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Supervisors table consent of solar transfer

By Crystal Vandegrift
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Developers of a solar facility destined for Lunenburg County had hopes of gaining the consent to transfer its project to another buyer but have been met with disapproval by the county Board of Supervisors (BOS).

During the December BOS meeting, officials with Apex Clean Energy addressed the BOS seeking a vote of the consent of its intent to sell the project to Dimension Renewable Energy.

In August, the Board unanimously approved the issuance of the CUP and approval of the Siting Agreement for the Dogwood Lane Project. The project is set to be a 4-megawatt

medium-scale solar facility located on Dogwood Lane just outside Kenbridge.

According to county documents, the Board's consent is required for the sale or transfer of the Project or the ownership of the Developer.

During the December BOS meeting, representatives for both Apex Clean Energy and Dimension Renewable Energy addressed members of the board seeking consent; however, that was met with disapproval by several members of the BOS because, according to board member Robert Zava, there was not enough information about Dimension Renewable Energy.

During that meeting, the BOS

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Salvation Army makes delivery to those in need

On Saturday, Dec. 17, local volunteers of the Kenbridge Salvation Army Unit served 132 families in the Kenbridge and Dundas areas of Lunenburg County. The unit provided food boxes

and supplies packed with goodies to families and elderly community members as well as Angel Tree gifts for children. "We are very appreciative of the donations received from individuals, local churches and organizations that make this possible each year," said Salvation Army representative Teresa Finch. "Kenbridge Elementary students collected over 1200 cans of food this year and we also had some of Central's football players and Coach Thomas, and the Kindness Matters group provide assistance this year."



Christmas week storm looms for region

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Will we get a white Christmas this year? For this region, the jury is still out on that. But one thing the National Weather Service (NWS) can promise is bone-chilling cold temperatures for the rest of this week. With that in mind, it's time to take precautions before Old Man Winter arrives.

From now until Thursday night, lows are expected to drop into the 20s. But that's practically balmy compared to what's coming after. The NWS in Blacksburg forecasts 16 degrees on Friday night. Then we hope you're wrapped up tight when venturing out for services on Christmas Eve, as the temperature will

fall to 13. For Christmas Day, the low will be 15 and the same goes for Monday night.

And while that cold weather causes problems by itself, that's not the only thing we're warning about. According to officials with the National Weather Service in Blacksburg, we can expect a mix of wet snow and sleet possibly in the early hours on Thursday. That's the first concern, with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) asking people to drive carefully if they have to head out early to work.

VDOT officials say the Lynchburg division will have work crews out Wednesday night, ready to start scrapping any area where the snow

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Chamber announces contest winners

The Lunenburg County Chamber of Commerce announced the winners of its annual Home Christmas Decorating Contest on Tuesday, Dec. 14

NOVELTY CATEGORY

- Jeff Childers and Katina Wilson - blue ribbon
- Cynthia Moore - red ribbon
- Brian and Stephanie Wise - yellow ribbon
- Jeff Childers and Katina Wilson - white ribbon

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TRADITIONAL CATEGORY

- Sharon Harding - blue ribbon
- Clarece and BJ Canaday - red ribbon
- Erica and Cam Lawson - yellow ribbon
- Amanda and Jake Nowlin - white ribbon
- Tri-Color ribbon was awarded to Sharon Harding

What changes are coming for Medicare users?

By Rachel Austin
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The Inflation Reduction Act was signed into law in August and caught the attention of many due to its sections on clean energy and climate change. However, the bill also contains changes regarding health care that will go into effect next month.

Starting Jan. 1, Virginians under Medicare and the Affordable Care Act will see some relief in their medical costs. Here is what to know about the new law.

For those under the Affordable Care Act, the enhanced subsidies placed by Congress due to the pandemic will extend for three years through 2025. This will keep health care premiums low for the 300,000 Virginians under the Affordable Care Act. If this had not been extended, the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services predicted that Virginians under the Affordable Care Act would have seen a \$71 increase in their premiums next year.

"I am very happy about expanding the enhanced subsidies for the Affordable Care Act," said Sen. Tim Kaine. "I've always been a strong supporter of the Affordable Care Act. Back in August 2017, I cast my vote and it was decided by one. We didn't know a pandemic was right around the corner and COVID could have been worse than it already was if so many people had lost their health coverage. We never know what's right around the corner."

The Inflation Reduction Act also provides numerous benefits for seniors on Medicare. One of the most notable is that this will cap insulin prices at \$35 a month. As Kaine's fellow Virginia senator Mark Warner points out, in past years seniors have paid thousands of dollars out of pocket just for insulin.

"The cost of diabetes is huge," said Warner. "I see this in my personal life as my daughter has type 1 diabetes and the price has gone up four times

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