

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
May 1, 2012**

The Board of County Commissioners for Cecil County met in regular session at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Suite 1009, Elkton, MD. The following members of the Board were present:

James T. Mullin, President  
Diana Broomell, Vice President  
Tari Moore, Commissioner  
Michael W. Dunn, Commissioner  
Robert J. Hodge, Commissioner

Constituting a full Board.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion made by Commissioner Broomell, seconded by Commissioner Hodge (withdrew his second), the Board moved to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2012 Rezoning Meeting, April 10, 2012 Commissioners Meeting, and April 17, 2012 Commissioners Meeting.

On motion made by Commissioner Broomell, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board moved to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2012 Rezoning Meeting with the following change to page 2: "Mr. Harlan Williams, commented this is based upon a mistake made in the 2011 Comprehensive Rezoning and asked if they do not pass the rezoning to look into different zoning categories."; and the April 10 and 17, 2012 Commissioners Meetings as presented. VOTE: Mullin - Y, Broomell - Y, Moore - Y, Dunn - Y, Hodge - Y. Motion carried unanimously.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Moore welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Vice President Broomell commented on a drug abuse symposium held by the Health Advisory Board, and the Drug Awareness Forum.

Commissioner Dunn welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Commissioner Hodge welcomed everyone to the meeting.

President Mullin welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Treasurer Feehley presented the Treasurer's Report, and a copy has been included with these minutes.

On motion made by Commissioner Dunn, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Vote: Mullin - Y, Broomell - Y, Moore - Y, Dunn - Y, Hodge - Y. Motion carried unanimously.

## **BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT**

Stephanie Garrity, Cecil County Health Officer provided the Board a copy of the quarterly Board of Health Report. She commented on an educational event being held on mental health at Patriot's Glen, Drug Awareness Forum, and upcoming rabies vaccination clinics.

## **LIVING HISTORY SKIT**

The Heritage Troupe provided a living history skit in recognition of Tourism Month.

## **PROCLAMATION**

The Board presented a Proclamation declaring May as Tourism Month in Cecil County to Tourism Manager Sandy Turner.

## **INTRODUCTION ITEMS**

### **RESOLUTION, VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL (VLT) LOCAL COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS**

County Administrator Wein reviewed the Resolution for the Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) Local Community Impact Grant.

The Resolution will be scheduled for consideration by the Board at the May 15, 2012 Commissioners Meeting.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **FY 2013 PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FEE SCHEDULE –**

Health Officer Stephanie Garrity and Environmental Health Services Director Chuck Smyser presented the proposed FY 2013 fee increase schedule for Environmental Health Services.

Discussion ensued regarding comments received from the public, increase in user fees for actual cost of providing the service, and clarification on the cost of the swimming pool operator certificate.

COMMENTS IN SUPPORT – No comments.

COMMENTS IN OPPOSITION –

Diane Carabetta, 1611 Carpenter's Point Road, commented on the fees for geothermal wells.

Joe Carabetta, 1611 Carpenter's Point Road, commented on county policy for promoting "green energy" initiatives.

The proposed Environmental Health Services Fee Schedule will be considered by the Board at their May 15, 2012 Commissioners Meeting.

## **NOMINATIONS FOR HISTORIC DESIGNATION –**

Planning and Zoning Director Sennstrom provided the Board an overview of the following properties that have been nominated for historic designation:

- The Brick House, 2018 Turkey Point Road, North East, MD 21901, Tax Map: 36, Parcel: 138, Property Owner: Susan S. Shannon;
- Isaac England House and Gardens, 1000 Crothers Road, Rising Sun, MD 21911, Tax Map: 18, Parcel: 6, Property Owner: James and Julia Crothers; and
- Bristole, 843 Elk Forest Road, Elkton, MD 21921, Tax Map: 38, Parcels: 21&613, Property Owner: William & Ann Stubbs

Director Sennstrom advised the Board that the Historic District Commission and the Planning Commission have recommended approval of the historic designation.

COMMENTS IN SUPPORT – No comments.

COMMENTS IN OPPOSITION – No comments.

The historic designation for the properties will be considered by the Board at their May 15, 2012 Commissioners meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Joe Carabetta, 1611 Carpenter's Point Road, commented on the repair of the pothole on Carpenter's Point Road, bike race in Cecil County, and recycling plastic fencing.

Jackie Gregory, 7 Cami Way, commented on a invoice the County received from Kramer and Connolly for legal counsel and consultation relative to review of the Artesian wastewater asset– purchase contracts.

Commissioner Broomell responded that she would investigate this matter.

Al Reasin, 632 Conowingo Road, commented on a Circuit Court case and the ruling that the Guardian newspaper could publish legal notices.

Diane Carabetta, 1611 Carpenter's Point Road, commented on the Heritage group presentation and the use of volunteers for public school projects.

## **ACTION ITEMS –**

- **Option Contract between the Board of County Commissioners and George L. Mars for the replacement of Baron Road Bridge over the CSX Railroad.**

Public Works Director Flanigan reviewed the option contract for consideration by the Board.

Discussion ensued regarding postponing the decision on the option contract.

On motion made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Hodge, the Board moved to approve the option contract for George L. Mars as presented. VOTE: Mullin - Y, Broomell - N, Moore - Y, Dunn - N, Hodge - Y. Motion carried by a vote of 3 in favor and 2 in opposition.

· **Bid Award 12-24; Maintenance and Repair of Weigh Scales**

Public Works Director Flanigan reviewed Bid Award 12-24 for maintenance and repair of the weigh scales and recommended award to American Scale and Equipment, Inc., as presented.

On motion made Commissioner Hodge, seconded by Commissioner Dunn, the Board moved to award bid 12-24 to American Scale and Equipment, Inc., as presented. VOTE: Mullin – Y, Broomell - Y, Moore – Y, Dunn - Y, Hodge – Y. Motion for award of bid 12-24 carried unanimously.

· **Bid Award 12-25; Maintenance and Repair of Hydraulic Compactors and Associated Equipment**

Public Works Director Flanigan reviewed Bid Award 12-25 for the maintenance and repair of hydraulic compactors and associated equipment and recommended award to Waste Equipment Sales and Services.

Discussion ensued regarding the media used to advertise the bid and securing only one bid for the project.

On motion made Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Mullin, the Board moved to award bid 12-25 to Waste Equipment Sales and Services, as presented. VOTE: Mullin - Y, Broomell - Y, Moore - Y, Dunn - Y, Hodge - N. Motion for award of bid 12-25 carried by a vote of 4 in favor and 1 in opposition.

· **Bid Award 12-26; Maintenance and Repair Fence**

Public Works Director Flanigan reviewed Bid Award 12-26 for the maintenance and repair of fence at various solid waste facility locations and recommended award to Northeastern Fence, Inc.

Discussion ensued regarding securing only one bid for the project and the purchasing policy relative to insurance requirements.

On motion made Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Dunn, the Board moved to award bid 12-26 to Northeastern Fence, Inc., as presented. VOTE: Mullin - Y, Broomell - Y, Moore - Y, Dunn - Y, Hodge - N. Motion for award of bid 12-26 carried by a vote of 4 in favor and 1 in opposition.

· **Bid Award 12-27; Roadway Culvert Installation**

Public Works Director Flanigan reviewed Bid Award 12-27 for roadway culvert installation and recommended award to Dix Hollow Contracting, Inc.

On motion made Commissioner Hodge, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board moved to award bid 12-27 to Dix Hollow Contracting, Inc., as presented. VOTE: Mullin - Y, Broomell - Y, Moore - Y, Dunn - Y, Hodge - Y. Motion for award of bid 12-27 carried unanimously.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY UPDATE**

Public Works Director Flanigan reported that the household hazardous waste day at the Central Landfill was a success with 470 residents participating in the event.

## **BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Alfred C. Wein, Jr., County Administrator presented budget amendments 93-99 for the Board's consideration.

On a motion made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Hodge, the Board moved to approve Budget Amendments 93 – 99 as presented. Motion to approve carried unanimously. Budget Amendments 93 – 99 have been copied and included with these minutes.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Dunn, the Board moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

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