

**ST. MARYS COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
GOVERNMENTAL CENTER  
Tuesday, April 29, 2008**

**Present:** Commissioner President Francis Jack Russell  
Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement  
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe  
Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.  
Commissioner Daniel H. Raley  
John Savich, County Administrator  
Betty Jean Pasko, Sr. Administrative Coordinator (Recorder)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner President Russell called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER**

**Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Check Register for checks dated April 29, 2008, as submitted. Motion carried 4-0, 1 abstention (Commissioner Raley).**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to adopt the minutes of the Commissioners meeting of April 22, 2008, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.**

**DISTINGUISHED EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR FOR ST. MARYS CO. GOVERNMENT**

Present: Sue Sabo, HR Director  
June Robrecht, Deputy HR Director

Ms. Sabo began by first recognizing Peggy Maio for 10 years of service.

The Distinguished Employee of the Year honors and recognizes those employees who go above and beyond the call of duty and exceed expectations while working to support the mission of St. Marys County Government. The following individuals were recognized for being nominated: Patricia Meyers, Manager at Wicomico Golf Course, Janice Blackistone, Fiscal Specialist IV in Land Use and Growth Management Department, Becky Trossbach, Fiscal Specialist III in the Finance Department and Richard W. Russell, Corporal in the Sheriffs Office.

This years Distinguished Employee of the Year is Lisa Bachman, Fiscal Support Specialist in the Finance Department.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

The following proclamations were presented to volunteers and members of the St. Marys Nursing Center:

**NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK**

April 27-May 3, Theme: Volunteers - Heart of the Community

**NATIONAL HOUSEKEEPING AND LAUNDRY WEEK**

April 20-26, Theme: Clean & Bright, We do it Right

**NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK**

May 11-17, Theme: Touching Lives with Care

**NATIONAL NURSES WEEK**

May 6-12, Theme: Together We Touch Lives

**RECESS**

The Board recessed at 9:30 am to attend the Special Olympics Spring Games opening ceremony.

**COMMUNITY EVENT: ANNUAL SPECIAL OLYMPICS SPRING GAMES  
OPENING CEREMONY**

Beginning at 10:00 am, the BOCC attended the Annual Special Olympics Spring Games Opening Ceremony held at Leonardtown High School.

**RECONVENE**

The Board reconvened at 1:30 pm at the Governmental Center, Room 14.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

1. Draft Agendas for May 6 and 13, 2008
2. **Dept. of Human Services** (*Sabrina Hecht, Chief of Staff*)

**Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Assignment from the Mental Health Authority of St. Marys Inc., which transfers to the Board of**

**County Commissioners all right, title and interest in the Memorandum of Understanding, executed on December 15, 2004, between the Core Service Agencies in Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince Georges, and St. Marys counties. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Standard Memorandum of Understanding, entitled PATH Grant, between the Mental Hygiene Administration and St. Marys County. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the MD Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene Standard Memorandum of Understanding between the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration and St. Marys County. Motion carried 5-0.**

**3. Dept. of Public Works and Transportation (*George Erichsen, P.E., Director*)**

**Re:** BOCC direction to schedule a public hearing to consider petition to abandon a portion of Bay Front Drive right-of-way submitted by a landowner in the Scotland Beach Community.

Mr. Erichsen presented an overview of the property, background information, tasks completed, and pending issues. Mr. Erichsen will draft a letter stating unresolved property ownership and access issues need to be addressed prior to pursuing a BOCC public hearing (and before drafting the related ordinance and exhibit).

**4. Office of the County Attorney (*Liz Passarelli, Real Property Manager*)**

**Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to accept the deed dated April 10, 2008, from the Board of Education of St. Marys County for the property called and known as Old Carver Elementary School, Lincoln Avenue, Lexington Park, St. Marys County, containing 21.42 acres, more or less, as more particularly described in a metes and bounds description attached to the deed and made thereof and to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Certificate of Acceptance on behalf of the County. Motion carried 5-0.**

## **COMMISSIONERS TIME**

The Commissioners highlighted upcoming events and events attended over the past week and personal interest items.

The following staff action items were noted:

- Pending the turnout at the May 6, 2008, Public Hearing at 2:30 pm on the adoption of the 2006 National Standard Plumbing Code, determine if a second public hearing should be scheduled during evening hours. (Commissioner Jarboe)
- Include "homeowner wind turbine" discussion on a future agenda (Commissioner Jarboe). Denis Canavan said it would take a zoning ordinance text amendment to legalize (height & multiplicity implications) installation.
- Provide clarification and additional information on the recent Lease Agreement for the Bell Motors property (Commissioner Jarboe).

## **MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Real Property Acquisition matters, specifically, potential parkland projects, and Litigation. Motion carried 5-0.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### Litigation

Present: Commissioner Francis Jack Russell, President  
 Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement  
 Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe  
 Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.  
 Commissioner Daniel H. Raley  
 John Savich, County Administrator  
 Christy Chesser, County Attorney  
 Sabrina Hecht, Chief of Staff  
 Donna Gebicke, Recorder

Authority: Article 24, Section 4-210(a)8  
 Time Held: 2:46 pm 2:57 pm  
 Subject Discussed: Potential litigation matter.

### Real Property Acquisition

Present: Commissioner Francis Jack Russell, President  
 Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement  
 Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe  
 Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.  
 Commissioner Daniel H. Raley  
 John Savich, County Administrator  
 Christy Chesser, County Attorney  
 Sabrina Hecht, Chief of Staff  
 Liz Passarelli, Real Property Manager  
 Phil Rollins, Director, Recreation, Parks and Community Services

Donna Gebicke, Recorder  
Authority: Article 24, Section 4-210(a)11  
Time Held: 2:58 pm 3:30 pm  
Subject Discussed: Potential parkland projects.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on \_\_\_\_\_

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Betty Jean Pasko, Sr. Admin. Coordinator