

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
Tuesday, January 26, 2010**

Present: Commissioner President Francis Jack Russell
Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe
Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.
Commissioner Daniel H. Raley
John Savich, County Administrator
Donna Gebicke (Recorder)

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner President Russell called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Check Register for checks dated January 26, 2010, as submitted by staff. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to adopt the minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, January 19, 2010, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMENDATIONS PRESENTED

- Mike Schwartz for exemplary community service
- Norton and Nancy Dodge, owners of De La Brooke Barn; and Jolanda Campbell, President, Greenwell State Park Foundation (on behalf of the state park for Bond/SimmsBarn), in recognition of placement of two barns on the National Register of Historic Places

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Draft Agenda for February 2 and February 9, 2010

Commissioner Jarboe requested that staff contact representatives of Smartco about updating the BOCC on their activities and renewing their agreement for disposal of unused computer materials.

2. Department of Public Works & Transportation (*George Erichsen, Director*)

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly to approve and sign Resolutions accepting McAuliffe Street, McBride Street, Scobee Street, Gregory Street, Crippen Street, Smith Street, and Wildewood Drive, located in the Challenger Estates Subdivision, 8th Election District, into the County's highway maintenance system, and to set speed limits and erect stop signs on said roads; to accept Wildewood Parkway into the County's Highway Maintenance System; to approve and sign a Resolution accepting Wildewood Parkway, located in the Wildewood Subdivision at the Evergreen Elementary School site, into the County's highway maintenance system; and to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Public Works Agreement Addenda identified as items C. and D. on Mr. George Erichsen's memo of January 20, 2010, and as item C on the County Administrator's list as submitted by staff (and identified below). Motion carried 5-0.

Public Works Agreement Addendum for Broad Creek Subdivision, located in the 6th Election District, with an expiration date of September 1, 2010; and Public Works Agreement Addendum for Southwoods PUD Subdivision, Phase 2, located in the 8th Election District, with an expiration date of July 1, 2010.

Commissioner Mattingly asked Mr. Erichsen to look into how the county can ensure roads are properly maintained in the Wildewood PUD. The PUD was approved prior to the adoption of the current ordinance which placed a maintenance bond requirement on developers when roads are accepted into the highway system. The same highway maintenance requirements should be applied the same to all developers.

3. Dept. of Human Services (*Bennett Connelly, Director*)

(Julie A. Ohman, Mental Health Coordinator)

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to execute the FY 2010 Core Services Agency MOU Services/Administrative Grant Modification #3 documents related to project #MD 1081 through project #MD 1087, #MD 1090 and #US 1089, from the Maryland Mental Hygiene Administration on behalf of the St. Mary's County Department of Human Services, for administrative costs and MOU services in the amount of \$45,008 and the related budget amendment to closeout the budget for project #MD 0990 by \$45,008, which is where the funds were rolled from. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Dement moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the FY 2010 Five County Crownsville Project Modification #2, related to project #MD 1092 and project #OT 1089, from the Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency on behalf of the St. Mary's County Department of Human Services for administrative costs and jail

John Savich, County Administrator

Sue Sabo, HR Director

Applicants for the Position of Director, Human Services Dept.

Authority: Article 24, Section 4-210(a)1

Time Held: 1:30 pm – 4:45 pm

Subject Discussed: Interviews for the position of Director, Human Services Department

PUBLIC FORUM

Commissioner President Russell opened the Public Forum for comments at 6:34 pm. The following persons provided comments which are summarized below:

Howard Thompson, Sotterley Rd., P.O. Box 511, Hollywood

Concern about lack of traffic light on Clarke's Landing Road and the Airport View Drive picture. Understand the state is now considering light on Airport View Drive instead of on Clarke's Landing Rd. at 235. Please look into this.

Teresa Leard, 41525 Trace Ct., Leonardtown *(complete written statement was provided for the record and is available in the Commissioner's office)*

Our library system should be upgraded, including a new Leonardtown Library built behind its present location (not on the Hayden property). The expansion of the Library system as recommended by the St. Mary's County Library Comprehensive and Integrated System Analysis (2007) is predicted to cost over \$37 million. Judicious spending of tax dollars to allow for the as many reasonable aspects of expansion recommended by the Analysis is necessary. Any construction that expands the county library system should allow greater access to people by having sites accessible by walking and adequate supportive public transportation.

Joan Marsh, 21540 Breton View Ct., Leonardtown

Support construction of new library. More space for books, DVDs, drive-up drop-off book return, children and parents, and meetings is needed.

Paul D. Shafer, 42867 Lattimore Lane, Leonardtown

Request assistance. Attempted to carryout a subdivision of family property. Application submitted in July 2008. All parties signed off except for Department of Public Works and Transportation. Staff advised that since the road to the property does not appear on their 2003 aerial, than it has to be upgraded to county standards. A stop work order was placed on the property. I have produced my father's deed for the property which references the road and proves its existence prior to 2003. I have been told my only recourse is to request your assistance or to sue. Please look into this.

Joe Wible, Sr., 41560 Austin Ct., Leonardtown

Why so many police cars on the old Bell Motor's used car lot? I ask you to: adopt the Constant Yield Tax Rate; hold County department heads' feet to the fire; and challenge the Board of Education to ensure they are using funds properly.

Steve Riley, 42329 Brook Manor Rd., Hillville

Re proposed rezoning of old munitions site to industrial (620 acres). Will have a negative impact on all. No site plan was presented - - just a request for re-zoning. Keep our quality of life in the rural district. Keep zoning RPD.

Connie Walker, 20864 Chestnut Ridge, Leonardtown (President, National Alliance on Mental Illness in Southern MD).

NAMI's main concern is building an effective system for mental healthcare delivery in rural regions like Southern Maryland. One thing I'm convinced we need is strategic planning for health and human services in rural regions. When the decision was made to abolish the mental health core service agency in this County, no one could have foreseen the recession we are now in and the impact it's having on our ability to run mental healthcare services under the auspices of the Human Services Department. NAVAIR is both our blessing and our curse when it comes to mental health and human services. The same emphasis and expectations need to be placed on the delivery of mental health care and rehabilitation systems. They need to be as well- planned, well-strategized and well-defended as the business stuff you work on with NAVAIR.

Dan Morris, 41925 Gibson Dr., Mechanicsville

Regarding the 620 acres in the RPD being considered for industrial zoning: request that an environmental study be conducted as to the potential impact on Breton Bay. Limit the amount of money you are attempting to borrow. Don't ask for more bond authority as this will place an additional burden on taxpayers.

Rich Johnson, 19026 Russell Rd., Valley Lee

Heard about the 620 acres being considered for rezoning to industrial by reading about it in the Enterprise. Should have been a public hearing. Citizens should be provided opportunity for input before such a decision is made.

ADJOURN

The public forum was closed and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on _____

Donna M. Gebicke, Administrative Assistant (Recorder)