

August 11, 2020

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  
Christopher M. Corchiarino

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

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

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Pursuant to State Government Law Section 3-305(b), (7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter; "The County Commissioners held a Closed Session on a motion of Commissioner Corchiarino, seconded by Commissioner Dumenil, at 5:00 p.m. in the Office of the County Commissioners, The Liberty Building, 107 N. Liberty Street, Centreville, Maryland." The Board adjourned in Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. Those in attendance were Mr. Todd Mohn, County Administrator; Ms. Margie Houck, Executive Assistant; Patrick Thompson, Esquire, County Attorney; and Mr. Michael R. Clark, Community Partnership for Children and Families Director via phone.

The Board discussed a legal matter involving the County.

**MINUTES:**

On a motion made by Commissioner J. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner S. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the Agenda for the current meeting and the minutes of September 11, 2020, as amended.

On a motion made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner J. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to appoint Arthur Ebersberger to fill an unexpired term on the Planning Commission to begin immediately and end December 31, 2022 and to appoint Kathy Deoudes to fill an unexpired term on the Planning Commission to begin immediately and end December 31, 2020.

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

**PRESS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No persons spoke to the Commissioners on subjects of interest to them.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – ADMINISTRATIVE/ENGINEERING:**

Mr. Alan Quimby, Director; Mr. Dave MacGlashan, Chief Property Manager; Mr. Ramon Villatoro, Animal Services Manager of the Department of Public Works; met with the Board.

**Animal Services**

**ANIMAL SERVICES- OPERATIONS UPDATE:**

Mr. Villatoro presented to the Board for their review, Animal Services - Operations Update.

Operations since March 7, 2020, we have had 442 animals come into our shelter. We have had 280 adoptions, 60 animals returned to their owners, and 24 animals transferred to other animal welfare agencies. We have euthanized 16 animals for medical reasons and are currently holding a live release number of 96%.

COVID-19 brought on many challenges for our shelter. We wanted to house as many dogs in foster care during the pandemic. To date, we have sent 200 animals into foster care and are continuing to push for more foster parent recruitment, especially for our Doggie Day foster program. This program is designed for the public to take shelter dogs out for a short period of time such as a trip to the park, boat ride, hike, or a drive. This program gives our dogs out of kennel time and gives us valuable information we could provide to our adopters. Adoption rates have continued to rise during the past few months. Last year, the average length of stay was 18-24 days, this year it is 10-14 days. We also had adoption success in May when, for the first time, we had an empty dog kennel due to every dog finding a forever home.

Our shelter veterinarian, Dr. Caitlyn Neal, has performed 251 surgeries; this includes Spay/Neuter, dental procedures, and mass removals. Our Animal Care Team has administered 1,361 vaccinations to ensure high standards of care.

We received an estate donation of \$91,000 which will go towards our operating budget to improve the quality of life for the animals under our care. We have also been awarded a grant for 35 Cat Portals (value \$3,000.). The portals are used to expand single cat kennels into two by installing a portal on the kennel wall. The portals will significantly improve the quality of life for the cats in our care by reducing stress and illness.

**Admin/Engineering/General Services**

**DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES – STORAGE BUILDING  
PROCUREMENT BID:**

Mr. Quimby presented to the Board for their review and approval, Department of Emergency Services - Storage Building Procurement Bid.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and the need to store PPE and other supplies into the foreseeable future, Public Works was directed to solicit prices for a storage building adequate in size to store PPE, as well as other necessary ‘emergency sheltering’ supplies which are currently stored at rentals units throughout the County. The building proposed is a 60-foot by 190-foot insulated ‘pole barn’ building to be located adjacent to the DES operations building. The building will have a concrete floor and eight ‘garage’ doors.

Four local builders were contacted being the same four that bid on the previously constructed General Services/Roads warehouse - and supplied prices as indicated below. Company Amount Bid Note we attempted to locate other rental storage area in the immediate vicinity and the most cost-efficient rate we could find was almost of \$50,000 per year for 6000-ft<sup>2</sup>.

On a motion made by Commissioner J. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Dumenil, the Board unanimously agreed to award the bid of the construction of a 11,400-ft<sup>2</sup> Department of Emergency Services storage building in the amount of \$494,600 to Clow Ventures utilizing CARES federal money for its construction. As part of the motion, Commissioners Moran and Dumenil made comments on this topic.

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

**GRANT AGREEMENT/SHINE LIKE STARS PRE-SCHOOL:**

Mr. MacGlashan presented to the Board for their review and approval, Grant Agreement / Shine Like Stars Pre-School.

Ms. Diane Ryan, Director of Shine Like Stars Preschool, sent a letter to the Board requesting a grant in the amount \$25,000 to assist with modifications to a new rental facility in order to meet licensing regulations of the Maryland State Department of Education.

On a motion made by Commissioner Corchiarino, seconded by Commissioner Dumenil, with Commissioner J. Wilson abstained from the vote, the Board agreed to execute the Grant Agreement with Ms. Ryan of Shine Like Stars Pre-School, LLC in the amount of \$25,000 with an amendment to paragraph 3 to state that the grantee shall vacate its current location in the old Christ Church building, Main Street Stevensville, MD by the 21<sup>st</sup> of August and the Grantee shall complete the improvements of construction of the premise within 6 months of the date hereof or forego this grant, the grantee shall thereafter operate a preschool program on the premises for a continuous period of 5 years.

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	x	
J Wilson	abstain	
S Wilson	x	
Dumenil	x	
Corchiarino	x	

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

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

**CHARACTER COUNTS PILLAR OF THE MONTH FOR AUGUST – RESPECT:**

Commissioner Moran read the following proclamation:

Pillar of the Month for August 2020  
“Respect”

WHEREAS, Queen Anne’s County was declared a “Character Counts!” community; and

WHEREAS, we as citizens will come together and build a strong community based on respect and tolerance of individual differences without prejudice; and

WHEREAS, the Queen Anne’s County Department of Social Services acknowledges the worth of other people, including oneself; and

WHEREAS, the Queen Anne’s County Department of Social Services believes that all citizens should treat others as they want to be treated; and

WHEREAS, the Department values all people, respects others’ dignity, privacy and freedom, provides services while being courteous and polite as well as being tolerant and accepting of differences; and

WHEREAS, the Queen Anne’s County Department of Social Services urges all citizens to make respect a daily part of their lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY, do hereby designate the Character Counts! Pillar of the month for August to be “Respect”.

**IN-PERSON LEARNING – BOE LETTER:**

This item was held it was discussed at an earlier meeting with the BOE.

Dear Board Members & Superintendent Kane,

We are writing to express our support for the development of a plan to allow for a return to “in-person learning” at our Queen Anne’s County Public Schools. ‘While everyone is hopeful that a vaccine will become widely available, there is no guarantee there will ever be a vaccine. We encourage you, as our local school leaders, along with public health experts, to plan for how to provide parents with the option to return students to in class instruction, even if a vaccine is never developed.

As we all acknowledge, schools provide more than just academics to children and adolescents. In addition to reading, writing and math, children learn social and emotional skills, get exercise and access to mental health support and other things that cannot be provided with online learning. For many families, school is where kids get healthy meals, access to the internet, and other vital services. In addition, it allows for parents to return to work and support a healthy economy. The latest American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) advises that children learn best when they are in school. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) Director Dr. Robert Redfield has stated that “it is critically important for our public health to open schools...” While the spread of COVID-19 in the community is a paramount health concern, we should guard against trading one public health crisis for another. We must contemplate the long-term social, economic, and health impacts that virtual learning could have on our youth.

CDC and AAP have offered guidance based on what pediatricians and infectious disease specialists know about COVID-19 and kids. Medical studies suggest that children are less likely to have symptoms or severe disease from infection. They also appear less likely to become infected or spread the virus.

We appreciate that returning to school in person needs careful steps in place to keep students, teachers and staff safe. While COVID-19 school policies will reduce risk, they will not prevent it entirely. Even with safety protocols in place, distance learning or other student population may be a component of future learning and the return to in class instruction will likely look different than before COVID. We support evidenced based efforts to return kids to school, if even on an alternating schedule, such as the A and B groups previously proposed. We strongly believe that a balanced plan to take into consideration public safety and the overall health of our community will provide the best, brightest future for our students, teachers, and families.

**FORMER FISHERMAN’S INN MODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT AND SUPPORT LETTER:**

The following letter was sent last week:

Dear Board of Public Works:

We hereby support the modification and amendment to the leased property area and the proposed transfer of 0.144 acres of land from the Maryland State Highway, Association to Fisherman’s Inn, Inc. as proposed in this application and request. Transfer of this property will provide additional needed public parking for the development of a new hotel in the Kent Narrows.

**SIGNATURE REQUESTED FOR MATAPEAKE INDUSTRIAL PARK GRANT – SEMI ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT – GRANT NUMBER MD-11-ED-**

Ms. Heather Tinelli, Director of Economic and Tourism Development, submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Signature Requested for Matapeake Industrial Park Grant - Semi Annual Progress Report - Grant Number MD-11-ED-70.

The Board reviewed the Semi-Annual Progress Report for grant number MD-11-ED-70 which regards the Matapeake Industrial Park grant. The staff in the Economic and Tourism Development have completed the form after talking with the representatives of the businesses located in the Industrial Park who are eligible to be included in the progress reports. The grant has been in effect since 2011 when the original award of \$575,000 was made. The park is adjacent to the Matapeake Beach and Clubhouse facility.

On a motion made by Commissioner J. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Corchiarino, the Board unanimously agreed to approve and sign the Semi-Annual Progress Report as presented for the Community Development Block Grant number MD-11-ED-70, regarding Matapeake Industrial Park, which covers the time period of January 1, 2020 through June 30th, 2020.

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

**FISHERMAN’S VILLAGE/SCHULZ DEVELOPMENT, LLC - DEVELOPMENT DEEDS AND EASEMENTS:**

Mr. Michael Wisnosky, AICP, PP, Planning & Zoning Director, submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Fisherman’s Village/Schulz Development, LLC, Tax Map 57, Parcels 329,333,432,494, Tax Map 58D, Parcel 73, Development Deeds and Easements.

On May 14, 2020, the Planning Commission approved major site plan approval for a 120-room hotel and banquet facility totaling 83,262 square feet. The property is located along Kent Narrows Way South in the Kent Narrows. The location of the property is adjacent to County owned and/or leased lands. In order to develop the property as designed and approved, the developer needs to secure various easements to allow for shared parking, drainage, and pedestrian access to the County trail system. To this end, the developer’s attorney has been working with the County attorney and the Planning Commission attorney to create the documents to execute the project.

Each of these documents have been reviewed and approved by the County attorneys, the Department of Public Works and the Department of Planning and Zoning.

On a motion made by Commissioner J. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Corchiarino, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the necessary easements as presented to allow for shared parking, drainage, and pedestrian access to the County trail system in accordance with the conditions of the Fisherman’s Village/Schulz Development, LLC site plan approval.

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

**PROPERTY LIENS:**

Ms. Vivian Swinson, Zoning Administrator, submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Property Liens.

Map 14, Grid 40, Parcel 40, 6426 Sudlersville Road, Sudlersville (\$300.00) Vacant

Map 30, Grid 15, Parcel 56, 1118 Price Station Road, Price (\$320.00) Vacant

An independent contractor hired by the Zoning Office to cut grass at the above referenced addresses after the property owner ignored repeated attempts by the Zoning Inspector to get the site to comply with Queen Anne’s County Code Chapter 19 Article II § 19-2 L. (2) which states: A person may not allow any vegetation to grow higher than 12 inches on any lot or parcel that is: (a) Less than three acres in size; and (b) located in an approved or recorded residential subdivision or any part of which is within 200 feet of a neighboring residence.

On a motion made by Commissioner Dumenil, seconded by Commissioner Moran, the Board unanimously agreed to approve Resolutions 20-26 through 20-27 to place a lien on each of the properties listed in the County Zoning Administrator’s memorandum dated August 11, 2020 for nuisance violations.

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

**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES APPOINTMENTS:**

Ms. Mary Ann Thompson, Board President, submitted to the Board for their review and approval, Community Partnerships for Children and Families Appointments.

The Board members of the Queen Anne’s County Community Partnerships for Children and Families, our Local Management Board, respectfully submits the following candidates for nomination to the Board.

- Jessica Denny, Community Member
- Scott Evans, Community Member
- Stephanie Hines, Community Member
- Lauren Kay Weber, Community Member

The Community Partnerships Board is also submitting the following persons to be re-appointed to a second three-year term ending June 30, 2023.

- Laura Roth, Community Member
- Mary Ann Thompson, Community Member

Regretfully, the following Board members’ terms will expire or otherwise will no longer be board members after June 30, 2020.

- Angie Marsh, Community Member
- Carrie O’Connor, Community Member
- Mary Walker, Community Member
- Jamie Williams, Community Member

For your information, the Board appointed the following members to the Executive Committee for fiscal year 2021:

- President: Mary Ann Thompson
- Vice President/Secretary: Vince Radosta
- Treasurer: Kathryn Dilley

Thank you for your ongoing support and enthusiasm for what we do for children and families in this community.

On a motion made by Commissioner Corchiarino, seconded by Commissioner Dumenil, the Board unanimously agreed to appoint Jessica Denny, Scott Evans, Stephanie Hines and Lauren Kay Weber to the Queen Anne’s County Community Partnerships for Children and Families Board to serve a three-year term ending on June 30, 2023.

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

On a motion made by Commissioner Corchiarino, seconded by Commissioner Dumenil, the Board unanimously agreed to reappoint Laura Roth and Mary Ann Thompson to a second three-year term ending June 30, 2023.

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

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

On a motion made by Commissioner S. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner J. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to approve Budget Amendment CC-5. As part of the motion, Commissioner Moran made comments on this topic.

#	CC-5							Date	7/21/2020
<b>QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY</b>									
<b>REQUEST FOR BUDGET AMENDMENT</b>									
<b>FY 2021</b>									
									Increase (Decrease) Amount
<b>Description of expenditure/revenue accounts to increase/(decrease):</b>				<b>Fund</b>	<b>Account Code</b>				
					<b>Activity</b>	<b>Account</b>	<b>Project</b>		
Increase	Aging - IIIC-2 Home Delivered Meals	Federal COVID Relief Grant		618	618050	32220			26,197
Increase	Aging - IIIC-1 Congregate Meals	Federal COVID Relief Grant		616	616050	32220			5,240
					<b>Net increase in revenue</b>				<b>31,437</b>
Increase	Aging - IIIC-2 Home Delivered Meals	Food Services		618	618050	5456			26,197
Increase	Aging - IIIC-1 Congregate Meals	Food Services		616	616050	5456			5,240
					<b>Net increase in expenditures</b>				<b>31,437</b>
<b>Justification:</b> Department of Aging received Families First Coronavirus Response Act Notice of Grant Award on April 6, 2020. \$5,240 is for Congregate Meals expenditures and \$26,197 is for Home-Delivered Meals Expenditures. The total grant award to be spent before September 30, 2021 is \$31,437.									
No additional County Funds Needed									

Commissioners	Yes	No
Moran	X	
J Wilson	X	
S Wilson	X	
Dumenil	X	
Corchiarino	X	

On a motion made by Commissioner S. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner J. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to approve Budget Amendment CC-6.

#	CC-6							Date	7/27/2020
<b>QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY</b>									
<b>REQUEST FOR BUDGET AMENDMENT</b>									
<b>FY 2021</b>									
									Increase (Decrease) Amount
<b>Description of expenditure/revenue accounts to increase/(decrease):</b>				<b>Fund</b>	<b>Account Code</b>				
					<b>Activity</b>	<b>Account</b>	<b>Project</b>		
Decrease	Tourism - Grant Fund	Other State Op Grants		500	515507	33590			(12,848)
Decrease	Tourism - Grant Fund	Advertising		500	515507	8070			(12,848)
<b>Justification:</b> This amendment is to decrease the Tourism Grant budget by \$12,848 to reflect the total awarded grant amount of \$29,152.									
The current budget has \$42,000 for this grant.									
No additional County Funds Needed									

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

On a motion made by Commissioner Corchiarino, seconded by Commissioner Dumenil, the Board unanimously agreed to approve Budget Amendment CC-7.

#	CC-7						Date	8/3/2020
<b>QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY</b>								
<b>REQUEST FOR BUDGET AMENDMENT</b>								
<b>FY 2021</b>								
							<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>	
							<b>Amount</b>	
<b>Description of expenditure/revenue accounts to increase/(decrease):</b>				<b>Fund</b>	<b>Account Code</b>			
Increase	Rural Legacy	State POS Appropriated Cap Grant	830	830000	33727		2,024,994	
Increase	Rural Legacy	Prior Year Fund Balance	830	830000	39920		16,000	
<i>Total Revenue Increase</i>				<i>Total Revenue Increase</i>			<b>2,040,994</b>	
Increase	Rural Legacy	Other Expenses	830	830000	8995		2,040,994	
<b>Justification:</b>								
This amendment will recognize a Rural Legacy program capital grant as per an agreement between the County and the Maryland								
MD Department of Natural Resources. These grant funds are to purchase the following three (3) easements:								
(1) Charles and Martha Patterson III - \$137,229 including attorney fees - 34.09 acres - approved by County Commissioners on 7/14/20								
(2) HCB Jr. partners Ltd. - \$695,895 including attorney fees - 163.37 acres - approved by County Commissioners on 7/14/20								
(3) Charles and Martha Patterson IV - \$1,191,870 including attorney fees - 273.57 acres - approved by County Commissioners on 7/14/20								
This amendment also includes \$16,000 in miscellaneous fees associated with easements (attorney bills/title policy etc.) to be transferred								
from PY Fund Balance.								
The approved funding will enable the County to preserve 470 acres of agricultural land, woodland, environmentally sensitive areas, natural habitats								
and protect environmentally significant tributaries of the Chester and Corsica Rivers.								
<b>No County funds are requested.</b>								

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

On a motion made by Commissioner S. Wilson, seconded by Commissioner J. Wilson, the Board unanimously agreed to approve Budget Amendment CC-8.

#	CC-8							Date	7/27/2020
<b>QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY</b>									
<b>REQUEST FOR BUDGET AMENDMENT</b>									
<b>FY2021</b>									
								<b>Increase</b>	
								<b>(Decrease)</b>	
								<b>Amount</b>	
<b>Description of expenditure/revenue accounts to increase/(decrease):</b>				<b>Fund</b>	<b>Account Code</b>				
Increase	CDBG - Cares Act Grant	Fed Community Services & Dev-CDBG		730	730020	32220		\$	90,200
Increase	CDBG - Cares Act Grant	Rent		730	730020	8125		\$	80,000
Increase	CDBG - Cares Act Grant	Emergency Fund		730	730020	8610		\$	10,200
				<b>Total increase in expenditures</b>				<b>\$</b>	<b>90,200</b>
<b>Justification:</b>									
This amendment recognizes the grant award for CDBG Grant Number CV-1-8. This grant is provided by Maryland Department of Housing and Community									
Development. \$80,000 for Emergency Rental Assistance and \$10,200 for Quarantine Sheltering.									
NO ADDITIONAL COUNTY FUNDS ARE REQUESTED									

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

**HAVEN MINISTRIES SUPPORT LETTER:**

Ms. Krista Pettit, Haven Ministries, requested the Board to send a letter of support to the Weinberg Grant members.

On a motion made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Dumenil, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the Haven Ministries support letter to Weinberg Grant Members.

Dear Weinberg Grant Members,

As the County Commissioners of Queen Anne’s County, we are writing to share with you our unwavering support of Haven Ministries. The vital services Haven Ministries provides to our community provides a safety net for many our residents in crisis as well as providing opportunities for residents to volunteer and invest their time strengthening neighborhoods. They are the leader in food distribution, support services including financial assistance, and the only homeless shelter in our entire county open to men, women, and children. Haven Ministries is an outstanding community partner that aligns with our county agencies such as the Housing and

Community Services Agency, Social Services, Health Department, and Emergency Services in order to serve our vulnerable community members. The Emergency Operations Center Food Insecurity Task Force, of which Haven Ministries is an active member, has appointed Haven Ministries to be the primary food and shelter distributor of Queen Anne’s County and have especially relied on Haven Ministries to help meet the increased need for services during the Covid-19 pandemic. They have proven to be an effective community leader upon which we can rely for service to the public.

The County Commissioners are in support of Haven Ministries’ plans to expand their housing services to longer-term housing through their Homes of Hope Building Project. This will help us meet a dire need of providing housing services in our county, which has a lack of affordable housing options. We support the efforts of building two homes on Main Street in Stevensville for longer-term housing. We have committed \$103,000 specific to this project since we consider this to be a worthwhile investment of County funds. We ask you to join us in financially supporting Haven Ministries in the Homes of Hope Construction Project.

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

**2011 COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWERAGE PLAN AMENDMENT 11-15 INFORMATIONAL MEETING:**

The Board held an Informational Meeting on the referenced project. A public hearing is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25, 2019, to discuss the referenced project. This Informational Meeting allows the Commissioners to ask any questions of the applicant (if present) or staff in preparation for that hearing. Regarding Wheatland’s, which resides within the incorporated limits of the Town of Queenstown.

**WHEATLANDS** — This property, owned by the Waterman Family Limited Partnership, is predominately vacant agricultural lands which reside within the incorporated limits of the Town of Queenstown. It is shown on Tax Map 59A as Parcels 36 and 14], is approximate/v 79 acres in size (combined,), and is zoned Planned Regional Commercial. The proposal is to allow jar the construction of a mixed-use development with Phase 1 consisting of 202 residential units and approximately 50,000-ft2 of highway and neighborhood related businesses. The property currently holds a sewer and water service designation of S-3/W-3. The amendment request is to upgrade the sewer and water service designation to S-2/W-2 (which equates to immediate service). Flows from the use are anticipated to be approximately 66,750 gpd. Sewer and water service will be provided via the Town of Queenstown’s sewer and water system. - Stevensville Water Treatment Plant

Joe Stevens, Esquire and Mr. Barry Waterman reviewed the proposal with the Board. The Board asked various question.

The second amendment is a requirement from MDE which was generated by their review of the proposed Four Seasons' water treatment plant. If you will recall, in accordance with the DRRRA. Four Seasons is required to construct a 750-gpm potable water treatment plant and a well into the lower Patapsco aquifer, in lieu of paying water allocation fees (we had no capacity to sell them), and to have both in operation prior to the issuance of the 400w building permit. The plant will be built immediately adjacent to the existing Stevensville water treatment plant, which is already serviced by a well, hence the Four Seasons' well-being a 'back-up'. This milestone is thought to occur in early 2023.

STEVENSVILLE WATER TREATMENT PLANT - Add the following sentence to section 33.2.9: "A back-up well into the lower Patapsco aquifer, comparable to the existing well, is planned to be constructed on this site by 2023."

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE:**

Ms. Amy G. Moredock, Principal Planner, Department of Planning and Zoning and Ms. Lauren Good, Wallace Montgomery Project Manager, presented to the Board for their review the Comprehensive Plan Update Status Briefing #1.

Wallace Montgomery (WM) received notice to proceed on the Queen Anne's County Comprehensive Plan Update on May 14, 2020. Since that time, we have started the planning process, with most tasks centered around initiating the project, collecting and reviewing data, and preparing for our initial meetings with the Board of County Commissioners, Planning Commission, and Planning and Zoning staff. We offer the following briefing and associated presentation for your review and consideration.

### **WORK PLAN OVERVIEW**

WM's overall work plan includes six overall tasks and related sub-tasks. We have developed a more detailed work plan that we are using internally to guide our work efforts, but offer the following overview:

#### **Task 1 Project Initiation (in progress)**

- 1.1 Detailed Scope & Schedule (complete)
- 1.2 Develop Public Engagement Plan (in progress)
- 1.3 Project Initiation Meeting (complete after 8/11 and 8/13 meetings)

#### **Task 2 Conditions Analysis & Input (in progress)**

- 2.1 Collect Data & Analyze Existing Conditions (in progress)
- 2.2 Public Engagement

- 2.3 Evaluate Existing County Vision Statement
- 2.4 Issues & Opportunities Assessment
- Task 3 Community Assessments
  - 3.1 Incorporated Jurisdiction Profiles
  - 3.2 Community Plans
- Task 4 Plan Development
  - 4.1 Comprehensive Plan Framework
  - 4.2 Development of Draft Comprehensive Plan
  - 4.3 Draft Implementation Elements
  - 4.4 Draft Plan Presentation
- Task 5 Comprehensive Plan Adoption
  - 5.1 Comprehensive Plan Collateral
  - 5.2 Planning Commission Public Hearing
  - 5.3 Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing
  - 5.4 Final Comprehensive Plan Document
- Task 6 Project Management (in progress)
  - 6.1 Coordination, Progress Reports & Schedule Updates (in progress)

Each of these tasks will be undertaken based on the framework that this is an update to the 2010 Plan.

**MID SHORE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, INC:**

Ms. Kathryn Dilley, Executive Director, Mid Shore Behavioral Health, Inc. and Ms. Audra Cherbonnier, Behavior Health Coordinator for Child & Adolescent Population presented to the Board for their review, Mid Shore Behavioral Health, Inc.

**FY2020 in Review**

- MSBH in partnership with MACS (MD Addiction Consultation Service), Shore Regional Health, Dorchester County and Talbot County Health Departments, held a Data Waiver 2000 training on November 6, 2019.
- MSBH and the five mid-shore local addiction authorities developed their first integrated Community Behavioral Health Plan for FY2021. MSBH will continue to work collaboratively with the mid-shore Health Departments as we move towards Local Systems Management Integration.
- MSBH was awarded the Healthy Transitions Award to provide services to transitional age youth throughout the mid-shore region.
- MSBH secured funding for Child and Adolescent Crisis Response: House Bill 1092
- MSBH hosted a Harm Reduction Training on March 12, 2020
- Behavioral Health Service Network and Workgroups: Child & Adolescent, Forensic & Crisis, Aging with Behavioral Health and Disabilities, Behavioral Health Services Network, Eastern Shore Safe Station Coalition, Residential Services Committee, and Roundtable on Homelessness

- As part of MSBH Cultural and Linguistic initiatives, two community events for the Haitian population were held in Caroline County
- MSBH assisted with Choptank Community Health, Inc's Behavioral Health Expansion project
- Opioid Operational Command Center: Mid-shore partners meeting October 2, 2019 and Regional Systems Management Presentation to Western Maryland February 21, 2020
- MSBH has supported the Eastern Shore Crisis Response Mobile Crisis Teams (MCI) in providing a 24/7 service for the eight counties of the Eastern Shore. The Eastern Shore Operations Center (ESOC), 888-407-8018, is also operating 24/7 locally
- MSBH hosted the Annual Sequential Intercept Model meeting with providers and community partners, the topic was Human Trafficking,
- As part of the Warm Hand-Off initiative, MSBH developed a live Google document that will track behavioral health waiting lists. This will assist in quality transition of care when making new referrals.
- MSBH continues to support community involvement, planning, and education for the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) model and Handle With Care model. Both initiatives highlight the sensitivity to the impact of trauma, with specific attention to our child and adolescent population. Handle With Care is currently implemented in 3 of the mid-shore counties Queen Anne's, Caroline and Dorchester.
- MSBH has promoted the Mid-Shore Out of the Darkness Suicide Awareness Walk since its inception.
- MSBH manages the State Opioid Response Grant (S.O.R.) which currently funds:
  - o Eight Crisis Beds at A.F. Whitsitt Center.
  - o Two Safe Stations located in the lower shore.
  - o Recovery Houses:
    - \*Gratitude House in Cambridge, MD
    - \*The Oxford House in Queen Anne's County
  - o MSBH has applied for another round of S.O.R. funding to expand services on the Eastern Shore.
- MSBH received funding from the Opioid Operational Command Center (OCC) to enhance services at the A.F. Whitsitt Center.
- MSBH regularly attends and participates in the Local Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council (LDAAC), Child Advocacy Center Advisory Board, Talbot Goes Purple, Shore Regional Health's Opioid Task Force, and Healthy Tilghman meetings.
- Healthy Tilghman Event: Screening of the film Resilience. ACES November 13, 2019.
- Multicultural Festival Participation in virtual event May 2, 2020.
- In response to COVID-19, MSBH has supported the following:
  - o All mid-shore counties representation on EOC meetings
  - o MSBH facilitates bi-weekly Eastern Shore Behavioral Health Service Provider and Stakeholder Network meetings; representative of all nine counties on the Eastern Shore.
  - o Develop and maintain Provider Network Capacity and telehealth provider spreadsheet in a Google Document format.
  - o COVID-19 Emergency Preparedness and Resource Portal on the agency website
  - o Homeless Shelter Availability Google Document; updated daily.

- o Management of emergency funding to support the homeless services providers and homeless or at risk of homelessness community members.
- o Increased Social Media and provider network correspondence with systems updates.

Queen Anne’s County Specific Highlights:

- MSBH regularly attends and participates in the Local Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council (LDAAC), Queen Anne’s County Safety Net Committee, Queen Anne’s County Goes Purple, Shore Regional Health’s Opioid Task Force, EOC calls in response to COVID-19, and NAMI Chapter for Kent and Queen Anne’s Counties.
- MSBH Executive Director has served as the Local Management Board Treasurer since July 2019-present.
- MSBH C&A Behavioral Health Coordinator supports an active leadership role with the Local Care Team for the county and has supported multiple youth in the county with care planning and supportive intervention arrangements.
- State Opioid Response Grant: MSBH manages the S.O.R. Award that intends to bring one to three Recovery Houses to Queen Anne’s County.
- Queen Anne’s County Public Schools through partnership with MSBH have implemented the Handle with Care model which is a statewide trauma informed response to child maltreatment and children’s exposure to violence.
- MSBH team members volunteered at the Haunted Trap House in October to increase awareness in the county of the life of a substance user, including best practice prevention and logic models in a spooky, haunted house atmosphere.

**PRESS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No persons spoke to the Commissioners on subjects of interest to them.

**COMMISSIONER’S ROUNDTABLE:**

Commissioner J. Wilson discussed the following:

- Noted the sewage problem from the storm and thanked all the workers that worked around the clock to restore service
- The QAC Fair started today and the kids are showing their animals
- Noted that Kirwan funding mechanism passed in Legislation, but the Governor vetoed it and the school construction bill will have to wait until next year’s legislation process

Commissioner Dumenil discussed the following:

- Bought a new bike and rode his bike along the county trails and thanked Parks & Recreation for cleaning up the trails after the storm

Commissioner S. Wilson discussed the following:

- Noted that the QAC COVID rate has increased

Commissioner Corchiarino discussed the following:

Thanked county staff and utility workers for their hard work to restoring power

Wished a Happy 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday to his grandfather, John Nutter.

Noted on the discussion on racism going on and asked everyone to be respectful and talk with each other and not at each other.

Commissioner Moran discussed the following:

He and Commissioner J. Wilson met with the Board of Education. School will be virtual for now but will have small classroom settings for those that need face to face learning.

He and Commissioner S. Wilson had their first meeting with the Bay Bridge Reconstruction Advisory Group (BBRAG). The construction on the bridge is a 2-year project. The steel plates are in place to span the area where they are replacing control joints.

There being no further business, they adjourned at 7:30 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, August 25, 2020.

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