

**Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, February 5, 2019)**  
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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

Dr. Rebecca Bolton 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 9:03 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 January 29, 2019, as presented.

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

**2. PROCLAMATIONS**

Proclamations were presented for:

- A. African American History Month
- B. Dating Violence Prevention Month
- C. Transit Equity Day

**3. PRESENTATION**

**A. Presentation - College of Southern Maryland - State of the College**

Present: Dr. Maureen Murphy, President

Theodore L. Harwood, II, Chair, Board of Trustees

Collin Foster, Leonardtown Student Association President, College of Southern Maryland

An overview of the enrollment, graduation rate, and the strategic plan for the College was presented. Mr. Foster commented on the benefits of attending the College of Southern Maryland.

#### **4. LEGISLATION**

##### **A. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY -Legislative Update**

**Motion 1.** I move to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Letter of Support for HB 360- St. Mary's Co. Alcoholic Beverages - Sunday Sales at Bar or Counter.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: Commissioner Morgan

**Motion 2.** I move to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Letter of Support for HB 263 - Pretrial Release Services Program - Victim Notification.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: Commissioner Morgan

**Motion 3.** I move to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the two (2) Letters of Support for SB 122/HB 160 - Property Tax Credits - Real Property Used for Robotics Programs.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: Commissioner Morgan

**Motion 4.** I move to approve and authorize Commissioner President Guy to sign the Letter of Support to the Appropriations Committee for HB 358 – St. Mary’s County – Public Facility Bonds which is scheduled for a hearing on February 12, 2019.

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

Motion Carries

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

## **5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR FEBRUARY 12 AND 26, 2019. There will be no meeting of the Commissioners on February 19, 2019.**

**B. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - Old Jail Museum and Tourist Information Center Lease Revision**

I move to approve the Lease Agreement between the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and the St. Mary's County Historical Society for the purpose of the Old Jail Museum and Tourist Information Center for three years 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

**C. BOARD OF EDUCATION - FY2019 Safe To Learn Grant**

**Motion 1.** I move to approve the Maryland Safe to Learn Act of 2018 Grant Award for \$317,217 for St. Mary's County Public Schools increasing the Restricted Revenues and Expenditures and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents;

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

**Motion 2.** I move to have the Commissioner President sign the \$90,000 budget amendment for the Sheriff's Office as a recipient of the partial funds from Public Schools for overtime reimbursement

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

**D. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - Procurement Manual Update - Brief**

Present: Jeannett Cudmore, Chief Financial Officer

Brandon Hayden, Procurement Manager

The Procurement Manual is being revised to bring the manual up-to-date and to provide a comprehensible document for conducting procurement activities for the County.

**E. DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES - Emergency Operations Plan - Brief**

I move to approve the Emergency Services Operation Plan as presented.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, O'Connor

Abstain: Commissioners Hewitt, Morgan

**F. DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES - Emergency Manager Multi Year Training and Exercise Plan - Brief**

Present: Steve Walker, Director

Gerald Gardiner, Emergency Management Manger

The St. Mary's Emergency Services Training and Exercise Plan which documents an organization's overall priorities for a specific multi-year time frame was presented.

**6. COMMISSIONERS' TIME**

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

**MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION**

I move to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Land Acquisition and Personnel

**7. CLOSED SESSION**

**A. PERSONNEL**

**Present:** James R. Guy, President

Eric Colvin, Commissioner

Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner

Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner

John E. O'Connor, Commissioner

Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator

Catherine Pratson, Director, Dept. of Human Resources

Sharon Ferris, Recorder

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

Time Held: 12:43 p.m. - 12:55 p.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To consider or discuss the dismissal of a specific employee

## **B. LAND ACQUISITION**

**Present:** James R. Guy, President  
Eric Colvin, Commissioner  
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner  
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner  
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner  
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator  
Joe Densford, Attorney  
David Weiskopf, County Attorney  
John Deatrick, Director, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
Chris Kaselemis, Director. Dept. of economic Development  
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(6) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:26 a.m. - 11:42 a.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To hold preliminary discussions concerning the purchase and disposition of real property

## **C. LAND ACQUISITION**

**Present:** James R. Guy, President  
Eric Colvin, Commissioner  
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner  
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner  
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner  
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator  
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## **8. MOTIONS IN OPEN SESSION**

### **A. Motions in Open Session**

**Motion 1.** I move to authorize the Commissioner President to request an extension for response to the Regional Agriculture Center Grant Request for Proposal and sign the related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

**Motion 2.** I move to approve a medical leave extension for Deputy Bush.

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

Motion Carries

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

## **9. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:05 p.m.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on 2/12/19

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Sharon Ferris, Administrative Assistant