



Issues and Programs List

Q1 March 2024

1.)	Program Date: March 13, 2024	Times: 6:00 a.m., 6:30 a.m., 7:00 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.
	Length: 40 Seconds	Issue: Pittsylvania Co. advertises budget for fiscal year 2025, including tax increase.
<p>Programming: The budget features a slight cut in the tax rate. However, according to Pittsylvania Co. Administrator Stuart Turille, most property owners will pay much more next year due to a reassessment showing nearly a 50% increase in property values. He said the current tax rate in the county is \$0.62 per \$100. The proposed rate in the new budget sets the rate at \$0.59. According to Supervisor Robert Tucker, the tax rate in the county hasn't changed in six years. He says the tax rate could still be adjusted during the budget process. The Board of Supervisors will hold a budget public hearing March 28. (Newscasts)</p>		

2.)	Program Date: March 19, 2024	Times: 6:00 a.m., 6:30 a.m., 7:00 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.
	Length: 30 Seconds	Issue: VDOT conducting study for potential safety improvements in Pittsylvania Co. on Route 41.
<p>Programming: Lynn Stevens, spokesperson for VDOT, says the study area extends from north of Hunting Hills Road to Orphanage Road and focuses on providing safety enhancements and bicycle, pedestrian, and transit access. Stevens said the study includes a public meeting Monday, March 25, 5:30 p.m. at the Mt. Hermon Fire Department, 4268 Franklin Tpke. Interested residents are also invited to fill out a survey about improvements along the corridor. (Newscasts)</p>		



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3.)	Program Date: March 22, 2024	Times: 6:00 a.m., 6:30 a.m., 7:00 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.
Length: 50 Seconds	Issue: Danville selects firm for parking study.	
Programming: The Danville Office of Economic Development & Tourism has selected “Parking Whisperer” to lead a parking enforcement strategy study. It will seek to implement parking enforcement in the River District that prioritizes both Danville residents and new visitors. Kelvin Perry, Assistant Director of Economic Development & Tourism, said “due to the exciting growth within the downtown area, this study comes at a crucial time.” John Oglesby, Founder and CEO of Parking Whisperer, said “this is an opportunity to engage with the public, area businesses, residents, and drivers of all types to work with a plan to provide ample parking for the City of Danville, which is experiencing substantial growth.” (Newscasts)		