

July 9, 2019

The County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County met this date pursuant to its last adjournment and there were present:

James J. Moran  
Jack N. Wilson, Jr.  
Stephen Wilson  
Philip L. Dumenil (absent)  
Christopher M. Corchiarino

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

**MINUTES:**

On a motion made by Commissioner J. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Corchiarino, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the Agenda for the current meeting and the minutes of June 25, 2019.

**PRESS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

The following persons spoke to the Commissioners on subjects of interest to them:

1. Mary Margaret Goodwin – First Annual Maryland Women Ag Festival

**WEEKLY CORRESPONDENCE AND PRESENTATION OF DOCUMENTS FOR SIGNATURE:**

The Board reviewed various correspondence with Mr. Todd Mohn, County Administrator.

**REFUNDING BONDS OF 2019:**

Mr. Jonathan Seeman, Director of Finance, noted the County regularly reviews its portfolio of outstanding debt to identify opportunities for saving County General Fund dollars through refunding of earlier bond issuances. We have the opportunity to refund about \$15.4 million in bonds issued in 2009. We anticipate a savings of about \$1.7 million over 10 years. The

bond sale would take place later in July.

On a motion made by Commissioner S. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Corchiarino, the Board unanimously agreed to approval of Resolution 19-19 authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds for the purpose of refunding the County's Public Facilities bonds of 2009. As part of the motion, Commissioners S. Wilson and J. Wilson made comments on this topic.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

**GRANT SUPPORT LETTER – CHESAPEAKE BAY ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER:**

Mr. Mohn submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Grant Support Letter - Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center.

The Board reviewed a grant support letter for planning and engineering work associated with using dredge spoil materials at the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center to enhance costal resilience. This grant would provide plans and specification to use spoil materials from the Kent Narrows the next time the channel is dredged.

On a motion made by Commissioner Corchiarino, seconded by Commissioner S. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to execute the grant support letter for Planning and Permitting Cost-Effective Use of Dredge Material to Enhance Costal Resilience of the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center. As part of the motion, Commissioners Moran made comments on this topic.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

**RESILIENCY PLANNING & FINANCING FOR MARYLAND COUNTIES:**

Mr. Mohn submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Resiliency Planning & Financing for Maryland Counties.

We have been invited to participate in the initiative which is directly connected with the Maryland Climate Leadership Academy. The intention is to bring participants from the Academy together, along with about five additional staff members from each participating County, to produce Resilience Plans. The Plans will become a combined Resiliency Planning Resource and will place Maryland at the forefront of climate adaptation planning. A key component of this effort is to identify means of financing resiliency efforts in the future. Participating Counties include Charles, Anne Arundel and Baltimore.

There is no cost to the County other than staff time and it provides an excellent planning opportunity. It is also a great, practical extension of the MD Climate Leadership Academy which the State funded in order to provide Maryland jurisdictions an opportunity to lead the Country in climate change policy and resiliency.

Mr. Mike Wisnosky and his team at the Department of Planning and Zoning will be the lead Department for this effort.

On a motion made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner S. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to participate in the University of Maryland’s Resiliency Planning and Financing project for Global Sustainability.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BROADBAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE – COLUMBIA:**

The Broadband Advisory Committee submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Broadband Feasibility Study REP recommendation.

County staff and the BAC reviewed six responses to the request for proposals (REP) for a Broadband Feasibility Study. The REP was advertised on April 1, 2019 with responses required by May 15, 2019. The six proposals were reviewed for completeness, industry experience, price, and their company resources and project team. Two were considered not responsive, two were marginal and two were very responsive. The two finalists were asked to respond to a few additional questions. The overwhelming majority voted for Columbia Telecommunications Company (CTC) due to:

- Qualitative, comprehensive approach to gathering input from community and measuring return on investment.

- Local knowledge and connections to legislative and commercial contacts. They have done feasibility studies for other Counties in Maryland to include Alleghany and Talbot Counties.
- Their response was by far the most polished.

The following vendors bid on the project:

- ACD Telecom - \$57,000
- The Research Associates - \$64,000
- Tilson Technology Management, Inc. - \$60,000
- CCG Consulting - \$61,500
- Columbia Telecommunications Company (CTC) - \$75,000
- Magellan Advisors - \$89,875

The County has signed an MOU with the State Department of Housing and Community Development who will pay for 50% of this study - up to \$60,000. The remaining funds will come from the County Fiber budget.

On a motion made by Commissioner S. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner J. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the recommendation of County Staff and the Broadband Advisory Committee to work with Columbia Telecommunications Company (CTC) for the creation of a Broadband Feasibility Study. As part of the motion, Commissioners Moran, J. Wilson and S. Wilson made comments on this topic.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

**CLEAN CHESAPEAKE COALITION – FY2020 CONTRIBUTION:**

Mr. Charles D. MacLeod, Clean Chesapeake Coalition, submitted to the Board for their review and approval, FY 2020 Contribution.

The Board reviewed the invoice for the County’s contribution to the Clean Chesapeake Coalition for Fiscal Year 2020. As noted on the invoice, payment should be made to our firm’s trust account.

On a motion made by Commissioner Corchiarino, seconded by Commissioner J. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to pay \$17,000 for the County’s contribution to the Clean Chesapeake Coalition for FY2020. As part of the motion, Commissioners Moran made comments on this topic.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

**KOREAN WAR VETERAN’S MEMORIAL WALL OF REMEMBRANCE:**

Mr. Sam Fielder, KWVA Memorial Foundation, submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Korean War Veteran’s Memorial Wall of Remembrance.

The names of the 36,574 servicemen, who lost their lives during the Korean War are to be inscribed on a unique Wall of Remembrance, to be added to the Memorial completing, at long last, the full symbolic intent of the National Korean War Veterans Memorial.

The Memorial must honor those who served and those who fell in battle of whom over 7,000 are still Missing in Action for more than 67 years!

Those who fell will again be united as they were in battle, and finally be given the recognition and honor they deserve. Family, friends, comrades of these fallen warriors and visitors will be able to pay their respects and reflect on the credo that “FREEDOM IS NOT FREE.”

No government funds can be used. Your donations are needed to build that Wall of Remembrance.

On a motion made by Commissioner S. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Moran, the Board unanimously agreed to donate \$2460 to the Korean War Veteran’s Memorial Wall of Remembrance. As part of the motion, Commissioners Moran made comments on this topic.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

**BOE MR. SIDNEY PINDER, JR. TO THE PRAB:**

Dr. Andrea M. Kane, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools, submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Appoint Sidney Pinder, Jr. to the PRAB.

We would like to request the appointment of Mr. Sidney Pinder, Jr. as the Board of Education’s representative on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. This appointment will fill the vacancy left by Toni Schelts who will be retiring from the Board of Education.

On a motion made by Commissioner S. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Corchiarino, the Board unanimously agreed to appoint Mr. Sidney Pinder, Jr. as the Board of Education’s representative on the PRAB to fill the vacancy left by Toni Schelts.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

**DETENTION CENTER UPDATE:**

Warden LaMonte Cooke with the Queen Anne’s County Detention Center presented to the Board for their review of the Detention Center Update.

1. First Quarter Population Statistics Maryland Jail Summary
2. Maryland Correctional Legislation Passed in 2019 Session
  - a. HB116 Public Health-Correctional Services-Opioid Use Disorder Examinations & Treatment
  - b. SB402 Mental Health-Involuntary Admission —Inmates in Correctional Facilities (Proposed)
3. Staffing Update
  - a. New officers
  - b. Pretrial Case Manager
4. Status of Phase 2 on the Detention Center Expansion and Renovation
5. General Activities

**DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES UPDATE:**

Mr. Scott Haas, Director; Ms. Lori Morris, Assistant Chief of Special Operations; Mr. Scott Wheatley, Assistant Chief of EMS; and Ms. Lauren Moses, Office of the Sheriff Public Information Officer, presented to the Board for their review of the Department of Emergency Services Update.

- Carl Henn’s law
- NG 9-1-1 Core Services
- Text to 9-1-1

- Emergency medical services
- Mission Lifeline AHA 2019 Gold Award
- Advanced airway training
- Community outreach & education
- What's Next?
- Evacuation Update
- Evacuation Campaign
- Hurricane Storm Surge
- Delmarva Evacuation Study Update
- Action Items

### **IT SECURITY PRESENTATION:**

Ms. Megan DelGaudio, IT Manager/GIS Specialist II; Mr. Derek Russ, Application Specialist; Mr. Rob Lopes, Systems Engineer; and Mr. Jason Smith, Network Engineer, presented to the Board for their review, IT Security Presentation.

- Cyber attack
- Firewall
- Network
- PC Anti-Virus
- Mimecast (Email) Spam Firewall
- Polices
- Server Security
- Server Redundancy
- Backups
- Data Storage
- Cloud Systems
- Disaster Recovery (DR)
- Upcoming initiatives/What else could we be doing?

### **TEXT 2 STOP IT!:**

Mr. Alvin Butler, Executive Director, presented to the Board for their review approval, Text 2 Stop It!.

Six years ago, with the support of the Board of Commissioners, we piloted a program in Queen Anne's County Public Schools called "Text 2 Stop It". This program allows students to report bullying and other concerns in their school by anonymous two-way texting hotline that operates 24 hours a day. Why texting? Because it is the method students feel most comfortable using.

With Text 2 Stop It not only are students reporting bullying but also instances of drug use, drug dealers, suicides and more. To date we have intervened in seven suicides. In one incident several students had planned to commit suicide together. In addition, we have uncovered drug dealers in half of the middle and high schools we are in.

QACPS and the Queen Anne’s County Government has received much statewide acclaim for your forward thinking in providing this school safety tool to your students. Most recently Text 2 Stop It! and QACPS were featured on Project Baltimore. We look forward to another year of partnership with QACPS and the Queen Anne’s County Board of Commissioners of this highly successful program for the upcoming 2019-20 school year.

On a motion made by Commissioner J. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Corchiarino, the Board unanimously agreed to pay \$9995 for the 1-year service agreement for the Text 2 Stop It Program for the 2019-2020 school year.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

**LEGISLATIVE SESSION:**

On a motion made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner S. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to adopt County Ordinance 19-08.

COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 19-08

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT CONCERNING the Repeal of Section 4-15, “Ownership Disclosure” of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne’s County;

FOR THE PURPOSE of repealing Section 4-15 of Chapter 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws requiring disclosure of ownership interest in entities participating in actions before the Queen Anne’s County Board of Appeals;

BY REPEALING Section 4-15 of Chapter 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne’s County.

SECTION I



BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND that Section 4-15 of the Code of Public Local Laws be and is hereby REPEALED.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

On a motion made by Commissioner J. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner S. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to adopt County Ordinance 19-09.

COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 19-09

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT CONCERNING Amendments to Chapter 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of the Queen Anne's County Regarding the Use of School Bus Monitoring Cameras by School and Law Enforcement Officials;

FOR THE PURPOSE OF providing for photographic enforcement and administrative adjudication of school bus stop arm violations and imposition of civil fines for those violations, consistent with Maryland state law, including but not limited Section 21-706.1 of the Transportation Article and Md. Courts and Judicial Proceedings Code Ann. §7-302 and §10-311;

BY ADOPTING a new Article IV §13-14 as an addition to the Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County, Maryland.

SECTION I

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, that Section 13-14 of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County be and is hereby ENACTED to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV. School Bus Monitoring Cameras.

§13-14. School Bus Monitoring Cameras.

The Sheriff of Queen Anne’s County is authorized to use school bus monitoring cameras in consultation with the Board of Education of Queen Anne’s County, in accordance with §21-706.1 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended from time to time.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

On a motion made by Commissioner Corchiarino, seconded by Commissioner Moran, the Board unanimously agreed to adopt the Finding and Decision for County Ordinance 19-10.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

On a motion made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner S. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to adopt County Ordinance 19-10.

**COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 19-10**

**A BILL ENTITLED**

AN ACT concerning the Repeal and Re-Adoption with amendments of the Local Public Laws of Queen Anne's County, Chapter 14, CHESAPEAKE BAY CRITICAL AREA ACT, Official Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Overlay Map Number 56.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF amending part of Parcel 221, Lot 7 located on said Official Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Overlay Map 56 to redesignate 2.122 acres from Limited Development Area (LDA) to Intensely Developed Area (IDA).

**SECTION I**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Local Public Laws of Queen Anne's County, Chapter 14, CHESAPEAKE BAY CRITICAL AREA ACT, Official Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Overlay Map Number 56 is hereby repealed and Overlay Map Number 56 be and is hereby amended and adopted with the revisions set forth herein and depicted on Exhibit A, attached hereto, subject to the conditions contained in the approval letter from the State of Maryland Critical Area Commission attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	x	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil - absent		
Corchiarino	x	

Commissioner Corchiarino introduced County Ordinance 19-13:

*A BILL ENTITLED*

*AN ACT CONCERNING the Prohibition of the Release of Non-Biodegradable Balloons within Queen Anne’s County as set forth herein;*

*The County Commissioners of Queen Anne’s County find that the release into the atmosphere of large numbers of balloons inflated with lighter-than-air gases poses a danger and nuisance to the environment, agricultural industry, wildlife and marine animals;*

FOR THE PURPOSE of protecting the waters, animals and overall environment of Queen Anne’s County from the toxic impact of non-biodegradable balloons that are released within Queen Anne’s County by criminalizing the willing release of non-biodegradable balloons within Queen Anne’s County.

BY ADOPTING new sections 13-14 through 13-16 of a new Article IV of Chapter 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County.

SECTION I

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND that the intentional release of non-biodegradable or non-photodegradable balloons in Queen Anne’s County is hereby prohibited through the enactment of new sections 13-14 through 13-16 of a new Article IV entitled “Release of Balloons” of Chapter 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws be and is hereby ADOPTED to read as follows:

## Article IV Release of Balloons

### §13-14 Definitions.

#### Balloon

A. A nonporous bag of tough light material, generally latex or mylar, whether filled or unfilled.

#### Person

A. Any natural person, firm, corporation, partnership, or other organization or group, however organized.

### §13-15. Release of Balloons Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to knowingly and intentionally release, organize the release of or intentionally cause to be released into the atmosphere of Queen Anne's County any Balloon unless such Balloon is either biodegradable or photodegradable.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to (i) Balloon(s) released by or on behalf of any agency of the State of Maryland, or the United States or pursuant to a contract with the State of Maryland, the United States, or any other state, territory or government for scientific or meteorological purposes; (ii) hot air Balloon(s) that are recovered after launch; or (iii) the negligent and unintentional release of any Balloon(s).

### §13-16. Violations and Penalties

Any person who violates this Article shall be guilty of a civil infraction and subject to a fine of not more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

### **PRESS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

The following persons spoke to the Commissioners on subjects of interest to them:

1. Jay Falstad – In favor of county ordinance 19-13

### **COMMISSIONER'S ROUNDTABLE:**

Commissioner S. Wilson discussed the following:

Proud of the service our DES provides to our citizens.

Commissioner Corchiarino discussed the following:

DES saved a child's life over the weekend  
Sheriff's Department is working hard regarding beach traffic.

Commissioner Moran discussed the following:

There was a 16.8 mile back up on Sunday due to people returning from the beach.  
Sheriff's Department is doing a good job in trying to keep this issue under control  
Delmarva Power is using powerful pesticide to kill small trees on the side of the  
road on Rt. 18 and Bennett Point Road and it looks unsightly. He would like the  
County Administrator to look into it.

There being no further business, they adjourned at 7:35p.m. to meet again on Tuesday,  
July 23, 2019.

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EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

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PRESIDENT