Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, February 2, 2016)

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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 meeting to order at 9:00 am in the Chesapeake Building meeting room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Minutes

I move to approve the minutes of January 26, 2016 as presented.

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

2. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDA ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY 9 AND 23, 2016. THERE WILL BE NO MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY ON FEBRUARY 16, 2016.

B. DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & TECHNOLOGY - Amendment to the Ridge Volunteer Lease Agreement

I move to approve the Amendment to the Lease Agreement dated April 8, 2014, between the County and the Ridge Volunteer Fire Department on behalf of Emergency Services & Technology and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Commissioner O'Connor requested that the proposed motion be tabled to allow the Commissioners time to discuss new information that has come forward. Commissioner Jarboe explained that he wants to have more dialog with the Ridge Volunteer Rescue Squad and Fire Department prior to making a final decision on the location.

I move to table the motion.

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

C. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Rural Legacy Area Application

1. I move to approve the Southern Maryland Resource Development and Conservation Board, Inc. to be a sponsor of the County's rural legacy program and to execute the related documents.

2. I move to approve and execute a letter of support for the Patuxent Tidewater Land Trust's and Resource Development and Conservation Board's application to the State Rural Legacy Board seeking funding to support the acquisition of agriculture easements on properties located in the Mattapany and Huntersville Rural Legacy Areas.

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

D. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - To Appoint Member to the Agriculture, Seafood & Forestry Board

I move to appoint the following individual to the Agriculture, Seafood & Forestry Board with term to expire as indicated.

Steve Reeves 12/31/20

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

3. MAIN AGENDA ACTION ITEM

A. COUNTY ATTORNEY - Amendments to the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland

Present: George Sparling

Mr. Sparling presented the proposed amendments to the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland and requested authorization to hold a public hearing.

The Commissioners requested the hearing be held at night.

I move to authorize the Office of the County Attorney to schedule public hearings on the proposed amendments to (1) Chapter 158 (St. Mary's County Public Ethics Ordinance), (2) Chapter 248 (Property Maintenance Ordinance), and (3) the adoption of Chapter 191, amendment of Chapters 248 and 260, and repeal of penalty provisions in Chapters 203, 217, 236, 261, 262, 264 and 285 (Civil Infractions Ordinance).

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

4. COMMISSIONER'S TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events of the past week and items of a personal nature.

5. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on _____

Sharon Ferris, Senior Administrative Coordinator