

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
GOVERNMENTAL CENTER
Tuesday, September 21, 2004**

Present: Commissioner President Thomas F. McKay
Commissioner Kenneth R. Dement
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe
Commissioner Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.
Commissioner Daniel H. Raley
George G. Forrest, County Administrator
Kate Mauck, Senior Administrative Coordinator (Recorder)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:11 a.m.

APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Check Register. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of Tuesday, September 14, 2004, as corrected. Motion carried.

SPECIAL REQUEST

Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to bring the Sheriff's Budget Amendment request regarding using salary savings to fund the next phase of the strategic planning process back to the table during the County Administrator's Time on September 28th. Motion carried.

INVITATION TO THE ST. MARY'S COUNTY FAIR

Mr. John Richards, President of the St. Mary's County Fair Board, invited the Board of County Commissioners and the public to attend the St. Mary's County Fair. The fair is being held from Thursday, September 23rd through Sunday, September 26th. Details regarding STS transportation services and fair events were provided.

PROCLAMATIONS

The Board of County Commissioners presented a Proclamation honoring the 25th Anniversary of St. Mary's County Literacy Council.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Draft Agendas for September 28 and October 5, 2004
2. **St. Mary's Metropolitan Commission**

Present: Steve King, Director, Metropolitan Commission
Tracy Kubinec, Fiscal Officer/Treasurer
William Shreve, Assistant Director
John Norris, III, County Attorney

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and accept the Public Official Bond for Tracy L. Kubinec, Treasurer of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission. Motion carried.

3. **Department of Public Works and Transportation**

Present: George Erichsen, Director

- a. Public Works Agreement for Avonlea Subdivision, Section 2. *Located in the 5th Election District with an expiration date of July 1, 2005. A letter of credit has been provided by The First National Bank of St. Mary's in the amount of \$220,800. The roads included in this agreement are: Guy Farm Drive (800') and Green Gables Court (1,150').*

Commissioner Jarboe moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign Public Works Agreement for Avonlea Subdivision, Section 2. Motion carried.

- b. Public Works Agreement Addendum for Cedar Cove Subdivision, Section 9 (Kedges Strait). *Located in the 8th Election District with an expiration date of September 1, 2005. The letter of credit provided by the Bank of America in the amount of \$145,000 is being reduced to \$66,000 based on the Department's Inspection Report dated August 10, 2004. The Public Works Agreement and Bond in the amount of \$517,300 were originally issued on October 2, 1996. The roads included in this agreement are: Kedges Boulevard (300'), Oxford Drive (965'), Choptank Place (170'), Easton Court (270'), Bellevue Court (700'), Tred Avon Court (430'), and Tilghman Place 130').*
- c. Public Works Agreement Addendum for Wildewood Subdivision, Pepper Ridge Phase 3. *Located in the 8th Election District with an expiration date of October 1, 2005. The letter of credit provided by The First National Bank of St. Mary's in the amount of \$108,000 remains as posted based on the Department's Inspection Report dated August 13, 2004. The Public Works Agreement and Letter of Credit*

in the amount of \$108,000 were originally issued on October 25, 2001. The road included in this agreement is: Wildewood Parkway (1,506').

- d. Public Works Agreement Addendum for Locust Glen Subdivision, Section 1. Located in the 8th Election District with an expiration date of September 1, 2005. The bond provided by the Selective Insurance Company of America in the amount of \$52,600 remains as posted based on the Department's Inspection Report dated August 18, 2004. The Public Works Agreement and Bond in the amount of \$52,600 were originally issued on June 6, 2002. The road included in this agreement is: Locust Glen Court (429').

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign Public Works Agreement Addendums for Cedar Cove Subdivision, Section 9; Wildewood Subdivision, Pepper Ridge Phase 3; and Locust Glen Subdivision, Section 1. Motion carried.

- e. Deeds and Resolution accepting Long Lane, Sunburst Drive and Surfside Drive located in the Cedar Cove Subdivision, Section 4, 8th Election District, into the County's Highway Maintenance System. Also, attached are resolutions establishing a 25-mph speed limit and stop sign for said roads.

Commissioner Raley moved, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to sign deeds and approve and sign Resolutions regarding Long Lane, Sunburst Drive and Surfside Drive located in the Cedar Cove Subdivision, Section 4. Motion carried.

- f. Discussion concerning the current status of petitions/responses received on the Rodo Beach Road Taxing District in preparation for Public Hearing on September 28th.

Mr. Erichsen provided an overview of the Rodo Beach Road Taxing District and presented Commissioners with petitions signed by citizens regarding the matter. Approximately 64% of the returned responses have petitioned to rescind the taxing district. *Commissioners directed Mr. Erichsen to notify by mail all citizens affected by the Rodo Beach Road Taxing District regarding the public hearing date and time.*

DECISION: PROPOSED ORDINANCE REGARDING ABANDONMENT OF 277' PORTION OF AIREDELE ROAD AND CONSTRUCTION OF A BUS TURNAROUND

Present: George Erichsen, Director, Public Works and Transportation

Mr. Erichsen presented the Board of County Commissioners with an Ordinance and Boundary Line Adjustment Plats for final discussion and decision regarding abandonment of a 277' portion of Airedele Road, County Route 30398. The portion begins at the road centerline at Station 76+96 to the end of paved road centerline at Station 79+73 for the construction of a turnaround, as requested by St. Mary's County Public Schools.

A public hearing was conducted on the matter on August 24, 2004. No written public comments have been received from the public since that time. One concern aired at the public hearing has since been resolved.

Commissioner Dement moved, seconded by Commissioner Mattingly, to approve and sign the Ordinance and to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Boundary Line Adjustment Plats. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: BRAC UPDATE AND ADOPTION OF REVISED BRAC PRIORITIES LIST

Present: John Savich, Director

Mr. Savich provided a Draft of the St. Mary's County Consolidated Priorities for Community Support of the Navy document for review and revision by the Board of County Commissioners. The County's 7-Point Plan has been consolidated into the following five points:

- Education
- Transportation
- Housing
- Lexington Park Revitalization
- Quality of Life

Commissioners directed Mr. Savich to make revisions as discussed. Mr. Savich stated that his department would prepare transmittal letters to all the necessary parties and would include copies of the "State of the County" videotape.

Commissioner Mattingly moved, seconded by Commissioner Dement, to accept and adopt the St. Mary's County Consolidated Priorities for Community Support of the Navy to include revisions as discussed. Motion carried.

RECREATION, PARKS, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT: TEEN COURT PRESENTATION

Present: Kelsey Bush, Youth Coordinator
Erin Fay, Teen Court Coordinator
Cynthia Brown, Community Services, Manager
Phil Rollins, Director, Recreation, Parks, and Community Services
Elsie Summers
Debbie Pilkerton, representing Randy Pilkerton

- The Board of County Commissioners presented a proclamation in honor of Teen Court Month and also presented commendations to Elsie Summers and Randy Pilkerton for their service to St. Mary's County. An update and detailed information regarding the Teen Court in St. Mary's County was presented to the Board.

RECREATION AND PARKS BOARD OF DIRECTORS: ANNUAL REPORT

Present: Phil Rollins, Director, Recreation, Parks, and Community Services
Coleman Hillman, Vice Chair, Recreation and Parks Board
Andrew Roper, Recreation and Parks Board
Other Members, Recreation and Parks Board

Mr. Hillman and Mr. Roper provided an overview of the calendar year 2003 Annual Report for the Recreation and Parks Board of St. Mary's County. The presentation included the purpose of the nine-member board, significant activities and accomplishments, and departmental accomplishments. Also included was a detailed listing of museum visitations, problems/challenges encountered or expected, and plans for the current year.

Commissioners asked the Recreation and Parks Board to review the benefits of the Hughesville Stadium.. In addition, Mr. Rollins was asked to provide the Recreation and Parks Board with a copy of the Elms Management letter signed recently by the Board of County Commissioners.

COMMISSIONERS' TIME

Commissioner Raley

Reported that Commissioners attended the State of the County luncheon last week, and thanked staff, especially the Public Information Office, for all their efforts in helping to make it a very successful event.

Reported that John Savich, Director of Economic and Community Development, has been meeting every five or six weeks with the residents of Lexington Manor. This has turned into a very good series of meetings, helping to keep the rumors down and also keeping the residents informed. One resident pointed out problems that residents will have being moved to the bottom of the fuel assistance list after relocation. Staff will be looking into ways to solve this potential problem.

Reported that Commissioners recently attended a luncheon for the Medical Adult Daycare Program at the Department of Aging. This is a great program, and it allowed the Commissioners to meet many individuals. The Department of Aging was commended for their efforts in serving the senior adults in this community.

Along with Commissioner Mattingly, attended a tour that Congressman Hoyer and the Navy Alliance took of labs and testing chambers at the Patuxent River Naval Air Station. It was a very informative tour and the facilities are quite impressive.

Reminded the public that the Southern Maryland College Fair will be held this evening at the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department.

Commissioner Dement

Stated that he attended the Medical Adult Services luncheon yesterday and presented a proclamation on behalf of the Commissioners.

Encouraged the public to attend the St. Mary's County Fair. Commended the volunteers that work the fair from year to year and thanked them for their efforts and continued success.

Commissioner Mattingly

Reported that he and Commissioner Jarboe attended the Tri-County Council meeting last week in North Beach, and some excellent presentations were made. Outlined information and presentations regarding critical areas and agricultural activities. The hospitality of the Commissioners from Calvert County was enjoyed by all.

Recently attended an awareness program put on by the Sheriff's Department regarding weapons of mass destruction. Perhaps 50-55 participants were involved, from all across the community, with some speakers from out of the area. It was a good program and the Sheriff and his staff were to be commended. Community awareness and involvement was encouraged.

Also attended the Patuxent River Naval Base tour with the Navy Alliance. Strategy meetings were held earlier in the day in order to determine where they wanted to go regarding BRAC. The chamber and test labs visited were impressive, and it is expected that Commissioners will be invited back to a ribbon cutting ceremony early next year for a new program opening.

Commissioner Jarboe

Invited all citizens to attend the St. Mary's County Fair.

Commissioner President McKay

Commended the Public Information and staff for the excellent efforts put forward in putting together many events. Recognized the hard work by support staff and thanked them for their efforts and continued dedication.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on _____

Kate Mauck, Senior Administrative Coordinator
to the Board of County Commissioners

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