

**COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY
MEETING
Tuesday, August 26, 2014**

Present: Commissioner President Francis Jack Russell
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner Cynthia L. Jones
Commissioner Daniel L. Morris
County Administrator, Dr. Rebecca Bridgett
Sharon Ferris (Recorder)

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner President Russell called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:00 am in the Chesapeake Building meeting room, Governmental Center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve the minutes of August 19, 2014, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

PROCLAMATIONS WERE PRESENTED FOR:

- 1. SGT DIANE FENWICK RETIREMENT**
- 2. FORGET ME NOT MONTH**
- 3. WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY**

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Draft Agenda for September 9, 2014. There will be no meeting September 2, 2014.
2. **St. Mary's County Library** (*Kathleen Reif, Director*)

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the Certification for Cooperative Local-State Library Aid Programs for FY2015, which conforms to the State and County's funding allocation for FY2015. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Department of Economic Development (*Robin Finnacom, Director; Dennis Nicholson, Executive Director, Housing Authority of St. Mary's County*)

Commissioner Jones moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the letter to approve the transfer of St. Mary's County's 2014 housing bond allocation in the amount of \$3,843,230 to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Community Development Administration for use in the Maryland Mortgage and Maryland Home Credit Programs. Motion carried 5-0.

(Stephanie Hall, Acting Program Manager, Housing Authority of St. Mary's County; Jody Payne, Director, Little People Daycare)

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and sign a Resolution of support for the Housing Authority of St. Mary's County's SYF2015 Community Legacy Application in the amount of \$150,000 to fund capital improvements at the Dr. J. Patrick Jarboe Family Education Center Campus in Lexington Park, Maryland. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Department of Aging and Human Services (*Lori Jennings-Harris, Director; Peggy Maio, Fiscal Supervisor*)

(Matt Reisdorph, Prevention and Treatment Coordinator, Dept. of Aging and Human Services)

Commissioner Jones moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the Sub-recipient Agreement related to Project MD1597, between the County and Walden Sierra, Inc. for funding Drug Court Treatment Outpatient Services through the previously approved FY15 Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene ADAA Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services Grant. Motion carried 5-0.

(Rebecca Kessler, Manager Home & Community-Based Services, Dept. of Aging and Human Services)

Commissioner Morris moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the related budget amendments to:

- (1) correct funding source and project number to be State (MD1535);**
 - (2) increase the FY15 Home & Community-Based Options Waiver and the Community First Choice program revenue and expenses by \$97,200 based on program need and additional funding to be received from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene;**
- and,**

(3) reallocate \$33,013 in County funding to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County Emergency Appropriations Reserve since additional State Funding will be received and less County funding is needed. Motion carried 5-0.

(Alice Allen, Manager, Senior Center Operations, Dept. of Aging and Human Services)

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the third Revised Notification of Grant Award for the FY2014 Nutrition Service Incentive Program Grant Award, Project US1406, from the Maryland Department of Aging on behalf of the St. Mary's County Department of Aging and Human Services, in the amount of \$46,440, and the related budget amendment to increase the project budget by \$196.00, to provide meals to our seniors. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Department of Public Works and Transportation *(George Erichsen, Director)*

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jones, to approve and sign the Ladders of Opportunity Discretionary Grant Program Letter of Support as presented by staff. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jones, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the budget amendment transferring funds in the amount of \$102,929 from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Project (PF-1310) to the Emergency Communications Center Hardening project (PF-1004) to allow this wind retrofit project to proceed. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Department of Emergency Services and Technology *(Bob Kelly, Director)*

Tower License Agreement between the County and CELLCO PARTNERSHIP and Verizon Wireless and the Associated BA

Postponed.

7. County Administrator *(Dr. Rebecca Bridgett)*

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to appoint the following person to Boards, Committees, or Commissions with the terms to expire as indicated. Motion carried 4-0. Commissioner Morris was out of the room.

**Commission on the Environment
Thomas Brewer**

**Term
06/30/17**

DEPT. OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT: INTRODUCTION OF TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE TO MODIFY CHAPTER 75, FOREST CONSERVATION, AND CHAPTER 90, DEFINITIONS

Present: Phil Shire, Director, DLUGM
Bob Bowles, Planner IV, DLUGM

Mr. Shire noted the proposed amendments will update the Zoning Ordinance with the Department of Natural Resources Forest Conservation Act that went into effect last October and affected the Forest Conservation Code of Maryland regulation. Changes to Section 75.0 include the addition of: (1) two exemptions for stream restoration and maintenance or retrofitting stormwater management structures; (2) RT-L zoning to the existing schedules and tables; and (3) the ability to finance for prevention of and response to forest health emergencies caused by nature to the Forest Conservation Fund. The change to Article 9, Chapter 90, adds definitions to Stream Restoration Project. Mr. Shire requested a public hearing be scheduled for these proposed changes.

Commissioner Jones moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and authorize the Department of Land Use and Growth Management to schedule a public hearing on the proposed amendments. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMISSIONER'S TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events of the past week.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on _____

Sharon Ferris, Senior Administrative Coordinator (Recorder)