

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, May 15, 2018)

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1. GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY - NEW LEONARDTOWN LIBRARY AND GARVEY SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER, Leonards Grant Parkway, Leonardtown, MD

A. Program for Groundbreaking Ceremony

The Commissioners attended the official Groundbreaking Ceremony for the new Leonardtown Library and Garvey Senior Activity Center.

Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Tom Jarboe (via teleconference)
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor (via teleconference)
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Bonnie Gray, Recorder

2. WELCOME

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 10:50 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 May 8, 2018, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

3. PROCLAMATION(S)

Proclamations were presented for the following:

- A. Small Business Month**
- B. National Transportation Week**
- C. Grace Brady Retirement**

4. PUBLIC HEARING

A. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Public Hearing - Proposed Amendment to Ordinance No. 2017-15 to Provide an Exemption to the Impact Fee Ordinance for Replacement Dwelling Units under Certain Conditions

Commissioner President Guy opened the Public Hearing at 11:10 a.m.

Present: Bill Hunt, Director
Harry Knight, Permits Coordinator
David Weiskopf, Acting County Attorney

Notice of public hearing was posted in *The Enterprise Newspaper* on April 29, 2018 and May 4, 2018. The proposed amendment has three situations where impact fees are not required to be paid: for the issuance of a building permit to replace, renovate, alter or enlarge an existing or previously existing dwelling unit for which a development impact fee was previously paid; for the issuance of a building permit to replace, renovate, alter or enlarge an existing dwelling unit which was built before May 31, 1974; and for the issuance of a building permit to replace, renovate, alter or enlarge a previously existing dwelling unit which was lost to fire, accident or natural disaster within the last three years.

Commissioner Guy opened the public hearing for public comments. There were no citizens wishing to speak. Commissioner Guy closed the public hearing for public comment noting that the record would remain open for public comment for an additional seven days, and closed the public hearing at 11:14 a.m.

5. PRESENTATION

A. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Historic Preservation Month Awards

Present: Grace Mary Brady, Historic Preservation Planner

The Commissioners and the Historic Planning Preservation Commission recognized Historic Preservation Month by presenting proclamations and awards to the following recipients:

1. Jack and Cindy Pratt for a preservation project award for the restoration of the exterior and interior of Lower Notley Hall.
2. Holly Myer, Nicky Strickland, Ruby Hawks, Dr. Roache and Carol Nelson accepted a preservation service award on behalf of MedStar St. Mary's Hospital for the creation of a history room called Reflections. Christine Wray, Linda Laegel and Carole Nelson were unable to attend.
3. Don Cropp and Christine Cropp (not present) for a preservation project award for the complete restoration of the Drayden School House. Also present were Karen Stone, Jeanette Petit, Arthur Shepherd, April Heavens and Lynn Futrell.
4. Maureen Norton for a preservation service award. Ms. Norton worked with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to get the Hen Coop cemetery cleaned up, restored and protected.

5. Nancy Easterling for a preservation service award for the creation of the Resurrection Manor house exhibit at the Historic Sotterley Plantation. Also present were Bert Johnson and Lynn Futrell.

6. Board of Directors of the St. Mary's County Historical Society for a preservation service award for creating an annual series of programs which focused on the 380 years of "Mother County" history. Also present were Dr. Roache, Christine Senese and Susan Wolfe.

6. MAIN AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

A. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - Commissioners of St. Mary's County Sets Rates and Approves FY2019 Operating and Capital Budgets

Present: Jeanett Cudmore, Chief Financial Officer
Patty Stiegman, Deputy Director

MOTION 1: I move that we approve and execute the Ordinance to Amend Chapter 223 of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland, to provide for and set the Environmental and Solid Waste Service Fee.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt

MOTION 2: I move that we approve and execute the Ordinance to Amend Chapter 223 of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland, to provide for and set the Schedule of Fees.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt

MOTION 3: I move that we approve and execute the Ordinance to Repeal and replace Ordinance 2004-19 and to set the Building Permit Fees for St. Mary's County, Maryland.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

MOTION 4: I move to approve and authorize the new Tax Rate for the Lexington Park Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

MOTION 5: I move to approve and authorize the new Tax Rates for the 2nd and 9th District Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

Nay: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt

MOTION 6: I move to approve and execute the Revenue Ordinance for FY2019, which sets the tax rates.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Tom Jarboe.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt

MOTION 7: I move to approve and execute the Appropriation Ordinance for FY2019, which identifies appropriations.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt

MOTION 8: I move to approve the FY2019 Budget, as set forth in the schedules and documents included in the submission, and execute the Budget Estimate page evidencing our approval of the itemized budget.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Tom Jarboe.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt

7. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR MAY 22, AND JUNE 5, 2018. THERE WILL BE NO MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY ON MAY 29, 2018.

B. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Transfer of Bond Allocation Authority

I move to transfer the housing and non-housing bond allocation authority provided by the Maryland Department of Commerce back to the appropriate State agencies and have the Commissioner President sign the proposed letters to the Department of Commerce and the Department of Housing and Community Development and any related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

Not Present at Vote: Commissioner John E. O'Connor

C. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - Approval of Budget Amendment to Purchase Equipment

I move to approve the purchase of a Gradall for the Department of Public Works & Transportation, and the purchase of a Beach Cleaning Machine and Aeration Machine for the Department of Recreation and Parks, by use of \$450,000 from the Emergency Appropriations Reserve, and authorize Commissioner President Guy to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

Not Present at Vote: Commissioner John E. O'Connor

D. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Community Assistance Visit Briefing

Present: Bill Hunt, Director

Kathleen Easley, Senior Planner IV

Yvonne Chaillet, Zoning Administrator

A team from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) conducted a Community Assistance Visit (CAV), which is a component of being accepted into the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS). The results of the CAV Report were received, and a plan of action to develop a systematic inspection process for all floodplain properties was presented.

8. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week, mentioned upcoming events in the community, and provided general comments.

9. RECESS

10. MACO PRESENTATION

A. MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES PRESENTATION

Present: Michael Sanderson, Executive Director, MACo
Jerry Walker, MACo President and Anne Arundel County Counsel

MACo is a non-profit and non-partisan organization that represents all 24 county jurisdictions in Maryland by expressing the needs of local government to the Maryland General Assembly. Mr. Sanderson and Mr. Walker provided highlights from the past legislative session and also discussed changes to Maryland's tax code for next year.

11. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on May 22, 2018.

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Bonnie Gray, Senior Admin. Coordinator