

**Board of County Commissioners
Worksession Minutes
November 22, 2011**

PRESENT: Commissioners Mullin, Broomell, Moore, and Dunn; County Administrator Al Wein; Public Works Director Scott Flanigan and staff; Planning and Zoning Director Eric Sennstrom; Acting Economic Development Director Roy Clough; Budget Manager Craig Whiteford; Executive Office Administrator Vicky Rinkerman; Counsel Norman Wilson; Treasurer Bill Feehley; members of the press, and members of the public.

ABSENT: Commissioner Hodge

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

November 15, 2011 - Closed Session Meeting – 11:30 AM

The Board convened in closed session at their November 15, 2011 worksession meeting at 11:30 a.m. Motion was made Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Dunn, pursuant to Maryland Annotated Code State Government 10-508(a) (1) Consideration of pending appointments to Bainbridge Development Corporation, Economic Development Commission, Susquehanna Workforce Network and Ethics Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Present at Closed Session: Commissioners Mullin, Dunn, Broomell and Hodge; County Administrator Al Wein; Acting Economic Development Director Roy Clough, Executive Office Administrator Vicky Rinkerman and County Counsel Norman Wilson.

Topics of discussion and action taken (if necessary):

Consideration of pending appointments to the Bainbridge Development Corporation, Susquehanna Workforce Network, Planning Commission, Economic Development Commission and Ethics Commission.

Action: The Board concurred to extend the deadline to accept applications for appointment until November 18, 2011 and consider the appointments to these boards and commissions simultaneously.

Closed session meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

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

Concerns Relating to "Charlestown Crossing" – County Administrator Wein advised the Board that Mr. Whitehurst requested a postponement and this would be rescheduled for another worksession meeting.

Approval of minutes

On motion made by Commissioner Dunn, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board moved to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2011 worksession meeting, closed session meeting, and afternoon session meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Conservation easement on 152.03 acres of agricultural land owned by Jacob and Virginia Carson – Eric Shertz, Planning and Zoning Department, reviewed the proposed conservation easement for land owned by

Jacob and Virginia Carson and explained the State evaluation process for determining the value of an easement. He advised the Board that the proposed agreement between Cecil Land Trust and the Carson's indicates a purchase price higher than the appraised value. The County's PDR program for determining an easement value is the same as the State's MALPF program.

Board members provided comments relative to the proposed conservation easement.

The Board concurred to authorize staff to discuss this issue with officials from Cecil Land Trust relative to renegotiating the contract price for the conservation easement and to place this item on the December 6, 2011 Commissioners meeting agenda for consideration.

State Clearinghouse review - excess real property originally part of the I-95 toll plaza: Weigh and Inspection Station, approximately 11.5 acres – Director Sennstrom advised the Board that the state has notified the county that this parcel is available if the County is interested. The appraised value of the property was not included in the correspondence.

Board members provided their comments relative to the location of the property.

The Board authorized staff to contact the state relative to the appraised value of the property. Due to the deadline for a response, the information will be emailed to the Board.

Draft 2012 Legislative Meeting Agenda – County Administrator Wein reviewed the proposed legislative meeting agenda. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.

Commissioner Items

Commissioner Dunn had no comments.

Commissioner Broomell wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, and commented on Perryville High School sports, Community Monitoring Service Program, and proposal for informal meeting with the Board and the public.

Commissioner Moore announced that the kick off for the informal meeting with the Board and citizens would be scheduled for Tuesday, December 6, 2011 from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. in the Elk room. She provided an update on the Sister City project and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Mullin wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

CLOSED SESSION 10:00 AM

On motion made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Dunn, the Board moved to convene in closed session pursuant to Maryland Annotated Code State Government 10-508(a) (1) Continued review and discussion relating to pending appointments to Bainbridge Development Corporation, Economic Development Commission, Susquehanna Workforce Network and Ethics Commission. Motion carried unanimously and the Board convened in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT CLOSED SESSION

11:10 PM - On motion made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Broomell, the Board moved to adjourn the closed session meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

