following rezonings or CUPs:

Stone Ridge commercial rezoning
Cypress Creek Renewables CUP for a solar farm
Dorset/Rt. 60 commercial rezoning



TOURISM



Virginia Tourism Corporation staff toured Powhatan to familiarize their team with the county's assets for tourism.



NEWS



Shalom Farms celebrated its 2nd annual Savor Shalom event with over 225 guests in attendance and over \$30,000 raised.



Cottages at Mill at Fine Creek featured as a lodging location in RTD's Richmond Brewery Tour Guide - https://www.richmond.com/food-drink/beer/how-to-take-a-richmond-brewery-tour-guide/article_97bd6f8d-0db3-5cf1-87d1-ee2cf07cf277.html

Fine Creek Brewing in SEC's Cooperative News Business Profile- <https://www.co-opliving.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Oct18AllCo-ops.pdf> (Page 68 of PDF).



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Now and Again consignment's ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday, October 11th at 11:00am. The address is 2470 Anderson Highway, in the Flatrock Shopping Center near Tractor Supply.
- Chamber RVA Mission Tomorrow Interactive Career Exploration- October 18-19th
<https://www.chamberrva.com/programs/mission-tomorrow/>
- Powhatan Artisan Festival October 20th 10AM-4PM
<http://www.bearclawpottery.com/events.html>
- Powhatan Today's Powhatan Picks is back for another year with open voting for businesses of all varieties in Powhatan. Submissions due October 26th by 5 PM. For more information go to:
https://www.richmond.com/news/local/central-virginia/powhatan/powhatan-today/powhatan-picks-contest-rules/article_e5077622-96d3-11e6-a218-9f73f820a807.html
Official ballots available in Powhatan Today circular.
- Powhatan Fair Halloween Trunk or Treat October 31st
- Three Crosses Distilling "Halloween Spirits" event October 31st
<https://www.facebook.com/events/946739728859024/>
- Clean Business Award nominations - Seeking businesses that keep it Clean and Green - not only litter-free but we're looking for those who recycle too! Nominations are now being accepted for Powhatan's 2018 Clean Green Business Award! Please submit nominations by the deadline of November 1 to the Powhatan Extension Office at 3910 Old Buckingham Road or email chowland@vt.edu