

**Board of County Commissioners
Worksession Minutes
July 19, 2011**

PRESENT: Commissioners Mullin, Moore, Dunn, Broomell and Hodge; Public Works Director Scott Flanigan and staff; Human Resources Director Donna Nichols; Budget Manager Craig Whiteford; Executive Office Administrator Vicky Rinkerman; Counsel Norman Wilson (arrived at 9:45 a.m.); Treasurer Bill Feehley; Social Services Director Nicholas Ricciuti and staff; members of the press, and members of the public.

NOTE: Audio recording of this meeting is available on the County website www.ccgov.org.

OPEN SESSION

9:00 a.m. – President Mullin called the meeting to order.

Cecil County Social Services – Local Management Board update – County Administrator Wein

introduced Social Services Director Nicholas Ricciuti. Director Ricciuti advised the Board that the department has an opportunity to extend the healthy marriage grant to continue the program in the county. He advised the Board that the department is moving forward with coordinating and initiating the programs that were previously administered through , Cecil Partnerships for Children, Youth and Families. The following draft RFP's were reviewed for the Board:

- . Draft RFP 12-04 Disruptive Youth
- . Draft RFP 12-05 Out of School Programs
- . Draft RFP 12-06 Transitional Youth
- . Draft RFP 12 -07 Life Skills – Cecil Human Services Agency
- . Draft RFP 12-08 Outreach Program
- . Draft RFP 12-09 School Based Health Center

The Board was provided a brief synopsis of the existing programs that would now be administered for at risk youth through the Department of Social Services.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- . Process for awarding the RFP's through the Local Management Board members;
- . Local Management Board will forward recommendations for award to the Board for approval;
- . Overview of evidence based programs; and
- . Process that would be used for seeking qualified vendors

Director Ricciuti advised the Board that a problem repeatedly encountered with vendors providing these services is the reimbursable grant process. Many nonprofit organizations experience a cash flow problem and county officials are seeking alternatives to alleviate this issue.

SPCA contract extension discussion – County Administrator Wein updated the Board relative to the extension of the SPCA contract. He advised the Board that the office receives quarterly reports from the SPCA organization.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- . Requested fee increase submitted by the SPCA; and
- . Request for information relative to the requested increase

Discussion will continue on the contract extension at the next worksession meeting.

Draft revised Ethics Ordinance – next steps – County Administrator Wein provided the Board an update on the status of the proposed Ethics Ordinance.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- . Revisions to the Ethics Ordinance; and
- . Request for response from Michael Burns relative to Delegate Smigiel's inquiry

The Board concurred to authorize County Administrator Wein to move the proposed Ethics Ordinance to public hearing pending a response from Michael Burns.

Afternoon meeting agenda review – County Administrator Wein reviewed the items on the afternoon meeting agenda.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- . Revisions to amendments to the Cecil County Policies and Procedures Manual;
- . Consideration for appointments to the Public Safety Pension Board as specified in the plan;
- . Wastewater connection charges resolution relative to current projects and financial hardship that may be experienced if the change in rates is approved;
- . Scope of the study that was performed relative to upgrades to the system and the recommendations that were forwarded to the Board;
- . Other options available relative to expanding wastewater services in the growth corridor relative to cost allocation to continue maintaining funds in the enterprise fund to support the Seneca Point plant operation; and
- . Request for more information regarding the budget amendment relative to overtime

Commissioner Items

Commissioner Dunn commented on the Firemen's Association meeting.

Commissioner Broomell commented on the Sassafras River jam event and the Perryville Girl's Major softball teams winning the State Championship.

Commissioner Moore commented on the MACo legislative meeting and provided the Board an update on the discussions. She requested County Administrator Wein schedule a meeting regarding discussion on infrastructure plans.

Commissioner Hodge commented on the Plan Maryland initiative and the Cecil County Fair.

Commissioner Mullin commented on sponsoring the Chesapeake City Bridge Walk.

CLOSED SESSION

10:30 A.M. On motion made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Dunn, the Board moved to convene in closed session pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code – State Government 10-508 (a) (1) Personnel matters Administrator evaluation; (7) To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice respecting county rights and responsibilities under existing county contracts for sale of water and wastewater systems and the award of franchises in connection therewith; and (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation for sale of county owed water and wastewater systems and the award of franchises in connection therewith.

The Board adjourned in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT CLOSED SESSION

12:00 P.M. On motion by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Dunn, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the closed session meeting.

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