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Mr. Timothy Watson
3409 Buckner Road
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Re: FOIA Request Received September 25, 2008

Dear Mr. Watson:


As I believe you are aware, this firm and I represent Caroline County as its County Attorneys. Your e-mailed request for information to Mr. Ashcraft was referred to me for response as a request under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA").

Your e-mail inquires as to the cost of adopting certain ordinances vacating the Saddlehorse Farms subdivision and other subdivisions being developed by the Farmers, and includes other questions.

Among other things and with certain exceptions and limitations, FOIA requires that public records of public bodies be open and made available to citizens of the Commonwealth for inspection upon request being made for such records with reasonable specificity. It does not require the public body to compile records, to create records that do not exist, or to respond to questions in general that are not requests for specific documents or existing records.

Because your inquiry consists of questions to which you have requested answers, it is not subject to FOIA.

Sincerely,



Benjamin W. Emerson

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cc: Mr. Percy Ashcraft
Mr. Alan Partin