

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
Tuesday, May 10, 2011**

Present: Commissioner President Francis Jack Russell
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe
Commissioner Daniel L. Morris
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Sue Sabo, Acting County Administrator
Sharon Ferris (Recorder)

Absent: Commissioner Cynthia L. Jones

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner President Russell called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to adopt the minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, May 3, 2011, as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

PROCLAMATIONS IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL NURSE'S WEEK, NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK WERE PRESENTED.

TOURISM WEEK PRESENTATION & PROCLAMATION

Present: Bob Schaller, Director, Dept. Economic and Community Development
Carolyn Laray, Tourism Manager, Dept. Economic and Community Development
Rebecca Deprey, Tourism Coordinator, Dept. Economic and Community Development
Bill Scarafia, President, Chamber of Commerce
Beverly Brown, Chair, Chamber Tourism Advisory Council

Highlights of the initiatives the Department of Economic and Community Development's Tourism Division, the Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber's Tourism Advisory Council and the Hospitality Industry are collaborating on to increase the economic impact of tourism in St. Mary's County were presented.

A proclamation proclaiming May 7-15 as Tourism Week in St. Mary's County was presented.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Draft Agendas for May 17 and 24, 2011.

2. State's Attorney's Office (*Lyle Long; Pam Soffos*)

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the budget amendment increasing Project US1142, the Child Support Cooperative Reimbursement Incentive Funds for the State's Attorney's Office by \$70 to align with the actual grant award of \$5,070. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Sheriff's Office (*Brian Eley, Civilian Administrator, Erin Shoemaker, Financial Manager*)

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to authorize the Sheriff's Office to submit the grant application documents electronically and mail for the School Bus Safety Enforcement, Project MD1223, from the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention in the amount of \$35,000 with the hard copy to be submitted for review at the award stage. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to authorize the Sheriff's Office to submit the grant application documents electronically and mail the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistant Grant (BJAG) Crime Analyst in the amount of \$59,294 with the hard copy to be submitted for review at award stage. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to authorize the Sheriff's Office to submit the grant application documents electronically and mail the Domestic Violence Unit Program (DVUP) in the amount of \$3,964 with the hard copy to be submitted for review at the award stage. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to authorize the Sheriff's Office to submit the grant application documents electronically for the Bullet Proof Vest Partnership Grant, Project US1216, from the Bureau of Justice in the amount of \$9,690 with the hard copy to be submitted for review at the award stage. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Commissioner Morris moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to sign the budget amendment in the amount of \$128,000 to restore the Department of Public Works & Transportation budget accounts to the pre-storm level of funding. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the budget amendment to realign revenue sources from Transfer Tax to Roads Mitigation in the Stormwater Management Project (HW0503), returning Transfer Tax to the Capital Reserve (FIN11) in the amount of \$8,130. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the Maryland Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Application Maintenance Agreement, for structural enhancements to the Emergency Communications Center, Project PF1004, on behalf of the Department of Public Works and Transportation, and to approve the local funding commitment in the amount of \$125,000 by executing the attached letter of consent. Motion carried 4-0.

5. Department of Public Safety (*Bob Kelly, Interim Director*)

Commissioner Morris moved, seconded by Commissioner Morgan, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the budget amendment transferring funds in the amount of \$167,797 in county funding from the FIN11 Capital Reserve to the NexGen 800MHz/Tower Enhancement Project PF1005 for Phase I, whereas the additional costs include securing radio frequencies, performing the design for the phased installations and microwave, and completing the necessary tower structural improvements at the Leonardtown Tower site. Motion carried 4-0.

REQUEST TO CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWERAGE PLAN AMENDMENT -- WATER SERVICE CATEGORY CHANGE -- FOR THE HAYDEN PROPERTY, CASE CWSP 10-200-004

Present: Dave Chapman, Capital Facilities Planner, Dept. of Land Use and Growth Management
Mr. Chapman requested authority to proceed with a public hearing to consider amendments to the Comprehensive Water and Sewerage Plan for water service only category change for part of the Hayden Property (case CWSP 10-200-004).

Commissioner Morris moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, that a public hearing be scheduled for May 31, 2011 for the purpose of considering amendments to the Comprehensive Water and Sewerage Plan for the Hayden Property Water Service Category Change (case CWSP 10-200-004) as recommended by the Planning Commission. Motion carried 4-0.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION/DEPT. OF LAND USE & GROWTH
MANAGEMENT: HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS**

Present: Grace Mary Brady, Historic Planner, Dept. of Land Use and Growth Management
Historic Preservation Commission members

The Board and Historic Preservation Commission presented the following Annual Historic Preservation Awards:

Service Awards

Southern Maryland Regional Library for *Changing Landscapes in Southern Maryland*

Gracy Mary Brady and Phil Shire for *I'm Goin Down County, An Architectural Journey through St. Mary's County*

John Richard Knott, Sr., for a display pertaining to the life of Arthur Fenner Lee "Buck" Briscoe 1900 to 1988

Project Awards

Sotterley Plantation for restoration work to the visitor's center

St. Mary's County Historical Society for restoration of the interior of Tudor Hall

Scott Lawrence, for completion of the restoration of St. Nicholas Cemetary at Patuxent River

Chris and Kathy Bailey for restoration of the exterior of historic home and cottage

St. Peter Claver Catholic Church and McKenna Hall Museum for creation of a permanent exhibit promoting African American history of the Church

Lifetime Achievement Award

Dr. Roy Guyther for lifetime promotion of the history of St. Mary's County

Dr. and Mrs. Jamie Boyd for a lifetime dedicated to the archeological research, restoration, and book on *Ocean Hall*

COMMISSIONER'S TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week.

PUBLIC HEARING (TEFRA) ON BAY DISTRICT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSED REFINANCING OF EXISTING LOAN FOR EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

Commissioner Russell opened the hearing at 11:30 am.

Present: Bob Kelly, Interim Director, Dept. of Public Safety
Wayne Johnson, President, Bay District Volunteer Fire Department
Doug Medley, First Vice President, Bay District Volunteer Fire Department
Jacquelyn Meiser, Counsel for Bay District Volunteer Fire Department

The Bay District Fire Department proposed entering into a loan agreement with PNC bank to refinance an existing loan to reduce interest rates under the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA). Mr. Kelly noted for the record that notice of this public hearing was publicized in the *Enterprise Newspaper* on April 29 and May 4, 2011.

Commissioner Russell opened the hearing for public comments

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Russell closed the hearing at 11:35 am and announced that the Board of County Commissioners will receive public comments on this matter for an additional ten days.

ADJOURN

Commissioners meeting adjourned at approximately 11:36 am.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on _____

Sharon Ferris, Senior Administrative Coordinator (Recorder)