

**Board of County Commissioners
Worksession Minutes
March 13, 2012**

PRESENT: Commissioners Mullin, Broomell, Moore, Dunn, and Hodge, County Administrator Al Wein, Public Works Director Scott Flanigan and staff, Planning and Zoning Director Eric Sennstrom, Emergency Services Director Richard Brooks, Housing Director Dave Mahaney, Economic Development Director Lisa Webb, Executive Office Administrator Vicky Rinkerman, County Attorney Norman Wilson, Treasurer Bill Feehley, State's Attorney Ellis Rollins, members of the press, and members of the public.

Closed Session Meeting – March 6, 2012 – 10:55 a.m.

10:55 AM

The Board convened in closed session on March 6, 2012 at 10:55 a.m. Motion was made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Hodge, pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code State Government 10-508 (a) (3) To consider matter related to the acquisition of real property for Cecil County Public Schools usage; and (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals relating to matters with the Board of County Commissioner and Town of North East litigation of water rates before the Maryland Public Service Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENT AT CLOSED SESSION: Commissioners Mullin, Broomell, Moore, Dunn, and Hodge; County Administrator Al Wein, Public Works Director Scott Flanigan, Budget Manager Craig Whiteford, Office Administrator Vicky Rinkerman, Treasurer Bill Feehley, and County Attorney Norman Wilson.

Topics of discussion and action taken (if necessary):

Discussion ensued regarding North East litigation of water rates before the Public Service Commission.

On motion made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Hodge, the Board moved to accept the proposal submitted by the law firm of Miles and Stockbridge to retain a consultant for additional services related to the Public Service Commission matter. Motion carried by a vote of 3 in favor (Mullin – Y, Moore – Y, Hodge – Y) and 2 opposed (Broomell – N, Dunn – N).

The Board discussed the acquisition of real property proposal for Cecil County Public Schools usage.

The closed meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

OPEN SESSION – Elk Room

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

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

Cecil County Public Schools Economic Impact Study Presentation – Public Schools Superintendent D'Ette Devine introduced Dr. Memo Diriker and he reviewed the draft economic impact study.

Informational briefing regarding abortion cases – State's Attorney Rollins reviewed the problems encountered with prosecuting the cases and the decision to dismiss the charges.

Approval of Minutes – On motion made by Commissioner Broomell, seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Board moved to approve the minutes for the March 6, 2012 Worksession and Closed Session meeting with the amendment on page four, paragraph eight, to change "Old Neck Road" to "Old Elk Neck Road". Motion carried unanimously to approve with the changes as presented.

Proposed county tax credit policy – Director Mahaney reviewed the proposed tax credit policy.

Members of the Board provided their comments relating to the proposed Tax Credit Policy.

County Administrator Wein advised the Board that the proposed policy could be introduced at the March 20, 2012 Commissioners meeting and scheduled for consideration at the April 10, 2012 Commissioners meeting.

Commissioner Hodge commented on the requested Resolution for the New East Crossing project in North East.

County Administrator Wein advised that the Resolution would be on the March 20, 2012 Commissioners meeting agenda for consideration by the Board.

Mr. Holden, New East Crossing Project Manager, provided the Board an overview of the proposed request to increase rents, which has caused some confusion with this project and the Elkton Senior Housing project.

The consensus of the Board was to proceed with scheduling the proposed Tax Credit Policy for introduction and consideration by the Board.

Habitat for Humanity request to purchase lot at 253 Sycamore Road – County Administrator Wein advised the Board that Habitat for Humanity has requested to purchase a county owned lot at 253 Sycamore Road. He advised the Board that the County Code requires a public hearing for the sale of the property.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- . Due public hearing process for selling county property; and
- . Request for property tax analysis of the proposed lot

The consensus of the Board was to authorize staff to proceed with scheduling a public hearing for the sale of the county owned property at 253 Sycamore Road.

Alternative drivers' licenses screening process – Director Flanigan reviewed the alternative drivers' licenses screening process for the Solid Waste Department. He advised the Board that they do not need to make a decision regarding the fee at this time.

The consensus of the Board was to authorize the Solid Waste Division to proceed with implementing the alternative drivers' licenses screening process without a fee for the service.

Proposed Ethics Commission Terms – County Administrator Wein provided the Board an alternative appointment schedule for the new members of the Ethics Commission.

On motion made Commissioner Broomell, seconded by Commissioner Dunn, the Board moved to adjust the terms of the Ethics Commission members as follows:

- . Walter Rozanski for a four-year term through 12/6/15;
- . Valerie Falcioni for a four-year term through 12/6/15;
- . Bruce Hemphill for a four-year term through 12/6/15;
- . Diana Gillig for a two-year term through 12/6/13; and
- . Jason Allison for a two-year term through 12/6/13

Commissioner Hodge requested that the proposed adjustments to the terms of the Ethics Commission appointments be considered at an evening Commissioners meeting in order to be consistent with the current procedure.

Discussion ensued regarding the vote by the Board on the appointments at their December 6, 2011 Commissioners Meeting.

Motion carried by a vote of 3 in favor (Mullin, Broomell, Dunn), 1 opposed (Moore) 1 abstention (Hodge).

Chapter 209 Dogs and Other Animals update – County Administrator Wein reviewed the final proposal for Chapter 209 Dogs and Other Animals.

The consensus of the Board was to schedule a meeting with State's Attorney Rollins to discuss enforcement of the ordinance before proceeding with a public hearing.

Draft Bid 12-25 Maintenance and repair of hydraulic compactors and associated equipment – Director Flanigan reviewed draft bid 12-25.

The Board concurred to authorize Public Works staff to proceed with advertising bid 12-25 as presented.

Draft 12-24 Maintenance and repair of weigh scales; Bid 12-25 Maintenance and repair of hydraulic compactors and associated equipment; 12-26 Maintenance and repair of fence at landfill; Bid 12-27 Roadway culvert installation – Director Flanigan reviewed the draft bids.

The Board concurred to authorize Public Works staff to proceed with advertising the bids 12-24 through 12-27, as presented.

Bid 12-31 County tax billing printing services – Treasurer Feehley reviewed draft bid 12-31 (13-31) for tax billing printing services.

The Board concurred to authorize the Treasurer's Office to proceed with advertising bid 12-31.

Presentation – Matt Roath, President Greater Perryville Chamber of Commerce – Perryville Chamber of Commerce President Matt Roath presented the Board three Perryville-specific pieces of etched artwork for the Perryville conference room in the County Administration Building.

Commissioner Items

Commissioner Dunn congratulated Sheriff's Office Deputy Michael Zack on being chosen as the NRA Officer of the Year.

Vice President Broomell commented on the Economic Development Committee meeting and proposed housing project at Perry Point.

Commissioner Moore commented on the NRA Banquet and congratulated Sheriff's Office Deputy Michael Zack on being chosen as the Officer of the Year.

Commissioner Hodge commented on voter registration deadlines.

President Mullin commented on the volunteer Stream Waders event at North Bay.

CLOSED SESSION

10:35 AM

On motion made by Commissioner Dunn, seconded by Commissioner Broomell, the Board moved to convene in closed session pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code State Government 10-508 (a) (3) To consider the acquisition of real property for a Cecil County Public Schools usage; and (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals with respect to York Building Products Declaratory Judgment and Petition for Judicial Review. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT CLOSED SESSION

11:25 AM

On motion made by Commissioner Moore, seconded by President Mullin, the Board moved to adjourn the closed session meeting. The meeting was adjourned.

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