

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
CHESEAPEAKE BUILDING
Tuesday, September 15, 2009**

Present: Commissioner President Francis Jack Russell
Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe
Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.
Commissioner Daniel H. Raley (absent during am portion of meeting)
John Savich, County Administrator
Betty Jean Pasko (Recorder)

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner President Russell called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.
Commissioner Raley was absent for the morning session.

ADDITION / DELETION TO AGENDA

- Commissioners' Time was added to the main agenda, after County Administrator time.
- Item #5 of the County Administrator agenda was deferred.

APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER

Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Check Register for checks dated September 15, 2009. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to adopt the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, September 1, 2009, as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

PROCLAMATIONS:

- **NATIONAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT WEEK** (September 20 – 26, 2009), presented to Olga Walter, Secretary/Treasurer and other members of the Southern Maryland National Resource Conservation.

- **SENIOR CENTER MONTH** (September 2009), presented to Lori Jennings-Harris, Director, Department of Aging; Kathryn Mather, Operations Manager, Garvey Senior Activity Center; Joyce Raum, Operations Manager, Loffler Senior Activity Center; MarieNoelle Lautieri, Operations Manager, Northern Senior Activity Center, and staff members.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Draft Agendas for September 22 and 29, 2009
2. **St. Mary's County Public Schools** (*Dr. Michael Martirano, Superintendent of Schools; Gregory Nourse, Director of Fiscal Services*)

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve the FY2009 general fund categorical transfer requests as presented, which were approved by the Board of Education on August 26, 2009, and to sign the letter of consent evidencing this action. Motion carried 3-1, Commissioner Mattingly voted no.

3. **Dept. of Aging** (*Lori Jennings-Harris, Director*)

Commissioner Dement moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the Senior Medicare Patrol Notification of Grant Award, Project US1061, in the amount of \$8,775, from the Maryland Department of Aging on behalf of the St. Mary's County Department of Aging to increase senior awareness of healthcare fraud, and to execute the related budget amendment increasing the project budget by \$8.00. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Dement moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the Notification of Grant Awards (NGAs) for the FY2010 State Grants, Project MD1001, MD1002, MD1003, MD1004, MD1006, and MD1014 from the Maryland Department of Aging on behalf of the St. Mary's Department of Aging for services and programs for the seniors of St. Mary's County, in the total amount of \$209,895, and to sign the related budget amendment increasing Project MD1001 by \$18,144. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Office of the County Administrator and St. Mary's Co. Metropolitan Commission (*John Savich, County Administrator*)

Commissioner Dement moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to approve and authorize Commissioner President Russell to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of County Commissioners and the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission with regard to the management and cost-sharing responsibilities for the completion of the MetCom Study Task Force as mandated by House Bill 1559, in the total amount of \$35,631, and to sign the associated budget amendment for St. Mary's County's portion in the amount of \$17,816. Motion failed 1 – 3, Commissioners Mattingly, Dement, and Jarboe voted no.

5. Dept. of Finance (*Elaine Kramer, CFO; Jeannett Cudmore, Deputy Director*)

Item pertaining to the Proposed Change to Sheriff's Position Ranks was deferred.

COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted upcoming events and those attended over the past week as well as personal interest items.

Relative to the Elms property, Commissioner Jarboe said that the MD Department of Natural Resources has expressed willingness to entertain bow hunting on the 85-acre portion of the property as long as another organization maintains and manages it. Mr. Savich will follow-up on his request to DNR that they provide their terms of agreement in writing.

Commissioner Jarboe asked if a letter could be sent to the State Highway District 5 Engineer, Lee Starkloff, regarding the poor condition of Rt. 236. Mr. Starkloff has informed the Commissioners that this paving project was moved to FY 2011 due to budgetary reasons. There was discussion about the possibility of returning the unobligated state aid funds to SHA to pave Rt. 236 or other county roads, rather than the proposal to use the funds to strengthen Rt. 4 shoulders. Mr. Savich will follow up on the possibility of these and other options.

RECESS

The Board recessed at approximately 9:52 AM.

EVENT: STATE OF THE COUNTY LUNCHEON

Commissioner Raley joined the Commissioners at the State of the County Luncheon event.

The Commissioners attended the State of the County Luncheon, at the J.T. Daugherty Conference Center in Lexington Park. The event was hosted by the St. Mary's County Chamber of Commerce.

BUDGET WORK SESSION

A budget work session was held at the Chesapeake Building beginning at approximately 2:30 PM. All BOCC were in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Dement moved, seconded by Commissioner Raley to adjourn the BOCC meeting of September 15, 2009.

The BOCC adjourned at approximately 3:55 PM.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on _____

Betty Jean Pasko, Sr. Admin. Coord. (Recorder)