

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, April 20, 2021)

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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 Bridgett, 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 includes the Minutes of April 13, 2021, as presented.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

2. PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations were presented for:

- A. National Public Library Week
- B. National Child Abuse Prevention Month
- C. National Fair Housing Month
- D. Administrative Professionals Day
- E. National County Government Month

3. PUBLIC HEARING

A. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Public Hearing - Property Tax Incentive for Investing in Commercial Properties

Commissioner President Guy opened the Public Hearing at approximately 9:18 a.m.

Present: Chris Kaselemis, Director

Notice of Public Hearing was published in *The Southern Maryland News - The Enterprise* on April 2 and April 9, 2021.

The public hearing was held to receive public comments on the proposed ordinance to provide a tax credit for commercial properties in designated areas. This ordinance will allow the County to work with property owners to make valuable upgrades to their existing commercial properties and not see an increase in County property taxes for a specified length of time (either seven or ten years).

Commissioner President Guy requested Dr. Bridgett provide the format for the public hearing and open the hearing for public comment.

No public comments were given.

Dr. Bridgett closed the public hearing for public comment noting that the record would remain open for public comment for an additional seven days. The public hearing closed approximately at 9:29 a.m.

4. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR APRIL 27 AND MAY 4, 2021.

B. SHERIFF'S OFFICE - State Opioid Response Year 2 Supplemental Grant No-Cost-Extension for Jail-Based Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Re-entry

I move to approve the Amended Memorandum of Agreement between the St. Mary's County Health Department and the St. Mary's County Detention and Rehabilitation Center for the State Opioid Response Year 2 Supplemental Grant No-Cost-Extension for Jail-Based Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Re-entry grant, project US2107, for the revised amount of \$387,419, the related budget amendment to increase the project budget, and authorize the Sheriff and Commissioner President to execute 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. SHERIFF'S OFFICE - State Opioid Response II Jail-Based Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Re-entry

I move to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the St. Mary's County Health Department and the St. Mary's County Detention and Rehabilitation Center for the State Opioid Response Year 2 Jail-Based Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Re-entry grant, project US2147, in the amount of \$275,928, the related budget amendment to increase the project budget, and authorize the Sheriff and Commissioner President to execute 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

D. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - ST. MARY'S COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION - Review of FY2022 Capital Improvement Budget and FY2023 - 2027 Plan

Present: Jeanett Cudmore, CFO, St. Mary's County Government
George E. Erichsen, P.E. Executive Director, METCOM
Patricia Stiegman, Chief Financial Officer, METCOM
Christy Hollander, Chief Engineer, METCOM

Mr. Erichsen presented METCOM's FY2022 Capital Improvement Budget and FY2022 - 2027 Capital Improvement Plan.

E. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - Adult Detention and Rehabilitation Center - FY2021 State Grant Agreement

I move to approve the 20-G204 State Grant Agreement in the amount of \$5,530,000 in support of the Adult Detention and Rehabilitation Center; and the budget amendment transferring \$240,785 from the FY21 Capital Reserve to the Adult Detention Center Upgrades, Housing and Medical Units project to reconcile the agreement with the approved FY21 capital budget and have the Commissioner President sign any related documents.

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

Motion Carries

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

F. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - SHA MOU for the Operation and Maintenance of the Proposed Traffic Signal at the FDR Boulevard and Pegg Rd. intersection

I move to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Maryland Department of Transportation, State Highway Administration and Commissioners of St. Mary's

County for the operation and maintenance of the proposed traffic signal located at the FDR Blvd and Pegg Rd. intersection and have Commissioner President 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

G. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - STS CARES Act Grant Award - Second Half

I move to approve the STS CARES Act Grant Award from the U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Transportation Agency on behalf of the St. Mary's County Transit (STS) in the amount of \$1,129,392 for Section 5307 (Operating) and \$913,258 for Section 5311 (Operating, Rural) and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related budget amendments and execute all 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

H. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Budget Amendment to Purchase a Development Right

I move to approve the budget amendment reducing the Commissioners Emergency Reserve by \$5,000 and increasing the Department of Land Use and Growth Management Development Services FY2021 budget for reimbursement to Ruth Drury Estates for the purchase of a Development Right and authorize the Commissioners President to execute the related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

I. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Relief Grant Funds for Non-Profits

I move to approve the parameters of the grant program for non-profit entities using funds from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development and authorize the Commissioner President to sign all relevant documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

