

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, February 27, 2018)
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Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Tom Jarboe
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

1. WELCOME

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:04 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

I move to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the Minutes of February 13, 2018, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

2. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

A. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Legislative Update

Present: David Weiskopf, Acting County Attorney

I move to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Library Board of Trustees and the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

3. PUBLIC HEARING

A. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Disposition of Property

Commissioner President Guy opened the public hearing at 9:17 a.m.

Present: David Weiskopf, Acting County Attorney

Notice of public hearing was published in the *Enterprise Newspaper* February 9 and 16, 2018. §12-410(b) of the *Local Government Article* authorizes the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to sell at public or private sale any real property no longer needed for public use if the Commissioners hold a hearing on the sale and provide adequate notice of the hearing. The County acquired 1.264 acres of land in the San Souci Neighborhood through a Tax Sale Auction. A citizen has presented an offer to the County to purchase the 1.264 acres.

Commissioner Guy opened the public hearing for public comments. There were no individuals wishing to speak. Commissioner Guy noted that the record would remain open for public comment for an additional seven days and closed the public hearing at 9:23 am.

4. MAIN AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

A. DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES - Commercial Shellfish Aquaculture Submerged Land Lease Brief

Present: William C. Anderson, Assistant Secretary for Aquatic Resources
Karl R. Roscher, Director and Aquaculture Coordinator

Mr. Roscher explained the Commercial Shellfish Aquaculture Submerged Land Leases program and discussed the impact on St. Mary's County.

B. COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND - State of the College

Present: Dr. Maureen Murphy, President
Brad Bates, Board Vice Chair
Dr. John Roache, Trustee
Ms. Harless, Student

Dr. Murphy provided an overview of the College of Southern Maryland and introduced Ms. Harless, a student at the College of Southern Maryland, who described the benefits of going to a two year college.

C. DEPT. OF AGING AND HUMAN SERVICES - Youth Advisory Commission of St. Mary's County Resolution

Present: Lori Jennings-Harris, Director
Kelsey Bush, Youth Coordinator

I move to adopt the Resolution and Bylaws for the St. Mary's Youth Advisory Commission.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

I move to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Litigation Strategy.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. LITIGATION STRATEGY

Present: James R. Guy, Commissioner President
Tom Jarboe, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
David Weiskopf, Acting County Attorney
Jeanette Cudmore, Chief Financial Officer
Brandon Hayden, Procurement Manager
Mike Rynd, Karpinski, Colaresi & Karp, P.A. (via conference call)
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(2) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
Time Held: 10:55 am - 11:09 am
Location: John Savich Meeting Room
Purpose: To discuss litigation strategy.

MOTION IN OPEN SESSION

I move to accept the Tuckman-Barbee Construction Company, Inc.'s bid protest regarding Bid # S18-DPWT-94634. Further, I move to reject Scheibel Construction's award protest regarding the same.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

6. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR MARCH 6 AND MARCH 13, 2018

B. TRI-COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU - Community Youth Mapping

Present: Tracy Schrock, Program Coordinator

Marcia Greenberg, Steering Committee for Community/Youth Center (Presenter)

Mia Bowers, Member of Steering Committee

Ms. Greenberg highlighted the results of the Community Youth Mapping project conducted during the summer of 2017.

C. BOARD OF EDUCATION - MSDE Title IV, Part A-Student Support and Academic Grant Award

I move to approve the Maryland State Department of Education Title IV, Part A-Student Support and Academic Grant Award in the amount of \$79,151, to the St. Mary's County Public Schools, and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

D. DEPT. OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - FY18 Destination Marketing Organization Grant Agreement

I move to approve the FY2018 Destination Marketing Agreement, Project MD1817, from the Maryland Department of Commerce in the amount of \$52,909 and the related budget amendment that includes increasing Grant funding and decreasing the Appropriation Reserves by \$7,909, and authorized the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

E. DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - St. Mary's County Regional Airport - Real Property Acquisition

I move to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the purchase agreements and settlement statements as presented by staff for the acquisition of avigation easements as required by the St. Mary's County Regional Airport Master Plan and for staff to release payment for closing.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

F. DEPT. OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Certified Local Government (CLG) Educational Grant Application for FY2019

I move to approve the Certified Local Government (CLG) Educational Set-Aside Grant Application for FY2019, Project US1950, from the Maryland Historical Trust in the amount of \$2,000 (including County Match) to sponsor educational workshops and training, aiding the County in maintaining its CLG certification, and authorize Director of the Department of Land Use and Growth Management to submit electronically, consistent with the document reviewed by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

G. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - Emergency Services Focus Group Update

Present: Rebecca Bolton Bridgett, Ed.D., County Administrator

Dr. Bridgett provided an update on initiatives completed to date and future initiatives of the Emergency Services Focus Group.

7. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week and provided general comments.

8. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on 3/6/18.

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Sharon Ferris, Administrative Assistant

9. BUDGET WORK SESSION

A. DEPT. OF FINANCE - Review Proposed Budget for County Departments, Discussion of Compensation Issues, CSMC Direction.

Present: Jeannette Cudmore, Chief Financial Officer
Patty Steigman, Deputy Director

A follow up on items from the February 13, 2018 work session and review of proposed budgets for County departments were topics for this Budget Work Session.

10. ADJOURN

11. PUBLIC HEARING

Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Tom Jarboe
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

A. DEPT. OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Public Hearing to Receive Public Input on Proposed Amendments to the Sign Ordinance for the Location of Signs with Electronic Displays

Commissioner President Guy opened the public hearing at 9:17 a.m.

Present: Bill Hunt, Director of Land Use and Growth Management

Notice of Public Hearing was published in the *Enterprise Newspaper* on January 12 and 19, 2018. Chapter 286, Title - Signs of the *Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland* establishes land use regulations regarding signs. A Sign Focus Group consisting of ten community and business

leaders was established to recommend changes to the current ordinance. Mr. Hunt explained the proposed changes.

Commissioner Guy opened the public hearing for public comments.

Public comments given by:

Michelle and Steve Perrie, 23600 Three Notch Road, Hollywood, MD 20636

Walter Burch, 23098 Esperanza Dr., Lexington Park, MD 20653

There were no other citizens signed up to speak so the public hearing was closed for public comment. Commissioner Guy noted that the record would remain open for public comment for an additional seven days and closed the public hearing at 6:43 pm.