

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, June 7, 2022)

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Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy

Commissioner Eric Colvin

Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt

Commissioner Todd B. Morgan

Commissioner John E. O'Connor

David Weiskopf, Interim County Administrator

Alisa Casas, Communications Director, Public Information Office

1. WELCOME

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:02 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

I move to approve the Consent Agenda, which contains the Minutes of May 24, 2022, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

2. PROCLAMATION

A. A proclamation was presented for LGBTQIA Month.

3. COMMENDATION

A. The Commissioners presented a Commendation to Arthur Shepherd on the occasion of his retirement. Mr. Shepherd also received a Maryland General Assembly Citation and a Senatorial Citation.

4. PRESENTATION

A. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - 2022 Safety Matters Employee Awards

The following individuals were Safety Award recipients:

Nick Earhart – Senior Office Specialist, Dept. of Land Use and Growth Management

Larry Eberhard – Zoning Compliance Supervisor, Dept. of Land use and Growth Management

Eugene “Chip” McGolrick – Lead Maintenance Mechanic, Dept. of Public Works & Transportation/Building Services

Anna Bussler – Corrections Analyst, Corrections

5. MAIN AGENDA ITEM

A. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Decision - To amend the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance by deleting Section 51.3.122.a.(3) Private, Non-commercial swimming pools as accessory uses, in order to allow a property owner to apply for a Critical Area Variance to construct a private, non-commercial, swimming pool in the Critical Area Buffer.

I move to approve the ordinance amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance by deleting Section 51.3.122.a.(3) Private, Non-commercial swimming pools as accessory uses, to allow a property owner to apply for a Critical Area Variance to construct a private, non-commercial, swimming pool in the Critical Area Buffer and authorize the Commissioner President to sign any related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

B. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Decision - Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map to change the land use from Rural Preservation to Rural Commerce and to change the zoning from the Rural Preservation District to the Rural Commercial Limited zoning district for two parcels located at 26470 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville.

I move to approve the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map to change the land use from Rural Preservation to Rural Commerce and the amendment to the Zoning Map to change the zoning from the Rural Preservation District to the Rural Commercial Limited zoning district for two parcels located at 26470 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville and authorize the Commissioner President to sign any related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

6. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR JUNE 14 AND 28, 2022. There will be no meeting of the Commissioners on June 21, 2022.

B. SHERIFF'S OFFICE - Sex Offender Compliance and Enforcement in Maryland - FY23 Grant Application - Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services

I move to approve the FY2023 Sex Offender Compliance and Enforcement in Maryland grant application from the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services, on behalf of the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$13,603 and authorize the Commissioner President and Sheriff to execute the related documents and staff to submit electronically.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan

Abstain: Commissioner O'Connor

C. DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARK - Draft Master Plan Approval - Snow Hill Park

I make a motion that we schedule a public hearing at 6:30 pm on June 28, 2022 prior to approving this plan.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

D. DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS - Approval of the 2022 Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan

I move to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Resolution revising the St. Mary's County Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

E. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - RCS Services, LLC Operating Agreement

I move to approve the Operating Agreement between Commissioners of St. Mary's County and RCS Services, LLC. and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

**F. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - FDR Phase 3 -
Notice of Proposed Purchase for Real Property**

MOTION 1: I move to approve the four (4) option contracts as presented for the fee simple and easement acquisitions related to FDR Blvd. Phase 3B and authorize the Commissioner President to execute all related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

MOTION 2: I move to authorize the Commissioner President to approve and execute all subsequent option contracts for FDR Blvd. Phase 3B fee simple and easement acquisitions that can be purchased at the appraised price.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second NONE.

**G. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - STS ARPA Grant
Award**

I move to approve the FY2023 grant award for funds under the American Rescue Plan Act in the amount of \$268,811 to St. Mary's Transit System (STS) and authorize the Commissioner President to sign all related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

7. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners discussed events attended over the past week and congratulated all graduating seniors.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

I move to enter into Closed Session to discuss Personnel.

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

8. CLOSED SESSION

A. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
David Weiskopf, Interim County Administrator
Diane Gleissner, Coordinator
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:04 a.m. - 11:23 a.m.

Location: Savich Conference Room

Purpose: To consider or discuss the appointment of a member of a public agency or employee, unless the individual as a matter of public record makes a written request for an open session.

9. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on June 14, 2022

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Sharon L. Ferris, Administrative Assistant