

**Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, June 6, 2023)**  
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**Members present**

Commissioner President James R. Guy  
Commissioner Eric S. Colvin  
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt  
Commissioner Michael R. Alderson Jr.  
Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow  
David Weiskopf, County Administrator  
Jenna Guzman, Communications Director, Public Information Office

**1. RECEPTION FOR RECIPIENTS OF YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION**

Prior to the start of the regular business meeting the Commissioners hosted a reception to honor Employee Years of Service Award recipients.

**2. WELCOME**

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:01 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 23, 2023, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Eric S. Colvin, second by Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

**3. PROCLAMATION**

A proclamation was presented for LGBTQIA Month.

**4. COMMENDATION**

A commendation was presented to David Yingling for his retirement.

**5. PRESENTATION**

**A. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES - Years of Service Employee Recognition**

**Present:** Catherine Pratson, Director  
June Robrecht, Deputy Director

The following individuals were recognized for years of service to St. Mary's County Government.

**10 Years**

**George W. Jones**, Dept. of Aging and Human Services  
**Urslula A. Harris**, Dept. of Aging and Human Services  
**Robin D. Green**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**Brian M. Norris**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**Jerry G. Caton**, Dept. of Emergency Services  
**Cynthia C. Slattery**, Dept. of Human Resources  
**Rocky A. Binger**, Dept. of Information Technology  
**Anthony D. Hardesty (Tony)**, Dept. of Land Use and Growth Management  
**Wendy M. Bell**, State's Attorney Office  
**Kristie L. Ardire**, Sheriff Office  
**Patrick A. Britt**, Sheriff Office  
**Luis E. Ramos-Dompenciel**, Sheriff Office  
**Roberto Ramos-Blanco**, Sheriff Office  
**Lacey A. Smith**, Sheriff Office  
**Megan C. Roberts**, Sheriff Office  
**Timothy E. Wesner**, Sheriff Office  
**David M. Lawrence**, Sheriff Office  
**Laura K. Deneale**, Sheriff Office  
**Laura Mills**, Sheriff Office  
**Ashley E. Knight**, Sheriff Office

**15 Years**

**Cheri A. Noffsinger**, County Administrator  
**Rebecca J. Kessler**, Dept. of Aging and Human Services  
**Robert B. Norris III**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**Floyd A. Brown Jr.**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**James T. Yorkshire**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**Mary Ann Gardiner**, Dept. of Emergency Services  
**Marilyn V. Smith**, Dept. of Land Use and Growth Management  
**Jonathan R. Lowe**, Dept. of Recreation and Parks  
**Lena T. Nguyen**, State's Attorney Office  
**Gretchen L. Irby**, Sheriff Office  
**George A. Hayden**, Sheriff Office  
**Austin R. Schultz**, Sheriff Office  
**Kenneth H. Flerlage**, Sheriff Office

**20 Years**

**Lori A. Tabor-Finch**, Circuit Court

**Billy Schrader III**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**Michael W. Abell**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**Howard E. Lewis (Ellis)**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**James L. Nelson**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation  
**James M. Mattingly IV (Jay)**, Dept. of Emergency Services  
**Joseph R. Saunders**, Dept. of Emergency Services  
**Shelly K. Bean**, Dept. of Finance  
**Larry W. Eberhard**, Dept. of Land Use and Growth Management  
**James E. Oliver Jr. (Jimmy)**, Dept. of Recreation and Parks  
**William J. Rishel**, Sheriff Office  
**Brian J. Connelly**, Sheriff Office  
**Eva F. Joans**, Sheriff Office

### **25 Years**

**Pamela F. Soffos**, State's Attorney Office  
**Marguerite Bowmen**, Sheriff Office  
**Michael Peacher**, Sheriff Office  
**Julie Yingling**, Sheriff Office  
**Michael A. Labanowski**, Sheriff Office  
**Chad D. Hartzell**, Sheriff Office

### **30 Years**

**Bruce Wade**, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation

## **6. MAIN AGENDA ITEM**

**A. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY** - Final Decision - Proposed Resolution to Update the St. Mary's County Road Naming and Addressing Manual

Vote Postponed

## **7. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR JUNE 13 and 27, 2023.** There will be no meeting of the Commissioners on June 20, 2023.

**B. STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE** - FY2024 GOCPYVS Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (BJAG) Grant application

I move to approve the grant application submission of FY2024 GOCPYVS Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (BJAG) Grant for \$98,897.36 by State's Attorney's Office and have the Commissioner President sign the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Eric S. Colvin, second by Commissioner Michael R. Alderson Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

**C. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES - Personnel Policy Manual Update**

I move to approve the proposed update to the St. Mary's County Manual of Personnel Policies and Procedures and the proposed update to the Schedule of Pay Differentials, Premium Pay and Insurance Premiums included in the FY2024 budget book, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

**D. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - FY2024 Cooperative Agreement between the MD Department of Agriculture and the Commissioners of St. Mary's County**

I move to approve the FY2024 Cooperative Agreement between the MD Department of Agriculture and the Commissioners of St. Mary's County for the continuation of the program for the control and eradication of invasive and designated weed species in St. Mary's County, and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Eric S. Colvin, second by Commissioner Michael R. Alderson Jr..

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

**E. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - Approve Employment Contract**

I move to approve the employment contract for the St. Mary's County Government Deputy County Administrator and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related agreement with terms and conditions as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

**8. COMMISSIONERS' TIME**

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

**9. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on June 13, 2023

JB  
Julie Burch, Senior Admin. Coordinator